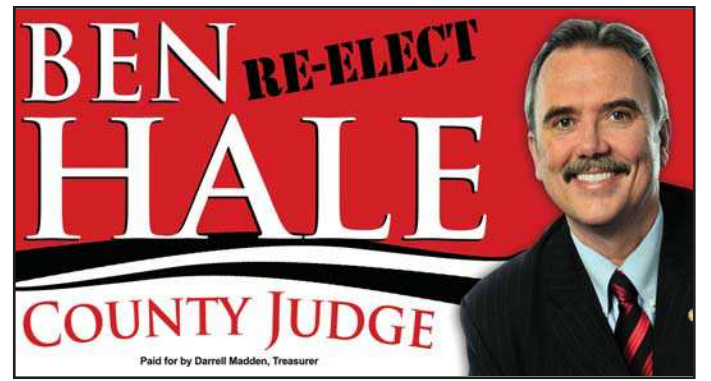




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Superintendent starts earlier than expected

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Schools District's new superintendent started a bit earlier than expected.

Danny Adkins, who was hired by the Floyd County Board of Education on May 1, signed an employment contract that had not

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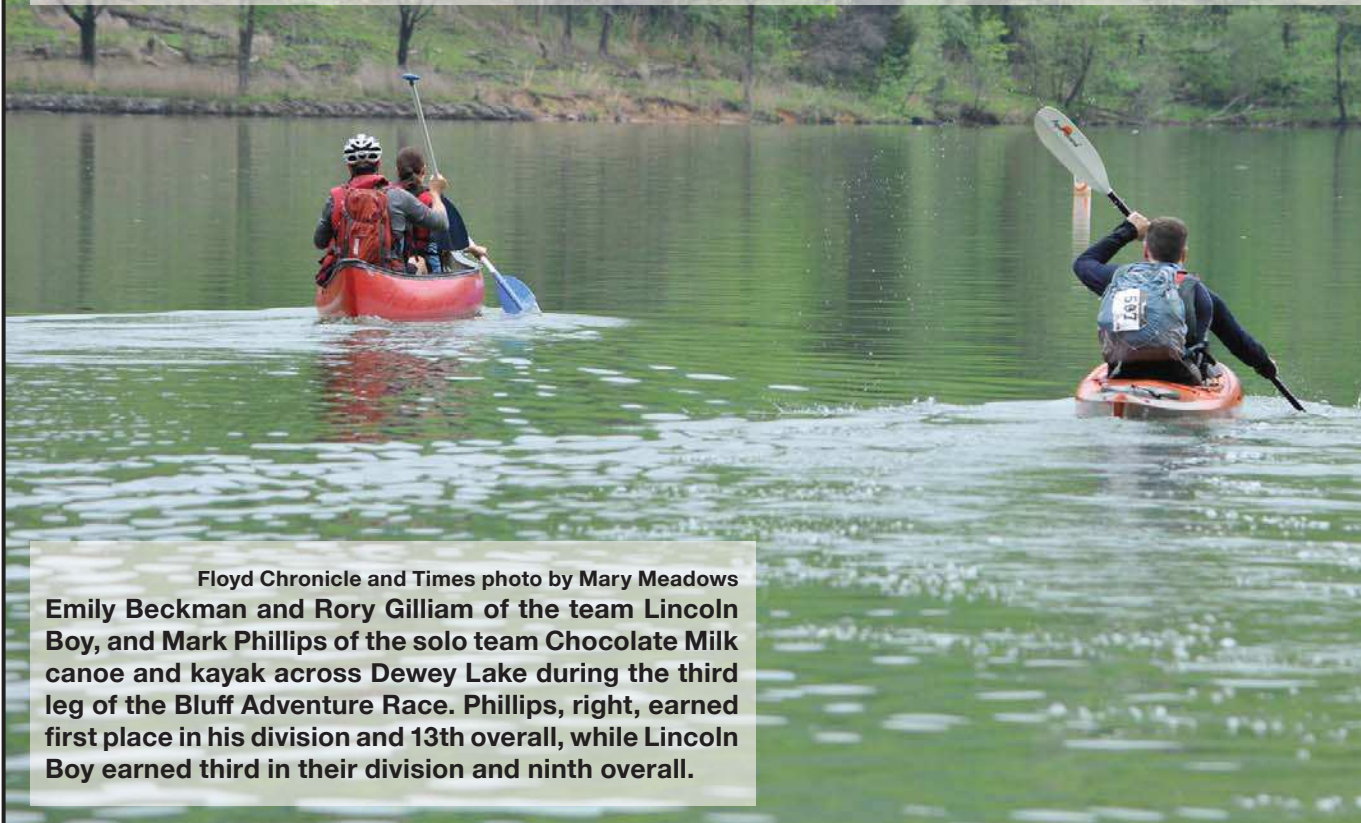
Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Floyd County Schools District attorney Jonathan Shaw, left, speaks with Floyd Schools Superintendent Danny Adkins after the board approved a new contract for Adkins Monday.

Competitors from several states participate in the Bluff

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park and the adjoining Sugarcamp Mountain Trail System were packed with racers last weekend. The Northern Kentucky group, 361 Adventures, kicked off its annual racing series with a multi-faceted Bluff Adventure Race that led competitors hiking, biking, kayaking and canoeing their way to the finish line.

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Emily Beckman and Rory Gilliam of the team Lincoln Boy, and Mark Phillips of the solo team Chocolate Milk canoe and kayak across Dewey Lake during the third leg of the Bluff Adventure Race. Phillips, right, earned first place in his division and 13th overall, while Lincoln Boy earned third in their division and ninth overall.

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Marc Oria and Mathieu Sertorio, of TJ79: Team Moziatex, ride the Sugarcamp Mountain Trails during the Bluff Adventure Race. They came in first place overall.



Kristy Deep, of the solo team "Deep Trouble" came in first place in her division and third place overall in the Bluff Adventure Race.

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Company announces \$325 million investment in Floyd

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

RCL Chemical announced on Tuesday that

it finalized a partnership with an investment company in New York to

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Floyd man sentenced to 35 years in prison for child porn

By CHASE ELLIS
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — A Floyd County man who

pleaded guilty to federal child pornography charges was sentenced to 35 years in prison during sentencing last week in U.S. District

Court in Pikeville.

Joshua Keith Lawson, 31, of Toms Creek, Ivel, was indicted by a federal grand jury

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Larry Sparks brings out big crowd



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Larry Sparks and The Lonesome Ramblers drew in a large crowd Friday night at the Quality Inn in Prestonsburg. Sparks is a bluegrass legend, and known for songs such as "Tennessee 1949," and "John Deere Tractor." Sparks played two sets during the concert and officials were happy with the amount of people who attended.

Floyd County has fewer voters since elections of Trump, Bevin

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

With numerous local races on the ballot, Floyd County has 30,245 people registered to vote in the primary election this month, and that number has decreased over the past two years.

Democrats still make up the majority of Floyd County's electorate — a trend also reported statewide — but that party has been losing candidates over the past two years in Floyd County and in the state.

Since January, the number of voters in Floyd County has increased by only 89 people — from 30,165 registered in January to 30,254 registered to vote this month. The number of voters registered actually decreased in February and March, then increased again this spring.

Although there's been an increase in the number of voters registered in the county this year, the number has actually decreased from prior years. Statewide, the number of voter registrations increased by 62,000 since 2016, when Republican President Donald Trump and Governor Matt Bevin were elected, but voter registrations have decreased in Floyd County since that time.

Of the 30,245 voters registered in Floyd County, there are 24,635

Democrats, 4,496 Republicans and 1,123 voters in other categories ready to cast ballots in the primary election this month.

The number of registered voters decreased by 155 since February 2017, when 30,409 people were registered to vote in Floyd County, and the number of registered voters decreased by 160 since the 2016 primary election, when 30,414 Floyd countians were registered to vote.

In Kentucky, Democratic voters represent just more than 50 percent of the electorate with 1.68 million registered voters. Republican voters total 1.39 million, or about 41 percent of voters, and voters registered as Independent or in other categories total about 289,000, or about 8.5 percent of all voters.

Statewide, there have been increases in the number of Republicans registered to vote since Trump and Bevin were elected, while Democrats, Independent and other categories have lost voters.

Since the May 2016 Primary, there has been increases of 98,514 Republican voters in the state, while registration has decreased by 155,621 for Independents and others, and by 3,574 for Democrats.

The two-year voter registration trend has shown an increase in Republican and Independent voters and a decrease in Democratic voters in Floyd County.

Since the 2016 primary election, Floyd County has gained 690 Republican voters, from 3,806 registered in 2016 to 4,496 registered to vote in this year's Primary.

The number of Independent voters and those voting in other categories has also increased by 127 since the May 2016 Primary, from 966 registered at that time to 1,123 registered this month.

During that time, however, the number of Democratic voters reg-

istered decreased by 1,007—from 25,642 registered to vote in the 2016 Primary to 24,635 registered to vote this month.

In the first five months of this year in Floyd County, the number of voter registrations increased by 81 for Republicans and by 35 for Independent — with voter registration increases every month — while Democrats have lost voters, then gained a few, and will head to the primary election with about 27 more voters than in January.

The number of registered voters, however, is not indicative of the number of people who actually turn out to vote at the polls in the primary election.

Historically, primary election turnout has been low in Floyd County and elsewhere.

During the May 2016 primary election, 29.3 percent of Democrats, 14.9 percent of Republicans and 1.1 percent of other registered voters turned out to cast ballots in Floyd County. In Floyd, turnout was 26.6 percent among all voters. Statewide, turnout for that year's primary was 20.6 percent among all voters.

The voter turnout increased significantly in that year's general election, however, with 55.7 percent of Democrats, 58.7 percent of Republicans and 37.5 percent of other registered voters heading to the polls. In Floyd, turnout was 55.5 percent among all voters. Statewide, turnout for that election was 59.1 percent among all voters.

The primary election will be held May 22, and absentee voting is now underway. Registered voters have until May 15 to request an absentee ballot if they are unable to vote in person on May 22. In-person absentee voting closes on May 21, and all absentee ballots must be received by the county clerk by 6 p.m. on Election Day.

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RACE

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The race was unique in that the trail to the finish line was not specifically designated. All competitors were given a topographical map and were required to use a compass to find their way from the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park convention center, up to the Sugarcamp Mountain Trail System, back down the mountain to the Terry Boat Ramp, across Dewey Lake and back to the convention center to finish the race. Competitors were required to check in at 27 locations throughout these areas during the race, and only two teams — the first- and second-place winners — captured all 27 checkpoints.

Participants came from several states, and finished the race in teams of between one and four people. Race coordinator Dallas Lemaster said the majority of the racers were from Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee, Indiana and West Virginia. The two youngest racers were nine-year-olds

from central Kentucky.

It took the winners, Cincinnati, Ohio, area residents Marc Oria and Mathieu Sertorio — from France and Spain — of “TJ79: Team Moziatex,” five hours, 43 minutes to finish the race. They spent about 1.5 hours hiking from the park’s convention center to the top of the Sugarcamp Mountain Trailhead at Stonecrest and another 1.5 hours riding their bikes back down the mountain to the Terry Boat Ramp, where they canoed across Dewey Lake before hitting their bikes again to ride to the finish line.

This team and second-place winner, the Topo Adventure Sports team, made up of Brian Grafton, Drake White and Lauren Ison, were the only teams to check in at all 27 checkpoints. They finished second overall and first in their division with a time of 6:02 hours.

Three teams ended the race at the maximum finish time of eight hours. Six teams finished the race in more than six hours and the rest of the competitors finished the race in over



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Approximately 60 people from several states participated in the Bluff Adventure Race, which started at the Jenny Wiley State Park Convention Center, sent competitors running up the park’s trails and onto the Sugarcamp Mountain Trails, then brought them, on mountain bike, back down to Dewey Lake for kayaking and canoeing before they finished the race with a bike ride along Lake Road.

seven hours.

Lemaster and his brother Shawn launched 361 Adventures in 2012 and have since hosted races all over the state. The May 5 event — part of the Kentucky State Park system’s Unbridled Adventure Race Series — marked the group’s third race in Floyd County and it is planning races for other local com-

munities, including Pike County.

Lemaster said competitors in Saturday’s race were impressed at the quality of the trails and the beauty they found in Floyd County.

“It’s phenomenal, the work they’ve done to get the Sugarcamp Mountain Trails ready,” he said. “I think it’s one of the best

mountain bike trails in the state. I think everybody, all the runners were impressed, with the trails and the beauty here, even with the rain.”

The Bluff Adventure Race was held at the same time that the Sugarcamp Mountain Trail Committee hosted its inaugural 5K and 10K trail runs on the trail system — a trail sys-

tem that was built by volunteers and connects with trails at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Prestonsburg Mayor Les Stapleton said the city is “tickled to death” that 361 Adventures hosted a race here, and praised community volunteers for building the Sugarcamp Mountain Trail System and city volunteers for their assistance with both races. The Prestonsburg Fire Department, Prestonsburg Parks Department and the Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad were on hand for these races to ensure the safety of participants.

“I’d say we’re closing in on over 40 miles of trails now, and we’ve got over 40,000 volunteer hours over the last four years,” Stapleton said. “That’s unbelievable. I tell people that and they say, you mean 4,000. I say, no, it’s 40,000.”

For more information about upcoming 361 Adventure races in this region, visit 361adventures.com. For more information about the Sugarcamp Mountain Trail System, visit sugarcamptrails.com.

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publicly approved by the board on that day. That contract called for a July 1 start date for Adkins, but, instead, he worked with interim superintendent Steve Trimble two days last week and started his new job with the Floyd County School District on Monday, May 7. That evening, the board held a special meeting to approve a new contract for him.

Adkins said he started his employment in Floyd County early because he had been released from his services as the personnel director of the Pike County School District. He said Friday was the last day for Trimble, whose contract with the district ended on June 30 “or until a superintendent is named and under contract.”

“It’s been busy, really busy,” Adkins said, talking about upcoming deadlines he is required to meet and visits he had on Monday with several schools.

“The superintendent and I had a conversation up there, Mr. Trimble as well,” he said, about leaving Pike County schools. “It’s time for Floyd County to get settled, and I think that’s what this will do. It will settle things and we’ll move forward now, we’ll go ahead and get back to the business of educating kids. Which, it’s not that they haven’t been, but we’ll get back

to that being our main focus and we’ll move on through now.”

By using the word ‘settled,’ he was saying that his early start will put the district “at ease.”

“When you don’t have a superintendent in place, things are kind of in disarray at times,” he said. “I don’t know that they were, but I could imagine, without a superintendent, I know what any other district would be like without a superintendent. It would be in disarray.”

The new contract is similar to the first contract, and two changes were made between the first contract signed by Adkins and the one approved this week.

Both contracts require Adkins to be paid \$126,000 annually, based on a 240 working days, through 2020 and they both outline other benefits he will receive, like health, dental and vision insurance coverage for Adkins and his family, and reimbursements for reasonable work-related expenses approved by the board.

The new contract, however, grants Adkins “exclusive use” of a four-wheel drive vehicle—a benefit that was not included in the first contract. The board provided previous superintendents with a four-wheel drive vehicle for their “exclusive use,” but Adkins’ first contract only reimbursed him for mileage and gave him the right to “have use of a district vehicle.”

The new contract says he will be provided a four-wheel drive capable vehicle for his exclusive use. “Hours of use for the purposes of this agreement shall be deemed to be any part of any day worked by the Superintendent to include days related to travel,” it says.

Adkins, a resident of

Coal Run in Pike County, previously reported he does not plan to move to Floyd County.

The new contract also removes language that would allow Adkins to receive a raise any time other school district staff receives raises. The removal of that language was requested by Board

Member Dr. Chandra Varia, who told Shaw and Board Chairperson Sherry Robinson prior to the meeting that the board did not approve that language as part of the contract.

That language was in the prior contract, but Shaw agreed to remove it in this version. He told

Robinson, however, that a majority of the board can vote to give Adkins a raise at any time.

The new contract also notes that Adkins’ salary may be higher than \$126,000 this year because he’s starting his employment with the district two months earlier than initially planned.

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Melvin women sentenced for federal pill case

By CHASE ELLIS
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

Two Melvin women were sentenced to prison as part of a federal sentencing hearing last week in U.S. District Court in Pikeville that was connected to a local pill trafficking ring.

Karen Isaac, 45, and her daughter, Alyssa Isaac, 21, of Rocky Hill Road, Melvin, both pleaded guilty to a single charge of conspiracy to distribute Schedule II controlled substance in September in connection with the trafficking of prescription pills from their home around June of 2016.

In June 2016, controlled purchases were made from both Karen and Alyssa Isaac, before U.S. Marshals sought and executed a search warrant at their residence, the plea agreement in the case said. During the execution of the search warrant, law enforcement officials located more than 1,500 prescription pills at the residence; including 481 Neurontin and 440 Xanax, as well as quantities of oxycodone, hydrocodone, methadone, morphine, Suboxone and Subutex, the agreement stated.

The pair was charged along with Karen Isaac's husband, Jeffrey Isaac, 60, of Detroit, Michigan, and Alyssa Isaac's boyfriend, Scotty Dewayne Tackett, 39, in the trafficking ring.

"If ever, truly, there was a family business, this is the one," said Chief U.S. District Judge Karen K. Caldwell during the hearing.

Since their arrests in the case, Karen Isaac has completed a 12-step program and Alyssa Isaac also completed care at a rehabilitation facility, according to their respective defense attorneys.

Karen Isaac told Caldwell that her incarceration and the program helped her "understand the harm I brought into my neighborhood."

After Alyssa Isaac's rehabilitation program, she attempted to enter an after-care program, but, according to her defense attorney Kent Varney, she was denied by her insurance.

"She is taking the steps to overcome addiction. She wants to do something with her life," Varney said. "She was brought up this way and she now realizes she doesn't want to continue to live this way."

Assistant U.S. Attor-

ney Jason Parman said Alyssa Isaac's compliance through court is "shocking" and was "a positive experience."

"She has had a bad issue but is making the best out of it. She was not given a chance to succeed," Parman said. "That being said, she did have knowledge (of what was going on) and she did profit from it. She has the potential to turn her life around and she has shown very positive strides."

After discussion, Caldwell sentenced Karen Isaac to four years in prison and Alyssa Isaac to two years in prison. Caldwell told Varney and Alyssa Isaac that her sentence was "due to her success so far post-incarceration."

Tackett pleaded guilty to charges in the case previously, but Jeffrey Isaac went to trial in the case at the end of January. After a three-day trial, Jeffrey Isaac was found guilty on charges of conspiracy to distribute a controlled substance and possession of a firearm in the furtherance of a drug trafficking crime.

Jeffrey Isaac is set to be sentenced on May 24 in Pikeville.

Officers make surprise birthday visit

By CODY DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Four officers with the Prestonsburg Police Department made a surprise visit to a birthday party this weekend, surprising not only the birthday girl but the entire family.

According to Ann Handshoe, Maddy Handshoe, Ann posted on Facebook in search of a law enforcement officer to wish her daughter a happy birthday.

Ann said Maddy has had a love for police officers ever since spotting a female officer at a Rite-Aid three years ago.

"Every time she sees a cop she has to wave at them, she has to wear her police hat all the time and Live PD, we have to watch it every Friday and Saturday," said Ann. "Ever since that day, my child has loved cops."

According to Ann, part of the way through the party Saturday, to her surprise, not only one, but four officers with

the Prestonsburg Police Department showed up to surprise her daughter.

"I turned around and looked and I seen cop lights," said Ann. "Here came four of them walking in. I was so shocked."

According to Ann, her daughter was shocked and excited to see them arrive.

"Her face turned blood red," Ann said. "She was so shocked. She didn't know what to say. I've never seen speechless, maybe they should come more often."

Ann said the officers let Maddy practice with their handcuffs and turn the sirens on in their police cars.

"She said, 'Mom how'd they show up? Did they know it was my birthday today?'" said Ann. "She said it was the best birthday party she's ever had."

But, Ann said, the highlight of the party for her daughter was getting to eat donuts with the officers.

"I'm grateful for it," said Ann. "It made her day, trust me, it's all she talked about and still talks about."



Submitted photo
Maddy Handshoe stands with member of the Prestonsburg Police Department during her birthday party Saturday. The officers' presence was a surprise and made the young girl's day.

Prestonsburg Police make large-scale drug busts

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND
TIMES STAFF REPORT

Officers with the Prestonsburg Police Department confiscated more than 20 grams of methamphetamine and nearly \$3,000 in cash after making contact with a suspicious vehicle early Sunday, according to a

statement from the Prestonsburg Police Department.

According to the statement, Sgt. Austin King and officer Joey Calhoun were on patrol and observed the suspicious vehicle on the side of the road near Big Branch of Bull Creek.

The statement said

that, after officers approached the vehicle, the occupants inside, Jessie Craft and Elizabeth Skeens, both of Prestonsburg, were observed attempting to hide what appeared to be methamphetamine and a large quantity of cash.

After a search of the vehicle, the statement

said, officers were able to locate more than 20 grams of methamphetamine and nearly \$3,000 in cash.

According to the statement, Craft had two pending cases for trafficking methamphetamine, and Skeens had been convicted for complicity to traffic illegal

drugs in the past.

Both were ledged in the Floyd County Jail on charges of trafficking in methamphetamine and other charges.

Later that afternoon, according to the statement, officers responded to a complaint of marijuana being illegally grown on Cliff Road.

The statement said that upon arrival, the officers were able to locate 267 marijuana plants growing on a back porch of a residence, allegedly that of William Osborne of Prestonsburg.

Osborne was arrested on charges of cultivating in marijuana, greater than five plants, second offense, according to the statement.

Osborne was lodged in the Floyd County Jail.

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EDITORIAL:

Welcome to new superintendent of Floyd Schools, but it's time to get to work

It's official. Danny Adkins has started his new job as superintendent of the Floyd County Schools District.

We congratulate him on the new position and welcome him to the community.

But, at the same time, we want to challenge him and the rest of the officials in the Floyd schools, including the board of education, to take very little time to catch their breath, and then to start back on track to making the district into the one that the people of Floyd County expect and deserve.

The expectations are definitely high. After all, it hasn't been that long ago that the Floyd County Schools District was under state control, an embarrass-

ment but a necessary action considering the state of the district those years ago. Since then, and through the restoration of local control in 2005, the district has grown to a much higher-performing level than it was.

But there's a lot of work to be done. There always is when it comes to schools.

There's an urgency in making sure that schools are operating in the best and most efficient measure. While there is the need to ensure that tax dollars are wisely spent, that has to also be balanced with the needs of the community to have an educational system that provides students with the best possible opportunities for the future.

The school district has un-

dergone numerous changes over the past several years, including the closing and consolidations of schools, the construction of a grand new high school and the renovation of another high school that's currently underway. And there are numerous changes yet to come, starting with the beginning of Adkins' tenure as superintendent and the adoption of the new state accountability system, which was approved by the federal government this week.

Because of these changes and because of the very important job that Adkins and every Floyd County School District staff member provides to children in this county, we implore the school district to keep focused on the job at hand while maintaining

transparency with the public. The school district is the county's highest taxing district, and transparency is key in helping the public know and understand just how those tax dollars are being spent. It's also key in motivating the public to want to be a part of things happening in the district and in the schools. And we all know how beneficial parental and community involvement is for students and education.

Mr. Adkins is new to Floyd County, but his work in public education spans decades. He told us after he was hired that children are "blessings" and that he believes educators give hope.

"They give hope to children, and that's what I want to do," he said.

Our hope is that he stands by that pledge and that he guides the Floyd County School District on a path toward the future, giving students the tools they need to succeed, not just on tests, but also in life. If he helps the district accomplish that, then the future will be bright for all of Floyd County and Eastern Kentucky.

Regardless of Mr. Adkins' starting point, regardless of his experience and abilities, there's really only one thing that matters today — that his focus, and that of the entire district administration, is on the future of the children of Floyd County.

GUEST COLUMN:

Pardon marred legacy of 19th century governor

By **STUART SANDERS**
KHS HISTORY ADVOCATE

Pardons have been in the news lately.

President Donald Trump recently pardoned Lewis "Scooter" Libby, Vice President Dick Cheney's former chief of staff, who was convicted of obstruction of justice and perjury. Libby's charges stemmed from the investigation surrounding the leaking of CIA officer Valerie Plame's identity.

The president may also be considering a posthumous pardon for boxing champion Jack Johnson, who died in 1946. In 1913, Johnson was convicted of violating an act intended to prevent human trafficking. Authorities used the act to punish Johnson, an African-American, for having a relationship with a white woman.

While these reports have made headlines, clemency granted by one 19th century

Kentucky governor marred his legacy.

The Pennsylvania-born Joseph Desha became Kentucky's ninth governor in 1824. By all accounts, Desha had the experience to be an effective chief executive. A veteran of the War of 1812, Desha served in the Kentucky House and Senate before holding a congressional seat for 12 years.

Desha spent much of his gubernatorial term contending with issues surrounding debt relief for Kentuckians who had suffered during the Panic of 1819. However, his first year in office included a major, tragic distraction.

In 1824, authorities charged Desha's son, Isaac, with murder.

While staying at a tavern in Mays Lick, Isaac Desha met a Mississippian named Francis Baker. When Baker left the tavern to visit a friend, Desha accompanied him. Baker never reached

his friend's house. Instead, a newspaper wrote, Baker "was found several days afterwards in the woods, covered with logs and rubbish, with his throat cut from ear to ear! The back of his head was much bruised, supposed to have been occasioned by the strokes of a large whip in Desha's possession."

Witnesses also claimed that Desha's "hands and clothes were bloody." The governor's son also had Baker's horse and a blood-covered bridle in his possession.

Arrested for Baker's murder, Isaac was confined in Flemingsburg, where he had to be protected from a vigilante mob that hoped to lynch him.

Shortly thereafter, a bill in the state legislature ordered a change of venue for the trial. Gov. Desha, the father of the accused, signed the bill and the trial was moved to Cynthiana.

During Desha's first tri-

al, a jury found him guilty and sentenced him to hang. The judge, however, granted Desha a new trial because citizens demanding a guilty verdict had reputedly intimidated the jury.

Isaac's second trial, which the governor attended, was held in October 1825. Although this jury also found Isaac guilty and sentenced him to death, the judge again granted a new trial. One newspaper, recognizing a travesty of justice, blamed "the patronage of his father."

Isaac, however, was determined to avoid a third trial. On July 10, 1826, he cut his own throat.

Although Isaac severed his windpipe, he survived. However, he did bear the scars from the attempt. "Isaac looks as well as he did before he cut his throat, though not quite so fleshy," a reporter wrote several months later. "He breathes

through a tube in which he makes a considerable wheezing." For the rest of his life, Isaac breathed through this silver tube.

For Gov. Desha, two trials and an attempted suicide were enough.

Although the evidence against Isaac was overwhelming, the governor dashed any hopes for a third trial. He pardoned his son.

The governor argued that since it had been difficult to procure a jury for another trial, Isaac could not receive "a speedy public trial by an impartial jury." Moreover, the governor believed that "the whole of the evidence" was "circumstantial, and from much of it being irreconcilable, I have no doubt of his being innocent of the foul charge; therefore is an object worthy of executive clemency."

The Frankfort Commentator was dismayed at the pardon, noting that two ju-

ries had found Isaac guilty thanks to "testimony as conclusive as perhaps ever was adduced against a criminal."

Isaac may have gone free, but he was not reformed. The governor's son eventually traveled to Texas, where authorities arrested him for murdering another traveler. Witnesses recognized him, in part, from the silver tube that aided his breathing.

Isaac died the day before his trial was to commence at San Felipe de Austin, Texas. While some sources state that he died from a fever, he may have committed suicide. Upon reporting his death, a Mississippi newspaper wrote, "The world, it appears, is at last relieved from the presence of the notorious, and as it seems abandoned, Desha."

Gov. Desha retired from politics after his gubernatorial term. He died in Georgetown in October 1842. The pardon of his son, viewed by many as crass nepotism that tarnished the justice system, also blemished Desha's legacy as Kentucky's ninth governor.

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Ruth Little

Ruth Irene Hall Little, 75, of San Antonio, Tex., formerly of Beaver, died peacefully Monday, April 7, 2018, at the Kindred Hospice Care Center, San Antonio, Tex., surrounded

by her companion, Charles Massey and her special caregivers.

She was born at Teaberry, June 17, 1942, the daughter of the late Frank and Beatrice McPeek Hall.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded

in death by her husband, Isaac Donald (James) Little; two brothers, Buddy Hall and Bill McPeek; and three sisters, Ruby Mitchell, Caroline Tackett and Velma Hall.

In addition to her companion, she is sur-

vived by three sons, John Little (Dena), Jamie (David) Little, and Kirby Little (Vanessa); one daughter Angie Little Jones (Anthony); five grandchildren, Keisha Bennet (Trevor), Kirby Little, Forrest Little, Casey Wright and Chris-

tian Little; two brothers, Emmet Hall (Diane) and Lloyd Hall (Carolyn); and two sisters, Geraldine Born (Joe) and Goldie Hamilton.

Memorial services were held Saturday, April 28, 2018, at the New Be-

ginnings Church, Hi Hat. Burial followed at the Jay Hall Cemetery, Craynor. Arrangements were under the direction of Funeral Caring of San Antonio, Tex.

This is a paid obituary.

Road to honor WW II veteran Public invited to ceremony on Friday

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

The Kentucky General Assembly, upon a resolution sponsored by Senator Johnny Ray Turner, named a section of Ky. 2030 in Floyd County the Corporal Elba Case WWII Purple Heart Memorial Highway.

The public is invited to a ceremony to officially dedicating the highway on Friday, May 11, at 11 a.m. behind the ballfield at the three-way stop intersection of Ky. 2030 and Ky. 1426.

Betsy Layne DAV Chapter 169 and its Commander Jerry Roberts will open and close the ceremony in honor of Corporal Case.

Born April 7, 1925, to the late John Henry and Nancy Adams Case of Honaker, Elba Case entered active duty in the US Army on August 13, 1943, at Ft. Thomas, Kentucky. He served as a tank driver with the Company D 27th Armored Division, 3rd Regiment. He served in Normandy (Northern France) and Germany, was wounded in Germany on November 25, 1944, and honorably discharged on January 28, 1947.

Corporal Case earned a Purple Heart, Good Conduct Medal, World War II Victory Ribbon, European Theatre of Operations Ribbon, and the American Theatre Ribbon. He also earned the Expert Carbine (MKM) Medal.

His injuries were so severe that a surgical team in Normandy replaced his intestines with sheep intestines. His left arm was also crippled.

He returned to Floyd County where he and his wife, Marcella Spurlock Case (now Price) reared six children, all of whom are still living: Eddie Dean and Walter Case of Harold, Kenneth Case



Elba Case

and Joan Case Spurlock of Dana, Jeffrey Case of Pikeville, and Wade Case of Jacksonville, Florida.

Corporal Case died at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia, on January 30, 1971, at the age of 55.

His grandson, Jordon Case, funeral director at Hall Funeral Home, Martin, will represent the family during the ceremony as the keynote speaker. Others who will participate include State Rep. Larry Brown, Pastor Barry Clark of Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church, musician and soloist Clay Jamerson, and State Senator Ray S. Jones, who will represent Senator Turner, who cannot attend.

Sara George, KYTC District 12 information officer, will emcee the event, which is open to all friends of the Case family.

Community calendar

- May 9; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: The Wool Club meets, Floyd County Extension office. (606) 886-2668
- May 9, 5 p.m.: Wheelwright City Commission meets, city hall. (606) 452-4202
- May 10, 12 p.m.: Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets, Prestonsburg First Presbyterian Church
- May 11; 9 a.m.: Prestonsburg Tourism hosts special meeting, Mountain Arts Center. (606) 886-9321
- May 11: Mountain Comprehensive Care Center hosts golf scramble to raise funds for summer camps for children at Stonecrest. Mtcomp.org
- May 11, 11 a.m.: Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to host road dedication ceremony for Corp. Elba Case, WWII Purple Heart Memorial Highway, behind the ballfield at the three-way stop intersection of KY 2030 and KY 1426
- May 11; 7 p.m.: Colby O'Bryan performs, Gearheart Auditorium at Big Sandy Community & Technical Collge. macarts.com
- May 12; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Free Early Childhood HEART Fair, Big Sandy Community & Technical College, features games, activities, educational resources, magician, balloon artists, stilt walkers, door prizes, screenings for preschool, kindergarten students.
- May 12; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: 7th Annual Autism Awareness Walk, Prestonsburg
- May 12; 2 p.m.: Kentucky Ballet Theatre presents "The Little Mermaid," Mountain Arts Center. macarts.com
- May 14; 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.: Big Sandy Community & Technical College, Pikeville, hosts 8-hour mine emergency tech retraining class. (606) 218-1228
- May 14, 9 a.m.: Big Sandy Regional Industrial Authority meets, Sandy Area Development District. (606) 886-2374
- May 14; 5 p.m.: Produce Best Practices Training, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- May 14; 6 p.m.: Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, Eastern Library. (606) 377-2860
- May 15; 5:15 p.m.: Judge Executive Ben Hale to sign a proclamation declaring Older Americans Month during AARP meeting at the high rise, Prestonsburg. Public invited
- May 15-17; 8 a.m.: Three-day class, Kentucky Master Loggers Program, Floyd County Extension Office. Register online. (606) 886-2668
- May 17; 6 p.m.: Floyd County Farmer's Market meeting, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- May 17; 7 p.m.: Big Sandy Trail Riders meeting, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center in Prestonsburg is recruiting students for a free education and training program for youth ages 16-24 and its "Other Training Program" with a partnership with Big Sandy Community & Technical College. Students can receive \$200 a month financial assistance from the Job Corps Program. Students will also receive free medical, dental, vision, and mental health services if needed. Job placement when they complete the program. (606) 433-2265

Bridge work begins next week in in Prestonsburg

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Bridge deck restoration and waterproofing on parallel bridges on KY 114 in Prestonsburg will begin on Monday, May 14, and traffic congestion and delays are expected.

The Kentucky Transporta-

tion Cabinet awarded a contract that totaled more than \$1 million for this project and another project in Letcher County to M&M Services of Mt. Sterling.

On May 14, the company intends to begin work on two KY 114 bridges over CSX rail lines and the Levisa Fork at

mile point 12.364. These are the parallel bridges leading into downtown Prestonsburg at the T-intersection just past Archer Park.

The contractor will start with traffic diverted to the passing lane on each bridge, switching to the right lane as work progresses.

Twelve to 13-hour workdays are expected, with nighttime concrete pours.

Motorists are advised to merge at the arrow boards and not wait until the last possible chance to get in the correct lane.

Because traffic on both bridges will be reduced to one

lane, drivers can expect delays due to slower movement through the intersection.

The Floyd County bridge work should be finished in 30 calendar days, the Highway District 12 office reports. Work will begin on a bridge located on Ky. 15 in Letcher County on May 21.

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Gov. Bevin: Startup Week puts global focus on Kentucky's innovators

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-EXPRESS

Startup Week is drawing internationally acclaimed business pitch competitions by Endeavor and Rise of the Rest to Kentucky through Friday, along with announcements, partnerships and initiatives to fast track the state's business innovation environment, Gov. Matt Bevin announced Monday.

"In Kentucky, we are helping people to take ideas and turn them into companies that transform our economy," Gov. Bevin said. "During Startup Week, we'll highlight how we're jump starting the state's innovation ecosystem, and we'll celebrate our collaboration with some of the biggest names in the venture capital world. Our message is simple. No matter what your entrepreneurial idea is, we have the tools to help you succeed. You can do this in Kentucky."

Startup Week includes an unprecedented congregation of globally known venture capitalists and promising early stage Kentucky companies led by some of the state's best and brightest innovators. Together they will take part in two of the world's preeminent business pitch competitions: the Endeavor International Selection Panel and the

Rise of the Rest, a traveling contest led by former AOL Time Warner chief and major investor, Steve Case.

Endeavor, a high-impact, global investment network, operates offices in 19 countries with catalyst funds topping \$100 million. Monday's Endeavor International Selection Panel represents the culmination of a rigorous vetting process for a group of startups handpicked from Kentucky and across the globe.

In 2015, Endeavor located one of its first two American offices in Louisville, where it has already chosen to support entrepreneurs in fields including infrastructure/utilities, health care, software/services and marketing. Some of the top venture capitalists and influencers from both coasts will be on hand, as a high-powered panel of judges evaluate each company's concept, talent and ability to scale alongside rising-stars from multiple continents.

On Friday, the Rise of the Rest bus tour will visit Louisville for the second time and crisscross the city visiting multiple local startups. Rise of the Rest was launched last year through Case's DC-based venture capital firm, Revolution Capital, with the goal of raising \$150 million to seed companies outside the

"big three" investment targets of Silicon Valley, New York and Boston. The Rise fund recently chose high-tech greenhouse startup AppHarvest of Pikeville for its first round of funding in February 2018. The fund, managed by "Hillbilly Elegy" author and financier J.D. Vance, now counts among its growing roster of investors Jeff Bezos of Amazon, Howard Schultz of Starbucks, Dan Gilbert of Quicken Loans, along with the Waltons, Kochs and Pritzkers.

Friday evening will include a Rise of the Rest pitch competition judged by Case, Vance and an esteemed panel of business and venture capital veterans. The winner will leave with a check for \$100,000.

During Startup Week, Gov. Bevin will also launch the state's retooled efforts to support the entire spectrum of business innovators at every stage of their development. The Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development will oversee that collective group of programs, efforts and partnerships through its re-tooled efforts to support high-growth startup businesses.

"Startup Week in Kentucky is a significant, historic moment for the state," said Brian Mefford, the Cabinet's executive director of innovation. "Not only having this amount of financial fire power, but bringing together experts serious about identifying and capitalizing startups with this many gifted local business founders is an extraordinary opportunity. Endeavor and Rise both recognize our nation is teeming with ideas, resources and great companies with extraordinary potential. We firmly believe that nowhere is that more true than in Kentucky."

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secure \$325 million for a new facility that will be located in Floyd County.

The press release said RCL Chemical finalized its partnership with Y2X Infrastructure, identifying it as a "New York City Investment Company," for the construction of the first of three gas-to-liquids facilities that will be located in Floyd County.

According to the press release, the funds will be used to complete the engineering, environmental, permitting and site preparation work for the GTL facility, which is expected to be operational by 2020.

Bill Johnson, Chairman and COO of RCL said in the press release, "Floyd and Pike counties have been extremely patient and supportive of this project over an extended period. Early on they recognized the tremendous economic impact this project will

have in their communities creating high quality permanent jobs as well as 500-600 construction jobs during buildout of the three phases."

Part of the patience referenced by Johnson included complaints voiced by Pike County leaders who are concerned about \$400,000 that the company still owes that county, and have voted to sue the company but have not acted on that vote.

The Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority gave preliminary approval of \$18 million in tax incentives for the company's proposed gas-to-liquids refinery in August 2014 — approximately six months after RCC Big Shoal registered as a business in Kentucky — and the KEDFA renewed that incentive agreement in August 2017. Thereafter, company officials announced the project would move, instead, to Floyd County.

Johnson thanked Floyd County Judge-Ex-

ecutive Ben Hale for assistance with the project. The fiscal court served as a fiscal agent for a \$100,000 grant the project received for site development at the natural gas processing plant in Langley.

The press release said the \$325 million investment will fund the first of three phases in this project, and that 500 construction jobs will be created during all phases. A groundbreaking is expected in the fourth quarter of this year, it states.

The facility will convert natural gas into liquids, including waxes, base oils, lubricants and fuels.

David Farmer, RCL president and CEO, said in the statement, "We're excited about the economic picture our project paints for Floyd and Pike counties. All three phases, when built, will have created several hundred construction jobs and high paid permanent jobs fueling the local economy."

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Nov. 2017 on four counts, including one count of production of child pornography. Lawson was also indicted on two counts of distribution of child pornography and one count of possessing an electronic storage media containing such depictions.

At the end of January, Lawson entered into a plea agreement in which he pleaded guilty to one count of producing child pornography and two counts of distributing child pornography. The count of possession storage media was dismissed.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Jason Parman, Lawson was located online in which he communicated with a FBI agent through a sting operation, and a search warrant was subsequently executed at Lawson's home.

Due to sentencing guideline calculations, including the number of images which Lawson possessed, Lawson faced a maximum of life in prison, according to U.S. Chief District Judge Kar-

en K. Caldwell.

Lawson's defense attorney Richard Hughes argued against life imprisonment, and Hughes questioned the "validity of the (sentencing) guidelines" for child pornography, as set forth by U.S. Congress.

"(That sentence) could show, if given life, if people are committing these crimes, they could think, 'Well, I am getting life, I can do worse and get the same,'" Hughes said. "I don't mean to mitigate the offense, but when others (offenses) have lesser guidelines ... I have to ask the court to consider (a sentence) under (the calculations)."

Parman said there was "nothing unjust" about a life sentence.

"There is very real hurt, very real harm and very real pain," Parman said.

Parman told the court that Lawson had, in fact, had a separate run-in with law enforcement in his past which also involved potential child pornography. That "run-in" was with Kentucky State Police, which found child pornography at Lawson's home, but he "did not get to prison," Parman said.

"KSP finds child porn, goes to the home and found child porn and he didn't go to prison," Parman said. "If intervention of KSP isn't going to stop you, nothing will."

Parman did not call for a life sentence due to Lawson "accepting responsibility."

"That should give him a meaningful chance to see the light of day again," Parman said. "We have hit the equivalent of a life sentence."

Parman requested a sentence of 520 months in prison.

Caldwell did agree that Lawson deserved "to have a chance at a life," due to him taking responsibility in the case. Caldwell decided on a term of 420 months in prison — 360 months for his production charge and 60 months on each of the other two counts.

During his time in prison, Lawson must complete drug/alcohol rehabilitation and sex offender treatment. After release, he is to register as a sex offender and have a 20-year period of supervised release.

Lawson remained in the custody of U.S. Marshals after the hearing.

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Kentucky Power hosts open house

By BUDDY FORBES
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — Kentucky Power hosted an open house at Pikeville High School Thursday to inform home and property owners about the company's ongoing plans to upgrade its power grid in Pike and Floyd counties.

The project, which the company is referring to as the Enterprise Park Economic and Area Improvements Project, is expected to "strengthen the power grid for residential customers" and equip the Kentucky Enterprise Industrial Park with "a robust transmission system," according to a statement from Kentucky Power. As part of the project, according to the statement, Kentucky Power plans to construct five miles of 138-kilovolt transmission line and a new substation.

"It's a transmission project to update our service to Enterprise Park, which will serve EnerBlü and SilverLiner," said Corporate Communications Manager Allison Barker. "It also includes a new substation, five mile of line and will improve reliability to the City of Pikeville ... it's a really good project that will better our service to customers and provide needed capacity at the industrial park to serve commercial and industrial customers and bring in jobs."

The project is proposing two sites as a new substation, according to a statement from Kentucky Power. Both are inside of the Kentucky Enterprise Industrial Park and would travel approximately three miles in Pike County before crossing into Floyd County to be connected to the existing 138-kV transmission line. According

to documents from Kentucky Power, the project will require "an approximate 100-foot wide right-of-way and will result in the retiring of Kentucky Power's current Fords Branch substation."

Barker told the News-Express the company was hosting the open house to get feedback from the home and land owners who live along the route which the company is planning to build the lines.

"We haven't chosen a route yet," Barker said. "What we're trying to do here tonight is have an open house to show all of the different routes that are available to the landowners and homeowners in the area."

She said Kentucky Power contacted everyone who lives in the area in order to allow them to ask questions, learn about the project and provide the company with their com-

ments and suggestions.

"We'll use all of that information we gather here tonight in evaluating the different routes before a final route is chosen," Barker said.

After those steps have been taken, she said, Kentucky Power will submit a proposal to the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The information is expected to be filed with the PSC in August, according to Barker and she said the company "hopes" pre-construction will begin in the fall. According to a project schedule provided by Kentucky Power, the company is expected to begin transmission line construction in February 2019 and finish construction by November 2019.

One homeowner in attendance, Justin Prater of Island Creek, told the News-Express he wanted to provide his in-

put into the project in order to make sure it had the "least impact on the community."

"As far as recreational activities, I looked at the maps to find the fishing ponds and ATV trails and things like that so that this can benefit our community and benefit our local economy, while also protecting the recreational activities that everyone likes to do," Prater said.

He said it's important that the public understand the "importance" of the project.

"It's not just a utility line just for utility line's sake. It's actually to power our industrial park, which will create over 1,000 jobs for our community," he said. "In the end, I think it will be a positive economic impact for the area — especially those near the park. I think it will improve our property values as well."



Appalachian Newspapers photo by Buddy Forbes

Kentucky Power hosted an open house Tuesday to discuss two proposed areas for a new substation and transmission line. Homeowners who live along the proposed provide comments and concerns during the open house in order for the company to decide which plan to submit to the Kentucky Public Service Commission.



Appalachian Newspapers photo by Buddy Forbes

Home and land owners join a Kentucky Power employee at Tuesday's open house. Kentucky Power employees guided those in attendance through a series of informational posters and provided information about the two routes for the company's proposed substation and transmission line which will feed power to the Kentucky Enterprise Industrial Park.

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Blessing Box dedicated

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The First Presbyterian Church of Prestonsburg dedicated a new "Blessing Box" with prayer and a ribbon cutting this week.

Church elder Clint Shutts and deacon Steve Jones started planning the project months ago to address needs they saw in the community. The Blessing Box opened on Easter, and church members, including the pastor, Rev. Dr. Stephen A. Sanders, hosted the ribbon cutting to officially dedicate it on May 8.

Dr. Sanders said the project started as a "dream of few members" of the church's con-

gregation. He said between 60 and 70 people attend church there regularly.

"We are a small congregation. We can't do everything, but we can do something, and if every small congregation found a few things that they could do to impact the community, can you imagine how things would be changed?" he said. "Small churches have a tendency to say, 'What can we do?' Well, this is one thing that almost anybody can do."

He said the dedication represents a "small church doing big things for God."

He led a prayer, asking God to bless the box, the people in

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
First Presbyterian Church Pastor Rev. Dr. Stephen A. Sanders leads his congregation in a prayer for the new Blessing Box at the church.

MSU hosts 'Celebration of Student Scholarship' in Prestonsburg

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD
CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Morehead State University at Prestonsburg's Bachelor of Social Work program hosted its first Celebration of Student Scholarship on April 30.

The event highlighted research conducted by the MSU at Prestonsburg social work

students under the direction of social work faculty Dr. Lisa Shannon and Deirdra Robinson, MSU Prestonsburg Social Work Program facilitator, during the spring semester.

"There were two goals for this event. First, we wanted to allow our students to display their work in a format used by most graduate schools and

found at most professional conferences. Creating a research poster as an undergraduate will give these students a great advantage regardless of their future professional path," said Robinson. "Second, we wanted to showcase the extensive community engagement of our students. This semester alone our BSW students

on the Prestonsburg campus completed more than 10,600 service-learning hours in community agencies serving our region. Our students gain vital experiences while completing these hours that prepare them to take on the challenges facing our region. These posters reflect their dedication to the social work profession but

more importantly, their passion to help make a difference."

Faculty and staff from MSU, Big Sandy Community and Technical College and the public attended this event.

More than 35 students displayed their research findings and community development

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Submitted photo

These students are juniors in Morehead State University's Bachelor of Social Work Program.



Submitted photo

These students are seniors in Morehead State University's Bachelor of Social Work Program.

Floyd County students headed to state

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD
CHRONICLE AND TIMES

The Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office released the list of county winners in this year's 4-H project competition this week.

Heather Coleman, extension agent for 4-H Youth Development reported in a press release, "Floyd County youth had the opportunity to let their talent shine by participating in 4-H Project work. Four-H projects are a perfect example of putting to work the 'learn

by doing' concept that is at the foundation of our Kentucky 4-H Youth Development Program."

She said the projects helps students "develop inquiring minds and an eagerness to learn," as well as learning practical living skills.

"Youth are eager to participate and learn because project work is both educational and fun," she wrote.

Students participating in 4-H completed projects that span a variety of topics, including geology, photography, woodworking, cooking, sewing, electricity and other categories. The projects were judged at the extension office on April 21.

Some of the county winners listed below will represent Floyd County at the Kentucky State Fair in August.

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Applications being accepted for 4-H camp Scholarships available

By HEATHER COLEMAN
FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION
AGENT FOR YOUTH
DEVELOPMENT

2018. Youth grades fourth through eighth and third grade graduates may attend as campers.

Have you heard the great news? Summer is approaching fast, and you know what that means. It's time for 4-H camp.

Floyd County youth will be attending the J.M. Feltner 4-H Camp in London Kentucky July 17-20,

Let me tell you a little bit about the 4-H camp Floyd County youth will be attending. The J.M. Feltner 4-H Camp covers 182 acres of scenic foothills near the Daniel Boone National Forest and Levi Jackson State Park. A one and one-half acre lake provides

opportunities to fish, canoe and participate in pond studies and other environmental activities. The camp offers facilities for archery, riflery, canoes, volleyball, basketball, tennis, crafts, nature classes and a low and high ropes challenge courses and many more.

Here are some of the other things our young people will get to

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Look for stilt walkers, magician in Prestonsburg this weekend

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council is bringing out stilt walkers and a magician to help parents of young children understand the importance of early childhood education.

The council, a partnership of volunteers from numerous local organizations and the Floyd County School District, is hosting its annual Early Childhood HEART Fair (Helping Everyone Achieve Readiness Together) on May 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the walking track at Big Sandy Community & Technical College in Prestonsburg.

This event, geared to promote school readiness among preschool-aged children, is free and open to all children age birth to five and their families.

Melinda Hall, family service manager with Big Sandy Area HeadStart Program and chair of the Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council, said this year's event will be held with a circus theme. Unlike prior years, however, a petting zoo and camel rides will not be available.

The council has hired the Cincinnati Circus as the main attraction at this event, and that group will provide stilt walkers, train rides and a magician, among other activities.

Hall said 22 vendors are par-

ticipating, offering educational and information resources, give-a-ways and activities like face painting. Local HeadStart and daycare centers are also hosting activities for attendees. A balloon artist will also be creating balloon animals for children and all registered children will receive free Kona Ice.

"It should be a fun time for everybody," Hall said.

As part of the event, Floyd County Schools will be accepting preschool and HeadStart registrations and, inside the BSCTC student center, officials will also provide required screenings for three- and four-year-old children who plan to start preschool or HeadStart in the upcoming school year. Free vision and hearing screenings will be provided, and Brigance screenings, which measure a child's development, will be offered as well.

Hall said backpacks will be given to all registered children this year, and door prizes — a variety of children's games and toys — will also be given away.

Hall said Floyd County's annual HEART fair is one of the biggest early childhood events in the area. It is made possible by a KY KIDS Now grant and with support from Highlands Health, Floyd County Board of Education, BSCTC, McDowell ARH and the city of Prestonsburg.

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For more information on this and other 4-H programs, call Coleman at, (606) 886-2668, or visit her at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service, located at 3490 Ky Rt. 321 in Prestonsburg.

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projects.

Presenting students included Alexis Mills, Tomahawk; Alice Ratliff, Maytown; Amanda Collins, Prestonsburg; Amy Combs, Garrett; Andrea Davis, Salyersville; Ashley Honeycutt, Ulysses; Bonni Manns, Wayland; Carla Marshall, Salyersville; Cassandra Allen, Louisa; Coreen Hayes, Prestonsburg; Danna Mills, Toma-

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The BSW program in Prestonsburg is currently taking applications for Fall 2018. For more information, call, (606) 783-9226, or visit, morehead-state.edu.

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need who utilize it and those who donate items for it.

The church's Blessing Box, one of two located in Prestonsburg, is filled with food, personal care

items and diapers.

The church welcomes members of the public who are in need to take what they need, and members of the public who are able to donate nonperishable food items and other things for it. Dr. Sanders said church

officials hope to put seasonal items, including coats and other items, in the box in the future.

The church is located on North Lake Drive in Prestonsburg. For more information, call, (606) 886-2214, or visit the church's Facebook page.

CAMP

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participate in while at camp. They can catch everything from butterflies to fish; take nature hikes and learn to identify trees and different animals found along the way; learn to swim and use a canoe, create crafts; participate in challenge courses and relay games; sing songs and learn new dances; learn responsibility and develop leadership skills, make new friends and, of course, have fun.

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Campers also strengthen their abilities to make decisions, solve problems, manage their own lives and develop interpersonal relationships with adults and other youth. All campers are well supervised by agents, 4-H leaders, trained camp staff, adult volunteers and teen leaders, who will be attending camp all week.

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Jaguars drop double-header

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Floyd Central dropped a high school baseball double-header on Friday as visiting Sheldon Clark

won 8-5 and 7-1 in back-to-back games.

Sheldon Clark 8, Floyd Central 5
Host Floyd Central faced a seven-run deficit before crossing home

plate for the first time and couldn't make up for the slow start as 15th Region rival Sheldon Clark held on to win 8-5 in the first game of a high school baseball doubleheader.

Sheldon Clark pitch-

er Dawson Jude earned the win. Jude pitched six innings, allowing eight hits and five runs while striking out eight. Daylon Stafford threw one inning in relief for the Cardinals. Stafford recorded the last

three outs to earn the save.

Floyd Central pitcher Dawson Stephens took the loss. Stephens lasted two and a third innings, allowing 11 hits and seven runs while striking out

one and walking one.

Sheldon Clark outhit the Jaguars 12-9. Stafford, Drake Muncy and Parker Jarrell each collected multiple hits for

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Floyd Central pitcher Dawson Stephens (24) delivers a pitch to the plate during the opening game of a double-header against visiting Sheldon Clark on Friday.

Megan Frazier signs with UPike



Betsy Layne High School senior Megan Frazier made her college choice official on Friday afternoon, signing with the University of Pikeville volleyball program. Frazier, who has starred in volleyball, basketball and softball throughout her high school career, will have an opportunity to continue her education and athletic career close to home. During her senior volleyball season, Frazier led Betsy Layne to a 21-10 record. In Frazier's final campaign on the court as a Ladycat, Betsy Layne finished runner-up in the 58th District and made an appearance in the 15th Region Volleyball Tournament.

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Lady Jags clinch No. 2 seed for 58th District Tournament

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Back-to-back wins over Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne allowed Floyd Central to clinch the No. 2 seed for the 2018 58th District Softball Tournament. The Lady Jaguars will enter the 58th District Softball Tournament seeded second behind frontrunner Lawrence County.

Visiting Floyd Central pulled away to defeat Prestonsburg 16-6 in six innings in a 58th District softball game at StoneCrest on Thursday.

Remaining in the win column on Friday, host Floyd Central beat Betsy Layne 13-3 in another 58th District softball game.

The victory over Betsy Layne allowed Floyd Central to notch its seventh win in nine games. Upstart Floyd Central features several former players from the Allen Central and South Floyd softball programs.

"We were very happy with wins because they gave us the No. 2 seed in the district," confided Floyd Central coach Kevin Spurlock. "We are also happy because we have won seven of last nine games after starting 0-9. That's a good bounce back. We feel we are getting better each time out. It's good to see the girls having fun."

The 58th District Softball Tournament will be held later in the month. Betsy Layne, Floyd Central, Lawrence County and Prestonsburg will comprise the field for the 58th District Softball Tournament.



ABOVE: Floyd Central pitcher Katie Conley picked up the win as the Lady Jaguars defeated visiting Betsy Layne 13-3 in a 58th District softball game on Friday.

RIGHT: Rheannah Spurlock (pictured leading off second base) helped to lead Floyd Central to back-to-back 58th District wins over Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne.



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Short named Betsy Layne boys' basketball head coach

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

BETSY LAYNE — Following one season away from the bench, former Allen Central head coach Brad Short has been tabbed to guide the Betsy Layne boys' basketball team.

Short is set to take over for Gary Keathley. Following four campaigns as Betsy Layne head coach, Keathley stepped down following the conclusion of the 2017/2018 season. After over 20 years on the bench as an assistant coach, Keathley spent four seasons as Betsy Layne head coach.

Short is thankful for the opportunity to return to the bench as a head

coach.

"All I can say is that God has been very good to me," remarked Short. "I am extremely excited to have the opportunity to coach again. Betsy Layne has a great basketball tradition and the people here love their basketball. With hard work and dedication from everyone involved, I can see great things happening for the future of our basketball program. I would like to thank principal Roberts, the staff and everyone involved for the opportunity. After a year away from coaching, I can't wait to get back in the gym."

Betsy Layne ended the 2017/2018 season with a 12-16 record. The

Bobcats lost to rival Prestonsburg in the opening round of the 58th District Boys' Basketball Tournament. Prestonsburg held on to beat Betsy Layne 46-39.

Short spent six seasons as head coach of the Allen Central boys' basketball team. His tenure as head coach of the Rebels ended when Allen Central and South Floyd high schools consolidated to form Floyd Central High School.

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

Keathley joins Floyd Central coaching staff

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — After stepping down as head coach of the Betsy Layne boys' basketball team, Gary Keathley has joined another 58th District coaching staff. Keathley has been named the new assistant coach for the Floyd Central boys' basketball program.

Shawn Hager vacated his spot on the Floyd Central boys' basketball coaching staff following the conclusion of the 2017/2018 season, deciding not to return to the program. As a head coach, Hager guides the Floyd Central football and base-

ball programs. His son, Caleb, is headed into his sophomore season with the Floyd Central boys' basketball team. The younger Hager is a three-sport standout and also plays football and baseball.

Prior to being named head coach of the Bobcats, Keathley spent over 20 years as an assistant coach.

"I'm very excited about having Gary (Keathley) on staff," said Spurlock. "He's very experienced and knowledgeable. He's dedicated and very loyal while coming highly recommended by longtime coach JR Newsome. He's also a great person. It's a great

pickup for the Jaguar boys' basketball program."

In his final season as head coach of the Betsy Layne boys' basketball team, Keathley compiled a 12-16 overall record.

The Floyd Central boys' basketball team's debut season included a 58th District championship and an appearance in the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament. The Jaguars ended the 2017/2018 season with a 19-12 record following a loss to Paintsville in the opening round of the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament at the East Kentucky Expo Center in Pikeville.



Floyd Central's Hayden Halbert (23) leads off of at second base as the Jaguars hosted 15th Region rival Sheldon Clark.



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Former Betsy Layne head coach Gary Keathley looks on from the sideline against Floyd Central last season. Keathley has joined the Jaguars' coaching staff as an assistant coach.

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the Cardinals. Stafford led Sheldon Clark at the plate, finishing with three hits in four at-bats.

Caleb Hager and Cameron Nelson each delivered multiple hits for the Jaguars. Hager went 3-for-3 at the plate to lead the Floyd Central offensive effort.

Sheldon Clark 7, Floyd Central 1 (Five innings):
Visiting Sheldon Clark

pulled away to defeat Floyd Central 7-1 in five innings in the nightcap of a doubleheader on Friday.

With the win, Sheldon Clark swept Floyd Central.

The Cardinals outhit the Jaguars 9-4.

Sheldon Clark pitcher Coltyn Borders earned the win. Borders surrendered one run on four hits over five innings, striking out four and walking one.

Floyd Central pitcher Caleb Hager took the loss. Hager allowed three hits and four runs

over one-third of an inning, striking out one and walking zero.

Blake Butcher and Daylon Stafford led the Cardinals at the plate, supplying two hits apiece.

Dawson Stephens, Chris Brown, Noah Marcum and Cameron Nelson each banded out one hit for the Jaguars in the loss.

Floyd Central was forced to play from behind and committed a pair of errors in the field.

Bobcats knock off East Ridge

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

LICK CREEK — Betsy Layne snapped a five-game losing streak on the road on Friday, knocking off host East Ridge 11-1 in five innings in a high school baseball game.

Familiar foes, Betsy Layne and East Ridge are 15th Region rivals.

With the win, Betsy Layne improved to 6-14.

East Ridge dropped to 2-13 with the loss.

The Bobcats doubled up East Ridge 12-6 in the hits column and turned in an error-free performance defensively.

Struggling at times in the field, the Warriors committed four errors.

Betsy Layne set the tone early, pushing across three runs in the

top half of the first inning. The Bobcats owned a commanding 11-0 lead before East Ridge scored its lone run in the bottom half of the fifth inning.

Byron Tackett started on the mound for Betsy Layne, pitched a complete game and earned the win. Tackett allowed six hits and one run, while striking out eight and walking one over five innings.

Noah Rose started on the mound for East Ridge and suffered the loss Rose allowed 12 hits and 11 runs over four and 1/3innings, striking out three. Another East Ridge pitcher, Dakota Miller, threw 2/3 of an inning during a relief appearance for the Warriors.

Connor Newsome,

Chase Hamilton, Zack Bentley and Jordan Frazier delivered two hits apiece to pace the Bobcats at the plate.

Miller and Hunter Ferran led the East Ridge offensive effort with two hits each.

The Bobcats were able to shake off a lopsided loss from one day earlier. Magoffin County blanked Betsy Layne 16-0 in five innings in a game in Salyersville on Thursday.

Betsy Layne dealt East Ridge its fifth straight loss.

The Bobcats and Warriors met for the second time in the 2018 season. Betsy Layne beat East Ridge 16-6 in six innings in Allen in an earlier meeting on April 9.

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This civil action is titled Petition for Sale of Jointly Owned Property For Indivisibility and it alleges that all of the parties to this action are owners of varying undivided interests in and to a certain tract of land conveyed to Will and Susan Campbell, now deceased, by deed from Bill and Elzie Calhoun in November, 1922, and that the parties have acquired varying undivided interests in, by way of inheritance or otherwise, since the intestate deaths of Will Campbell in November, 1958, and Susan Campbell sometime thereafter. It is alleged that they had ten (10) children at the time of their deaths, namely: Martha Hatfield, Mary Ramey, Arthur Campbell, Allie Hall, Anna Mae Ramey, Wess Campbell, Earl Campbell, Bill Campbell, Lee Campbell and Elzie Campbell. The Petition alleges that the property in question is located on Bull Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, that it contains 30 acres more or less, and is bounded and described as follows: "Commencing at the road; thence to the corner of Will Campbells garden; thence around the garden to the upper

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end; thence to the branch; thence down the branch to a marked rock on the lower side of the garden; thence up the hill to the coal bank; thence up the hill a marked line to F.A. Hopkins line; thence up the ridge with F.A. Hopkins line to Bill Calhounes line; thence down the hill with Bill Calhounes line to a small poplar; thence down the hill to a marked elm near the branch; thence down the branch with Bill Calhounes line; thence down the branch to Robert Calhounes line; thence down the branch to Will Campbells yard fence; thence around the yard fence on the lower side of the yard to the road; thence to the garden fence to the beginning. A 12 foot road is excepted out over this land where the road now is." The Petition further alleges that the Plaintiffs own at least 3.33% of the property, that they have purchased property taxes on the property totaling \$2,127.70, for which they are owed, that the Defendants, Floyd County, Kentucky, MTAG, and Wess Campbell may also be claiming an interest in the subject property for *ad valorem* taxes, and that physical division of the property is impractical and therefore requests entry of an Order directing the Master Commissioner to sale the property, as a whole, and for the proceeds of sale be used to pay the costs of the action, including Master Commissioner's fees and costs of sale; all liens against the property; reasonable attorney's fees incurred by plaintiffs in bringing suit; with the balance of net proceeds to be prorated among the parties according to their respective interests. If you are one of the persons to whom this notice is addressed, you may obtain a complete copy of the Petition with all allegations and attachments thereto from the Floyd Circuit Clerk's Office, which more particularly describes the allegations made and relief requested. BE FURTHER ADVISED THAT YOUR TIME TO RESPOND IS LIMITED. Unless you request and obtain an extension of time from the Floyd Circuit Court, your deadline to file a written Answer to the Petition in the Floyd Circuit Clerk's Office is currently May 31, 2018. If you fail to assert

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or defend any right or interest that you might claim in the property by filing an Answer on or before the deadline, then the Court may proceed to enter judgment granting Plaintiffs the relief they have requested and/or barring you from asserting any further interest in the subject property. **Clyde Combs, Jr., Esq. Warning Order Attorney 112 West Court Street, Suite 201 Prestonsburg, KY 41653**

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5668, Major Revision No. 9

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Spurlock Mining, LLC 3228 Summit Square Place, Suite 180, Lexington, Kentucky 40509 has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located at Blue Moon in Floyd County. The major revision will add 0.00 acres of surface disturbance, making a total area of 17.71 acres within the revised permit boundary. The proposed major revision area is approximately 0.4 miles southeast of KY Route 1152's junction with KY Route 1142 and located alongside Gunstock Branch. The proposed major revision is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Rose Humble and Joe and Ruth Roberts et. al. (Joe and Ruth Roberts, Donald Halbert, Belva Jean and Joseph C. Crews, Janice Mullins and Terry Lee Conn). The major revision proposes to change the post-mining land use to Hayland and Pasture. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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THE FLOYD COUNTY FISCAL COURT IS ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING:
BITUMINOUS HOT MIX BRIDGE BOARDS CLEANING SUPPLIES, CHEMICALS, & RELATED ITEMS CONCRETE CORRUGATED METAL AND PLASTIC (DOUBLE WALL) DRAIN PIPE GUARDRAIL LIMESTONE GRAVEL RAILROAD STEEL

BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 10:00 A.M., LOCAL TIME, JUNE 15, 2018. THE METHOD OF AWARD WILL BE THE LOWEST AND/OR BEST EVALUATED BID. SPECIFICATIONS AND BID FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M., LOCAL TIME FROM GARY GARRETT, ROAD SUPERVISOR, FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 149 SOUTH CENTRAL AVE., PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653. OR BY CALLING (606) 886-9193. BID FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO SHARON MAY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT OF THE FLOYD COUNTY FISCAL COURT, 149 SOUTH CENTRAL AVE., PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653. THE BID OPENING WILL BE JUNE 15, 2018 AT 10:00 A.M., LOCAL TIME AT A FISCAL COURT MEETING LOCATED ON THE 2ND FLOOR OF THE FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 149 SOUTH CENTRAL AVE., PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653 (UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED). **COUNTY BID FORMS MUST BE USED TO SUBMIT BIDS** BENJAMIN L. HALE FLOYD COUNTY JUDGE-EXECUTIVE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0448, Renewal No. 2

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Spurlock Mining, LLC, 3228 Summit Square Place, Suite 180, Lexington, Kentucky 40509 has applied for a renewal of a permit to an exist-

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ing surface and auger coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.00 mile southeast of Printer in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 157.13 surface acres and will underlie 81.40 acres of which 13.61 underlies surface acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 224.92 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 0.45 mile east from KY Route 2030's junction with County Road 1142 and located within Gunstock Branch. The proposed operation is located on the Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour, area and auger/highwall mining methods of surface mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by . The operation will underlie land owned by Blackhawk Mining, LLC, Joe Keathley, Appalachian Land Company, Locust Grove, Inc., John H. and Janet L. Kidd, Charles and Dorothy Meade Heirs (Taylor and Glenna Slone, Velma Miller, Roger and Faye Meade, James W. Meade, Alesia Meade, Tammy Meade Ensslin, Kimberly D. Meade, Robert Slone, Stacy Slone Williams, Charles B. Slone, Barbara Meade Parsons, Roger W. Meade, John M. Meade, Mary T. McCallister, Dorothy A. Sword), Joe and Ruth Roberts, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, and Rose Humble. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road County Road 1108. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED for 1-Bedroom Apartments for Persons 62 and older

Located on Mays Branch in Prestonsburg. All utilities included, rent is based on gross monthly income. Several activities such as line dancing, crafts, church services, hair salon. Furnished with stove, refrigerator, emergency alarm system and air conditioner. For more information, please call Highland Terrace at 606-886-1925, TDD: 1-800-648-6056 or 711 or come by the office for an application.

Highland Terrace does not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability or familial status.

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Paul and Anna Perkins, Harold Bowling, Phillip Dale McKinney, Marvin McKinney, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Abel and Barbara Parsons, Rose Humble, Kevin P. and Tonie Michele Cox, Paul David Castle, Kevin P. and Tonie Michele Cox, Paul David and Rhonda Castle, and Roger and Betty McKinney. The operation will underlie land owned by Joe Keathley, Appalachian Land Company, Locust Grove, Inc., John H. and Janet L. Kidd, Charles and Dorothy Meade Heirs (Taylor and Glenna Slone, Velma Miller, Roger and Faye Meade, James W. Meade, Alesia Meade, Tammy Meade Ensslin, Kimberly D. Meade, Robert Slone, Stacy Slone Williams, Charles B. Slone, Barbara Meade Parsons, Roger W. Meade, John M. Meade, Mary T. McCallister, Dorothy A. Sword), Joe and Ruth Roberts, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, and Rose Humble. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road County Road 1108. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED for 1,2,3 & 4 Bedroom Apartments

Located in Prestonsburg is Highland Heights Apartments in Goble Roberts addition and Cliffside Apartments on Cliff Road. Rent is based on gross monthly income. All utilities included at Highland Heights and a utility Allowance at Cliffside. Learning centers at both sites with computers available. For more information, call Highland Heights at 606-886-0608 and Cliffside at 606-886-1819, TDD: 1-800-648-6056 or 711 or come by the offices for an application.

Highland Heights and Cliffside Apartments do not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability or familial status.

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REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS SURPLUS PROPERTY OLD ALLEN ELEMENTARY
The Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for the proposed sale of the Old Allen Elementary School located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky 41601. The Board of Education is accepting bids to sell the entire property without division. All Sealed bids must be submitted using the official bid form and clearly marked on the exterior of the envelope with "Sealed Bid Old Allen Elementary Property". Only bids submitted on official bid forms obtained from the district will be accepted. To obtain copies of official bid forms, this request for sealed bids, and to schedule site visits contact Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, 2520 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or via phone at 606-874-9569 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, prior to the time and date specified for bid opening. Sealed bids may be mailed or hand delivered to Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, 2520 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Sealed bids will be accepted until 1:55 PM, Monday, May 21, 2018, and will be publically opened at 2:00 PM, Monday, May 21, 2018, at the Maintenance Office Conference Room located at the contact address listed above. All bids must be received by the time designated in the invitation and none will be considered thereafter. The Board of Education cannot assume the responsibility for any delay as a result of failure of the mails to deliver the bids on time. Bids will be opened and read at the time and location stated above. You are invited to be present at the bid opening. The Floyd County Board of Education will tabulate all bids received, meeting all specifications and conditions, and subject to all other provisions of this invitation to bid and may sell the surplus property to the best evaluated bidder(s), whichever is deemed to be in the best interest of The Floyd County Board of Education. The Floyd County Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids based on the appraised value. Bids will be considered at the regular scheduled board meeting to be held in May 2018, if possible. A PARCEL OF LAND BEING R E C O R D SOURCE DEED BOOK 62 PAGE 187, LOCATED 0.6 MILES SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. 23 AND KY. ROUTE 1428, BEING ON THE WEST SIDE OF MARTIN STREET AND THE SOUTH SIDE OF BEAVER AVENUE,

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ALLEN, FLOYD COUNTY, KY, KNOWN AS THE OLD ALLEN ELEMENTARY PROPERTY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING on a 3.5" magnetic nail with 2" steel tag bearing "PLS 1998" set in the asphalt pavement, on the right of way of Martin Street, and on the boundary line of Floyd County Board of Education, deed book 62 page 187, and having Kentucky State Plane, South Zone NAD 27 Coordinates of North 478,994.52 feet and East 2,874,591.42 feet; Thence with a portion of the right of way of said Martin Street and a portion of Lowell Marcum, deed book 222, page 275 S 13° 30'24" W 138.39 feet to an iron pin near the fence line; Thence S 13° 23' 02" W 26.85 feet to an iron pin set on the creek bank; Thence S 13° 30' 06" W 88.83 feet to an unmonumented point in the center of Beaver Creek; Thence running downstream with the meanders of Beaver Creek N 64° 44' 16" W 210.03 feet; Thence N 50° 09' 09" W 70.43 feet; Thence N 21° 02' 22" W 31.12 feet; Thence N 05° 15' 55" W 90.25 feet; Thence N 04° 59'02" W 11.69 feet; Thence N 14° 29'01" E 191.37 feet; Thence N 22° 18'31" E 137.16 feet to an unmonumented point in the center of said Beaver Creek, also being a point on the Southern right of way of Beaver Avenue, said point being 70.00 feet left of centerline station 7+17.42; Thence leaving said center of Beaver Creek and with said right of way S 53° 39'06" E 91.18 feet to an iron pin set on the creek bank, said point being 70.00 feet left of centerline station 6+26.24; Thence with said right of way S 53° 39'06" E 26.24 feet to an iron pin set near the top of the bank, said point being 70.00 feet left of centerline station 6+00.00; Thence with said right of way N 36° 20'54" E 30.00 feet to an iron pin set, said point being 40.00 feet left of centerline station 6+00.00; Thence with said right of way along a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 517.46 feet, an arc length of 78.75 feet, and a chord length and bearing of S 56° 12'37" E 78.60 feet to a 3.5" magnetic nail with 2" steel tag bearing "PLS 1998" set, said point being 40.00 feet left of centerline station 5+25.00; Thence with said right of way along a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 504.36 feet, an arc length of 93.54 feet, and a chord length and bearing of S 64° 03'57" E 93.41 feet to an iron pin

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set on the corner of said right of way and the right of way of Martin Street, said point being 30.00 feet left of centerline station 4+31.59; Thence leaving the right of way of Beaver Avenue and with right of way of Martin Street S 13° 30'01" W 70.03 feet to an iron pin set in the asphalt; Thence with said right of way S 76° 51'38" E 7.51 feet to a 3.5" magnetic nail with 2" steel tag bearing "PLS 1998" set in the asphalt; Thence with said right of way S 13° 29'42" W 141.97 feet to the BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 139,518 Square feet or 3.20 Acres.

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REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS SURPLUS PROPERTY OSBORNE ELEMENTARY
The Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for the proposed sale of the Osborne Elementary School located at 43 Osborne Road, Kentucky 41606. The Board of Education is accepting bids to sell the entire property without division. All Sealed bids must be submitted using the official bid form and clearly marked on the exterior of the envelope with "Sealed Bid Osborne Elementary Property". Only bids submitted on official bid forms obtained from the district will be accepted. To obtain copies of official bid forms, this request for sealed bids, and to schedule site visits contact Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, 2520 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or via phone at 606-874-9569 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, prior to the time and date specified for bid opening. Sealed bids may be mailed or hand delivered to Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, 2520 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Sealed bids will be accepted until 1:55 PM, Monday, May 21, 2018, and will be publically opened at 2:00 PM, Monday, May 21, 2018, at the Maintenance Office Conference Room located at the contact address listed above. All bids must be received by the time designated in the invitation and none will be considered thereafter. The Board of Education cannot assume the responsibility for any delay as a result of failure of the mails to deliver the bids on time. Bids will be opened and read at the time and location stated above. You are invited to be present at the bid opening. The Floyd County Board of Education will tabulate all bids received, meeting all specifications and conditions, and subject to all other provisions of this invitation to bid and may sell the surplus property to the best evalu-

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ated bidder(s), whichever is deemed to be in the best interest of The Floyd County Board of Education. The Floyd County Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids based on the appraised value. Bids will be considered at the regular scheduled board meeting to be held in May 2018, if possible. A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED ALONG KY RT. 122 IN BEVINSVILLE, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, SAID PARCEL OF LAND BEING ALL OF RECORD SOURCES DEED BOOK 183 PAGE 548 AND DEED BOOK 489, PAGE 439, AND KNOWN AS THE OSBORNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROPERTY AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING on an axle found, and being a common corner to Keisha and Gregory Johnson, deed book 625, page 506 and the Floyd County Board of Education, deed book 183 page 548, Tract 1, said iron pin having Kentucky State Plane South Zone NAD27 coordinates of North 389,751.65 and East 2,877,426.06; thence running up the hill with said Johnson and Floyd County Board of Education N 10°18'56" E, 146.48 feet to an axle found, thence N 10°08'29"E, 4.55 feet to an iron pin set, said iron pin being a common corner to the Johnnie and Lula Jones estate, record source not found; thence leaving deed book 625, page 506 and running around the hill with the Jones estate S 87°11'46" E, 107.84 feet to an iron pin set; thence N 83°20'18" E, 65.83 feet to an iron pin set; thence N 70°59'26" E, 64.76 feet to an iron pin set, said iron pin being a common corner to Charles Wayne Bates, deed book 225, page 189 and now or formerly Timothy and Carol Ann Johnson, deed book 494 page 205; thence leaving the Jones estate and said Bates and with said Johnson running down the hill S 04°24'34" W, 359.97 feet to an unmonumented point at the corner of a chain link fence, said point being a common corner to now or formerly Carol Ann Johnson, will book "E", page 099; thence with the fence and will book "E", page 099 S 71°43'47" W, 82.93 feet to an iron pin set; thence continuing with said fence crossing Osborne School Road S 19°30'47" E, 99.47 feet to an iron pin set; thence S 19°33'14" E, 22.04 feet to a point in the center of Riley Branch; thence leaving will book "E", page 099 and with going down the center of Riley Branch with its meanders for the next five (5) courses and distances: S 63°51'48" W, 99.50 feet, S

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71°07'48" W, 102.35 feet, S 61°54'48" W, 100.42 feet, S 77°14'48" W, 110.50 feet, S 68°36'48" W, 95.45 feet to a point on the right-of-way of KY Rt. 122; thence leaving Riley Branch and with the right-of-way of Route 122 and crossing Osborne School Road N 27°50'45" W, 148.48 feet to a PK nail set, said PK nail being a common corner to Floyd County Board of Education, deed book 183 page 548, Tract 2; thence with said right of way and leaving deed book 183 page 548, Tract 1 and with Tract 2 N 26°41'33" W, 58.11 feet to an iron pin set, said iron pin being a common corner to Floyd County Board of Education, deed book 489 page 439, Tract 1; thence leaving deed book 183 page 548, Tract 2 and with deed book 489 page 439, Tract 1 and said right of way N 28°53'39" W, 48.02 feet to an iron pin set said iron pin being a common corner to deed book 489 page 439, Tract 2; thence leaving deed book 489 page 439 Tract 1 and with Tract 2 and said right of way N 28°36'48" W, 48.00 feet to an iron pin set, said iron pin being a common corner to Elmer Douglas and Rita Caudill, will book "TT", page 464, thence leaving the right-of-way and with will book "TT", page 464 N 47°29'00" E, 115.56 feet to an iron pin set, said iron pin being a common corner to Robbie and Mary Wright, deed book 575, page 039; thence leaving will book "TT", page 464 and with deed book 489 page 439, Tract 2 and deed book 575, page 039 S 36°49'59" E, 48.07 feet to an iron pin set, said iron pin being a common corner to deed book 489 page 439, Tract 1; thence leaving deed book 489 page 439, Tract 2 and with Tract 1 and Wright S 44°06'58" E, 48.04 feet to an unmonumented point, said point being referenced from an iron pin set N 48°34'18" E, 9.64 feet, said point being on the line of the Floyd County Board of Education, deed book 183 page 548, Tract 1; thence leaving deed book 489 page 439, Tract 1 and with deed book 575, page 039 and thence continuing with deed book 625, page 506 N 48°34'54" E, 360.18 feet to the BEGINNING and containing 233,714.64 square feet or 5.37 acres. All iron pins set are 5/8 inch rebar, 18 inches long with a 2 inch aluminum cap stamped "Bocook Engineering PLS 3921". All PK nails set are 1.5 inches long and are magnetic and have a 2" diameter metal disk bearing PLS #3921. This description is based on a survey made by Thomas E. Nairn, PLS #3921 under his direct

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supervision, on August 09th, 11th, 15th and 31st, and September 12th and 13th, 2017. This survey was done by the method of GPS observation having a precision of +/-0.05' + 100 PPM and by the method of random traverse and side-shots and was not adjusted and is an "Urban Survey", and the accuracy and precision of said survey meets all the specifications of an "Urban Survey". The completion date of field surveying was September 13th, 2017.

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REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS SURPLUS PROPERTY OLD MAINTENANCE BUILDING
The Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for the proposed sale of the Old Maintenance Building, 94 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky 41601. The Board of Education is accepting bids to sell the entire property without division. All Sealed bids must be submitted using the official bid form and clearly marked on the exterior of the envelope with "Sealed Bid Old Maintenance Building Property". Only bids submitted on official bid forms obtained from the district will be accepted. To obtain copies of official bid forms, this request for sealed bids, and to schedule site visits contact Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, 2520 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or via phone at 606-874-9569 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, prior to the time and date specified for bid opening. Sealed bids may be mailed or hand delivered to Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, 2520 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Sealed bids will be accepted until 1:55 PM, Monday, May 21, 2018, and will be publically opened at 2:00 PM, Monday, May 21, 2018 at the Maintenance Office Conference Room located at the contact address listed above. All bids must be received by the time designated in the invitation and none will be considered thereafter. The Board of Education cannot assume the responsibility for any delay as a result of failure of the mails to deliver the bids on time. Bids will be opened and read at the time and location stated above. You are invited to be present at the bid opening. The Floyd County Board of Education will tabulate all bids received, meeting all specifications and conditions, and subject to all other provisions of this invitation to bid and may sell the surplus property to the best evaluated bidder(s), whichever is deemed to be in the best interest of The Floyd County Board of Education. The Floyd County Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids based on the appraised value. Bids will be considered at the regular scheduled board meeting to be held in May 2018, if possible. A PARCEL OF LAND BEING R E C O R D SOURCE DEED BOOK 121 PAGE 466, LOCATED 0.73 MILES SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. 23 AND KY. ROUTE 1428, BEING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF SHORT STREET IN AL-

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LEN, FLOYD COUNTY, KY, KNOWN AS THE BUS GARAGE & WAREHOUSE PROPERTY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING on an iron pin set on the west side of a 10 foot undeveloped alley, said point being a common corner to a parcel of land owned by now or formerly by Kloria Osborne and Rita Porter (1/2 interest) Will Book B, Page 172 and owned by now or formerly by Jerome Kinzer (1/2 interest) Deed Book 553, Page 570; Thence leaving Will Book B, Page 172 and Deed Book 553, Page 570; Thence leaving Will Book B, Page 172 and Deed Book 553, Page 570 N 08°38'00" E 176.03 feet to the BEGINNING and CONTAINING 6,458 square feet or 0.148 Acres.

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