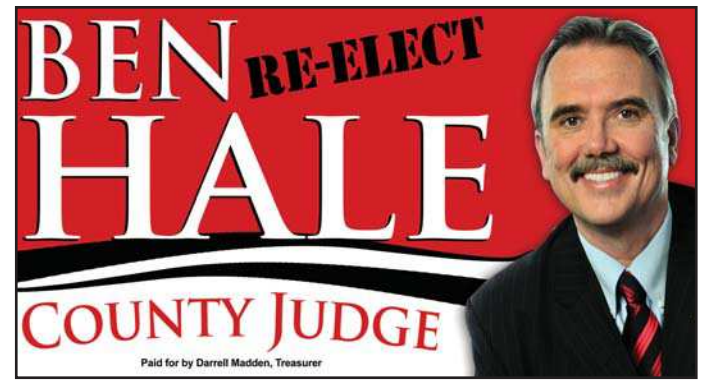




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ARH, KentuckyOne Health reach agreement on Martin hospital

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Appalachian Regional Healthcare (ARH) and KentuckyOne Health announced in a statement Tuesday that a definitive agreement has been signed for the purchase of Saint Joseph Martin and its four rural health clinics in Floyd County.

The purchase is expected to close by June 30 and ARH will take over operations of the facilities on July 1, the statement said.

The 25-bed Saint Joseph Martin hospital

will operate under the new name, ARH Our Lady of the Way Hospital, and will become the 12th member of the ARH system, which the statement said is consistently recognized for medical excellence and covers communities throughout southeastern Kentucky and southern West Virginia.

ARH President and CEO Joe Grossman said in the statement that ARH looks forward to building on the hospital's rich history of providing state and nationally

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Don Martin, right, who is helping the Floyd County Board of Education find its new superintendent through the Kentucky School Boards Association, talks about the superintendent screening committee's selection process during a special-called board meeting Monday.

Screening committee presents candidates to BOE

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Superintendent Screening Committee finished its task this week.

On Monday, the committee recom-

mended six candidates for the superintendent's position, discussing these applicants in a closed session with board members during a special-called meeting at May Valley Elementary.

No action was taken at the

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Floyd Central student Cole DeRossett, left, accepts seeds for the Floyd County Seed Depository at the Floyd County Extension Office. The depository made its debut at the extension's Home & Garden Expo Saturday.

Floyd County Seed Depository now open

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Seed Depository made its debut last weekend at the Floyd County Extension Office's Home and Garden Expo.

The depository, created by a Floyd

Central High School student, allows residents to obtain heirloom seeds and deposit them so they may be shared with other gardeners.

The depository's founders Cole DeRossett, 17, and his parents Karen

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Hi Hat man admits to stabbing his wife

Turner recommends 12-year sentence for attempted murder

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES
STAFF REPORT

A Floyd County man pleaded guilty to attempting to murder his wife last week.

Thurston Sturgill, 54, pleaded guilty to one count of attempted murder and violation of an emergency protective order on April

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Last week in Floyd Circuit Court, Hi Hat resident Thurston Sturgill pleaded guilty to attempting to murder his wife.

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David mother charged with endangering minor after suspected overdose

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A suspected overdose resulted in criminal charges for a Floyd County mother.

Shawna R. Hackworth, 34, of David, is expected to be arraigned next month for endangering the welfare of a minor and fourth-degree assault — misdemeanor charges that stem from an April 4 incident.

Prestonsburg Police Department Officer H.

Bingham alleges in the citation, filed April 9 in Floyd County District Court, that he was called to a home in the city on that day to investigate a complaint of a possible overdose.

He said Hackworth's daughter and others at the scene reported that Hackworth "took all of her pills then drove to pick her daughter up from school."

"The daughter noticed that her mother was intoxicated and convinced her mother to let her drive home,"

Bingham wrote in the citation. "Once home, the daughter tried to take her mother to the bedroom and her mother then started to try to fight her daughter and took a couple of swings at her."

He reported that the daughter sought help by running to a neighbor's home. Hackworth was transported to St. Joseph Martin hospital in Martin.

She was not arrested, but was cited and ordered to appear in district court on May 8 for an arraignment.

Woods, Williamson recognized



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Cody Davis
During the most recent meeting of the Prestonsburg City Council, Mayor Les Stapleton, center, recognized Shawn Woods, left, and James "Huggie" Williamson for what Stapleton said was the hard work and contributions made over the past three years with Prestonsburg Motorsports. Stapleton presented both men with a key to the city.

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Martin Fire Department receives new equipment

By CODY DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Last week the Martin Fire Department purchased \$32,000 worth of equipment that officials with the department said will make it easier to save lives.

According to Sgt. Brandon Salisbury with the Martin Fire Department, the equipment was able to be purchased through to a grant from the Kentucky Department of Homeland Security.

"This grant gave us the ability to purchase \$32,000 worth of equipment," read a statement from the department.

One of the most significant

pieces of the equipment, according to Salisbury, is the department's new thermal imaging equipment that allows the firefighters to act hands-free in emergency situations.

Salisbury said it helps because the firefighters won't have to carry as much into a burning building.

According to Salisbury, the thermal imaging helps firefighters detect whether-or-not someone is inside a burning structure.

"The little thermal sights inside the mask are eye-level so when we're sitting there looking, we can look right at it," said Salisbury.

Salisbury said that the idea for purchasing the equipment came because his department was interested in forming a Rapid Intervention Team that could be on standby for local departments in case they were ever needed.

According to Salisbury, before the equipment was bought, the company from which they purchased it let the department test it for a week.

"So we sat there and did a week's worth of field testing," said Salisbury.

According to Salisbury, the new equipment also will help by allowing firefighters to have additional access to more oxygen, allowing

them to stay in a fire or smokey situation longer.

Officials with the department said that they would like to thank Martin Mayor Sam Howell and the Martin City Council for help with the grant, according to the statement. The statement said that the department would also like to thank the Big Sandy Area Development District and 911 Feet and Fire Equipment.

Salisbury said that his department has not had to use the equipment yet, but will be prepared if they are ever called upon.



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DeRossett and Doug DeRossett, a Floyd County Extension board member, said the depository works like a library. People who receive heirloom seeds from the depository are asked to bring back the same number of seeds after they harvest heirloom fruits and vegetables. This service is free to the public.

"It stems out of, I went to the Roger's Scholars (program) and we had to give them a community service project that we're going to do and then do it," Cole DeRossett said.

DeRossett, an Floyd County Early College Program participant, is expected to graduate this year with an associate's degree from Big Sandy Community and Technical College and a high school diploma from Floyd Central. He wants to be an orthodontist.

He grew up around gardeners — his grandmother and other close family members who garden — and he wanted to create a project that honors heirloom seeds.

"It's interesting to me, how there can be, like you can go out and buy seeds from anywhere, but you never know how they're going to turn out," he said. "But if you come, and there's people that have grown, let's say, this type of tomato or bean here in this



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Floyd County Soil & Water Conservation Director Tony Grubb, left, watches a child play with blocks at the Home & Garden Expo hosted by the Floyd County Extension Office Saturday.

area and it does well, even over whole generation, then you know you can possibly get some seeds that will do well here forever."

Keith Hackworth, Floyd County Extension Agent for agriculture and natural resources, said he started working with Cole and Doug DeRossett on the project about three months ago. In addition to increasing the amount of heirloom seeds available in Floyd County, Hackworth said this program also preserves the history of each type of seed.

"We've got a deposit form so we can keep records of who donated it, how that particular plant grows," he said. "There's a block where they can put down, 'It's been in

my family for 100 years,' or something along that line."

Hackworth, who has been growing heirloom vegetables in his home garden for years, is excited about this program.

"It's a good project for Cole, but it's also something beneficial to the community, to the beginning farmers," he said.

Hackworth maintains the Floyd County Seed Depository at the Floyd County Extension Office, where the seeds are frozen so they will last longer. Currently, it contains several varieties of heirloom beans seeds, including brown greasy beans, Goose beans, white fall beans, striped cornfield beans and Mountain Climber beans.

Hackworth said people who stop by to pick up heirloom seeds will receive around 10 to 15 of them — "enough to get them started." The office also offers educational resources to help gardeners.

"It's important, partly because of our history," he said about the program. "We're wanting to pass that part on, and also, we've got a large

number of beginning, new gardeners out there who don't know about what some of these heirloom produce tastes like. There's some of these heirlooms that are so good, taste-wise, quality-wise, and we want to pass them on and let as many individuals as possible have the opportunity to try them."

The Floyd County Seed Depository was among several exhibits at the extension office's Home and Garden Expo on April 14.

Floyd County resident Dwight Slone gave workshops on growing giant pumpkins. Floyd County Farmer's Market vendor Alan Moore of Johnson County, who works in West Virginia as a soil scientist with the USDA, offered workshops on blueberry production.

The event also featured a 4-H activities corner, live demonstrations and informational resources, and exhibits and demonstrations by the extension office, Floyd County Soil and Water Conservation, the Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild, St. Vincent Mis-

sion and others. Johnson County resident Benette Howard, another Floyd County Farmer's Market vendor, sold jelly, baked goods and canned foods that she makes at her family farm, and Chris Steele, director of the Floyd County Farmer's Market, also sold honey she makes at her farm. Other vendors also participated.

For more information about the seed depository or other programs at the extension office, call (606) 886-2668.



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Federal disaster declared

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

Floyd County is a step closer to getting the funds it needs to permanently repair problems caused by flooding in February.

Gov. Matt Bevin announced last week that President Donald Trump authorized federal disaster assistance for 22 Kentucky counties, including Floyd, that were impacted by flooding that surrounded the region on Feb. 9-14.

"We are grateful for this official declaration by the president, which will allow Eastern Kentucky counties to access federal assistance to repair local infrastructure damaged by heavy rainfall this winter," Bevin said in a press release. He sought the presidential disaster declaration on March 9 and reported the receipt of that declaration on April 12.

Other local counties included in the declaration were Johnson, Pike, Perry, Lawrence, Knott, Magoffin and Knott counties. The federal declaration provides funding to help these counties repair

roads, bridges and other infrastructure damaged during the storms and it also paves the way for the receipt of mitigation funds, which can be used to prevent future flooding events.

No individual assistance will be provided to homeowners in Floyd County through this disaster declaration. There was not enough damage to homes in the county to allow individual assistance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's guidelines.

Floyd County saw significant flooding from Feb. 9-14, with reports of damages to roads, bridges and drains accounting for the majority of the county's request for funding. Preliminary estimates totaled between \$600,000 and \$700,000 for damages reported by the fiscal court, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and Southern Water and Sewer. Judge-Executive Ben Hale said Monday the actual damage will likely increase, as other damages also occurred that were not reported in the preliminary assessment.

With the declaration, the county will be able to provide permanent fixes to damaged roads that were previously temporarily fixed, Hale said.

He reported that this disaster declaration will be the county's fifth disaster in which projects are ongoing. The county is also finalizing projects related to one 2014 disaster and three 2015 disasters, Hale said.

He explained that these projects are not closed until the FEMA approves all of the paperwork, the repairs and reimbursements.

"This is not an easy, quick process," he said, talking about the federal requirements.

He expects the process of obtaining funding for repairs for the current disaster to be streamlined, citing an email from Kentucky Emergency Management that said the agency "was recently advised" of "significant changes that have been made" on the federal level to streamline the FEMA process.

He is "very thankful" for the help.

"This was such a big help to these counties that have already suffered from the lack of coal and mineral severance," he said. "If we had to absorb this \$600,000, \$700,000 in damages, it could really put us in a major bind."

Bevin is also seeking another federal disaster declaration for counties impacted by other storms that occurred this year.

Prestonsburg recognizes April as Donate Life Month



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Cody Davis
Prestonsburg City Council Member Don Willis, who is a recipient of a donated organ, stands with Lauren Salyer, a community and hospital outreach coordinator with Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates, after the reading of a proclamation recognizing April as Donate Life Month.

Community calendar

- April 18; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- April 18; 1 p.m.: Story Time, Eastern library. (606) 377-2860
- April 18; 2 p.m.: Story Times, Prestonsburg library. (606) 886-2981
- April 19, 10 a.m.: The Big Sandy Elder Abuse Council, open to any person who is interested in helping senior citizens in Floyd, Martin, Martin, Magoffin and Pike counties, meets, Big Sandy Area Development District. (606) 886-2374.
- April 19; 10:30 a.m.: Story Time, Prestonsburg library. (606) 886-2981
- April 20; 10 a.m.: Floyd County Fiscal Court meets, county courthouse. (606) 886-9193
- April 21; 6 p.m.: Martin Freewill Baptist Church, located on Cemetery Road in Martin, will host a gospel singing. Refreshments will be served. Everyone welcome.
- April 21; 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.: East Kentucky Science enter offers free admission on National Astronomy Day, featuring planetarium shows, door prizes, special presentations, activities.
- April 23: Last day to register to vote in the Primary Election.
- April 23; 3:30 p.m.: Mommy and Me Sewing Class, Prestonsburg Library. (606) 886-2981
- April 23; 6:30 p.m.: Floyd County Board of Education meets at Duff-Allen Central Elementary. (606) 886-2354
- April 23, 5 p.m.: Southern Water meets, Southern offices, McDowell.
- April 24; 5 p.m.: Game night, Prestonsburg library. (606) 886-2981
- April 24; 5:15 p.m.: Jenny Wiley Chapter of the AARP meets at Highland Terrace, Prestonsburg, with Sen. Johnny Ray Turner as guest speaker.
- April 24; 6 p.m.: Martin City Council meets, city hall.
- April 23; 6 p.m.: Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, Eastern Library. (606) 377-2860
- April 24, 11:30 a.m.: Big Sandy Area Development District meets. (606) 886-2374.

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EDITORIAL:

Floyd BOE must find creative ways to deal with lost school days

The Floyd County School District has faced some extraordinary events this year that have stretched the school calendar into June.

Construction delays at Floyd Central High School caused the board of education to delay the start of school for two weeks. Then, weather-related closures added on more make-up days, and the past four closures occurred in support of teachers who held rallies in protest of legislative happenings in Frankfort in March and April.

With 20 days missed, Floyd County students are currently set to attend

school through June 7. In the past, the district has been able to make up days by adding time to each instructional day — something that is not possible this year without legislative support.

School district officials are crossing their fingers in hopes that no additional closures will be required before the end of this school year, and so are parents and students who hope to have a lengthy summer break this year.

There is, however, a bright side to these circumstances.

The issues that will re-

quire students to give up at least a portion of the summer break also sheds light on an opportunity the district now has — the opportunity to find creative ways to deal with issues like this in the future.

If there is anything the Floyd County Board of Education and school district officials are lacking, it is definitely not creativity. We've seen them creatively address problems in the district for years now — like the summertime Lunch and Learning events that help children in need, teacher mentorship programs, virtual learning opportunities

and other initiatives.

In a bold move, four years ago, the district launched its Digital Conversion program, pledging to provide computer devices to all students in grades five through 12. The final phase of that program was completed last year, and all county students in those grades are now using district-provided computers for learning.

That program, which offers up to 10 nontraditional instructional days for school districts to use during school closures, could provide the Floyd County Schools District with

an opportunity to develop a non-traditional instruction program that could benefit schools and students. There's a process to that, of course, and the district must create a program that ensures the continuation of learning for students — not just a plan to keep them busy when they are out of school — but it is doable, and it'd likely be worth the time it takes to develop it.

Technology is rooted deep in the Floyd County School District. It'd be beneficial for the officials to take the groundwork it has already laid one step further.

GUEST COLUMN:

Choosing words wisely seems to be lost art

By **MIKE CALDWELL**
THE ADVOCATE-
MESSENGER, DANVILLE

You could argue this is the biggest understatement of all time, but here it is: Language is important.

Word choice and tone can make all the difference. How we say something is often just as critical as what we say.

That seems to be somewhat of a lost concept in today's world of 280-character tweets, status updates on the hour and attention-seeking sound bites.

Restraint and analysis of language are certainly lessons many of our politicians could stand to learn from. President Donald Trump and Kentucky Gov. Matt Bevin need to go to the front of the class.

Now, before anybody gets too worked up and thinks this is partisan political commentary, let me calm you down. This is about word choice, diplomacy and how the things we say can build bridges or build barriers.

It just so happens that we currently have two shining examples of

what not to do in the POTUS and Bevin. Don't for a second think that the Democrats are fault free. Hillary, Bill and a host of others are just as guilty.

For Trump, examples go back to the choice of the word "wiretapping," the size of his inauguration crowd, calling the press the enemy of the people and, as recently as this week, when he threatened Russia with bombs that will be "nice and new and smart."

Bevin has a pretty good history of poor word choice as well, including recent comments

that teachers are selfish, short-sighted and show a thug mentality, statements he has since backed off of — sort of.

The problem is harmful words and language like this polarizes positions and rip our communities apart. Talking tough is one thing but being callous, cruel or reckless is something far different.

There is a quote — often attributed to former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill but also somewhat disputed — that sums up perfectly what many of our pub-

lic speakers seem to be lacking: "Tact is the ability to tell someone to go to hell in such a way that they look forward to the trip."

Now, that doesn't mean our elected officials should be telling everyone to take a vacation in H-E Double Hockey Sticks. However, it perfectly illustrates the difference in the thought process between someone like Churchill and many of our modern politicians. Many seem to fall on one extreme of solely catering with lip service to their supporters and

special interest groups or being so blunt that it goes well beyond brutally honest to fall somewhere in the realm of dangerous and insulting.

And it is not just politicians. We see it from celebrities, professionals and everyday citizens.

We can all do a better job of choosing our words wisely.

Another quote, from an unknown author, may be just as important to remember.

"Words are seeds that do more than blow around. They land in our hearts and not the ground. Be careful what you plant and careful what you say. You might have to eat what you planted one day."

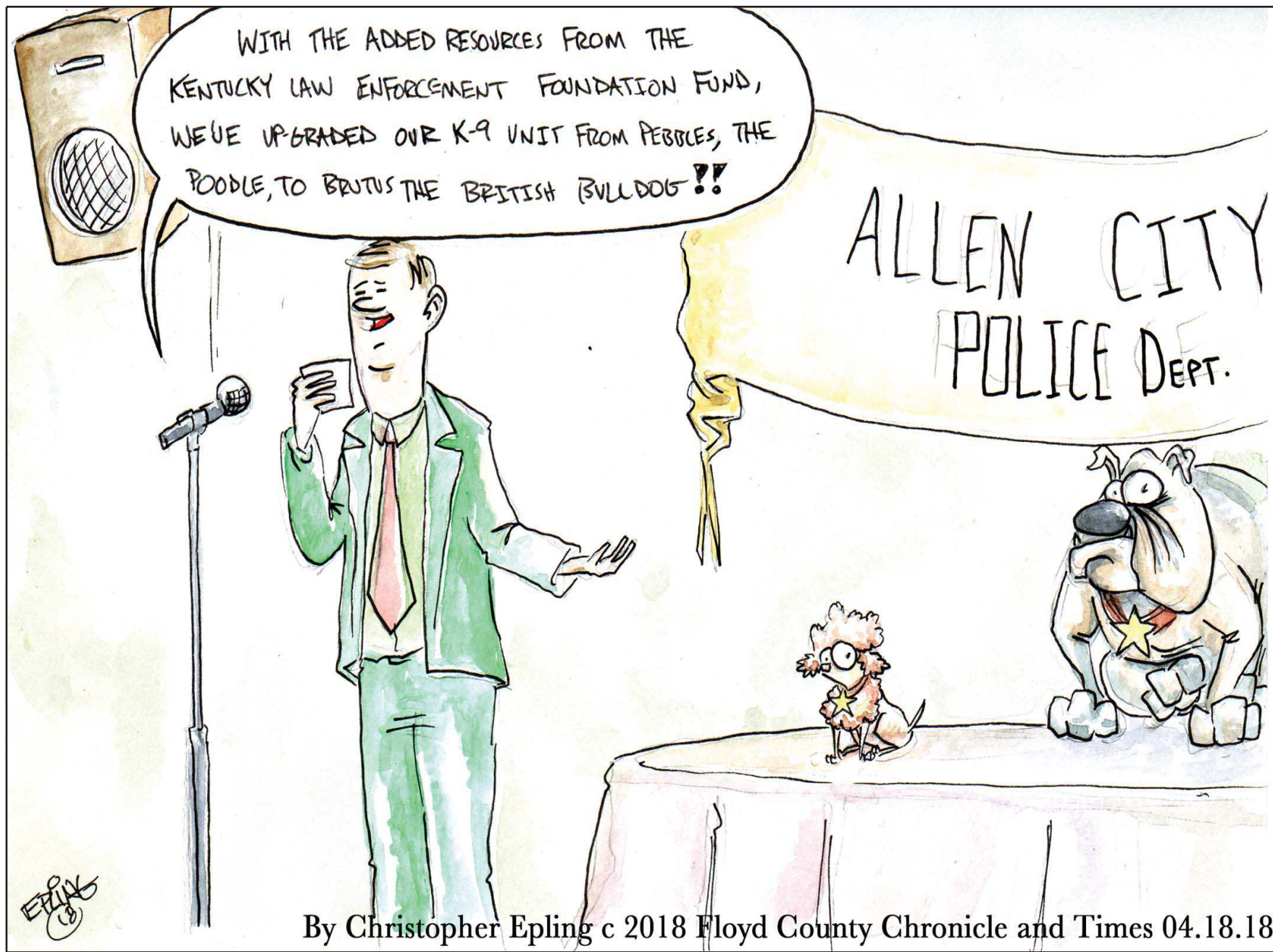
To anyone who spews vitriol and venom, all I can say is bon appétit.

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Devottis Hicks Crager

Devottis Hicks Crager, 75, of Martin, died Tuesday, April 17, 2018.

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

Hester Hill Goble

Hester Hill Goble, 84, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, April 16, 2018.

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

Judith Elaine Stevens Moore

Judith Elaine Stevens Moore, of Asheboro, N. Car., died Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

Arrangements are under the direction of Midstate Cremation & Funeral Service of Asheboro, N.Car.

Several charged in Floyd District Court, civil cases filed

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Charges were filed against several recently in Floyd District Court. The charges included:

Felony charges filed

Michael Todd Wells, 39, of Langley; public intoxication, first-degree possession of a controlled substance (heroin), third-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia

Coty Williamson, age unavailable, of Jenkins; flagrant nonsupport

Earl Bradley Bevins, 34, of Betsy Layne; possession of drug paraphernalia, two counts of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance

Shanna Dawn Bartrum, 36, of Martin; first-degree possession of a controlled substance

John Z. Bartrum, 43, of Martin; first-degree possession of a controlled substance

Elizabeth Slone, 37, of Dema; no registration plates, failure to maintain insurance, first-degree and second-degree possession of a controlled substance, driving on a DUI-suspended license, possession of drug paraphernalia, tampering with physical evidence

Misdemeanor charges filed

Sarah Blackburn, 29, of David; hindering apprehension, second degree

Marianne Damico, 36, of Staffordsville; possession of marijuana

Joshua Hopkins, 27, of Lexington; improper passing, driving on a suspended license, failure to surrender revoked license, possessing license when privileges are revoked

Dakota R. Salyer, 24, of Martin; fishing without a license

Tyler O. Manns, 22, of Hip-po; fishing without a license

Rick Caudill, 56, of Prestonsburg; third-degree criminal trespassing

Melinda Bryant, 39, of Teaberry; harassment

James Webb, 50, of Lackey; third-degree criminal trespassing

Ricky Wehunt, 49, of Harold; harassment

Krista Nicole Garrett, 31, of Martin; violation of an emergency protection order

Andrew J. Prater, 18, of Betsy Layne; third-degree unlawful transaction with a minor

Telina A. Cline, 44, of Chat-taroy, W.Va.; public intoxication

Amy E. Adams, 41, of Prestonsburg; driving under the influence, driving on a suspend-

ed license, prescription not in proper container, failure to produce insurance card

Heather Howell, 26, of McDowell; fishing without a license

Shea N. Mullins, 25, of Al-len; fishing without a license

Shawna R. Hackworth, 34, of David; endangering the welfare of a minor, fourth-degree assault

Michael Sterling Branham II, 36, of Lexington; driving under the influence, failure to wear seat belts, failure to maintain insurance, license to be in possession

Danny R. Tackett, 60, of Banner; fourth-degree assault

Merlin Conn, 44, of Printer; alcohol intoxication in a public place, first-degree disorderly conduct

Felica Ann Jenkins, 40, of McDowell; failure to send child to school

Debra C. Rose, 59, of Betsy Layne; theft by deception under \$500 (cold checks)

Bethany Lindon, 28, of Top-most; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Lawsuits filed

Edgar Fletcher vs. Acuity Mutual Insurance Company; complaint concerning contract

Whayne Supply Company vs. Michael A. Walker; com-

plaint concerning contract

Whayne Supply Company vs. Donald DeRossett; complaint concerning contract

PNC Bank National Association vs. Terry E. Fields, Sandra R. Fields, Malisha White, also known as Melisha White; foreclosure

2 J Supply Inc. vs. Sean M. McManus, doing business as Comfort Control; complaint concerning contract

Core Appalachia Production LLC, core Appalachia Midstream LLC vs. Metelectric Energy LLC, Metelectric LLC, property damage complaint

Midland Funding LLC vs. Robin Newsome; complaint concerning contract

Midland Funding LLC vs. Mark Wallen; complaint concerning contract

James Gillispie vs. Emily Gillispie; divorce

James Orville Campbell vs. Barbara Campbell; divorce

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Deeds and marriages

Marriages

Sarey Maxine Giller, 43, of Centrailla, Ill., to Cole Justin Gregory Childress, 20, of Vandalia, Ill.

Monica Gaberille Halsey, 21, of Hi Hat, to Nathan Cody Booth, 23, of Hi Hat

Donnie Mitchell Adams, 37, of Prestonsburg, to Regina Rae Boyd, 43, of Prestonsburg

Heather Marie

Spriggs, 32, of Harold, to Joshua Derek Justice, 38, of Harold

Nikole Katherine Daeffler, 25, of Auxier, to Brandon Kyle Harris, 26, of Auxier

Rose Marie Adkins, 20, of Prestonsburg, to Jacob Taylor Carpenter, 20, of Prestonsburg

Property transfers

Diana Moore to Ken-

tucky Power Company; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 54)

Jennifer Little to Heather Dawn Newsome; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 60)

Gordon Neeley to Gordon Neeley, John Gordon Neeley; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 64)

Kentucky River Properties LLC to Prestonsburg City Utilities Commission; temporary easement, Pike-Floyd Hollow

Community Trust Bank to Jesse Osborne, Melinda Osborne; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 74)

Betty Sue Slone to Bryan Clark, Ruby Clark; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 79)

Brenda Fish to Jordan Hall; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 82)

Mark Frasure to Angela Hall, Thomas Hall; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 87)

Billie S. Blevins, Billie Sue Blevins to Bryan L.

Perkins, Bryan Lee Perkins, Sharon K. Perkins, Sharon Kaye Perkins; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 89)

Meade Investments Inc. to Chad Carroll Properties, Chad Carroll Properties LLC; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 98)

Pardee Minerals LLC t Pardee Minerals Holding Company LLC; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 101)

Lillian M. Baldridge to G&B Rental, Inc.; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 106)

Charles Shepherd to Paulena Owens; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 111)

Charles E. Shepherd to Joseph Lemaster; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 112)

Paulena Owens to Joseph Lemaster; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 117)

Master Commissioner Ashley Tackett Laferty, Jerry E. Dunning, Taxco LLC to Billy Joe Justice, Connie Sue Jus-

tice; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 122)

Ashley Tackett Laferty, Shayla M. Dunning, Taxco LLC to Billy Joe Justice, Connie Sue Justice; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 128)

Kentucky Power Company to Floyd County Board of Education; easement released, Betsy Layne

Charles Teller Norman, Oretha Thompson Norman, Teresa Norman to Hallie Norman Elswick, Shane Elswick; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 138)

Darren Shepherd, Hattie Shepherd to Hattie A. Shepherd; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 149)

Edith Jewell Blevins to Jack D. England, Lisa Dawn England; property location unlisted (Deeds Book 636; pg. 152)

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Hackney, Allen are 'Great Teachers'

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Big Sandy Community and Technical College students cast their votes during Great Teacher elections held March 19 – April 1 and unanimously selected technical faculty member, Collista Allen, and general education faculty member, Randal Clinton Hackney, as their top choices for 2018.

"We are very proud of the faculty that we have here at Big Sandy," BSCTC President/CEO Dr. Sherry Zylka said. "The commitment they have for our students' success and the impact they have on their lives is extraordinary."

Allen has been a registered nurse for almost

20 years. She began her career at BSCTC in 2010.

She graduated in 1999 with an associate degree in nursing from Lee's College Campus/Hazard Community College through the University of Kentucky Community College System. After working in healthcare for several years, she decided to pursue the role of nurse educator. She continued her education and graduated from the University of Phoenix with a BSN in 2009 and a MSN/ED in 2013.

Hackney is an assistant professor of biology and began his career at BSCTC in 2008. He graduated in 2004 with a B.S. degree in biology and a minor in chemistry from Morehead State University. He then completed

his masters in 2006 in biological sciences with an emphasis/thesis in neuroscience and later worked on his Ph.D. in neuroscience physiology. He joined the United States Army in 2002 and attended basic training in Fort Sill, Oklahoma and AIT at the Redstone Arsenal in Alabama. He holds the rank of sergeant. He currently serves in the Army Reserve as a human resource specialist. He also helps Johnson Central High School as an assistant coach and statistician and created and maintains the website for the school's athletics.

Allen and Hackney will be recognized at BSCTC commencement ceremonies on May 4-5 at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg.

EKSC to host free Astronomy Day activities

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The East Kentucky Science Center is opening its doors to offer free activities to the public in honor of National Astronomy Day this weekend.

The center will be open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 21, for the event.

Center officials will offer hands-on activities, planetarium shows, educational resources from NASA

and other events throughout the day. Admission is free and door prizes will be awarded, including a telescope that will be given away.

Kennedy Haight, a graduate of Morehead State University's Space Systems Engineering Program, will host a special presentation at this event. She'll talk about the MSU Space Science Center and its previous and future space missions.

For more information, call, (606) 889-8260.

COMMITTEE

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meeting, with Sherry Robinson, screening committee chair and chair of the board of education reporting that the board will discuss interviewing candidates at the next regular school board meeting.

During the meeting, Don Martin of the Kentucky School Boards Association praised screening committee members for their work in finding the district's next superintendent.

"Our committee is really good. You've got good people here and I'm so proud of them," he said. "They really took the job seriously, and I know it's a lot of pressure representing the stakeholders that chose them for this commit-

tee ... They did a lot of work on their own, and a lot of work in our group, and some of our meetings lasted two or three hours, and they don't get paid for that."

He commended screening committee members Ashley Tackett Laferty, Robinson, Floyd Central High School Principal Greta Thornsberry, Talented and Gifted Program coordinator Karen DeRossett, Adams Middle School math teacher Charles Rowe and maintenance employee Mike Howard.

"They did really a good job and I think they're heart is in the right place," he said. "Not everywhere that I go I am fortunate enough to have the quality of committee that I had here in Floyd County."

He explained the process the screening

committee went through to pick the top six candidates, reporting one of those tasks seven or eight virtual interviews for each committee member. The applicants were scored with a rubric that was developed for this process and the top-scoring candidates were recommended to the board.

Board member Junior Newsome also thanked committee members.

"I want to thank you all, too," he said. "Like he said, I know it's a lot of hard work. I know your heart was in the right place, too, so, again, I want to commend you for that."

The board will consider recommendations from this committee, but it is not required to hire its recommended candidate for the position.

STABBING

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12. Represented by Public Advocate Carla Bowens Tackett, Sturgill admitted to stabbing his wife Tina Sturgill multiple times at a home in Hi Hat on Dec. 8, 2015. On that day, Sturgill was arrested by Whitesburg Police Chief Tyrone Fields following a multi-county search that began in Hi Hat and ended at the home of Sturgill's parents, located near Whitesburg. Officials said Tina Sturgill had injuries all over her body after the stabbing.

She was flown from the scene for emergency

medical care as law enforcement officers from several counties participated in the search to find her husband.

Fields told the Floyd County Chronicle at the time of Sturgill's arrest that he was shocked at the sight of him because he was "completely covered in blood."

"It was like a blood-bath," he said, "something you've seen in one of these awful horror movies. From his head to toe, he was absolutely covered."

Sturgill's guilty plea came with a recommendation from Commonwealth Attorney Arnold Brent Turner last week.

Turner recommended a 12-year sentence

for Sturgill on the attempted murder charge and a 12-month sentence for violating the emergency protective order, to run concurrently, or at the same time.

Circuit Judge Thomas M. Smith informed Sturgill of his rights prior to his pleading guilty. Smith informed him that this sentence will be categorized as a violent offense and, as such, Sturgill will be required to serve 85 percent of it before he is eligible for parole.

Smith set sentencing for 1 p.m. on July 12. Sturgill remains incarcerated in the Floyd County jail.

HOSPITAL

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recognized quality care since 1947. Grossman said incorporating a return to the hospital's original name, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, is a way to continue that legacy while also affirming ARH's commitment to the hospital's growth and plans to bring new services to the community.

"As the region's largest integrated health system, it has been ARH's longstanding mission to provide all residents of Eastern Kentucky and Southern West Virginia with local access to the medical services

they need, whether that be primary care, home health, or more specialized services such as cancer care and open-heart surgery," he said. "Bringing Saint Joseph Martin into the ARH system will allow ARH to offer these very important healthcare services to even more residents throughout eastern Kentucky. We are proud that the Saint Joseph Martin team will now be a part of the ARH system and our long-term plans for the future of healthcare in Eastern Kentucky."


Saint Joseph Martin president Kathy Stumbo said the company is "pleased with the transfer of ownership."

"From the beginning of our discussions with ARH, we have been confident they have the in-depth knowledge and experience to serve the Martin community for the future," she said. "Its vision for the future ensures a continued commitment to Martin through engaging clinical care providers, employees and community partner. With a legacy in Eastern Kentucky and a close connection to members of this community, Appalachian Regional Healthcare has a commitment to excellence in health care and support of physicians and employees delivering quality care."

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Seven students selected for Governor's Scholars program

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

governor's Scholar Program this summer. Interim Superintendent Steve Trimble announced last week that Floyd Central High School students Cole DeRossett and Jacob

Morris, Prestonsburg High School students Lisa Bates, Haley Shepherd, MaKayla Slone and Emily West and Betsy Layne High School student Casey Hall earned the Governor's Scholar honor.

takes to be selected." Launched in 1983, the Governor's Scholars Program is a summer residential program for "rising seniors," the program's website states. More than 1,000 students across the state are selected to participate each year. They spend several weeks over the summer on a college campus, where they undergo studies on community leadership, service learning and other topics, attend personal devel-

opment seminars and participate in focus area courses that allow students to pursue a topic in-depth as part of a group.

work history, a written essay and recommendations from educators and the community.

Students apply for this competitive program in their junior year of high school, and must be nominated by their high schools to qualify. The application process includes a review of the student's academic profile, as well as his or her volunteer service, extracurricular activities, test scores,

Students who participate are eligible to receive scholarships from several universities and colleges. They receive scholarships that average more than \$60,000, depending on the college or university they select.

For more details about the program, visit, gsp.ky.gov.

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Middle Creek National Battlefield Walking Trail and Parking Lot Paving Project

Citizens are afforded the opportunity to express their views concerning the recreational needs of their community. To provide a forum for discussion, an open meeting is being held on April 25th, at 6:00p.m. at Floyd County Courthouse, Fiscal Court Room, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The specific purpose of this meeting is to discuss paving of existing walking trail and parking lot at the Middle Creek National Battlefield to improve accessibility. Anyone with a significant supporting or opposing view is invited to voice that opinion at this meeting or in writing to: Recreational Trails Program; Department of Local Government, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 340, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601. Questions or comments can be locally directed to Regina Hall McClure, Project Developer, Big Sandy Area Development District, 110 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, 41653 or 606-886-2374, ext. 307.

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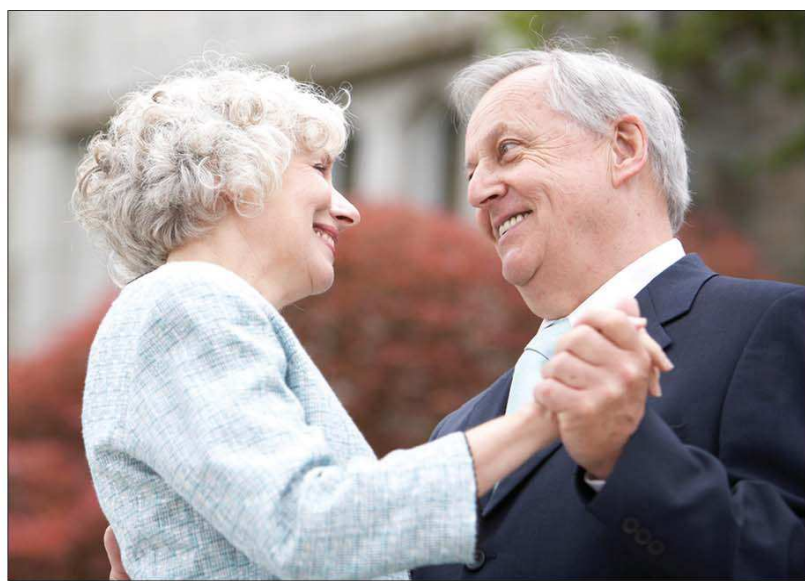
Celebrating Birthdays



The Prestonsburg Senior Citizen Center recently celebrated December birthdays. The guest of honor was Leslie Belcher. Belcher was celebrating her 88th birthday.

Senior Citizen Center Birthdays

All Senior Citizen Centers may announce their birthdays for **FREE**.



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) Richard of Archdale, NC, and Margaret (Joseph) Andrews of Lynchburg, Va. They have 10 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

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Dotson-Simpkins



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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Hatfield-McDaniel



Amy Michelle Hatfield and Chad McDaniel of Fort Bragg, NC, were united in marriage at six o'clock in the evening, Saturday, December 9, 2017 at the Maple Lane Farm, Fayetteville, NC. The bride is a graduate of Allen Central High School and attended Morehead State University. McDaniel is a graduate of Rowan County Senior High School. He serves as a Sergeant in the US Army. Following the ceremony, the couple left for a honeymoon in the Bahamas. They are residing in Fort Bragg.

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Please submit Sealed Bids to the Floyd County Judge Executive Ben Hale's office by Wednesday April 27, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m. Bids will be opened at this time by Judge Hale. Bids will be awarded by the lowest or best evaluated bid. Floyd County Fiscal Court has the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

For further information please contact Floyd County Judge/Executive at 606-886-9193.

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1. Will be out of town on May 22, 2018, Primary Election Day.
2. A woman in her last trimester of pregnancy.
3. Person who due to age, disability, or illness will be unable to go to the polls on Election Day.

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FLOYD COUNTY CLERK

Spring SERVICE GUIDE

TIP OF THE WEEK:

Regular housecleaning can remove many common allergy triggers and help alleviate symptoms. Knowing which common home improvement mistakes can aggravate allergies can help homeowners avoid them. 1) Suit up. 2) Clean windows singularly. 3) Use exhaust fans. 4) Invest in a HEPA filter. 5) Launder with hot water. 6) Spot-clean stains on carpet. Otherwise, hire a professional cleaner who will clean and dry the carpet as quickly as possible. 7) Damp dusting is better. 8) Treat mold issues.

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In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 40 CFR 1501.4, the DSEA and draft FONSI must be available to the public in the affected area for thirty (30) days for review and comment. Final determination regarding the need for additional NEPA documentation will be made after the public review period, which begins on or about April 4, 2018. Copies of the documents may be viewed at the following location:

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The documents may also be viewed at the following website: <http://www.lrh.usace.army.mil/Missions/PublicReview.aspx>. Copies of the DSEA and draft FONSI may be obtained by contacting the Huntington District Office of the Corps of Engineers at (304) 399-5924. Comments pertaining to the documents may be submitted by letter to:

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Huntington District Corps of Engineers 502 Eighth Street
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Blackcats drop back-to-back games



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Prestonsburg Blackcat Cameron Blackburn bunts during a game earlier in the month.

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg fell victim to offensive-heavy Pike Central as the Hawks used a nine-run outburst to pull away to win 19-7 in six innings in a non-district high school baseball game at Stone-Crest Park on Friday.

With the loss, Prestonsburg dropped to 3-9. Pike Central improved to 11-1 with the win.

After facing a two-run deficit at the conclusion of the first inning, Pike Central tied the game and eventually out hit Prestonsburg 13-6. The Hawks plated nine runs in the top half of the sixth inning.

Pike Central pitcher Logan Hillerman earned the win. Hillerman allowed four hits and six

runs over three innings, striking out four and walking one.

Prestonsburg pitcher Blake Sizemore suffered the loss. Sizemore allowed seven hits and eight runs over three and 2/3 innings, striking out four and walking none. Another pitcher, Graham Burchett, threw two and a third innings in relief for the Blackcats.

Seth Conn led Pike Central at the plate, finishing four for five with a grand slam and four RBIs.

Aiding the Pike Central offensive attack, Brice Elkins and Evan Coleman contributed two hits apiece.

Burchett, Payton Burke, Brayden Slone, Ben Welch, Owen Greene and Collin Ousley each managed one hit to lead the Blackcats

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Jags go 1-2

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

BELFRY — Floyd Central returned to the win column on the road at Belfry over the weekend, defeating Man (W.Va.) 11-1 in five innings via the mercy rule in the Jim Vaughn Smith Invitational at Belfry High School on Saturday.

The Jaguars out hit Man 14-5 and overcame two errors to earn the win.

Floyd Central scored first and never trailed. The Jaguars owned a commanding 9-0 lead before Man pushed across a run in the top half of the fifth inning.

Floyd Central pitcher Braydon Hamilton earned the win. Hamilton allowed five hits and one run over five innings, striking out three and walking one.

Man pitcher Jacob Frazier absorbed the loss. Frazier surrendered three runs on five hits over one and 2/3 innings, striking out two.

Noah Marcum, Cameron Nelson, Brady Jones and Dawson Stephens each provided multiple hits for the Jaguars. Marcum went four for four at the plate and drove in two runs to lead Floyd Central. Nelson, Jones, Stephens, Caleb Hager and Chris Brown drove

in one run apiece for the Jaguars.

In three at-bats, Jacob Trogon accounted for two of Man's five hits.

The Hillbillies committed three errors in the loss.

Floyd Central finished 1-2 in the Jim Vaughn Smith Invitational.

Belfry 13, Floyd Central 4

Floyd Central gave up four runs in the bottom half of the first inning and couldn't recover as host Belfry led 10-0 before the Jaguars arrived on the scoreboard and eventually pulled away to win 13-4 in the Jim Vaughn Smith Invitational on Saturday.

The Pirates out hit the Jaguars 11-6 and overcome their share of defensive woes. Each prep baseball team committed five errors.

Belfry pitcher Kaleb Taylor claimed the win. Taylor surrendered four runs on five hits over five innings, striking out five. Closing the game out on the mound for the Pirates, Bryce Nichols threw two innings in relief.

Floyd Central pitcher Cameron Nelson took the loss. Nelson allowed five hits and eight runs over



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See **JAGS**, Page 13A Floyd Central pitcher Caleb Hager delivers a pitch to home plate in action earlier this season.

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Meddings returns to Wesley Christian

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

ALLEN — David Meddings is returning to guide the Wesley Christian boys' basketball program. In a previous coaching stint in Allen, Meddings guided Wesley Christian to the 2017 FCA National Championship. During his time away from Wesley Christian, Meddings traveled overseas to coach in Dublin, Ireland at North Atlantic Basketball Academy. He also coached in Italy and Spain.

Meddings guided Wesley Christian to a 33-11 overall record and the national title during a highlight-filled previous stint. He coached two McDonald's All-American Nominees for the first and only time in school history and had the Circuit Riders ranked 14th in the nation.

Meddings is eager to begin preparing for the 2018-19 season.

"I'm very excited and thrilled to be back at Wesley Christian and look forward to the off-season and seeing what faces we can bring to Allen," said Meddings. "The cupboard is not empty at all with so much young talent that we will be able to help get D-1 interest and offers for in the coming months.

When I was handed the roster from Dr. (Kenneth) LeMaster and it read 7 seven foot, 6 foot 9, 6-11, 6-10, 6 foot 5 and 6 foot 4, not to mention a 6 foot 2 kid that absolutely shoots the lights out, my decision to return was an easy one."

Meddings left the Wesley Christian boys' basketball program among the best in the country.

"When I left Wesley Christian we were ranked 14th in the country according to MaxPreps and had just won the FCA National Championship with 33 wins and some McDonald's All-American Nominees," said Meddings. "And although Wesley Christian had a very good year this past year with 30 wins and double digit wins on the heralded Grind Session, I'm hungry for more and I know the kids are too. There's a lot of young talent to work with and a ton of work to do starting now to achieve those goals of putting Wesley Christian in the talks of one of the top teams in the country year-in and year-out."

Meddings is already a big part of Wesley Christian's successful tradition.

"Before I got the job in 2016, the program was already knocking

on the door nationally and the coach before me did a wonderful job," commented Meddings. "Then, in my one year away from the program, the coach continued the success. It's my job to once again take it to that elite new level that we want to be at."

Meddings has coached three NBA players and will most likely add a fourth with Miles Bridges of Michigan State on his way to a promising professional career. He has coached over 50 D-1 players. In addition, three players from his Wesley Christian team in 2017 have signed or are waiting to sign with Division I programs, including Wake Forrest and Toledo.

Meddings, who is from Nestlow, W.Va., will reside with his family in Allen. He has a daughter named Maleeah and he and his wife, Makayla Meddings, are expecting a son in July.

"Wesley Christian is a special place to me and I'm back where I belong," confided Meddings. "I want to thank all involved for recruiting me back and hopefully I can live up to and exceed the expectations here. It's going to be a fun ride."



file photo

David Meddings is set to guide the Wesley Christian boys' basketball program in his second stint as head coach.

Lady Blackcats sweep Jenkins

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Host Prestonsburg swept a high school softball doubleheader from Jenkins at StoneCrest Park on Friday, winning 15-5 (five innings) and 25-1 (three innings).

More on each of the Lady Blackcats' wins follows.

Prestonsburg 15, Jenkins 5 (five innings): Prestonsburg defeated visiting Jenkins 15-5 in five innings in the first game of a high school softball doubleheader at StoneCrest Park on Friday.

Prestonsburg plated seven runs in the bottom half of the first inning and led 10-0 before Jenkins scored.

McKenzie Wireman was the winning pitcher for the Lady Blackcats. Wireman went two and a third innings, allowing five runs on two hits and striking out two. Working out of a relief role, Kate-

lyn Bingham threw one and two-thirds innings for the Lady Blackcats. Bingham recorded the last five outs to earn the save.

Jerrica Thacker took the loss for Jenkins. Thacker went three innings, allowing 15 runs on 13 hits and striking out five.

Prestonsburg outhit Jenkins 13-3. Wireman, Haley Ratliff, Alison Campbell, Alexis Beatty and Haylee Niece each provided multiple hits for the Lady Blackcats. Wireman and Ratliff collected three hits apiece to pace Prestonsburg in the victory.

Jenkins committed five errors in the loss while Prestonsburg made two defensive miscues as part of its triumph.

Prestonsburg 25, Jenkins 1

Prestonsburg rolled past Jenkins in the second game of a doubleheader at StoneCrest Park on Friday, winning

25-1 in three innings.

The Lady Blackcats outhit Jenkins 16-5.

Homestanding Prestonsburg set the tone early, plating 11 runs in the bottom half of the first inning.

Prestonsburg pitcher Katelyn Bingham posted the win. Bingham recorded two strikeouts in three innings.

Ashlea Little and Emily Salisbury led Prestonsburg at the plate. Little and Salisbury provided three hits and four RBIs apiece for the Lady Blackcats.

Haley Ratliff and Haylee Niece followed, finishing with two hits and three RBIs apiece in Prestonsburg's win.

Helping her pitching cause at the plate, Bingham contributed two hits and two RBIs for the Lady Blackcats in the convincing victory.

The Lady Cavaliers struggled in the field, committing seven errors.

Betsy Layne knocks off Breathitt County

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

ALLEN — Betsy Layne won for the third time in four games over the weekend, outlasting visiting Breathitt County 13-12 at Stumbo Park on Saturday.

Familiar foes, Betsy Layne and Breathitt County are rivals from neighboring regions.

Determined Betsy Layne dealt Breathitt County its second straight one-run loss.

With the win, Betsy Layne improved to 3-8.

Breathitt County dropped to 5-8 with the loss.

The game was tied 12-12 with Betsy Layne batting in the bottom half of the seventh inning when Cameron Hughes singled on a 2-2 count to score the game-winning run and

lift the host team to the victory.

Betsy Layne earned the victory despite allowing Breathitt County to score eight runs in the fourth inning.

Kolby McGuire started on the mound for homestanding Betsy Layne. McGuire allowed three hits and eight runs over three and two-thirds innings, striking out one.

Taheton Stacy started on the mound for Breathitt County. Stacy surrendered two runs on zero hits over one inning, walking one. Isaac Bellamy, Layne Gibson, Nick Correll and Jake Combs pitched out of relief roles for Breathitt County in the setback.

Bud New-some-coached Betsy Layne collected nine hits in the winning effort. Hughes and Jordan Frazier

managed multiple hits for Betsy Layne. Hughes led Betsy Layne at the plate, finishing 3-for-4.

Breathitt County banged out six hits in the road game. Taheton Stacy and G Stacy led Breathitt County with two hits apiece.

Breathitt County is under the direction of former Major League Baseball draft pick TeWayne Willis, a Perry County Central product.

Betsy Layne returned to the win column following a loss to Shelby Valley two days earlier. In addition to Breathitt County, Betsy Layne has notched wins over East Ridge and Jenkins thus far in the 2018 season.

The Betsy Layne and Breathitt County baseball teams aren't scheduled to meet again this season.

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one inning, striking out one and walking one.

Taylor, Devin Varney, Sean Cochran and Austin Fields led the Belfry offensive attack with two hits apiece.

Helping his pitching cause at the plate, Nelson delivered two hits and in three at bats. Chipping in offensively for Floyd Central, Caleb Hager, Dawson Stephens, Chase Conley and Brady Jones added one hit apiece.

Pikeville 6, Floyd Central 1
Floyd Central out hit

15th Region counterpart Pikeville 9-4, but couldn't match the Panthers in the runs column. Playing on a neutral field, Pikeville topped Floyd Central 6-1 in the Jim Vaughn Smith Invitational at Belfry High School on Friday.

Grayson Harris led Pikeville to the victory on the pitcher's mound, throwing a complete game. Harris allowed only one run on nine hits and struck out eight over seven innings.

Caleb Hager took the loss for the Jaguars. Hager, a freshman, worked four and a third innings, allowing one hit and two runs while striking out

nine.

Lucas Justice drove in two of Pikeville's six runs. Justice, Nathan Brown, Jackson Hensley and Brody Birchfield provided one hit apiece for the Panthers in the winning effort.

Chris Brown went 2-for-3 at the plate to lead Floyd Central in the setback. Hager, Brayden Hamilton, Cameron Nelson, Dawson Stephens, Chase Conley, Noah Marcum and Jonah Parsons followed with one hit apiece for the Jaguars.

Each 15th Region baseball team committed a pair of errors.

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at the plate.

The Hawks overcame four errors to claim the victory

Prestonsburg struggled defensively, committing eight errors.

Phelps 14, Prestonsburg 7

After posting back-to-back wins, Prestonsburg slipped into the loss column on the road in neighboring Pike County. Host Phelps doubled up the Blackcats 14-7 in a non-district high school baseball game on Thurs-

day.

Prestonsburg lost despite out hitting Phelps 11-5. Defensive miscues plagued Prestonsburg. The Blackcats committed 10 errors in the loss.

Phelps pitcher Ronald Prater earned the win. Prater allowed five runs on three hits and struck out one.

Prestonsburg pitcher Andrew Hale suffered the loss. Hale surrendered seven runs on two hits over four and a third innings, striking out five and walking one. Graham Burchett, Cameron Blackburn and Brayden Slone contributed on the mound for the Blackcats,

working out of relief roles.

Five different Phelps players connected for one hit apiece. Dylan New delivered a game-high four RBIs for the Hornets while Peyton Rife and Keegan Bentley plated two runs apiece.

Ben Welch, Blake Sizemore and Payton Burke banged out two hits apiece for the Blackcats. Owen Greene, who connected for one hit, drove in two of Prestonsburg's seven runs.

Phelps overcame five errors to post the win.



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