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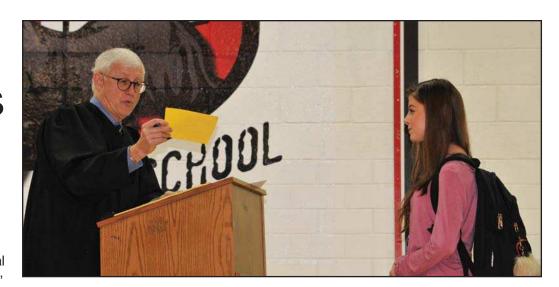
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Pilot program teaches students 'Truth or Consequences'

By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

Freshmen students learned about the choices they make and the consequences that occur during the inaugural "Truth or Consequences" event at Prestonsburg High School on March 2. The Floyd County

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Floyd Circuit Judge Thomas M. Smith handed out "sentences" to students in the "Truth or Consequences" program at Prestonsburg High School. Students were given various scenarios in which they determined their fate by visiting Smith and others portraying various agencies at the event.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Sean Whiting and his band opened a series of 10 concerts that were part of the Star City Circus Jam. The Star City Circus Jam hosted an album release party for "The Revival," which was produced at the Mountain Arts Center by Kristofer Bentley and other artists.

Artists, musicians, others, participate in Star City Circus Jam

Artist Jenna McGuire was among the artists who exhibited work during the Star City **Circus Jam at** the Mountain **Arts Center on** March 3.

Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows



BY MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

Kristofer Bentley asked his friends to help him celebrate the release of a new album, and that decision brought a one-of-a-kind event that Mountain Arts Center officials

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Banner man charged with sexual abuse

Number of alleged victims increased from one to four

> By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County man who was scheduled to go to trial this month for sexual abuse is now facing additional charges.

A Floyd County grand jury issued a superseding indictment last week against Grover D. Lewis, 63, of Banner, which charged him with additional sexual crimes.

Lewis is scheduled to go to trial on March 19 for five felony counts of first-degree sexual abuse of a child and one count of intimidating a participant in a legal process, another felo-

In the superseding indictment, which includes the prior charges alongside the new ones, Lewis now faces a total of 10 charges — eight felony counts of first-degree sexual abuse of a child, one felony count of first-degree sodomy and one count of intimidating a participant in a legal process.

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Alcohol sales, occupational tax, business license fee on the table in Allen annexation proposal

BY MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

The Allen City Commission continued its discussion about annexing New Allen businesses this week, with officials started discussion about

sibility of allowing voters to approve alcohol sales and implementing occupational and business license fee taxes.

commission

also discussing the pos- annexing businesses located along Ky. 1428 in New Allen last month, and announced plans to call a special meeting to address the business owners about those plans. However, that

meeting was not held.

On March 5, Commissioner Elmer Parsons said the city doesn't need to have that meeting because it was just mentioned as a courtesy to the businesses the city

hopes to annex.

City Attorney Beth Shortridge advised the commission that it must send certified letters to business property

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Prestonsburg man charged with trafficking pot

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Prestonsburg man was arrested Friday after officers allegedly located a mason jar full of marijuana and pills in his vehicle.

Kendall W. Hackworth, 29, of First Street, Prestonsburg, was charged with trafficking in marijuana (less than eight ounces), second-degree possession of a controlled substance, third-degree possession of a controlled substance and and six traffic charges.

According to a press release issued by Kentucky State Police Post 9, a quart-size mason jar containing marijuana, marijuana seeds, 11 Gabapentin pills (400 milligram), 20 Hydrocodone pills (7.5 milligram) and \$1,154.00 in cash were located in the vehicle driven by Hackworth. The arrest was made following a traffic stop.

According to the citation written by Kentucky State Police Trooper Darvin Marsillett, the trooper enacted the traffic stop after noticing that Hackworth's vehicle registration was expired. "After making a traffic stop on the vehicle, I observed a strong odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle," Marsillett wrote.

Hackworth told the officer he had not been smoking marijuana inside the vehicle, records show.

The Prestonsburg Police Department K9 Unit was requested, the citation shows. The K9 made a positive alert on the vehicle, which led officers to find marijuana, weighing scales and pills, court records show.

Hackworth was arrested and lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center.

The case remains under investigation by Trooper Marsillett.

Discussing FRYSC programs in Frankfort



Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Prestonsburg, met with Brian H. Akers and Rebial Reynolds, Family Resource and Youth Services Coalition of Kentucky, Inc. coordinators from Floyd County, in Frankfort on March 1 to discuss issues that affect the FRYSCKy program.

Big Sandy Community and Technical College signs NACCE President's Pledge

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) held a signing on their Pikeville campus on Friday to engage in entrepreneurship.

Dr. Sherry Zylka, BSCTC president/CEO, signed the President's Pledge with the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship (NACCE).

NACCE is a non-profit organization founded in 2002 to serve the mission of accelerating entrepreneurship at community and technical colleges in the United States. The organization serves two audiences community college administrators who are manage entrepreneurship education programs and entrepreneurship centers and faculty members who teach entrepreneurship.

NACCE's vision is creating economic vitality through entrepreneur-

ship; members believe community colleges are in an ideal position to accomplish this based on their accessibility and local ties to their communities. NACCE helps community colleges nationwide link their traditional role of workforce development with entrepreneurial development. Through annual conference, symposiums, a website, an e-newsletter, webinars, a quarterly journal, member blogs, podcasts, a listserv and other services, NACCE helps its members share information about entrepreneurship education.

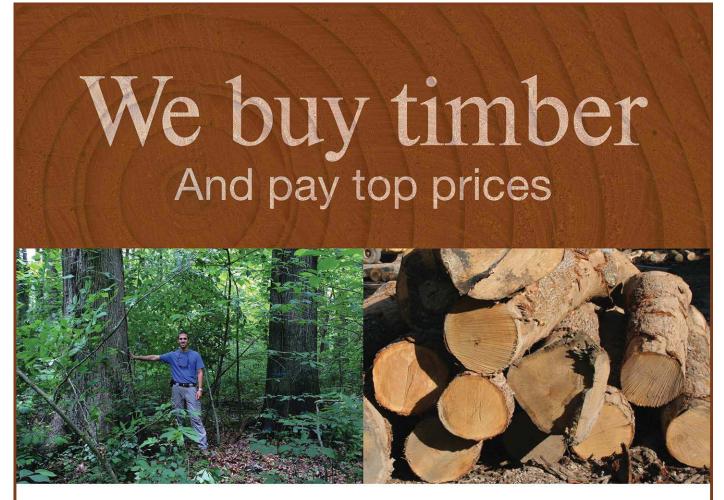
"Entrepreneurship is very important to our area and I am proud to sign this pledge to show our dedication to entrepreneurship and helping to grow our local economy," said

Dr. Kris Westover from Mountain Empire Community College was also on hand to sign and commit their college to entrepreneurship as well.



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Dr. Sherry Zylka, BSCTC President, and Dr. Kris Westover, Mountain Empire Community College President, sign a pledge with the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship (NACCE) to encourage economic growth today on our Pikeville campus.



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Cooperative Extension Office planned the program with input from the school district, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, Saint Joseph Martin, Highlands Health, the Floyd County Health Department and Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction.

The half-day program was made possible with participation from numerous organizations, law enforcement agencies and others, including the Floyd County Coroner's office, Floyd County Detention Center, Circuit Judge Thomas M. Smith and others.

Heather Coleman, extension agent for 4-H Youth Development and Andrea Johnson, extension agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, said the program was modeled after a similar program in Cumberland.

Partners developed around 60 scenarios that PHS freshmen were given, and the students were required to visit the various agencies to learn how the choices made in those scenarios would impact their lives. The scenarios placed these students in situations where they were facing all sorts of problems — teenage pregnancy, sexually-transmitted diseases, human trafficking, drug use

and addiction, criminal to help students learn to charges related to theft, drug abuse and other crimes as well as other

Johnson said the program emphasized the "power of choice" for the students.

"There are instances of violence breaking out. There's instances of drug use and alcohol use, and this is the prime age that it all starts, and it all can start with the power of a single choice," she said. "We can make a decision in a split second and not think twice about it, but it can completely change our lives."

Floyd County Deputy Coroner Omery Chuck Hall brought a gurney and body bags his office uses to transport overdose victims and a coffin for his display. He offered students brochures about death, suicide and other topics related to death. He said he was there to teach children that some of the choices they make could be deadly. He also wanted to show them that dying from an overdose "is not like a normal death."

"If they pay attention, it could help them," he said about the program. "It's basically showing them that this stuff, it could be reality to them on down the road."

Smith, serving as the judge during the program, was also there

make better choices.

"It gives them some indication as to how serious it can get pretty quickly," he said. "If you get involved with drugs or get into any circumstance where law enforcement is called in, you will end up in a long procedure, and there's not much fun in it for any teenager, for sure."

PHS Principal Lori Bricken said teenagers don't usually think about the consequences of their actions.

"It's great for our students because I don't think a lot of them are actually aware of the reality of consequences for their decisions," she said. "They're young teenagers, and their reality is what they dreamed up in their head and what they see on television, and a lot of our reality shows and the songs that they listen to and what they think is real is a far cry from the real expectation. I think this will be good to help us shift the culture of how freshmen think, and that's a big

As part of the program, she told students the consequences they faced for breaking school rules or committing crimes.

"If you're caught trafficking, this is what's going to happen," Bricken said. "We're going to call the school resource officer. We're going to

press charges. You're marijuana use, wound going to get a court designated worker, and you're going to go before a judge. You're going to be automatically suspended for 10 days and you're going to have to enroll in a drug counseling program."

She and Lola Ratliff, who oversees school safety for the school district, said students were surprised to learn their fate in these scenarios.

"They're like, 'You're kidding," Bricken said. "I'm like, 'No. This is the way it is. This is real life.' I don't know why there's such a disconnect with them and reality. I mean, that's part of the problem. They don't recognize that."

She encouraged the students to understand how choices they make impact others.

"Sometimes think that a choice that you make only affects you, and I'm here to tell you that it does not," she said. "When you make poor choices here, it affects you. It affects your circle of friends. It affects your class. It affects our school, our school culture and climate. It affects this community."

As part of the program, speakers from MCCC, Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Highlands Health and Passport Health addressed the students in groups to talk about themselves.

care related to intravenous drug use and babies who are born addicted.

The program also featured a presentation for all PHS students by Forest Quillen, a 25-year-old Letcher County native who started using drugs in middle school and spent years in jail for drug-related crimes.

His "Be Somebody"

presentation began with a story about his childhood — how he grew up watching his parents abuse drugs and each other. He said he decided early on that he hated drugs and didn't want to be anything like his parents when he grew up, but with one choice he made because of peer pressure, he became addicted. That addiction sent him to jail, the first time, for a crime he didn't remember committing, and it sent him back to jail when he reach the point that he was "empty" because of his addiction and didn't care about anybody but himself.

He encouraged the students to seek out classmates who don't have friends or who are bullied, to speak out when others are hurting them, to resist peer pressure, drug and alcohol use, and premarital sex, to make good choices and to think about people other than

He said the "pursuit of happiness is not the pursuit of pleasure."

"When you live every single day for the pleasure of yourself and you're so self-consumed and you're so self-focused, you lose all ability to have compassion for other people, then vou start becoming empty," he said. "And I was empty. The pursuit of pleasure always leads to destruction, emptiness and death."

He told students that being a man has nothing to do with "being tough."

"If you think that being a man has anything to do with being physically tough, you are a child," he told them.

He encouraged them to start thinking about the type of person they want to become and explained that the decisions they make will shape their future, telling them that if they don't have goals and aren't striving to reach them, then, in 10 years, "you're going to wake up the same exact person you are today, going nowhere and doing nothing,"

"Your direction today determines the destination that you're going to. Who are you becoming today?" he asked them.

Coleman said the extension office plans to host "Truth or Consequences" for all county high schools next year.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Kentucky State Police spokesperson William Petry talks to a Prestonsburg High school student during "Truth or Consequences" on March 2.









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Rogers wants answers from AEP

AN APPALACHI AN **N**EWSPAPERS STAFF REPORT

U.S. Representative Harold "Hal" Rogers wants answers from American Electric Power, the parent company of Kentucky Power.

On Feb. 22, he sent a letter to the company, asking why residential utility bills increased by 200 percent for some Eastern Kentucky customers since last fall.

The letter highlights examples of utility bills Rogers received from individuals, small

business owners and non-profit organizations in Kentucky's Fifth Congressional District.

"One gentleman in particular said his AEP bill jumped from \$189.59 to \$486.31, which will take up more than 32 percent of his fixed income of \$1,582," Rogers said in the letter. "Like so many other folks in my region, as a result of the unexpected 256 percent jump in utility rates, he is now forced to decide between paying to keep his home warm and his lights on, paying for his medication, or buying groceries

this month.

"While I clearly understand the fluctuation of rates can be partially attributable to changes in weather patterns and other market conditions, the increased rates and added fees appear quite extreme," Rogers wrote. "Roughly 20 percent of the bills provided to me are attributable to unexplained fees, taxes and adjustments totally unrelated to consumption."

He highlighted some of these fees from three bills in the letter, showing one customer charge of \$41.97 for an environ-

mental adjustment, while others were charged \$17 and \$40 for environmental surcharges. He also highlighted fees for demand-side management programs —fees that were removed from Kentucky Power residential customer bills in recent PSC rulings that reduced the company's residential customer bills by four percent.

Rogers asked what could be done to keep utility costs from fluctuating for these residents. He also noted that it's "critical that AEP be fully transparent in explaining

why people in our region are paying for items such as the operation and decommissioning riders, a fee for economic development, and environmental adjustment."

"The passage of these operational costs onto AEP customers in the second-poorest congressional district in the country is extremely disappointing," he wrote. "Additionally, what can be done to eliminate these extreme fluctuations in costs and ensure the electricity costs remain consistently affordable for those in our region?"

The letter ends with a request for a response within 30 days.

In a statement, Kentucky Power President Matt Satterwhite said AEP officials met with Rogers in person to address his concerns.

"Despite what customers may be sharing, an order from the Kentucky Public Service Commission actually creates an overall 4.4 percent decline in an average Kentucky Power customer's bill," he wrote in a statement. "That new rate structure, including federal tax credits and Demand Side Management rider credits, will take full effect with March's bills."

He explained that the PSC regulates the costs that AEP is permitted to recover from its custom-

"As a regulated utility, our rates are limited to only allow us to recover our reasonable costs and earn a return that enables infrastructure improvements to provide safe and reliable service," his statement said. "The real solution to address rate concerns is to bring in industry and jobs, and that is why we are leading the focus on an economic revival in the region. We are using our corporate status to attract large commercial and industrial customers, such as EnerBlu in Pikeville and Braidy Industries in Ashland, and the good paying jobs they will bring. But Kentucky Power's ability to lead depends on its health as a company."

He mentioned an oped published recently by Kentucky Public Service Commission Chairman Michael Schmitt, quoting him as saying, "A strong Kentucky economy requires healthy, viable utility companies. Like any business, if utility companies are forced to provide their services at a loss, the company cannot succeed and consumers will ultimately be harmed when those services are no longer available."

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Big Sandy Idol competitions announced

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The 2018 Big Sandy Idol Regional Competition is coming to the Mountain Arts Center on March 9-10 and the competitions for the competition have been announced.

Big Sandy Idol began twelve years ago and is presented by Gearheart Communications and Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC). Students from local high schools in surrounding counties will compete for a full scholarship, a spot in the elite Big Sandy Singers and Band and an album recording, among other

The competitors for this year's title of 2018 Big Sandy Idol are:

Floyd Central High School: Gracie Combs (winner); Tate Hicks (runner-up).

School: Isabella Jacobs (winner); Chandler Nelson (runner-up).

Paintsville School: Celeste Turner and Katelyn Fitch (winners).

Shelby Valley High School: Jondra Gibson (winner); Drew Charles (runner-up).

Betsy Layne High School: Destiny Waddle (winner); Laken Compton (runner-up).

School: Brenya Strouth (winner); Julia Damron kctcs.edu.

(runner-up).

Phelps High School: Noah Wolford (winner); Kiana Chapman (runner-up).

Pikeville High School: Sarah McCoy (winner); Nate Mattingly (runner-up).

Magoffin County High School: John Ward (winner); Isaac Perkins (runner-up). Johnson Central

High School: Aliyah Allen (winner); Makayla Daniels (runner-up). **Sheldon Clark High**

School: Allison Dye (winner); Hannah Ward (runner-up). **Belfry High School:** Carlie McCoy (winner);

Danica Dye (runner-up). East Ridge High School: Mallory Bowling (winner); Elathan Bowling

(runner-up). Home/ **Private High School:** Kassidy Clatworthy (winner); Emily Bryant (runner-up).

Tickets are \$13 or Prestonsburg High \$11 for groups of 10 or more. They can be purchased at the MAC ticket office, online at, www. macarts.com, or by calling, 1-888-MAC-ARTS. All proceeds from the show benefit the college's fine arts department and music outreach programs throughout the region.

For more information on Big Sandy Idol and the Big Sandy Singers and Band, contact MAC Executive Director Clayton Pike Central High Case at, (606) 886-7388 or email ccase0005@

COLUMN:

Ongoing efforts in the battle against opioid addiction

BY JOHN TILLEY
SECRETARY,
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The numbers aren't final yet, but 2017 will likely be another record-breaking year for overdose deaths in Kentucky. That's astonishing when you consider that more than 1,400 of our friends, relatives and neighbors lost their lives to opioids in 2016. The suffering has been immense. Nearly every family has been impacted by this scourge. Our foster care system, our courts, our prisons and jails and our first responders are near the breaking point.

The Bevin Administration and the General Assembly have moved swiftly to create laws and implement policies that address this crisis. However, an epidemic of this size and scope will require continued vigilance and strategic action. For that

reason, Gov. Bevin's proposed budget includes \$34 million to continue the fight, and I am urging every Kentuckian to support this funding. It will help save lives — possibly the life of someone you know — and it will allow us to build on a number of promising initiatives.

Last year, Kentucky was a national leader in enacting a three-day limit on opioid prescriptions for acute pain. This law is a major step in closing a key entry point into opioid addiction. The Bevin Administration also launched the 'Don't Let Them Die' awareness campaign along with the educational website DontLetThemDie.com. Additional efforts are underway to increase the distribution of lifesaving Narcan kits. And the administration secured \$10.3 million in federal funds to address prevention and recovery. With the funding, we have challenged medical and dental

schools to integrate more opioid stewardship, prescriber education, addiction recovery training and opioid stewardship into their curriculum. More residency training is also critical.

All of these are important steps to preventing addiction on the front end, and as a result, prescriptions for powerful drugs have fallen by 70 million dosage units. But helping those who already suffer from a substance use disorder remains a significant challenge. We have already taken steps in that arena: Through the Don't Let Them Die campaign, we partnered with Operation Unite on a statewide telephone helpline, 833-8KY-HELP (833-859-4357). And we worked with our partners at the Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to create FindHelp-NowKy.org, a website designed to quickly connect people with

counseling and treatment resources.

Still, Kentucky needs to greatly expand public-private partnerships that create longterm treatment facilities with a special focus on opioid addiction. Opioid addiction is powerful and a life-long battle. Short-term stays in a treatment program approved by third-party providers have proven inadequate in many cases, and programs of six months or perhaps longer are often needed. These longterm programs should include a iob training component. When an individual is in recovery, the opportunity to work can provide critically needed accountability that aids in recovery. The ultimate goal is to save lives and allow sufferers to reenter society as contributing members. No one who dies of an overdose can reach that goal.

In addition, we need many more peer support specialists.

Pilot programs that have incorporated this type of counseling and support have proven very effective in other states. More effective and expansive education programs on the use of opioids and the risks of overprescribing are also necessary. Likewise, the proposed funds are needed to assist in interdicting and disrupting drug trafficking organizations. These criminal enterprises are preying on addicted people by trafficking in deadly synthetic drugs like fentanyl.

The heart-wrenching story of the opioid epidemic is now a tragic theme in our daily headlines. Though progress has been made in this battle, we must not rest. The funds proposed in Gov. Bevin's budget are desperately needed to move toward victory in what is one of the most daunting life and death struggles we have ever faced.

GUEST COLUMN:

Senate week in review

By JOHNNY RAY TURNER 29TH DISTRICT STATE SENATOR

Last week, advocates lined the hallways, meeting rooms, tunnels and anywhere there were legislators. Unhappy Kentuckians — specifically school and public employees, active and retired – were seeking support for their pensions. The event corresponded with the committee hearing on the Senate Republican's pension proposal, Senate Bill 1.

No action was taken on the bill in committee as we were told the bill is being modified by a Senate committee substitute. We heard brief testimony, following a breakdown of SB 1 by the bill sponsor who is also committee chair. As to the committee substitute, it arrived late Thursday. I read the proposal. The modifications made were not significant enough to change my mind about SB

1. The changes will not fulfil the obligations we have to all those whose lives and livelihood it will ultimately affect.

As it stands now, I do not support SB 1. I cannot, in good conscience, vote favorably on a bill that will be detrimental to so many school personnel, public employees, retirees, and all those associated with the retirement systems. Further, it will do great harm to our education system and our government agencies because recruitment and retention will be made much more difficult. Not only will the bill in its current form have a negative impact on Kentuckians, but it will also have an adverse effect on fundamental services. For instance, it will increase the financial hardship on school districts across Kentucky - putting many districts, especially districts in eastern Kentucky, in a financial crisis. This legislation will endanger public services

provided to our most vulnerable citizens and the retirement situations of many of our elderly citizens.

Another factor to consider is that Kentucky's attorney general has said that large parts of the bill are illegal because they disregard the inviolable contract of current state, city, and county retirees

In my opinion, SB 1 is bad public policy. It will hurt school employees, public employees, local school districts and public education, and hamper government agencies and services. It is not good for individuals and is not good for Kentucky.

Unless the amended version overhauls the bill to create legislation that keeps our pension promise to teachers, public employees, and retirees — I will contin-

ue to fight the legislation.

Bills that passed the

Senate last week:

House Bill 136 would

increase cap on-premise package sales at Kentucky breweries to 31 gallons, which equals two kegs, while still limiting the number of cases sold to three. A second provision would allow craft brewers to start sending their wholesale tax payments directly to the Kentucky Department Revenue. Craft brewers currently pay their wholesale taxes to their distributor who keeps 1 percent before forwarding the rest of the money to revenue department. HB 136 is vital to the continued growth of Kentucky's hard-working microbreweries. This industry is growing with Kentucky craft brews being sold in more than 6,700 retail locations across Kentucky, and in 40 states and 25 countries.

Senate Bill 112 will encourage the practice of incorporating new communication technologies when treating

patients, broadly known as

telehealth. SB 112 states that a doctor would be able to log in from anywhere in the world to treat a Kentucky resident. The physician, however, would still have to be licensed in Kentucky. Telemedicine allows providers to implement cost-saving strategies such as video conference follow-ups and remote patient monitoring that decreases hospitalizations and increases the quality of care. It also connects patients with specialists that may not have offices in the area and reduces the burden of long commutes to see doctors.

House Bill 4, a bill I did not support, received final passage and was sent to the Governor's desk. The legislation would exempt physician peer-review discussions from discovery, a pre-trial procedure in a malpractice lawsuit to obtain evidence. Peer review is used to determine whether accepted standards

of care have been met, and I do not support infringing on anyone's right to their day in

Having passed the twothirds mark of the 2018 session, our pace will continue to pick up. The House has passed its version of the twoyear budget and tax reform. Those bills have just arrived in the Senate and I will be reviewing those, along with any changes to the pension reform bill.

Last week, the body recognized the tremendous strides of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, since being established 20 years ago. Over the next few weeks, the number of bills voted out of committee and on the floor will increase significantly.

It is more important than ever that you stay engaged and share your input. To follow bills or check a bills status, go to www.lrc.ky.gov. You may leave a message for any legislator at the General Assembly's Message Line at, 800-372-7181. You may also email me at, JohnnyRay. Turner@lrc.ky.gov.

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Daniel Wheeler Allen, 78, of Auxier, died Saturday, Mar. 3, 2018.

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Pauline Coburn, 69, of Ivel, died Sunday, Mar. 4, 2018.

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Ted Hall

Ted Hall, 69, of Print- Harold, died Friday, Mar. er, died Sunday, Mar. 4, 2018.

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Michelle Pigman

Michelle Lynn Pigman, 39, of Raven, died Thursday, Mar. 1, 2018.

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Naomi Ratliff

Naomi Lynn Ratliff, Estill Jean Endicott, 65, of Betsy Layne, died Friday, Mar. 2, 2018.

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Sarah Stevens

Sarah Bell King Stevens, 71, of Garrett, died Saturday, Mar. 3, 2018.

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Edgar Tackett Edgar Tackett, 73, of

2, 2018. Arrangements were are under the direction of **Funeral**



"Jan" Taylor

Georganne "Jan" Brown Taylor, age 54, formerly of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, died Friday, March 2, 2018 in her adoptive home town of Johnson City, Tennessee. Jan was born June 12, 1963 to George C. Brown and Bertha Mae Cooksey Brown of Prestonsburg.

She is survived by her husband, Donald Wayne Taylor, Jr., an Assistant United States Attorney of Johnson City, Tennessee; her twin brothers; State Representative, Larry D. Brown and Dr. Gary D. Brown of Prestonsburg; three nephews, Jordan Chase Brown, Andrew Tyler Brown and Garrett Woodson McGuire Brown; and one niece, Lindsey Michelle Brown.

"Jan" was preceded in death by her parents, George C. Brown, on May 4, 2000, and her mother Bertha Mae Brown, on July 27, 2001.

Jan was a 1981 graduate of Prestonsburg High School; a 1985 graduate of Transylvania University; and a 1989 graduate of The Salmon P. Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University. Jan was admitted to practice law in Kentucky before the Kentucky Supreme Court on May 11, 1990. She was also licensed to practice law in the State of Tennessee being sworn in on October 24, 2008.

Professionally, Jan served as an Assistant Floyd County Attorney in Prestonsburg and as Vice President and Corporate Counsel for the First and living at the "farm"

Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg. After moving to Johnson City, TN, Jan provided volunteer legal services for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of North East Tennessee, where in seven years and seven months of service she advocated for more than 25 children and made sure they were safe. She was also a member of PEO (Philanthropic Education Organization) which is a "sisterhood" of women professionals that help provide educational opportunities for

other women. Jan was a great lover of shelter animals, taking many into their home when she and Wayne lived on Cow Creek and Rice Branch in Floyd County, and in Johnson City, Tennessee. Over the last few years, Jan followed in her mother's footsteps and learned to fly. She loved the untethered freedom flying could offer. But more than anything else, Jan loved her family, friends,

on Rice Branch. There was no place she would rather be.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to CASA of Northeast Tennessee in memory of Jan Taylor, PO Box 1021, Johnson City, TN 37605 or the Floyd County Animal Shelter, 545 Sally Stephens Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Visitation will be Friday, March 9, 2018, at the First United Methodist Church, 256 S. Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at 2:00 p.m.

This is a paid obituary.

Bryan Keith Whitten, Sr.

Bryan Keith Whitten, Sr., 51, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, Mar. 3, 2018.

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Commonwealth Attorney Arnold Brent Turner said he expects Lewis' attorney to request a continuance of the March 19 trial to prepare a defense for the superseding charges.

He reported that the first indictment came from allegations made ual abuse charges in the hind bars. Turner report-

by a child, and the suindictment perseding was issued after allegations were made by three other adult victims, who claim Lewis sexually abused them as children.

Some of the charges against him are decades old. Turner said there is no statute of limitation on felonies in Kentucky.

The dates of the sex-

superseding indictment range from January 1969 to December 1969; from 1979 to 1981; from 1974 to 1975 and from 2012 to 2015. The sodomy charge is alleged to have occurred from 2012 to 2015 and the intimidation charge stems from incidents alleged in 2016.

If convicted, Lewis could spend decades beed the sodomy charge carries a penalty of up to 20 years and the eight sexual abuse charge against him carry penalties of between five and 10 years each.

He said child abuse cases like these the "most difficult" to prosecute because "they're the cases that you have the least amount of evidence on."

"Often, it's just the child's word and very little else and that's no one's fault. It's just the nature of the type of crime," he said. "They tend to occur in a place where no one will see anything and there are no witnesses, normally, essentially making the case on the word of a child, and it puts a lot of pressure on the child, frankly. They're not usually the case."

put in a difficult position of having to almost singlehandedly convince a jury of what happened. So, anytime you have multiple victims, that's obviously helpful to corroborate what the first person said, but that's

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owners 14 days before the city's intent to annex ordinance is read. On March 5, she said she would research whether current city maps would fulfill the mapping requirements for the proposed annexation or if the city must hire surveyors to map out the proposed annexation locations prior to the city's attempt to annex.

Commissioner Josh an attorney, Kinzer, said he would research drafting ordinances to implement an occupational tax and a business license fee in Allen. Officials also discussed the possibility of taxing alcohol sales, if voters approve Allen as a wet district.

Floyd County Clerk Chris Waugh said the voters in the Mouth of Beaver precinct, which encompasses Allen, voted 41-25 on Oct. 3, district.

The sales alcohol about came during talk about the possibility of annexing businesses located outside of New Allen, including Seasons Inn, a bar that is located in an unincorporated area near Martin.

Waugh confirmed that Seasons Inn is located in the Mouth of Beaver precinct, but he would not comment when asked how that businesses is currently selling alcohol if it is in a dry district. Josh Kinzer posed that question during Allen's meeting.

Commissioner Dr. Eilene Kinzer inquired about allowing a New Allen business to serve alcohol, which brought up a discussion about Seasons Inn.

She said several businesses owners asked her questions about Allen's proposed annexation and one of annexed those properties.

Josh Kinzer questioned how Seasons Inn is permitted to sell alcohol when it is located in a dry area, and Shortridge reported that if the city annexes Seasons Inn, the bar could no longer sell alcohol because Allen is a dry city.

"The problem is we're dry," Shortridge said. "If you annex anything, it becomes dry. I looked into that, then, to become wet, it would have to be put on the ballot."

Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control reports online that Seasons Inn was issued a restaurant-based alcoholic beverage permit in 2004 and it expired that year. It also reports the business' retail drink license was issued in April 2017 and expires on April 30. Ricky Gardenhire, spokesperson those questions was for the Kentucky Public

serving alcohol if Allen firmed that Seasons Inn is permitted to sale alcohol because it is located in Floyd County.

Seasons Inn owner Chris McKinney said he would oppose annexation into Allen.

When asked about his alcohol license, he said he has talked to Allen officials about that question in the past saying his business is not part of Allen or Martin, but it is part of Floyd County, which is wet.

Shortridge said she would research whether there is still time to place a wet/dry vote on the ballot in Allen and research the names of all business property owners in the area the city intends to annex so Allen can move forward with the annexation process. Parsons suggested that Seasons Inn file a petition to become unincorporated if the commissioners annexation is approved.

"I think what we need to do is annex the

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1995, to remain a dry whether they could start Protection Cabinet, con-property the way it is is annex the businessown election," Parsons said.

> questions When about city business taxes came up, City Clerk Krystal Spurlock said she could not find a city ordinance establishing a business tax in the city.

> Parsons initially reported that Allen businesses currently pay an occupational tax, but when Eilene Kinzer asked how much his employees at his business pay, he and Mayor Sharon Woods said Allen does not currently have an occupational tax.

"So, we'd have to do instate an ordinance, ing dry," Commissioner then do the survey, then do the annexation, and then, in between that, we would turn from dry to wet," Eilene Kinzer said.

Parsons said the were "getting way ahead of ourselves."

"What we need to do 25 mph.

and let them file their es," he said. "The city, petition, and have their the people in New Allen will have to, they'll have to have a vote on that on the upcoming election sometime or another because there's a lot of church people over there that do not want alcohol, even though that's a good thing."

Eilene Kinzer suggested talking to businesses about a possible occupational tax because it would impact them.

Mayor Woods suggested visiting residents individually to see how they'd feel about a wet/ dry vote.

"It's stupid, us be-Clyde Woods said.

During the meeting, Parsons asked Police Chief Thomas Gearheart to check with the Kentucky Highway Cabinet to see whether the speed limit on Ky. 1428 in New Allen could be reduced from 35 mph to



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- March 8; 10:30 a.m.: Morning story time, Prestonsburg (606) 886-2981
- March 8; 6 p.m.: Technical College Board of Directors to meet,

- - Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets at Prestonsburg First Presbyterian Church
- 3:30 p.m.: Appalachian Regional Commission to host a free regional workshop for those interested in submitting a POWER grant application at Hazard Community & Technical College. Register under the POWER initiative link at arc.gov.
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Floyd man arrested by KSP on meth charge, released on surety bond

AN APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — A Floyd County man who was arrested and charged with methamphetamine possession by Kentucky State Police in Pike County Friday was released on a surety bond following arraignment Monday.

According to court records, Kentucky State Police Trooper Sheldon Thomas was patrolling a "high drug area" near Ky. 3226 in Pikeville when he made contact with Joshua L. Smallwood, 38, of East Point.

Smallwood, the citation said, was found in possession of a "black/white backpack," the citation said. Smallwood consented to allowing Thomas to search the backpack and the trooper wrote that he located a black container inside of the backpack.

That container, the trooper wrote, held four different plastic bags of suspected methamphetamine, as well as "multiple items" of paraphernalia, the citation said. Smallwood, according to the citation, admitted the substance inside of the bags was meth.

Thomas wrote he also located a "blue medical bag" in Smallwood's possession which held multiple nee-

Smallwood was arrested on charges of first-offense first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia, court records

Smallwood pleaded not guilty to his charges Monday at arraignment, court documents said.

Pike District Judge Kelsey E. Friend Jr. ordered Smallwood held in the custody of the Pike County Detention Center on a \$2,000 surety bond, with MCR monitoring if bond was to be made, court records show.

Friend, according to court records, also noted the setting of the surety bond was "set over county (attorney's) objections."

Smallwood, jail records show, was released from the custody of the PCDC shortly after being returned from arraignment Monday.



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to replicate in the future.

The March 3 Star City Circus Jam was a celebration for the release of "The Revival," an album recorded at the MAC last year by Bentley and other musicians.

"Myself and 11 others from various bands, Brother Smith, Magnolia Boulevard, Prototype, Homegrown Head, Tony Mullins, we just kind of — It's really organic. We just came into the studio here at the Mountain Arts Center and in three days, we recorded 15 songs," Bentley said.

Bentley earned local and national fame performing alongside Nicholas Jamerson in Sundy Best over the past several years. The pair released several albums and toured all over the country. Last year, though, they started working on solo proj-

"It's been a rollercoaster, a rocket ship, really," Bentley said. "Nicholas and I, we were in it before we knew it, and it was like we were so in it, it took really stepping on the brakes and stepping off the train for us to start breathing."

He said he lost himself doing all of that work, and that he's been through "a lot of suffering" and a "lot of healing" with lately.

"We went through so much, experienced so much," he said. "For myself. I thought it was who I was and I realized it wasn't who I was. But it took me kind of removing myself from it to realize, Hey, I'm still that little boy that used to play in the yard, climb trees, right? So I'm back to that now and that's my grounding and whatever I do comes from

Working on the "The

birth for him.

"It captured a moment in time, so the whole thing is beautiful to me," he said.

"ever-changing" collabo-

"The Revival, you can't put it in a box, so it's not a band," he said. "I think it's just more of a collaboration, on my part, to just enjoy playing music with my friends. I was so about me for so long, that getting to experience it from a different angle now and getting to be a part of other folks' dreams, that's a dream of mine that I never realized until I experienced it."

He also said, "There's food. There's music. There's art. There's people sharing their passion. To me, that's the greatest experience that we all can have, to all be together as one."

And that's why he brought dozens of his friends to the Star City Circus Jam. The MAC donated lobby space that allowed artists exhibit and sell their artwork, musicians to perform in free concerts and volunteers from the Wayland-based Lunchroom Project to offer free food to community members.

After the lobby closed, the event moved inside the MAC theater for 10 general admission concerts with Sean Whiting, Trippin Roots, Luna and the Mountain Chelsea Nolan, Short and Company, If Birds Could Fly, Bedford, Magnolia Boulevard, Dance Improv and ny that produced music Brother Smith.

Bentley, who also performed on stage, served as emcee at the

"I said that at first." he said, about the event being his album release party. "But once the

Revival" was like a re- doors were open to me being here, which I'm so thankful for, I wanted to give my friends a chance to experience it, too."

MAC Programming He describes it as a and Marketing Director Joe Campbell said the event had been planned for more than year. Participating artists who exhibited artwork included Wesley Hunt, Bobby Gray, Jenna McGuire, Leslie Hines, Abby Higgins, Jeff Setser and Kristofer Bentley's brother and nephew, Brett Bentley and six-year-old Sawyer Bentley.

"It says that we're more than one-dimensional. There's a lot of artistic talent, musical talent here. There's a lot of giving, you know, with the Lunchroom Project, there's a lot of care in this community, with people wanting to help people out," Campbell said.

MAC officials and volunteers who have been with the organization for more than a decade said the Star City Circus Jam was the first event of its kind held there. They expressed a desire to host events like it in the future.

"I don't want it to be a one-time thing," Campbell said. "I think we're ready to do more events like this."

Participating artists said they felt the same

"This is what this community needs," artist Jenna McGuire said. "Everybody getting together and sharing this kind of love."

A videographer who works for Epic Films of Winchester — a compavideos for Sundy Best filmed a behind-thescenes documentary of the Star City Circus Jam. For details about that documentary, visit The Revival on Facebook. The album is available on iTunes.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Lexington resident Sawyer Bentley paints during the Star City Circus Jam, an album party for Kristofer Bentley's "The Revival" at the Mountain Arts Center. The six-year-old Sawyer helps his dad, Brett Bentley, paint works of art, including those on display during the event, and is the nephew of Kristofer Bentley.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Trippin Roots was among 10 bands that performed during the Star City Circus Jam, an album release party for "The Revival," which was produced at the Mountain Arts Center by Kristofer Bentley and other artists.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Prototype performs during the Star City Circus Jam, an album release party for Kristofer Bentley's "The Revival" at the Mountain Arts Center.

PCUC approves lease with Martin County Water for Honey Branch tank

BY JOSH LITTLE STAFF WRITER

The Prestonsburg City Utilities Commission Monday approved a lease agreement with the Martin County Water District to take over water tank for a three-year period. The tank supplies water to the Big Sandy Federal Prison and other tenants of the Honey Branch Industrial Park.

At a special-called meeting Monday, the commission went into a closed session to discuss the lease, before returning to approve the agreement.

"We made a motion to authorize the chairman and me, as the superintendent, to sign a lease for the Honey Branch tank, with the Martin County Water District," said Turner "Eddie" Campbell after Monday's closed session. "We will be selling the Martin County Water District water on an as-needed basis for \$3.05 per thousand gallons."

"Just to clarify, that is going down from \$7.75 to \$3.05," said Prestonsburg Mayor Les Stapleton.

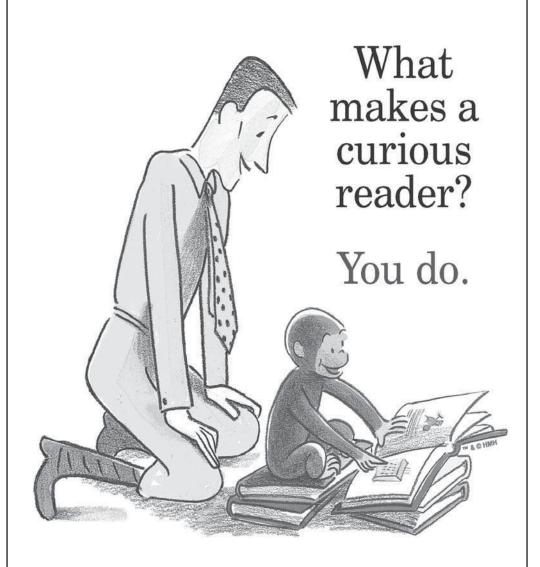
Campbell said the MCWD had asked, last year, for a rate of \$7.75 per thousand gallons.

"We agreed to it because it didn't the Honey Branch Industrial Park mean anything because they had to pay us the same thing if they had to purchase water from us," said Campbell. "So, that was kind of a tough one for them to swallow after they negotiated it. What we've done here tonight, the rate will be, in either direction ... \$3.05 per thousand."

> The agreement states that all customers in the Honey Branch Industrial Park, other than the federal prison, are customers of the MCWD.

> The PCUC agreed to pay the MCWD \$16,500 monthly in rent for the tank. The funds are due on the 15h day of each month. The term of the lease is scheduled for three

The signed lease agreement will now go to the MCWD for approval.



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Bobcat cheer named backto-back district champs



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The Betsy Layne High School cheerleading team was named the 58th District champions during the district basketball tournament. This win marks the second consecutive win for the team, earning them the title of back-toback champs. Pictured, from left: (front row) Hailey Hamilton, Taylor Johnson, Audrey Ariaz, Caroline Mcglone, Sarah Vanover and Jordyn Conn. Middle row: Head Coach Dianna Akers, Aubree Brown, Summer Jarrell, Kaitlyn Hughes, Zailie Kidd, Mackenzie Watson and Chelsea Lewis. Back row: Gabby Johnson, Sarah Hunter, Aariana Sparks, Sophie Mckay and Assistant Coach Katie Bush.

Floyd County native, Nashville singer/songwriter Josh Martin returns to play the MAC

Rising Star Tyler Booth set to open show

FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Eastern Kentucky native and musician Josh Martin will bring his band and country music sounds to the Wil-

lard and Lucy Kinzer Theater in the

Mountain Arts Center (MAC) on Friday, March 23.

Martin was a veteran of the local music scene while growing up in the region. He played with the bluegrass band Fast Lane. He is also a former

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Submitted photo

Josh Martin will perform at the Mountain Arts Center on March 23.



Mike Jude poses with a group of the 2018 winners at the Regional SkillsUSA Competition. These students and many others will go on to compete in the State competition in Louisville in April.

SkillsUSA Regional Competition held at BSCTC Floyd County students receive honors in five categories

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) hosted the 2018 SkillsUSA Competition recently on their Mayo and Hager Hill Campuses.

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry representatives working together to ensure that America has a skilled workforce. Skillto excel. SkillsUSA was (Vocational Clubs of America).

More than 175 students from around the nical education, skilled and service occupation categories for a chance to advance to the state level competition.

BSCTC hosted 25 on-site competitions, 24 held on the Mayo campus and one held on the Hager Hill campus. Over 142 students took home gold, silver and bronze metals and will compete in the state competition in Louisville in April.

Two students from Floyd county placed in sUSA helps each student the First Aid/CPR competition. McKenzie Wireformerly known as VICA man, of Floyd, placed Industrial first in the category, with Destiny Wright, of Floyd, placing third.

In the Related Techarea competed in tech- nical Math competition, Jamison Stanley, Floyd, placed first, with Austin Smith, of Floyd, placing second.

In the HVAC competition, Caleb Robinette, of Floyd, placed first, with Bradley Pinion, of Floyd, placing second.

In Webpage Development and Design, three Floyd students placed. Kinsey Hall and Tanner Gibson placed second. Austin Ford placed third.

Patton, Brian Floyd, placed second in the welding I competition.

Mike Jude, SKillsUSA Regional Director, said that this is the most students he has seen compete during his 20 years with SkillsUSA.

EKU announces local award winners, graduates for fall semester

AN APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS STAFF REPORT

Eastern Kentucky University recognized Floyd County Students among the 710 Fall semester awards.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must be full-time and receive a grade point average between 3.5 and 3.9. Students earning a 4.0 grade point average are named to the President's List.

President's Award:

Jenna Nicole Little, Hannah Renee Little, Allyson Kate DeRossett, Kayce Ann Tackett, Gillian Spencer Downs,

Sylvia JoAnna Tackett, Myra P. Moore, Jannah E. Halbert and Wendy Nicole Adkins.

Dean's List:

Tonya Johnson, Micheala Danielle Slone, Jenna Nicole Little, Hannah Renee Little, Kaylee Frances Collins, Joel Ricard Allen, Allyson Kate DeRossett, Kayce Ann Tackett, Gillian Spencer Downs, Summer Nicole Shepherd, Sylvia JoAnna Tackett, Kristen Staci Tackett, Nicholas Jordan Rowe, Seth Daniel Huff, John W. Cooksey, Myra P. Moore, Jannah E. Halbert, Wendy Nicole Adkins, Carly Lane Burchett,

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More than 50 employers and colleges participated in the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps' College/Career Day on March 1, making it the largest-ever fair hosted by the center.

Record turn-out for Job Corps College/Career Day

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps' College/Career Day was a huge success last week, with 52 employers and colleges participating.

The March 1 event was the largest ever college and career fair hosted by the center. The center also hosted the Floyd Central High School and Carl D. Perkins Vocational rehabilitation students and communi-

ty members.

They all had the opportunity to visit the vendors, see the hands on training demonstrations from the center's electrical, carpentry and facilities maintenance classes. Job Corps security and culinary arts students also participated.

The fair gives students an opportunity to network with various employers and lets them explore career options. The event was to anyone in need of employment and education in the community.

Partners included Appa-Mountain lachian Hospice, Comprehensive Care Center, Pikeville Medical Center and the Medical Leader, Highlands Health, McDowell ARH, Morehead State University and its Small Business Development Center, Big Sandy Community & Technical College and several of its programs and agencies, Big Sandy Diabetes Coalition, U.S. federal prison-Big Sandy; Anthem, Big Sandy

Community Action Program and its agencies, CSC Security, First Commonwealth Bank, Big Sandy Healthcare, West Virginia State University, Kentucky Spin, Morehead State University, University of Kentucky, University of Pikeville, McDonalds of East Kentucky, Turning Point, U.S. Marines, National Guard, St. Vincent's Mission, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Floyd County Sheriff's Office, Lindsey Wilson College, Kentucky Department of Corrections, US Customs and Border Patrol, Sullivan University, US rmy, Amteck, Corner Stone Senior Services, Kentucky State Police, US Army Corps of Engineers, Floyd County Health Department, Kentucky Office for the Blind, Kentucky Labor Cabinet, City of Prestonsburg Police, Care Source, American National University, and others.

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member of Billie Jean Osborne's Kentucky Opry.

Martin signed with Sony/ATV records in 2016 and has written songs with award winning songwriters such as: Kent Blazy, Mark Nesler, Steven Dale Jones and Phil O'Donnell. His success leading a traveling bluegrass band while in high school led him to work with legends such as Doyle Lawson, Ralph Stanley II and Mountain Heart.

"We have been itching to do a show like this for a couple of years now and I am ecstatic that we are making it happen," Martin said while on a break from a recent studio session.

Center has always held a special place in my heart," he said. "It's really the first place I got a taste of what it would be like to make a living in the music industry. From

my bluegrass years with Fast Lane, to Front Porch Pickin' and the Kentucky Opry, to the shows I've done there with Kory Caudill, so many of my favorite musical memories have been on that stage. I expect March 23 will be an awesome addition to that collection."

Rising Country star Tyler Booth will be the opening act. He is also from Eastern Kentucky as he grew up in Campton. His video "Hank Crankin' People" debuted on the Country Rebel Network on social media and was viewed over 50,000 times the first week. Booth has also been in the room for some high profile writing sessions in Nashville this

Josh Martin and Tyler Booth will perform at "The Mountain Arts 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 23 at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg. Tickets are \$14 including fees and can be purchased by visiting, www. macarts.com, or calling, 1-888-MAC-ARTS.

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Zachary Scott Akers, Kennedy Nicole Keeys and Justin D. Rowe.

EKU also recognized 1,058 graduates at the conclusion of the Fall 2017 semester. The graduates were honored at separate academic college commencement ceremonies Dec. 15. Fall 2017 Graduates:

Maranda Lynn Goble, Racheal N. Johnson, Elizabeth Ann Collins, Brittney Marie Hernandez, Douglas Scott Newman, Emily Nicole Caldwell, Micheala Danielle Slone, Jenna Nicole Little, Brian Tyler Howell, Kaylee Frances Collins, Summer Nicole Shepherd and Sylvia JoAnna Tackett.





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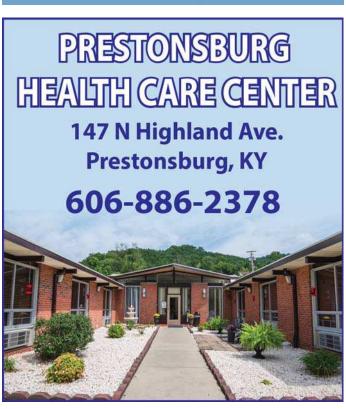
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Tigers run past Jaguars



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Floyd Central guard JR Tackett goes up for a jumper over Paintsville's Mason Moore Thursday night during the first round of the 15th Region Tournament at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

BY RANDY WHITE
REGIONAL SPORTS EDITOR

It was during the 15th Region Tournament 13 years ago that a Paintsville freshman made his name as one of the top players in the mountains.

In 2005, freshman Landon Slone scored 51 points and pulled down seven rebounds in the first round game of the 15th Region Tournament at Shelby Valley. The Tigers lost to host Shelby Valley, 90-86 in double-overtime, but Slone made his name on the 15th Region scene.

Fast forward to Thursday night, that Paintsville freshman is now the head coach — that freshman and current head coach is Landon Slone.

A new name emerged on the scene — Colby Fugate. Fugate didn't quite score 51 points, but he also isn't a freshman either, and the Tigers picked up an 82-70 win over Floyd Central in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament.

Fugate is an eighth-grader and he scored 18 points, grabbed nine rebounds, dished out four assists and came up with three steals in the win for the Tigers.

"There is no doubt about how talented Colby Fugate is," Paintsville coach Landon Slone said. "He handled himself well tonight. The stage wasn't too big for him. He's only an eighth-grader, but he is an exceptional basketball player. We knew as soon as he came to us, that he could play on day one.

"But tonight was Colby's (Fugate) time to shine, but throughout the season we've had so many guys step up. He didn't do it alone tonight by any means, but we are proud of the effort and heart he played with tonight. He and Seth Williams got hot early and led us, but throughout the year it's been Ma-

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DeRossett fired as Blackcat head coach

By Steve LeMaster SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — After 22 years as head coach of the Prestonsburg High School football program, John DeRossett was fired over the phone Friday afternoon. DeRossett said he received the call from Prestonsburg principal Lori Bricken.

One of the area's winningest high school football coaches, DeRossett is closing in on 200 career wins. DeRossett, who spent four years as head coach at Betsy Layne High School before

returning to his alma mater, owns a career record of 193-112. He is 82-17 in district games over his 26 years as a head coach. DeRossett led Prestonsburg to a runner-up finish in Class 2A in 2001. Most recently, DeRossett coached Prestonsburg to the 2017 Class 2A District 8 title. Under DeRossett's direction, Prestonsburg compiled a 7-5 record in 2017. The Blackcats knocked off Middlesboro in a playoff opener, but fell to Lexington Christian in the second round of the 2017 Class 2A playoffs. Lexington Christian head coach Ethan Atchley

reached out to DeRossett shortly after he heard of the veteran head coach's firing.

DeRossett started his coaching career in Pike County under his former coach, legendary Belfry High School head coach Philip Haywood. Now 51, DeRossett was an assistant coach at Belfry High School during the 1988 and 1989 seasons, guiding the Pirates' running backs and the BHS freshman team. In total, DeRossett has 30 years teaching/coaching experience. Along with football, DeRossett has been a head coach of

both track and field and baseball.

"I want to thank everyone from Frank Welch to coach (Phillip) Haywood, who hired me for my first job, to everyone I have came into contact with in my 30 years of public service," said DeRossett. "I thank Thomas Rube Tackett for the chance to coach our team — the Blackcats. I thank everyone but especially the players who wore the red and black each and every Friday night. We formed bonds and relationships that will last a lifetime. Now, I can go home and spend

some time with my family. The good thing is all of them loved Blackcat Football and watched me coach just about every game — home and away.

"We will still be around pulling for the new coach to take the Blackcats to a new level of success just in different roles. Coaching in your hometown may not be for everyone, but I loved every minute of it. My enjoyment was all the students at Prestonsburg High School. I tried to help all of the students each and every day. We have some outstanding young people at Prestonsburg High School. I always told my dad, I could make a million dollars doing something else with all of the time that I put into this program. He summed it up best, saying 'No, you wouldn't, because you wouldn't put your heart in it like you do coaching football. You love coaching football.' He was right. I got a few job offers during my time, but I was always loyal to my school. I will always love the Blackcats."



Floyd Chronicle and Times file photo by Steve LeMaster

Longtime Prestonsburg head coach John DeRossett talks to his team at halftime of a game versus visiting Lexington Christian during the 2017 Class 2A playoffs.

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son Moore, James Allen, Braxton Tharp and so on and so on. It is totally a group effort with these guys and they love seeing each other succeed."

Floyd Central held a 12-10 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Fugate and Seth Williams got going in the second quarter, though.

JR Tackett and Jacob Collins scored back-toback buckets to give the Jaguars a 16-10 lead.

Fugate got the Tigers going by knocking down a pair of free throws to cut the lead to 16-12. Williams fired in back-toback threes for the Tigers to give Paintsville an 18-16 lead.

Then it was Fugate's turn to knock down backto-back threes for the Tigers as the Paintsville lead grew to 24-21.

Floyd Central's Kyle Isaac got in on the threepoint barrage by knocking down a three of his own to tie the game up at 24-24 with 4:18 left in the first half.

Then it was Williams' turn to knock down a three to put Paintsville up 27-24.

a basket to push the lead to 29-24. Mason Moore scored and was fouled late in the half; he made the free throw to push the lead to 32-24. James Allen scored late in the half as Paintsville held a 34-24 halftime lead.

"I felt like we executed our game plan great," Slone said. "We have lost four of five games late, but our guys never got down. Seth Williams has been sick and we've lost some close games. For such a young bunch, they didn't put their head down. They got more focused during practice. They became more attentive and really listened and asked questions. We knew Floyd Central would be a difficult team to beat, but we really just came out and played well and had fun and played together. We changed some things up this time, though because we wanted to confuse them and it worked and we executed well."

Williams led the way for the Tigers with a game-high 22 points; he was five of eight from three-point range. Mason Moore added 18 points, rebounds and three steals. Nick Kee-

pulled down seven rebounds, dished out three assists and blocked three shots. Allen added seven points, six assists and three rebounds. Braxton Tharp added five points, while Jaxson Watts and Ryan Moore each scored

Williams knocked down another three with 5:34 left in the third to push the lead to 41-30.

Brady Conn split a pair of free throws with 4:26 left for Floyd Central to cut the lead to 41-35.

Fugate knocked down a three with 2:25 left to put Paintsville up 46-35. The Tigers held a 55-41 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Floyd Central couldn't get the lead back under double figures in the fourth.

Tackett led the way for the Jaguars with a game-high 23 points, three assists and four steals. Conn added a double-double with 14 points and 13 rebounds. Collins just missed a double-double with 14 points and nine rebounds. Kyle Isaac added nine points Rylee Sammons scored eight. Cameron

Nelson added two points. Floyd Central finished

Fugate followed with ton scored eight points, its first-ever season with a 19-12 record and the 58th District championship.

Paintsville (20-9) advances to the 15th Region semifinals Monday at 8:15 p.m. at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

Paintsville coach Slone and Pikeville coach Elisha Justice are no strangers to each other in the region tournament

at the Expo Center. Slone's **Tigers** knocked Justice's Shelby Valley team out of the region tournament in 2008 when Paintsville picked up a 79-70 win over the Wildcats in double overtime. Paintsville went on to win the region title and a first round game at the Sweet 16 that season. It was the only time during Justice's high school career that his team didn't win the region title.

"(Pikeville) are great team," Slone said. "They're the defending region champions and they have the best player in the region in Wyatt Battaile. Obviously, he's a difference maker for them. We are just going to have to prepare and get ready for them. It'll come down to execution and we will get our guys ready for Monday night."



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mike Muncy Floyd Central's Brady Conn goes up for a shot against Paintsville last Thursday night in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament.



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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Cory Vance
Floyd Central's Katie Moore is defended by Pikeville's Leslie Stewart (22) and Kelsey Jo Tackett (12) in the 15th Region semifinals Friday night at the East Kentucky

Floyd Central's Kaylee Moore goes up for a shot against Pikeville in the 15th Region semifinals Friday night at the East Kentucky Expo Center. The Lady Jaguars fell to Pikeville 61-42.

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the quarter; she made the free throw to give Pikeville a 10-7 lead. Alivia Gearheart followed with a three.

Things went backand-forth until the half. Pikeville's Kaitlyn Keathley knocked down a three to beat the halftime buzzer and give Pikeville a 22-19 lead.

The Lady Panthers started to pull away in the third quarter. Gearheart opened the third with a three to push the lead to 25-19. Grace Bartley followed with a three at the 5:45 mark to push the lead to 30-21. Pikeville held a 37-27 lead entering the fourth quarter of play.

Floyd Central finished

the season with a 16-10 record and the 58th District championship.

Pikeville had four players reach double figures scoring. Kelsey Jo Tackett

led the way for the Lady Panthers with 11 points, six rebounds, five assists, one block and one steal. Stewart added 11 points, seven rebounds and two assists. Gearheart added 11 points and three rebounds. Kirsten Cole-Williamson also reached double figures with 10 points and seven rebounds. Jaden Edmonds added six points, while Bartley and Keathley scored five points apiece. Alexia Wilkerson added two points.

Grace Martin led the way for Floyd Central with 10 points and five rebounds. Brooke Stumbo followed with nine points. Katie Moore followed with seven points and nine rebounds. Abby Maggard added seven points. Kaylee Moore added five points and Kimberly Akers scored

Johnson Cent. 43, Shelby Valley 42 Shelby Valley held a 16-point lead and looked to be cruising into the 15th Region championship game.

But in the last 10:30 minutes. Shelby Valley

minutes, Shelby Valley went scoreless.

Johnson Central ral-

lied back to tie things up and send the game in overtime.

In overtime, Kyleigh Tackett scored to give Shelby Valley a 37-35 lead.

Jana Jarvis split a pair of free throws with 4:302 left to cut the lead to 37-36. Jarvis responded by knocking down a pair of free throws with 2:14 left to give the Lady Golden Eagles a 38-37 lead.

Tori Hampton knocked down a three to put Shelby Valley back in front 40-38 with 1:39 left, but Sammi Sites responded with a basket to tie things up at 40-40.

Tackett added two free throws to put Shelby Valley back in front 42-40 with 1:16 left. The Lady Wildcats had a chance to seal the win, but missed an open basket. That gave Johnson Central one final shot.

And Morgan Hopson delivered.

Hopson knocked down a game-winning three as time expired to give Johnson Central a 43-42 win over Shelby Valley.

Shelby Valley finished the season with a 29-5 record. The Lady Wildcats won the 15th Region All "A" Classic and finished as the All "A" Classic state tournament runners-up. Shelby Valley also won the 59th District Tournament.

Alaina Castle led the way for Johnson Central with a game-high 17 points and 10 rebounds. Sites followed with eight points. Ashlee Belcher and Jarvis each scored six points in the win. Hopson added five points and Kelci Blair scored one.



Spurlock visits Johnson on senior day

BY STEVE LEMASTER SPORTS WRITER

BOWLING GREEN Floyd Central boys' basketball head coach Kevin Spurlock's resumé includes an All "A" Classic state championship as well as numerous other titles.

Recently, Spurlock guided the Jaguars to a a father of three daugh-58th District championship. But he's quick to acknowledge the proudest moment of his coaching career centers around a current Western Kentucky University men's basketball player. On Saturday, Feb. 24, Spurlock made a trip to Bowling Green to watch one of his former players, Justin Johnson, help lead the Hilltoppers to a win on senior night.

Johnson is shooting 51.8 percent from the field and a teamhigh 41.8 percent from three-point range for the Hilltoppers. He's ranked 15th on WKU's all-time scoring list with 1,580 points, fifth on the alltime rebounding list with 988 rebounds and in the top 10 in career fieldgoal percentage, games played, minutes played, free throws attempted

and double-doubles. The Perry Central High School product is one of only four active players in the nation with at least 1,500 career points and 950 rebounds.

Johnson also leads in the classroom. He is a longtime classroom leader.

If Spurlock, who is ters, had a son, it'd be Johnson.

"I met Justin for the first time when I was introduced as the boys' basketball coach at Sheldon Clark High School," Spurlock recalled. "He was a six-foot point guard that weighed about 140 pounds, if that. It was during that summer that he got his first chewing out from me at a high school AAU tournament. I knew he was going to be a good player because he took it the right way - no pouting. By October of that year, he had grown to 6 foot 4 and was the hardest-working kid on the team, especially in the weightroom. He just fell in love with it.

"My oldest daughter and Justin became best friends and my wife and his mom became good friends and due to the

fact that we were around each other constantly not to mention me having to run to the gym everyday for him to work out on his own. He had a smile and personality that was radiating and you just couldn't help, but love the kid. He was the most popular kid among his peers and his teachers and the community loved watching how hard he played."

Johnson became close with his former high school coach early in his prep career and the two continue to share a strong bond.

"His family is my second family," Johnson said. "He is a big part of the reason where I'm at today. He coached me harder than anyone has ever coached me and for that, I am successful on and off the court. I love him to death."

Spurlock witnessed Johnson, who played for him at both Sheldon Clark High School and Perry Central High School, grow into one of the state's top prep basketball players. By the time he graduated from Perry County Central High School, Johnson held numerous college

"After first meeting Justin, over the next three years, I watched a scrawny young boy become a man-child physically and watched an aspiring point guard become the best power forward in the state of Kentucky," Spurlock commented. "During his high school career, he and I would make countless trips all over the country visiting colleges. It was on those trips that he and I began to build almost a father-son relationship; although he already had a great dad who played a major role in who he was. Watching him fulfill his dream of signing with a D1 school, WKU, was then my most proud moment as a coach until I traveled down to Bowling Green to watch his senior night. Tears filled my eyes first upon the phone call from him inviting me down, then again as I watched him walk out with his family and now fiance while hearing the roar of the crowd, as they, like those at all of the other places he had been, had grown to love him. He's just that kind of a young man. Af-

ter watching him get his

34th double-double, my

eyes watered again as he came and gave me a big hug and told me he loved me. Kids like this just don't come along everyday: maybe once in a career. The work ethic, the personality, no bad habits, discipline and responsibility at home. straight-A student, great looks, developed skills

and that big ol' smile." Johnson, who proposed to and received a yes from his longtime girlfriend before the game during senior night festivities, scored 19 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for his 34th career double-double with his former coach in attendance. The senior forward, who made the first two baskets of the game and scored 14 points over the contest's first eight minutes, helped to lead Western Kentucky past visiting Old Domin-

ion 88-66. Spurlock is eager to continue to follow his former player. Johnson is expected to field numerous professional basketball offers shortly after his career with Western Kentucky University ends. The Martin County native is set to graduate from WKU in May.

"Justin will receive his Master's Degree this May in only four years of school," added Spurlock. "He will then continue his career professionally at some capacity. He is truly an example to all kids in Eastern Kentucky that you don't have to be blessed with the best skills, but you can sure take what you were born with and maximize it just as in the parable of the talents. I love this young man. My heart swells with pride every time I watch him play or just when I watch him sign autographs and take pictures with the kids after games. He's one of five players ever in the KH-SAA to have 1,500 points and 1,500 rebounds. He will be only the second WKU player to have 1,500 points and 1,000 rebounds (Jim McDaniel is the other). He is truly one of the best players to ever come through Eastern Kentucky, but more importantly, he's one of the best people you will ever meet. I was truly blessed to have the opportunity to get to coach

Floyd Central High School boys' basketball head coach Kevin Spurlock made a trip to Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green to watch former player **Justin Johnson on senior** night. Spurlock coached Johnson at Sheldon Clark and Perry Central.

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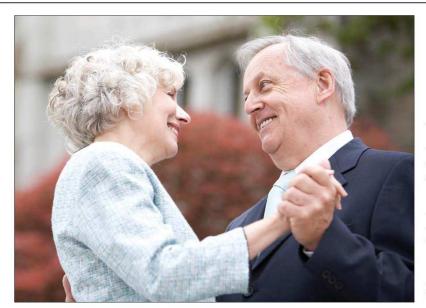
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Celebrating 55 years

Larry and Jane Marcum of Martin celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on December 30, 2017 with a surprise party thrown by family and friends. The couple was married on June 23, 1962. Larry is a retired banker and Jane is retired from the Floyd County Board of Education. Mr. and Mrs. Marcum belong to the Martin Church of Christ where they are active members. They have four children, two sons and two daughters: Joe (Diane) Marcum of Martin, Frank (Judith) Marcum of Lexington, Anna (James) Richland of Archdale, NC, and Margaret (Joseph) Andrews of Lynchburg, Va. They have 10 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

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Mike and Cathy Layne Dotson of Prestonsburg announce the engagement of their daughter, Tara Renae, to Scott Michael Simpkins, son of Marvin and Lynn Robinette Simpkins of Williamson. The bride-elect is a 2011 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and received a Bachelor of Arts in English from the University of Kentucky in 2015. Simpkins is a 2011 graduate of Pikeville High School and a 2015 graduate of the University of Kentucky with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance. A June wedding is planned in Prestonsburg.

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The proposed operation is approximately 0.50 miles southwest from KY Route 550' junction with KY Route 80 and located 0.10 miles northwest of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed op-

eration is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area is owned by Fred and Monica Witmer. The operation will un derlie land owned by Fred and Monica Witmer, Robert Martin & Joan S. Flannery, Willard Estate, Hicks Gregory Cooley Estate, Roger & Tackett. Freda Myrtle & Jobe Cooley, Ralph & Glenda Barnett, Floyd County Board of Education, Forrest & Cindi Hughes, Alda Hazel Gibson

and Ronald & Dephina Reid. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's PrestonsLEGALS

burg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6. Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort. Kentucky

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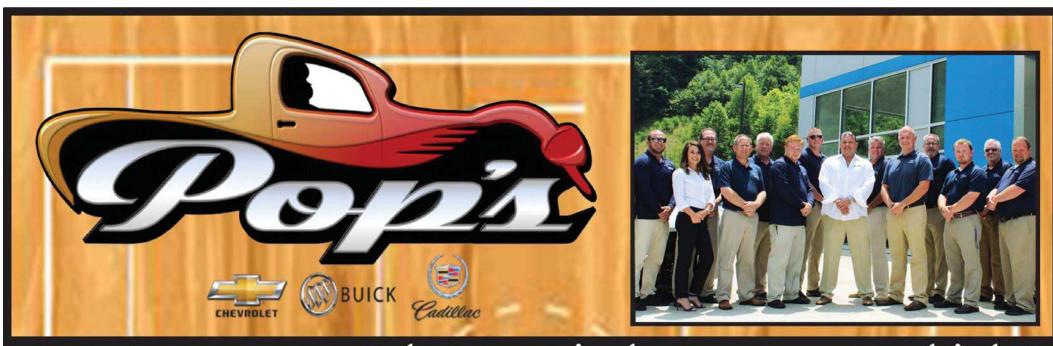
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