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Southern Water rate application to move forward Hale tells fiscal court 40 percent increase 'not going to happen'

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Kentucky Public Service Commission is allowing Southern Water's rate increase request to move forward, but the county judge-executive reported last week that this 40 percent in-

crease is "not going to happen." The Southern Water and Sewer District filed an application with the PSC on July 3, seeking rates that could increase customer bills between 30 and 40 percent, but the PSC rejected the application, reporting Southern did not provide all

of the required paperwork. The PSC issued another order in the case last week, reporting those deficiencies were corrected and the application will proceed on the PSC docket. Southern explained in its application that it is in "dire need" of higher rates because of a "de-

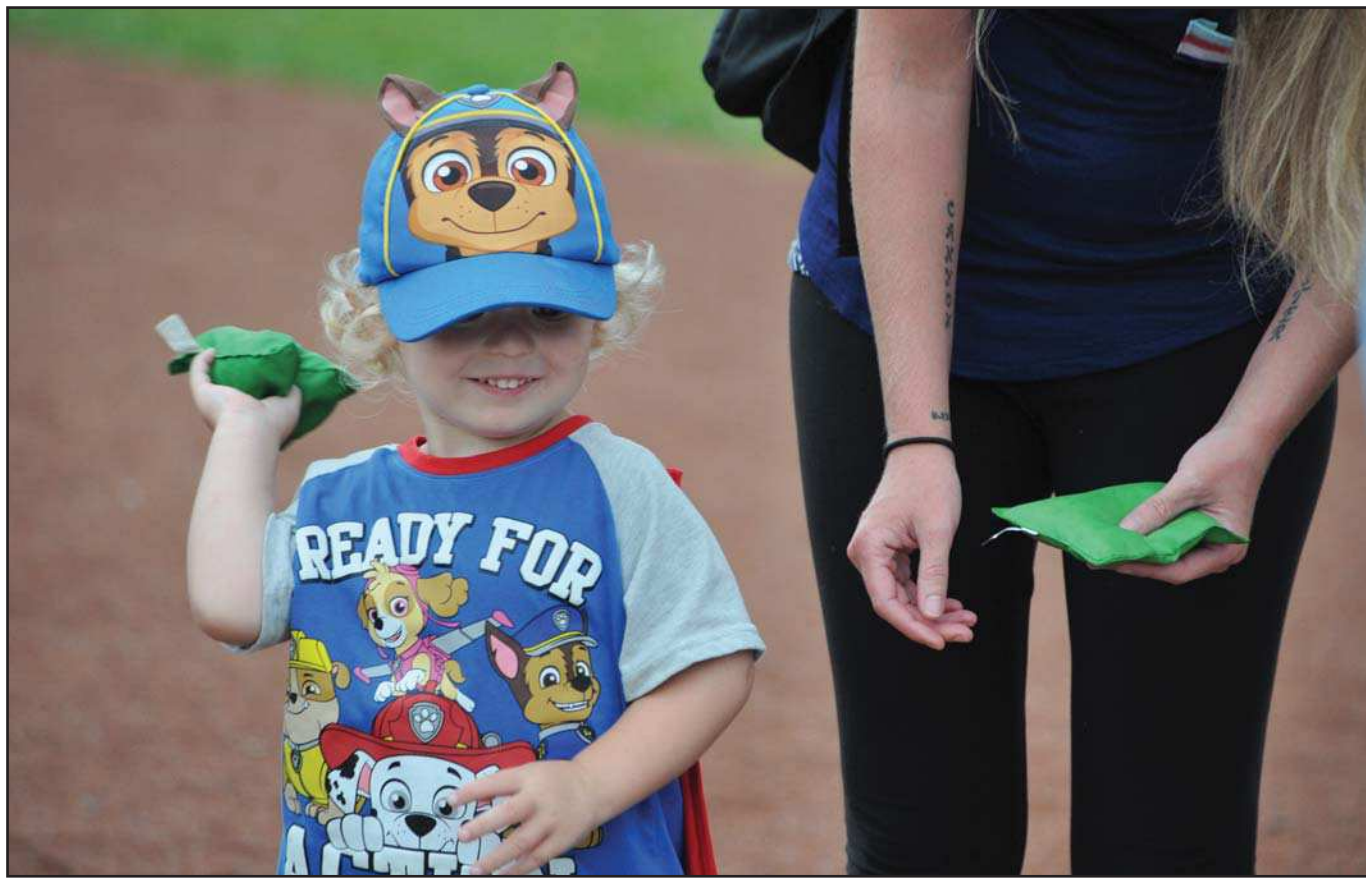
teriorated" financial condition alleged to have been caused by the sale of parts of its customer base to Prestonsburg last year.

Southern is currently operating in a deficit of nearly \$465,000, according to the

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'Backpack to School Bash' held

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER



Hundreds of people participated in the fourth annual Backpack to School Bash held at StoneCrest on Saturday.

Officials said rainy weather hampered turnout this year, but thanks to donations received, the city purchased more backpacks than it had ever previously given away at this event.

Mayor Les Stapleton said 800 backpacks were filled with school supplies, and those that weren't given away during the event will be donated to the Family Resource Youth Service Centers in the Floyd County Schools District. After the event, donated funds that were not spent were to be divided up and donated to all schools. Last year, the cash donations totaled \$500 for each

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Prestonsburg's fourth annual Backpack to School Bash was successful this year, with hundreds of people turning out at StoneCrest on July 21.

Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows



Convicted drug dealer facing new federal charges

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND
TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Floyd man convicted in 2010 of his role in a Methadone trafficking operation is now facing new federal charges after, prosecutors say, he was found to be trafficking in methamphetamine.

According to court documents, a magistrate criminal action was filed last week in U.S. District Court in Pikeville against Manis Risner Jr., 60, of Alum Lick Road, Martin, on charges of possession with the intent to distribute methamphetamine.

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Floyd BOE sets its 'own minimum wage'

Board approves \$10 starting wage for all classified employees

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Board of Education approved what Finance Director Matt Wireman called "our own minimum wage" for classified employees this week.

During its July 23 meeting, the

board unanimously approved increasing the minimum salaries of classified employees so that no employee starts out at less than \$10 per hour in the district. The approval also provides longevity pay increases to classified employees who have worked 25 years or longer so that their reward for

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Martin project will be done in five years, corps officials says

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The manager of the Martin Redevelopment Project shared an update with the Floyd County Fiscal Court last week, reporting the project timeline has changed.

Capt. Eric McKinney of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers said on July 20 that the project, which is years behind schedule, will now be finished in five years.

McKinney told fiscal court members about the \$80 million in funding that was announced this month by U.S. Rep. Harold "Hal" Rogers and U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell, telling them those funds are enough to complete the entire project. McKinney said the funding allotted to finish the project in Martin was appropriated "primarily for hurricane damage, but also to communities that have been devastated by floods and had national emergencies declared."

"So, Kentucky, and especially a lot of communities in Eastern Kentucky, were eligible for that funding, based on that bill," McKinney said, reporting that the Corps received more than \$17 billion to fund projects nationwide in

that bill.

When those funds were announced earlier this month, Rogers reported the project would be finished by 2025. McKinney told the fiscal court, however, that the timeline has changed.

"We're looking at having the project completed within five years," McKinney said. "So, we've got some remaining real estate we're going to acquire. We're going to be finishing the school this fall, and 1428 and the redevelopment site in town will be raised about 12 to 15 foot, and it will be a flood-safe, commercial redevelopment site."

Judge-Executive Ben Hale said he invited McKinney to address the fiscal court to talk about the funding.

"I thought it was important to say there is an end to this and that they will eventually get this project finished up there. It'll be a good project for, obviously, the town of Martin, and where Right and Left Beaver have always converged and caused major flooding for years," Hale said.

The project was initially planned to cost \$92 million and it was expected to be finished by 2016. Now, the project cost has increased to \$155 million.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Captain Eric McKinney, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project manager for the Martin Redevelopment Project, updated the Floyd County Fiscal Court during a July 20 meeting.

"We're working on updating the cost estimate, but we're looking at around \$150 million when it's all said and done," McKinney said.

Answering questions from fiscal court members, McKinney explained that all structures located on both sides of Ky. 1428 will be bought out and torn down. A temporary road will be built to replace Ky. 1428, and then fill material will be transported from Mayo Hollow, where it was stored decades ago, to the new re-

development site.

"When you're looking from the school down through the old downtown area, it will be everything on both sides of the road," McKinney said. "And then, 1428 is going to be raised about 15 foot, and then everything on the right-hand, hillside side will be about 15 foot higher. If you're familiar where the old nursing home, or, retirement community is in Martin, everything will be about level with that. So, we're not going to impact

the retirement community, but everything will be about as high up as that is."

Magistrate Randy Davis asked whether filling in that part of the downtown of Martin would cause flooding in communities above it, like Maytown and Left Beaver.

McKinney and Hale explained that the area near the river will not be developed. That area will be greenspace, McKinney said, and nothing will be built there. He said properties on both sides of the road will be bought out and, once Ky. 1428 is raised, there will be "about a two-to-one slope coming off of the road" that will be greenspace.

"There won't be any development down there," he said.

He said the Corps has completed about half of the buy-outs needed. The Corps is focusing on buying out properties needed to build the temporary road first, he said, then will finish the other buyouts to complete that work.

The Corps regularly updates the Martin City Council about this project. McKinney's visit was the first time the fiscal court received an update during a meeting in years.

KSP: Drugs, cash seized in Martin bust

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND
TIMES STAFF REPORT

Two Floyd County residents were arrested last week after the Kentucky State Police found a large quantity of drugs and other illegal items in a home in Martin.

According to the arrest citation filed in Floyd County District Court, KSP troopers W. Howard and S. Reed obtained a search warrant for a home on Chestnut Drive in Martin after "encountering a cooperating witness who voluntarily gave a statement" about illegal drug trafficking in the home. The statement included a description of

the home, the location of the methamphetamine inside the residence and a report that firearms were inside the home, the citation said.

Howard reported that Nikki Spurlock, 28, of Chestnut Drive in Martin, was served with the search warrant. In the citation, he stated that the KSP found 35 grams of a crystal-like substance believed to be methamphetamine in a bedroom dresser, as well as another bag containing suspected marijuana, various pills, a .32-caliber handgun, ammunition, syringes, smoking pipes and other types of drug paraphernalia. More than \$900 was also found in the home, the citation says.

According to another arrest citation, Shawn M. Spurlock, 26, of a different address in Martin, was one of several other people in the home at the time the search

warrant was executed. The document alleges that he was in the rear of the residence and allegedly had a small bag of crystal-like substance believed to be methamphetamine in his pocket, as well as bottles of pills. The citation says officials later learned there were "multiple warrants" for his arrest in other cases.

Nikki Spurlock was charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, trafficking in marijuana, less than eight ounces, trafficking in a legend drug and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was arraigned by District Judge Jimmy Marcum on Monday, who set a \$2,500 cash bond in the case and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 1.

Shawn M. Spurlock was charged with first-degree and third-degree possession of a controlled substance and first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.

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2018 Burn Run weekend schedule

Friday, July 27: Archer Park

4 p.m. Event kicks off with music, food, rides and vendors
 6 p.m. Biker Games
 6 p.m. Mountain Arts Center hosts Front Porch Pickin'
 8 p.m. Charity Auction

Saturday July 28: Downtown Prestonsburg

7 a.m.: Registration begins for Inaugural BKMC Camp Ytiliba 5K Run/Walk, city stage
 8 a.m.: BKMC Camp Ytiliba 5K Run/Walk begins, city stage

Saturday, July 28: Archer Park

9 a.m. Vendors and rides open
 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Kentucky Blood Center blood drive on site
 12 p.m. Car Show Registration
 12 p.m. Dice Run Registration
 12 p.m. Corn Hole Tournament Starts
 2 p.m. Kickstands Up for Dice Run
 4 p.m. Awards for Car Show, Dice Run, 50/50 and all other raffles
 4:30 p.m. Highway 15 on Stage
 6 p.m. Wicked Peace
 7 p.m. Jaime Suttles Band
 8 p.m. Wrestling



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
 Johnson County resident Brian Moore, the president of the Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club Chapter 28, talked about events planned for this weekend's Burn Run with other club members during a July 18 meeting at Archer Park.

'Burn Run' to feature carnival rides, pig roast, live music

By MARY MEADOWS
 STAFF WRITER

Members of the local chapter of the Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club have been planning their biggest fundraiser since April, and the event will bring two days of live music, carnival rides, biker games and other activities to Prestonsburg.

The BKMC 28 Chapter, made up of active and retired firefighters from Floyd, Pike, Johnson and surrounding counties, is hosting its 2018 Burn Run at Archer Park in Prestonsburg on July 27-28. Activities will be open from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday.

Admission is free and entrance to all live music performances are also free. Organizers are planning to host up to 100 vendors that will be selling items, and the club will also sell hotdogs, hamburgers and other concessions, as well as pulled pork from two pigs that will be roasted on site. Proceeds will be raised from an

auction and several activities that are planned.

Club President Brian Moore of Johnson County said all the money the club raises at this event will go to Camp Ytiliba, a burn camp that Shriners Hospitals for Children in Cincinnati provides for children who have been burned. The camp, held every June, gives children who have burn injuries a chance to experience summer camp. They gain self-esteem and learn skills that help them recover from scars left behind by their injuries.

Last year, the club donated \$11,000 to this camp, Moore said, and members hope to provide a larger donation during the second Burn Run this year.

The 2018 Burn Run will begin at Archer Park at 4 p.m. on Friday with carnival rides provided by Bluegrass Rides & Inflatables, a mechanical bull, a dunking booth, vendors and live music from the Mountain Arts Center's Front Porch Pickin' event, which is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

Biker games will also begin

at 6 p.m. and an auction will also be held at 8 p.m., featuring numerous items that will be offered to raise money for Camp Ytiliba.

Saturday's activities at Archer Park include the carnival and vendors, as well as a dice ride for bikers which begins at 2 p.m., a blood drive hosted by the Kentucky Blood Center from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., a car, truck and jeep show which begins with registration at noon, a cornhole tournament that begins with registration at noon, and live music throughout the evening. The musical lineup includes Highway 15 at 4:30 p.m., Wicked Peace at 6 p.m. and the Jaime Suttles Band at 7 p.m.

BCW Wrestling will host wrestling matches, beginning at 8 p.m.

On Saturday, the Inaugural BKMC Camp Ytiliba 5K Run/Walk will also be held in downtown Prestonsburg. That race will begin at 8 a.m. at the city stage.

Moore said club members decided to expand its Burn Run this year to entice more local

community members to turn out so the club can raise more funds for Camp Ytiliba

"In our area, there's not a lot of motorcycles and everybody around here does a lot of motorcycle rides to raise money. So, we decided to do this to kind of go for the general public to raise money for our cause," Moore said.

It costs about \$1,100 to send one child to burn camp, BKMC members said.

"They can hang out with people that's survived burns themselves and not be criticized, not be judged. They can just go be kids," Moore said. "And every year, we get one day a week where we go to the camp and we hang out with the kids. We play games and shoot BB guns with them and stuff."

He's been to the camp twice.

"It's a little different, seeing the other end of it," he said. "We're firefighters. We're always going to help people. Usually, when you get your job done, you don't see them anymore. Then, at this, you get to

see what they're going through after the incident's over. Some of those kids, it's pretty amazing to see what they can do with their limited abilities."

Most BKMC members are volunteer firefighters who hold down full time jobs in addition to their service as a firefighter. When asked why they spend their time on projects like this, member John M. Hunt said, "Why not?"

The three-page vendor list include vendors who will be selling everything from items for children, like Build-a-Bear and Kids Korner, to vendors who are catering to adults by offering handmade jewelry, wood crafts, cigars, sewing, stained glass, specialty gifts and, of course, biker jewelry and apparel. Local chainsaw artist Mark Vance, who created several chainsaw art pieces at Archer Park, is also scheduled to have a booth at this event.

For more information, visit the Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club on Facebook or online at, bkmc2018burnrun.wixsite.com/ytiliba.

Free community health fair is Thursday

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The annual Floyd County Community Health Fair is offering free health screenings and door prizes in Langley on Thursday.

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Program will host the program on Thursday, July 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Graceway Methodist Church, located at 8410 Ky. 80, Langley.

The event is free and open to the public and will offer everyone the chance to connect with area healthcare providers and programs geared toward enhancing our

health. In addition to healthcare information, there will be free health screenings, outreach materials, giveaways and a variety of door prizes that will be given away.

Participating organizations include Big Sandy Health Care, which will offer its mobile dental clinic, as well as King's Daughters Medical Center, Kentucky Blood Center, ARH-Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center's HomePlace Clinic, Passport Health Plan, Veterans Administration Medical Center and others.

Organizations will be providing free services

and screenings such as dental health screenings with x-rays, EKGs, A1C, blood pressure and cholesterol tests, skin cancer screenings, sports physicals for kids and teens and other services.

Door prizes this year include tickets to the Cincinnati Reds, the Creation Museum, and the Louisville Zoo, along with gift certificates and other prizes. The Kentucky Blood Center also will be onsite and all blood donors will receive a \$10 Amazon Gift Card and be entered to win 2018 Toyota 4-Runner.

"This year's Community Health Fair is

overflowing with prizes, screenings, and information. So get ready to have your questions answered and connect with local people who can help you find your way to health success," a press release

from Big Sandy Community Action said.

This program is funded, in part, by the Community Services Block Grant made available by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services and

the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. For more information, call Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Resource Representative Wendy Bolen at, (606) 874-3595.



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Fiscal court seeks grant funding

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Fiscal Court took action last week to reapply for more than \$560,000 in funding that was previously appropriated for the county.

During a July 20 meeting, the fiscal court approved a resolution authorizing the filing of an application to seek up to \$561,000 in Local Government Economic Development Fund grants.

Judge-Executive Ben Hale said the county had already been awarded this funding for several projects, including the construction of a park in the Mud Creek area, construction at the Left Beaver Fire & Rescue and funding for drug court, the senior citizens program, courthouse annex lease in McDowell and other projects.

Hale said these funds were

allotted years ago through the legislative process and the county would seek the reauthorization of the funding annually because they weren't spent. The park project, for example, has been delayed with the construction of the Minnie-Harold connector, and the drug court funding is only used when needed, he explained.

He reported that the Kentucky Department for Local Government, however, implemented a new system and those funds had to be re-allotted through this year's budget bill in order to be recorded in the new system.

"Because they were changing systems, those monies had to be put back into the single county account, and then re-done, as House Bill 200, which is the new one as of this July," Hale told the fiscal court. "So, I get to reapply for those

and ask for those MOAs to be done for those projects because those monies have been allocated for years and years — three or four years now — and they haven't been spent ... It's complicated, but the DLG said this is the way this has got to be done now."

Hale said the county has not lost this funding, but is required to reapply with support from Sen. Johnny Ray Turner and Rep. Larry Brown. Hale does not believe there will be any problems getting approval in this new process. He doesn't expect either legislator to oppose the allotment.

During the meeting, the fiscal court also approved a resolution allowing Hale to seek Flex funding for roads and bridgework and discretionary funding this fiscal year.

Other actions taken include:

- Paid about \$568,000 in bills, with \$94,000 in road funds, \$34,000 in Local Government Economic Assistance projects, \$169,300 for the jail and \$264,000 in general fund expenses.

- Accepted the annual jail commissary settlement, showing receipts of \$189,950 and expenditures of about \$47,000 between June 2017 and this month.

- Approved the payment of \$40,200 in grant funds to BOCA Enterprises for the third phase of the Harold Sewer project.

- Hired Gary Porter as a janitor, Dustin Johnson as a deputy at the jail, Brian Stumbo for litter abatement as part-time employees, and David Reffett on the District 2 road crew as a full-time employee.

- Named Randy Bryant, the county's code enforcement

officer, as solid waste coordinator, and delegated additional duties to solid waste clerk Sandra Allen, approving a raise for each of them. Hale said the fiscal court will not fill the position left when former Solid Waste Coordinator Lon May retired, but will instead combine job duties between Bryant and Allen to cover that position.

- Approved allowing the sheriff department to draw \$25,000 from the alcohol and beverage tax collections.

- Approved a resolution allowing Hale and the county road supervisor to buy a single axle dump truck for District 4 at a state surplus sale.

- Approved declaring old vehicles used by senior citizens centers and other types of equipment as surplus, reporting the county will seek bids to sell those items.

No findings in sheriff's audit

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND
TIMES STAFF REPORT

State auditors found no issues in the Floyd County Sheriff's Department most recent tax settlement.

State Auditor Mike Harmon released the audit of the sheriff's settlement detailing 2016 taxes for Floyd County Sheriff John Hunt on Monday. The reports highlights taxes collected from April 2016 through April 2017, and it noted no issues of noncompliance and no material weaknesses.

The department's gross tax collections totaled more than \$2 million

in county taxes, \$3.95 million in taxes for special taxing districts, \$9.89 million for school taxes and \$1.97 million in state taxes during the time period of review.

Nearly \$1.3 million was collectively deducted from those amounts in delinquent taxes that were not paid, around \$212,000 in discounts were given to taxpayers who paid early, and \$455,000 in commissions were provided to the department for operations.

With those deductions, the department paid around \$15.9 million to the taxing districts in the county.

Inmate assaults correctional officers, deputies say

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND
TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Floyd County Detention Center inmate is facing felony charges after allegedly assaulting two correctional officers.

Jonathan Watkins, 37, of David, was arrested on July 21 and arraigned on Monday in a felony case in which he is charged with third-degree assault on a correctional officer and menacing.

According to the arrest citation, jail deputies, Sgt. Jack Holthouse and Lt. Richard Rankin heard something in Watkins' jail cell shortly after 5 a.m. on July 21.

A "struggle" between the deputies

and Watkins began after they opened the door in an attempt to determine the problem, according to the citation, and the incident was recorded on the jail's video surveillance system.

The citation alleges that Holt-house was hit on right side of the face and hurt his knee during the altercation. It also alleges that Rankin hurt his right hand and experienced bleeding from stitches he had from a prior surgery because of the altercation.

Watkins was arraigned in Floyd County District Court on Monday. District Judge Jimmy Marcum set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 1 in the case.



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EDITORIAL:

Woofstock a win-win for the region

The partners who plan to come together at the Mountain Arts Center on Aug. 18 to host Woofstock, a funding concert series that benefits the Animal Alliance of East Kentucky, are doing a great service to the region.

The line-up includes a slew of well-known local musicians who are participating to help raise funds for the

nonprofit animal assistance group, which is working to educate the public about the importance of spaying and neutering, as well as offering funds to help low-income residents in Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin and Martin counties to spay and neuter their pets.

The lack of spaying and neutering causes a pet overpopulation problem and, ultimately,

neglect of dogs and cats throughout Eastern Kentucky. We've seen this problem tax the efforts of volunteers at local animal shelters, including the one right here in Floyd County, which is funded, in part, by tax dollars.

There are other animal rescue groups in Floyd County and the region whose volunteers are doing important

and vital work, but the pet overpopulation problem will continue because some people cannot afford to spay or neuter their pets. That's why the work of the Animal Alliance is so important, and it's why the partners in this concert should be commended.

Headliners for this event include Bek & The Starlight Revue, and performers will

also include Nicholas Jamerson, Luna & The Mountain Jets, Sean Whiting, Jen Tackett, Josh Nolan and Chelsea Nolan and one "Laid Back Country Picker" who is "rumored" to be on the lineup as well. We encourage our readers to buy a few tickets and support this event and the MAC.

GUEST COLUMN:

Thai cave rescue spurs memory of Kentucky inventor Garrett Morgan

By **STUART W. SANDERS**
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The world watched in awe this month as divers rescued 12 boys and their soccer coach from a flooded cave system in Thailand.

Residents of Kentucky — the land of Mammoth Cave, Lost River Cave, Diamond Caverns and other natural wonders — are familiar with cave rescues. One of the most famous attempts occurred here in 1925, when cave explorer Floyd Collins became trapped in Sand Cave (also known as Crystal Cave).

Like the recent Thai rescue, extensive media coverage made the Collins's episode an international story.

After the entrance to Sand Cave collapsed, rescuers tried to tunnel

over to Collins. Sadly, their efforts failed, and he died after being trapped for nearly two weeks.

While the death of Floyd Collins (and the passing of one of the Thai divers) serves as a reminder of the difficulty and danger of cave rescues, the recent incident in Thailand also showcased invention. As authorities made rescue plans, engineers from several companies owned by entrepreneur Elon Musk developed a small submarine to extricate the soccer players.

Although Musk's miniature submersible was never used, the episode harkens back to Garrett A. Morgan, an African American inventor whose work aided a dangerous rescue during the early 20th century.

The son of a freed

slave, Morgan was born in Paris, Kentucky, in 1877. After a local education, he moved to Cincinnati, where he ran several businesses. He also became a noted inventor and owned several patents.

Among Morgan's inventions was a "safety hood," a breathing device that later evolved into the modern-day gas mask. Morgan personally demonstrated the effectiveness of this apparatus when he rescued victims from a collapsed tunnel in Cleveland, Ohio.

On July 25, 1916, workers were digging a tunnel under Lake Erie as part of a waterworks project. A pocket of gas suddenly exploded, killing dozens of the workers and trapping survivors in the collapsed tunnel, which filled with toxic fumes.

Multiple rescue efforts failed. In several instances, those seeking to save the trapped men also fell victim to the poisonous air.

When authorities learned of Garrett Morgan's safety hood, they contacted him and he rushed to the site to help. Morgan, along with two of his brothers and a handful of volunteers, donned the hoods and took turns entering the tunnel. Sadly, about 20 men perished in the disaster — but Morgan and the brave men who endured the burning, toxic tunnel saved several others.

Although Morgan eventually received a gold medal for his bravery, because he was African American he received little credit for his role in the rescue. Of the dozens of period newspaper accounts about the incident, few

mentioned Morgan or his invention.

Morgan died in 1963. Among his other inventions was the three-position traffic light. He also founded a newspaper, the Cleveland Call, and established several community organizations.

His legacy also lives on in the modern-day gas mask, a device that has saved the lives of innumerable soldiers, firefighters and rescue workers.

More recently, however, communities have recognized Morgan, his efforts and his innovations. Several years ago, for example, the Garrett A. Morgan Water Treatment Plant in Cleveland was named in his honor.

The Garrett Morgan Elementary School (GME) in Lexington also commemorates his memory. According to the school's website, "Morgan represents the

innovation, diligence, and creativity which we will seek to instill and cultivate in all of our students at GME."

Studying the history of great Kentuckians like Morgan allows us to embrace the inventor's pioneering spirit and bravery. Digging into our state's past also allows us to fill the proverbial well of ideas so that invention and creativity can take place. Studying this history can inspire students and show the important legacy that Kentuckians like Morgan have left modern-day Kentuckians.

We should also remember that, because of his race, Morgan's efforts largely went unrecognized during his lifetime. Therefore, we should continue to commemorate Morgan and other Kentuckians who face great odds yet transform our communities through innovation and good works. Morgan's history stands as a critical lesson for our future.

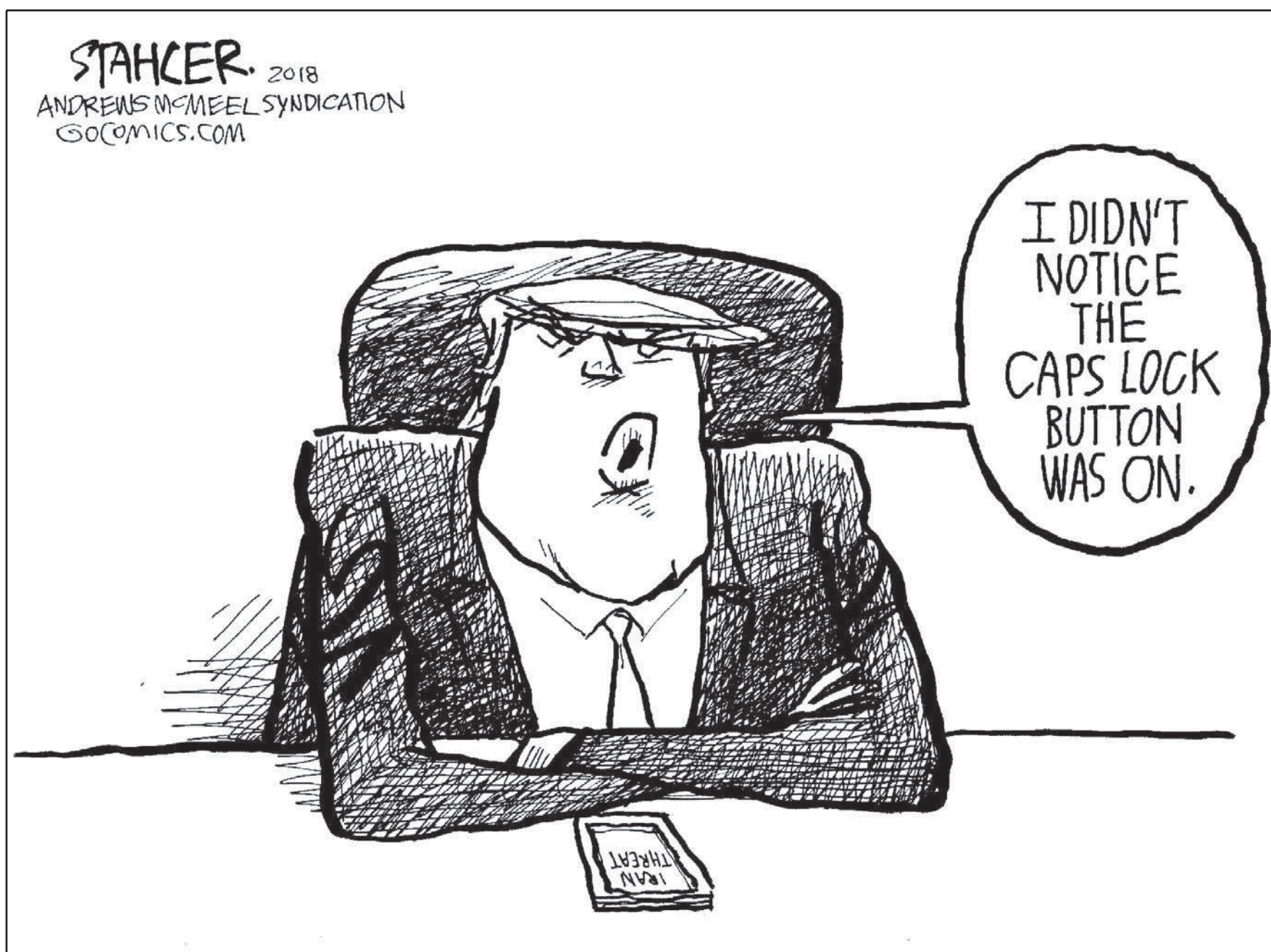
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Willa Banks

Willa Nell Banks, 70, of Whitesburg, died Friday, July 20, 2018.

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

Doris Calhoun

Doris Ann Calhoun, 81, of Prestonsburg, died July 19, 2018.

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

"Marty" Endicott

Morrow "Marty" Endicott, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, July 19, 2018.

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

Sarah Halbert

Sarah Halbert, 89, of Jacksonville, Fla., formerly of Floyd County, died Saturday, July 21, 2018.

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

O.C. Hall

O.C. Hall, 83, of Ivel, died Friday, July 20, 2018.

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

Linda Johnson

Linda Sue Johnson, 64, of Melvin, died Monday, July 23, 2018.

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filing. The company is seeking an alternative rate adjustment to raise \$953,409 in additional revenues, which would increase its total revenues to more than \$4.1 million. Of that amount, more than \$3.8 is requested in revenue from its rates.

The company asked the PSC to approve a 41 percent increase in water rates for the first 2,000 gallons sold, from \$24.60 currently to \$34.60 requested, as well as a 19 percent increase in rates charged for those who use more than 2,000 gallons of water, from the current rate of \$8.40 to a proposed rate of \$1.60.

Southern reports in the filing that bills for customers using an average of 4,000 gallons a month will increase from \$41.40 to \$54.60.

"This is an increase of \$13.20 or 31.88 percent," the filing states.

The rate increase request comes about a year after Southern sold a portion of its system, and revenues from 1,160 customers, to Prestonsburg. According to the filing, Southern expects a decrease of about \$700,000 in its total operating expenses, and a decrease of about \$656,000 in revenues, caused by the loss of water sales.

"The transfer was made because Southern did not have the personnel or equipment to operate the wastewater treatment plant and system in the Harold area

in addition to two other wastewater plants," the filing states. "In order for Prestonsburg to assume ownership of the wastewater system they took the water customers also. The loss of 1,160 customers has severely harmed the District's financial situation."

That comment, however, was opposed by Turner E. Campbell, superintendent/CEO of Prestonsburg City Utilities Commission, who filed a letter to the PSC regarding Southern's application.

Campbell explained he was "compelled to take exception to certain wording" used in the application.

Referring to sections of the application that noted the district "lost" customers to Prestonsburg, Campbell wrote, "The language utilized in the aforementioned sections of the filing by Southern infers somewhat of a 'hostile' takeover of water customers by Prestonsburg, an inference that could not be further from the facts involved."

He attached an "in-depth history" of the transactions between Prestonsburg and Southern, reporting that "at the fiscal court's prompting," Southern started providing wastewater services by building a wastewater treatment facility in Wayland in the early 2000s, and later built another one near Ky. 80 to service residents in the Eastern area.

"In early 2007 Southern had acquired the Floyd County portion of

the dissolved Sandy Valley Water District resulting in the acquisition of approximately 1,100 water customers and that district's aging water infrastructure in the Betsy Layne/Harold area of U.S. 23."

He reported, "Naturally, the District 'took on' this group of customers due to the Fiscal Court decision even though operationally the area strained Southern due to the area being across the Big Sandy River from the existing Southern service area, basically at the extreme eastern boundary of the Southern area."

He explained that Southern got funding to build a wastewater treatment plant in the Betsy Layne area in 2014.

"Through no true fault of Southern's management the providing of wastewater collection and treatment services became somewhat of a nightmare for the District culminating in Kentucky Division of Water enforcement actions commencing in the late 2015/early 2016," Campbell wrote. "It had become the general consensus by that time that although the Fiscal Court had very good intentions, their attempt to involve the Southern Water District in the providing of wastewater collection and treatment was simply not working."

He said providing wastewater collection and treatment without "highly experienced personnel and solid financial means" will "quickly become a managerial and financial disaster."

"In my opinion Southern Water was placed in a no-win situation," Campbell wrote.

He reported that Floyd County Judge-Executive Ben Hale asked him if Prestonsburg could "take over" Southern's wastewater services. Campbell said in the filing that Prestonsburg would need to acquire water customers in the three areas where Southern was providing wastewater services because it was not "practical" to provide only sewage services there.

"At first, the judge-executive was very hesitant to agree with the transfer of any of Southern's water customers to Prestonsburg," Campbell wrote. "I informed him that for Prestonsburg to acquire the wastewater operations with which Southern continued to struggle the water customers in the Betsy Layne/Harold area would have to be part of the transaction."

Prestonsburg also acquired water customers on Ky. 850 in the David area as part of the deal.

"The judge-executive then tentatively agreed saying that 'we desperately need to get Southern out of the sewer business and you all (Prestonsburg) are the only solution,'" Campbell wrote. "I told him that I was not 'happy' that we (Prestonsburg) would be acquiring two areas (Wayland and Eastern) in which we would have no water customers but I would consider these two small areas in order to make the overall deal

work."

The Prestonsburg City Council did not discuss this rate increase request at its last meeting, but the Prestonsburg City Council approved allowing Mayor Les Stapleton to start negotiations to lease some of the property it obtained through the deal with Southern to the city of Wayland.

This rate increase application by Southern was discussed, however, at last week's fiscal court meeting.

Magistrate Mike Tackett complained about the rate increase request, telling Hale that something must be done. He suggested that Southern's financial problems are caused by a high water loss rate.

"I got a paper from the Public Service Commission, saying Southern Water is going to raise water by 40 percent, and they have a 40-percent water loss," Tackett said.

Hale told him it had not been approved yet, and suggested that more money may be spent in the transaction that was approved last year.

"That's not done yet, Mike. There's a lot going on. There's moving parts that won't happen, probably. There's some other things that's going on, when it comes to city utilities," Hale told him. "So, there's probably some more money that's going to have to be involved on the transaction, or they get their water customers back, which if they get those water customers back, then, they probably won't have to have it.

"Well, they need to find the loss," Tackett said. "The loss is where it's at."

Hale said the loss is in Southern's metering system, which hasn't been updated for more than a decade.

"Yeah, but these people can't stand no 40 percent increase," Tackett said.

"I don't think that's going to happen, Mike," Hale said. "That's not going to happen, but it's something that I'm working on right now, trying to get it taken care of so they won't be any kind of a rate increase like that."

On June 30, a couple of days after the property transfer in Wayland between Prestonsburg and Southern was filed in the Floyd County Clerk's office, Southern filed documents in the PSC case regarding the sale that was approved last year.

Southern reported in that filing that the closing date for the transfer of Southern's assets was delayed as the "joint applicants are still awaiting approval" from Southern's creditors.

On July 20, an attorney followed up with that filing, reporting that the closing of the transaction and the transfer of the wastewater assets took place on June 28.

Any individual or organization seeking intervention in the rate increase case has until July 25 to file that request, the PSC ruled. The full case is available online under case number 2018-00230 at, psc.ky.gov.

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possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime and being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

According to an affidavit filed in the case by a special agent with the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, on May

14, Kentucky State Police troopers executed a search warrant at Risner's residence based on "probable cause" that Risner was trafficking in methamphetamine.

Upon first contact with Risner, the affidavit said, troopers found him to be in possession of a loaded pistol. In addition, during the search, trooper seized approx-

imately four ounces of suspected methamphetamine, with an estimated distribution value of approximately \$11,200, documents said.

The affidavit said troopers also found six firearms, including four pistols and two shotguns.

Risner, the affidavit said, told troopers that he "routinely trafficked methamphetamine"

and he admitted that the drugs and firearms were his. The amount of methamphetamine found, the special agent wrote, was the remaining portion that had yet to be sold from the last time he "reupped" with his source of supply.

Court documents show Risner was arrested and lodged in the Pike County Detention

Center in Pikeville on July 19, where he remained as of presstime, awaiting a detention hearing set for Friday.

In 2010, court documents show Risner pleaded guilty to his role in a pill pipeline which prosecutors said resulted in Risner being responsible for the distribution of approximately 780 Methadone

40 mg tablets. He was later sentenced to serve 46 months in prison, with six years of supervised release.

Risner, the special agent wrote in the new affidavit, also pleaded guilty and was sentenced in U.S. District Court in 1990 to serve seven months in prison for distribution of cocaine.

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length of service comes with the same pay increase steps as other certified staff.

The salary increases will benefit bus monitors, school clerks, custodians, media techs, school aides, cooks, and other classified employees who currently start at less than \$10 per hour.

"Alright, so here's the proposed revisions," Wireman said. "Create one salary schedule for all of those positions that were less than \$10 and put them all at \$10 an hour. So, essentially, we are setting our own minimum wage."

He said the district would revise the salary schedules for health assistants and increase their contract days of the year because of additional duties and requirements, they have. He also explained that by moving cooks and janitors to \$10 per hour starting out, their wages will be similar to supervisors of those positions and recommended a salary schedule for supervisors that starts at \$11 per hour and increases with length of service.

He recommended the district change the way cooks are paid, reporting that there are currently four-hour, six-hour and seven-hour cooks working at schools. He suggested

moving all cooks into seven-hour positions, reporting that two cooks who want to remain at six-hours can do so, but those positions will remain as seven-hour positions when they retire.

Wireman told board members that the approximate cost of these changes is \$297,700, with the majority, \$187,000 coming out of the district's general fund and \$110,000 coming out of the food service fund. Wireman said the three-percent longevity increases for classified employees who work 25 years or more will cost \$31,720.

Wireman said these changes "have the potential" to impact 290 classified employees either this year or within the next three years. He made the recommendation to approve the changes.

"We need to bring them up to \$10 an hour," Wireman said.

"Can we sustain it?" Chairperson Sherry Robinson asked. "I don't want to get three or four years down the road and it come back and bite us."

Wireman said adjustments may be needed in the future.

"It's unpredictable," he said. "I say right now, we can, but it's like, is it going to rain next week?"

Robinson agreed with Wireman about the need for the pay increases, but voiced hes-

itation.

"I feel like you. I feel like we need to, but sometimes when you want to and need to do something, the actual means and being able to do it are two different things," she said.

Wireman created the proposal following a request made by Board member Dr. Chandra Varia during a special meeting in June. She complained because some district employees made just over minimum wage. This week, she asked for increases in contract days for janitors, talking about a janitor who can't afford to buy food because his pay was decreased. Wireman explained that all classified workers who are not substitutes earn the same paycheck throughout the year and it doesn't change unless he or she misses work and doesn't have accumulated time to make up for the missed days.

"We can't pay for services not rendered," Wireman said.

Dr. Varia, however, appeared to be thrilled with the salary increases for these employees, making the motion to approve it. She said the district "can do better than this, but this is the beginning."

Board member Linda Gearheart seconded the motion.

"I can go home now," Dr. Varia said after the vote.

Gearheart asked

Wireman to "not forget our teachers."

"We're on it. We just have to do one piece at a time," Wireman said.

The approval also deleted several "obsolete" salary schedules from the district's employee roles. Officials explained these salaries were on the schedule, but no employees hold those roles in the district.

During the meeting, the board approve the pre-audit annual financial report, which was presented by Wireman. The unaudited statement does not include all revenues and expenses the district will have this school year, he reported.

He said the district's general fund is in "pretty good shape," and reported that the school district is carrying forward \$5.4 million "pending adjustments." That carry-forward is between \$1.4 million to \$1.7 million more than the prior year. Wireman said that carry-forward increase was made possible because the state budget provided the district \$586,000 to make up for funding losses caused by changes in the way unmined minerals were taxed last year and because the board approved a capital funds transfer of \$882,000.

"Had we not done that, either one of those items, we'd been at about \$3.9 million, which is \$200,000 less

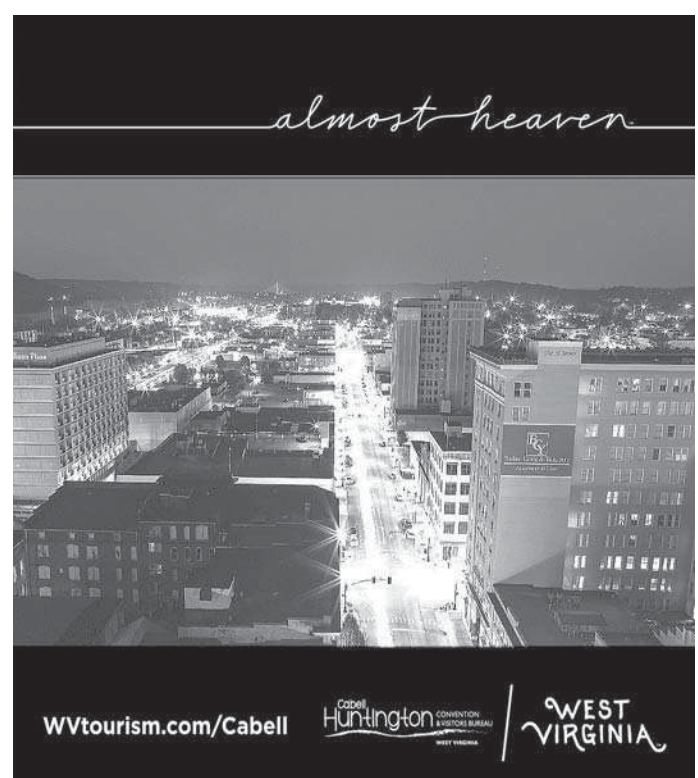
than what we carried forward last year," Wireman said. "And, a lot of that is the result of the assessments and the taxes and those type of things."

He said all district expenses came in under budget and the contingency is about \$1.5 to \$2 million more than initially expected. He said the district is required to have two percent of its budget in contingency, and four percent of the district's budget would equal around four percent. The district's carryforward is between eight and 10 percent, he reported, but the district budgets all of that but about \$2 million to maintain that two percent contingency requirement.

He also reported that the district is still waiting on all of the pa-

perwork to finalize the construction of Floyd Central, reporting that there probably won't be much funding left in that contingency account after that project is closed.

In other news, the board approved a change in scope for the Betsy Layne High School project, with officials reporting it would convert an existing classroom into a resource room. That change will save the district money and speed up the construction, officials said, reporting moving it to a new location will not require the demolition of walls, as previously planned. Officials said the corridor will be done prior to the start of school, with a few small punch list items remaining to be finished after that time.



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School district changes to athletic handbook

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Floyd County Board of Education changed rules related to students who play sports during a meeting this week.

On July 23, the board approved changes to the district's student athletic handbook as part of the consent agenda. No discussion was raised on this topic.

The following changes are among those approved:

- To be eligible to participate in sports, all students must be present "from Bell to Bell" at school on the game day and the day after the game, unless the principal excuses them.

- In the county's elementary and middle school athletic conference, all elementary and middle school tournaments held in Floyd County will be held at the Allen Central High School gym.

- In middle school basketball and volleyball, member schools of the county conference may play more games, starting this school year. The

number of games schools may play increase from 21 to 25 and four of those games may be tournaments, with the handbook revisions.

- The number of middle school soccer games that may be played increased from 15 to 20.

- In elementary volleyball, the number of games permitted decreased from 21 to 20, and schools are still eligible to compete in four tournaments.

- The changes approved also allow schools to use one licensed official in middle school baseball and softball, and it changed the starting date for archery practice in middle school from Sept. 15 to Sept. 1.

There were also calendar changes in K-5 basketball for boys and girls, and pre-season tournament dates changed in every sporting category.

During the meeting, the board also approved revisions to the student handbook, its early college academy handbook, the certified employee evaluation plan and its digital conversion handbook with no

major changes reported. The digital conversion handbook notes, "There is no reasonable expectation of privacy" when students use devices provided by the school district.

Board members also received and approved a presentation on best practices for data security in regards to school-based technology.

The board also approved numerous other items on the consent agenda, including:

- Created new positions in the district, including: a computer science teacher and Family Resource Youth Service Center project clerk at South Floyd; a PE/Health teacher at Betsy Layne Elementary; primary teachers for May Valley and Duff-Allen Central; a full-time itinerant arts-humanities and practical living teacher at John M. Stumbo; a full-time itinerant band-music teacher at Betsy Layne High School; an aide at Allen Elementary; an assistant principal and primary teacher at Prestonsburg Elementary; a new maintenance position; a full-time itinerant health position; a full-time dis-

trict-wide guidance counselor; and a district-wide special needs consultant.

- Revised the extra service/extended duty schedule to add high school academic coaches and district academic coach at a cost of \$6,000 annually and added more responsibilities to the employee overseeing the county's early college academy.

- Approved a contract to offer a dual credit program through Morehead State University.

- Declared technology items and early college textbooks as surplus.

- Approved an agreement with Western Kentucky University to allow students to complete a practicum in speech pathology in the district and an agreement with Morehead State University for the teacher education program.

- Approved a retroactive agreement with the Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative to employ Stephanie Kidd as a special education gap closure consultant/math specialist for KVEC through June 2019. KVEC

will reimburse the salary cost.

- Approved purchasing Torch Prep, an ACT prep test, for \$50,000, with schools also paying \$16,700 and eWalk/Media-X Tool for observations/evaluations at a cost of \$6,500.

In other actions, the board also approved the superintendent's report of personnel actions, including the hiring of Duff-Allen Central Assistant Principal Stephanie Gearheart, Susan Green as a district-wide special education consultant, and five people—Joseph Bolden, Nikki Crawford, Renita Dingus, Rebecca Morrison and Sandra Stapleton as district academic interventionists through the GEAR UP program.

Resignations by nine teachers were reported at Stumbo, Betsy Layne High School, Prestonsburg High School, Duff-Allen Central Elementary. Another district-wide substitute teacher also resigned, several classified employees transferred into new positions, six classified employees resigned and another was fired.

PCFC: County receives second \$50K payment from RCC Big Shoal

By JOSH LITTLE
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — The Pike County Fiscal Court received its second payment of \$50,000 from RCC Big Shoal, LLC., the court announced at its meeting last week.

The court received the second payment at

the end of June, with a third payment scheduled for the end of July.

"We got our second, \$50,000, paid on time. That makes \$100,000 we've collected on the money that we have toward (RCC) Big Shoal," said Pike County Deputy Judge-Executive Herbie Deskins during the

court's last meeting.

Questions were raised after the project moved to Floyd County and the fiscal court had voted to sue the company to recover the \$400,000 total owed.

Deskins said he has spoken with the company and the outlook is positive.

"I've talked to the people and everything's looking better than it was, about their financing, and they're looking forward to coming to East Kentucky and employing about 1,500 people," he said.

According to a letter sent to Pike County Judge-Executive Bill

Deskins, earlier this year, the \$200,000 — \$50,000 monthly — is an ongoing "good faith payment schedule" to the court from Y2XI, a New York City-based investment company which has agreed to secure the financing for \$325 million for the planned construction of the gas-to-liquid

plant planned for Floyd County by RCC Big Shoal.

Once \$200,000 of the \$400,000 owed to the court is paid, RCC Big Shoal is scheduled to pay the remaining \$200,000. These payments are expected to begin in late 2018 or early 2019.

Floyd schools get Striving Readers grant

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Board of Education approved a new "Striving Readers" program on Monday, accepting a \$580,000 federal grant to improve literacy.

The board unanimously approved a memorandum of agreement with the Kentucky Department of Education to receive the Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy grant, which provides funding for school districts to implement a "comprehensive and integrated" literacy plan for children of all ages.

The grants have been awarded to help children in the Betsy Layne and Floyd Central attendance areas. The Floyd Central attendance area

includes South Floyd Elementary, Floyd Central, May Valley and Duff-Allen Central. The Betsy Layne attendance area includes John M. Stumbo, Betsy Layne High and Betsy Layne Elementary.

Schools in the Prestonsburg High School attendance area did not have a high enough free and reduced lunch percentage to participate in this grant, but the district's community liaison Pam Caudill said other schools will work with officials at these locations to include them as much as possible in services provided by this grant.

The state approved the grant on June 15, agreeing to provide \$580,000 to the school district for this program over contract period. The grant will provide \$290,000 for salaries, benefits, professional services,

other purchased services and supplies to be split between the two school attendance areas.

The initial memorandum of understanding approved by the board of education on Monday stretches from this month through June 2019, and Caudill told board members this is a three-year program and funding is provided during the first two years.

The program focuses on improving reading, writing, speaking and listening to students in early childhood, elementary, middle and high school grade levels, as the grant is geared to help kids from birth to 12th grade. The district must also provide professional learning opportunities and support for teachers, including instructional strat-

egies. The district will "use data to inform instruction" and other components of this program, which will also feature an assessment system that is aligned with state standards.

Caudill said the program's main goals are improved language skills for four-year-olds and increased proficiency in reading, in all grade levels (especially content reading at the high school level).

"As you can see, the goals of the grant are pretty much in line with the goals that we have had for years regardless of the state testing, the way that's changed," Caudill told the board. "We still want kids to be proficient or better."

She said training and professional development are a big part of the grant.

"It's about helping our

teachers understand how to increase literacy skills, at all these different grade levels," she said, explaining that the program is geared to "help change the culture" and "help change the teachers so that they are more prepared and ready to help kids."

Superintendent Danny Adkins said the grant has already required the district to create a district-wide literacy plan and schools are required to write their own literacy plan as well. Caudill said Prestonsburg area schools are still working on writing their plans.

Caudill said the grant will help the district "bring a focused attention" to literacy.

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- July 25- 29, July 31-August 4; 8:15 p.m.: Jenny Wiley Theatre performs "Hairspray," at the amphitheater, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. jenny-wileytheatre.com
- July 25; 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.: Final Drop-In for Science, East Kentucky Science Center, features Miranda Woodall from Alltech Laboratories, who will provide hands-on activities with children.. (606) 886-7398
- July 25; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: The Women of the Bible Quilt Group meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- July 26, 28: Family Dollar, 5245 Ky. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, will host a grand opening on July 26 followed by a celebration for the community on July 28. On July 26, several prizes will be given away and on July 28, the first 50 customers will receive a gift card.
- July 26; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Big Sandy Area Community Action Program invites the public to a free health fair, Graceway Methodist Church, Langley. Free health screenings, door prizes
- July 26, 5 p.m.: Floyd County Tourism meets, county courthouse. (606) 886-9193
- July 26; 5:30 p.m.: Sew-N-Love to host a pillowcase dress class. (606) 506-5086
- July 27; 6 p.m.: Special Front Porch Pickin' hosted by the Mountain Arts Center for the Burn Run, Archer Park.
- July 27; 8:30 p.m.: Sons of FM perform at Stoncrest Bar & Grill.
- July 27-28: Brothers of the Wheel Motorcycle Club to host Burn Run Weekend at Archer Park from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, featuring a carnival, vendors, live music, hog roast, car show other ac-

- July 28; 8 a.m.: Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club hosts inaugural BKMC Camp Ytiliba 5K Run/Walk, Prestonsburg parking lot. Registration begins at 7 a.m.
- July 28; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Kentucky Blood Center blood donation drive, Archer Park
- July 28; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Floyd County Farmer's Market open, 713 South Lake Drive.
- July 28; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: St. Vincent Mission celebrates 50 years, 6369 Rt. 404, David. (606) 886-2513
- July 28; 8:30 a.m.: Paddlefest, Prestonsburg
- July 29; 7:30 p.m.: Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry, Mountain Arts Center.
- July 29-Aug. 3; 6 p.m.: Free "Jump Start Reading Camp," a speech therapy, language/Dyslexia tutoring camp for children hosted by the Sandy Valley Scottish Rite Club, Mountain Arts Center.
- July 30; 11:30 a.m.: Bubble-ology, Prestonsburg library. (606) 886-2981
- July 30-Sept. 4; 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.: Free workshop for people with chronic disease like diabetes or COPD to be offered at the Floyd County Extension Office by Big Sandy Health Care's Chronic Disease Self Management program.
- Aug. 2, 5:30 p.m.: The Floyd County Extension District Board will meet at the Extension Office. Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.
- Aug. 3; 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.: Prestonsburg Merchants Network to host "Let us pay your sales tax" customer apprecia-

- tion event with sales, live music and door prizes at Wildfire Designs, Kickin' Ash, City Perk, Lou's Place for Pets, Daffodils, The Mountain Muse, Prestonsburg Running Company, Ritchie's Hallmark, Little Rascals, Lad n Lassie and Sew-N-Love.
- Aug. 3; 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.: Night Market, featuring vendors, music and activities will be held in Prestonsburg.
- Aug. 3; 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.: Cruise-in, downtown Prestonsburg. Free.
- Aug. 4; 7:30 p.m.: Final Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry summer season show, Mountain Arts Center.
- Aug. 6; 6 p.m.: Allen City Commission meets, city hall
- Aug. 8; 5 p.m.: Wheelwright City Commission meets, city hall

Vendors sought for Night Market

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Officials with Prestonsburg Tourism are currently accepting vendor applications for the city's first-ever Night Market.

The event, described as an "open-air pop up market" is planned to showcase local artists, businesses, live music, as well as other activities.

It's scheduled to be held Aug. 3 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the city parking lot, and Prestonsburg officials are also planning a cruise-in to be held at the same time on Rt. 1428.

Tourism Director Samantha West said that the event is modeled after similar Night Market events held in the Elkhorn City area in Pike County.

She said officials hope to gather at least 25 vendors, but more, if possible. Vendors can come from Floyd and surrounding counties, she said, and the goal is to bring in local artisans selling handmade items, as well as businesses.

The city and the tourism commission are offering vendor spaces at a cost of \$25 for artists and local businesses and \$75 for food vendors. Vendor applications are being accepted through July 27.

Vendor applications are available on at the Night Market link at prestonsburg.org. For more information, visit Prestonsburg Night Market on Facebook or call, (606) 886-1341.

Participation is free in the cruise in, and city officials will accept registrations on site on the day of the Night Market.



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school.

"This is our fourth year. We started my first year in," Stapleton said. "At the time, the economy was on the downturn, so it was an effort to just give them something to do before they go back to school, get them fired up. Then, HRMC (Highlands) came in the second time and they've done a wonderful job at getting others to come in, and it's just grown ... The support from Highlands and Passport Health Plan and some of these different groups, it's just been phenomenal."

He said volunteers gave out backpacks, provided food and had inflatables during the first event. It has since expanded to also include visits from Batman and other superheroes, numerous types of health screenings and give-away items, activities for children, visits with Prestonsburg police and fire department officials, the Air Evac Lifeteam, and, among other things, informational resources for children and their caregivers.

"This is such a great effort from everybody involved," Stapleton said.

Danielle Franklin of Highlands Health called it

a collaborative effort.

"We want to make sure that all the kids are ready for school with all of their school supplies, but we also want to make sure that they're ready for school for their health," she said. "So, we have people here that are talking about immunizations. We have people here that are going to do health, blood pressure, stroke screenings, sports physicals so they can play sports physicals throughout the year. So, we do tons of different things to make sure that they're health and wellness is ready to go back so they can be the best that they can be."

Dr. Matt Turner, a family medicine physician from Highlands Health, provided sports physicals for children during this event. Other health screenings were also provided.

"It's an easy way to give back," Dr. Turner said.

Passport Health Plan was the platinum sponsor for this event, and donations were also provided by Highlands Health, Prestonsburg, Floyd County Fiscal Court, Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Walmart, Suddenlink, Pepsi, Appalachian Wireless (East Kentucky Network), Food City, First Commonwealth Bank, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center and StoneCrest Golf Course.



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Floyd Central hosted its inaugural baseball camp July 16-19. Players from three different counties attended the camp.

Floyd Central baseball program holds camp

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — The Floyd Central High School baseball program welcomed in young players from multiple Eastern Kentucky counties for an inaugural camp July 16-19. Players ages six to 14 attended the camp.

"The camp went great,"

said Floyd Central coach Shawn Hager. "We had a great turnout from three different counties. The kids got a lot of work on fundamentals in throughout the camp."

Greg Horne, who guides the Floyd Central Middle School baseball program, shared Hager's enthusiasm when talking about the camp.

"Our camp was a great suc-

cess," said Horne. "We averaged around 33 kids each day. The players ranged in ages from six to 14 and represented three counties. Our baseball program on the middle school level and high school level is getting ready to take off. We are promoting hard and getting the word out about our program. A lot of people don't even realize we have a middle

school program. This camp gave us a chance to bring kids in and show off our facilities. It also gave us a chance to work a few days with the young kids that will soon be in our program."

Each Floyd Central baseball program made strides during its debut campaign. Horne is eager to work with Hager again in 2019.

"Coach Hager has been great to work with," added Horne. "Anything we need for the middle school program, he gets it. I hear a lot of middle school coaches complaining that they can't get their high school coaches to help them or share field time but I don't have that problem."

Jaguars making progress in preseason

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Floyd Central was one of the first area high school football teams to return to the gridiron shortly after the conclusion of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Dead Period. Two weeks into preseason practice, Floyd Central is making progress as it prepares for its second season.

"Practice has been going well," said Floyd Central Coach Shawn Hager. "We are focusing on getting in shape and installing our offense. We are doing a lot of 7 on 7 and our defense is get-

ting better."

Floyd Central is still looking for a scrimmage opponent for August 10.

The Jaguars are scheduled to kick off the 2018 high school football season at home against Harlan in a non-district matchup on August 17.

Floyd Central compiled an 8-4 record in its debut season. The Jaguars finished second behind state powerhouse Belfry in Class 3A District 6. Floyd Central advanced to the second round of the 2017 Class 3A State Playoffs.

The Jaguars outlast-

ed visiting Henry County 43-35 in the opening round of the 2017 Class

3 A Russell Athletic/KH-SAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl. Central, a powerhouse out of Louisville, ended Floyd Central's inaugural

season, shutting out the Jaguars in Louisville in the second round of the

Class 3A State Playoffs. Floyd Central's debut season included addition-

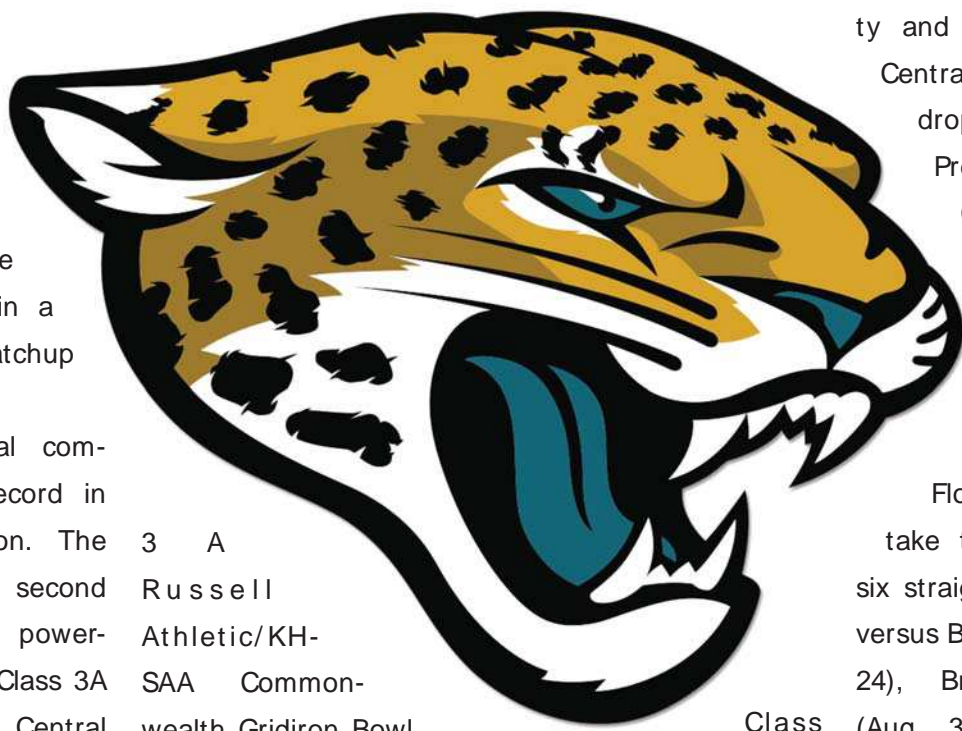
al wins over Harlan, Betsy Layne, Breathitt County, Lynn Camp, Sheldon Clark, Lawrence County and Letcher County Central. The Jaguars dropped games to Prestonsburg, Pike Central and Belfry in 2017.

Following the 2018 season opener versus Harlan, Floyd Central will take to the road for six straight away games versus Betsy Layne (Aug. 24), Breathitt County (Aug. 31), Lynn Camp (Sept. 7), Prestonsburg (Sept. 14), Pike County Central (Sept. 21) and

Belfry (Sept. 28). The Jaguars are due to close the upcoming game at home with games against Sheldon Clark (Oct. 5), Lawrence County (Oct. 19) and Letcher County Central (Oct. 26).

Floyd Central competes with perennial state title contender Belfry, Lawrence County, Pike County Central and Sheldon Clark in Class 3A District 6.

The Jaguars competed in a 7 on 7 event at Johnson Central on Saturday and fared well. Floyd Central resumed preseason practice on Monday.



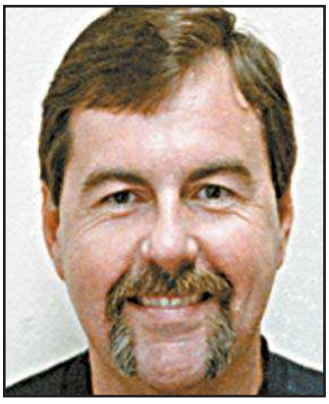
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Call it a product of the new point system that NASCAR uses for its Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series or call it a product of a trio of drivers that are dominating the series to the point the broadcasters have all but forgotten any drivers' name other than Kyle Busch, Kevin Harvick or Martin Truex Jr. Sunday at New Hampshire we saw two of the greatest drivers not just of this season but of all time in Busch and Harvick put on a show in the closing laps that has the entire series salivating waiting for the playoff round of ten races to begin.

It appeared in the closing stages of Sunday's Foxwoods Resort Casino 301 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway that the series might be having another first time winner as Stewart-Haas Racing's Aric Almirola was in control of the race until everyone came down on pit road for service after a caution flag was waved for Clint Bowyer who hit the outside wall. It was lap 258 when Almirola in the lead pulled into his pit on what would be the "money" stop of the day but trouble with the left front tire caused him to relinquish the lead to Kyle Busch who

came out of the pits in first followed by Kevin Harvick.

On the restart with Busch picking the outside lane that had been the preferred line all race long, he was able to put his Toyota in front of Harvick and appeared that he might be able to pull away with the win but the Ford driver was not done yet as he began to chip away at the lead of Busch. The chase continued until lap 295 of the 301 lap event when Harvick tapped Busch's rear bumper in the center of turns one and two.

The tap did not send Busch into the wall but he did have to chase his car up the track and in the process, Harvick pulled underneath and went on to capture his sixth win of the season and the 43rd checkered flag of his career. Busch recovered and came in second followed by Almirola in third and Truex Jr. in fourth.

It is no secret in the sport that there has not been a lot of love lost between Harvick and Busch in the past so the post-race interviews were more anticipated than seeing Harvick do the customary burnouts and crawl out of his car in victor lane. NBC interviews the winning driver as he is retrieving the checkered flag on his way to victory lane. Harvick said he felt like it was his best opportunity to make the pass as he got to the rear bumper because he wasn't sure if he could get there again. Harvick said, "I didn't want to wreck him but I didn't want to spend a lot of time behind him."

Busch in his post-race interview was able to keep

his composure as he gave his pit crew credit for putting him in a position to win the race even though he knew that he did not have as good a car as those of Stewart-Haas. When asked about the bump, Busch said, "I thought that he could have made the move work cleaner than that, but it's all fair game." He went on to say, "How you race is the way you will be raced."

Now if that is the dialogue between the two drivers that are first and second in the point standings what can we expect in the six races remaining from the majority of the starting field that needs a win to transfer to the playoff round. Also fueling the competition that is creating such finishes that we saw at New Hampshire is the Playoff Bonus Points awarded to the stage winners and race winner. The five points for the win moved Harvick into first place with 32 points to Busch's 30. These points transfer with the driver as he moves through the three playoff segments.

PIT NOTES: The Camping World Truck Series made its annual stop at Tony Stewart's Eldora Speedway and once again provided an exciting race that featured a dirt sliding finish with plenty of rubbing that had the fans on their feet. The middle of the week event once again raises questions to NASCAR about the possibility of showing some flexibility in future Cup schedules. It may not be a race on dirt but a middle of the week race may put some fans in the seats something that the sport needs.

Wesley Christian to field National, Select teams

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

ALLEN — The Wesley Christian High School boys' basketball program will field a National Team and a Select Team during the 2018/2019 season. Wesley Christian coach David Meddings made the announcement about his program recently.

"We changed the names to help with the overall image of our program," said Meddings. "In the past it was known as 'blue' team and 'red' team and 'first' and 'second' but that doesn't reflect what our goals are as a program and a school. We don't have a junior varsity program whatsoever. Our athletes are talented enough to compete on a varsity level and a national elite level. What this provides to the local kid and to a foreign or transferred player is that they will get to compete at the highest level available."

A full schedule awaits each Wesley Christian boys' basketball team.

"The National Team will be playing in what is known as the Grind Session, which is a nationwide league that only involves programs like ours, as well as other events and home games," commented Meddings. "They will also compete for a NACA Division 1 Nation-

al Championship, a Fellowship of Christian Athletes national title (which they won in 2017) and the Grind Session World Championship. The roster includes seven players over 6 foot 8 and 11 players over 6 foot 5 in total and will have at least two local faces on the roster come November.

"The "Select" Team will play in the Kentucky Christian Athletic Association and compete for a state championship while also participating in the NACA Division 3 National Championships. The team will sport at least four players 6 foot 8 or taller and be led by rising senior Josh Hackworth, who also plays on the National Team. This team although talented will have a majority of younger players."

Rosters for each team will feature several talented players, some of whom hail from Eastern Kentucky.

"We want to be an option for local players and students alike to achieve their dreams of playing college basketball," confided Meddings. "Whether it be part of the National team or the Select team we have a portal of preparation for high school athletes to academically and athletically get ready for the next level."

Meddings returned to

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

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

"Our image was damaged in the past some by former leadership and we want the public to realize the exceptional talent level we have right here in Allen and Floyd County," added Meddings. "Beyond that we are blessed with some good kids to work with whether they are from Eastern Kentucky or Australia. Our student-athletes represent Wesley Christian in the highest regard of leadership, faith and commitment to the community. We are blessed to be able to change lives here and we will continue to do so."

WWE heats up the Expo Center



Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Cory Vance

Seth Rollins tries to tag Roman Reigns, while Dolph Ziggler applies a sleeper hold on Rollins. The WWE hit the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center Sunday for the Summerslam Heatwave Tour.



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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL DIVISION I CASE NO. 12-CI-01055 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, PLAINTIFF vs. DICKIE BRANHAM, UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF DICKIE BRANHAM COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, AND US BANK, AS CUSTODIAN FOR SASS MUNDV DTR DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF SALE

as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$94,722.58, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 3rd day of August, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 25 Fancy Eagle Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 **MAP No.:** 035-30-02-015.00 AND 035-02-014.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** The following described real property, situated in the County of Floyd, State of Kentucky: Tract #1: Being a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, KY, in West Prestonsburg, and being more particularly described as follows: One Lot No. 297, formally a part of the Sandy Land Development Company and being 30 feet wide and 120 feet long. For a more particular de-

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scription see Map No. 95, Floyd County Clerk's Office. It is mutually agreed that all mineral rights, coal, oil and gas remain vested in the heirs of Hairm Harris forever and that wells and excavation or tunnels or other deed that are necessary shall not be objected to. Tract #2: Two certain tracts or parcels of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, in West Prestonsburg and being more particularly described as follows: Parcel A One Lot No. 296, formally a part of the Sandy Land and Development Company and being 30 feet wide and 120 feet long. For a more particular description see Map No. 95, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk. Parcel B Beginning at the southeast corner of Lot No. 296, formally a part of the Sandy Land and Development Company, and Abbott Street; thence leaving Abbott Street N 38' 44" E 26 feet to a stake in line with present cemetery fence up hill N 23' 8" West 120 feet; thence 26 feet straight back to the northeast corner of Lot No. 296; thence along Lot No. 296 to the beginning. Property Two: A certain tract or parcel of land, lying and situated in West Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky. Being Lots 298 & 299 of Block 19 to the Sandy Land and Development Company Addition to the City of West Prestonsburg, Kentucky. And being those lots described as Tracts I & II in deed from Boyd Miller dated May 14, 1991, as recorded in Deed Book 347, Page 218, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. Being the same property conveyed to Dickie Branham by Quitclaim Deed dated the 19th day of July 2004, recorded in Book D500, Page 639, and by Deed dated September 30, 1999, of record in Deed book 440, Page 86 and by Deed dated September 24, 1999, of record in Deed Book 440, Page 90, in the office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky. A. The property address and map number contained

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herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above. B. The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate provided by the laws of the Commonwealth per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above. C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of

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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL DIVISION II CASE NO. 15-CI-536 ELIZABETH DINGUS ROBERTS, single; JAMES DINGUS and SHARON DINGUS, his wife; GWEN C. DINGUS (now deceased); and KELLI SLONE-COLEMAN and DAVID COLEMAN, her husband PETITIONERS VS. MARGARET BRADLEY and EVERETT BRADLEY, her husband; TERRI LYNN ISON and DELBERT ISON, her husband; JERRA RAE CAMPBELL and UNKNOWN SPOUSE; MARGARET COLLINS and UNKNOWN SPOUSE; and LISA WILLIAMSON and UNKNOWN SPOUSE RE-SPONDENTS AMENED NOTICE OF SALE

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise any amounts as set forth therein; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest

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and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 3rd day of August, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESSSES:** 401 North Lake Drive Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 **MAP NO.:** 045-30-12-011.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** **KFC TRACT** LOCATED with Garfield Addition to Prestonsburg and being Lot No. 17 and a portion of Lot No. 16 of said Addition and situated east of and adjacent to Ky. Rt. 1428 (North Lake Drive), 150 feet north of Patton Street in Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky. BEGINNING at a tack in a lead plug (set) in concrete on the westerly right of way of the alley, located South 23-06-00 East, 43 feet from electrical utility pole no. 954-1004 and 150 feet north of the intersection of the westerly right of way of the alley with the northerly right of way of Patton Street, being the northeast corner of Lot No. 18 of the Garfield Addition which is owned by George P. Archer, et. ux. and Ed Music, et ux. (D.B. 199, Pg. 561). Thence leaving the right of way of the alley and running with Lot No. 18 South 66-24-00 West, 120.00 feet to a tack in a lead plug (set) in concrete on the right of way of Ky. Rt. 1428 (North Lake Drive). Thence leaving Lot No. 18 and running with the right of way of Ky. Rt. 1428 North 23-06-00 West, 25.00 feet to an unmonumented point, a corner of Lot No. 16 of the Garfield Addition to Prestonsburg. Thence North 23-06-00 West, 10.00 feet to a 3/4" x 18" iron pipe with a plastic cap bearing the marking "KY LS 1893" (set) adjacent to the sidewalk and 3.19 feet west of the center of utility pole no. 954-834, a corner of the Superamerica Group, Inc., property (D.B. 553, Pg. 226)

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which includes the balance of Lot No. 16. Thence leaving the right of way of Ky. Rt. 1428 (North Lake Drive) and running with the Superamerica Group, Inc., property North 63-05-09 East, 118.27 feet to a 3/4" x 18" iron pipe with a plastic cap bearing the marking "KY LS 1893" (set) and located 2.49 feet west of the center of utility pole no. 954-1004. Thence North 63-05-09 East, 2.00 feet to an unmonumented corner which is occupied by utility pole no. 954-1004 on the right of way of the alley. Thence leaving the Superamerica Group, Inc., property and running along the westerly right of way of the alley South 23-06-00 East, 18.00 feet to the northeast corner of Lot No. 17. Thence continuing with the right of way of the alley and Lot No. 17 South 23-06-00 East 25.00 feet to the BEGINNING, containing 4,680 sq. ft. as shown on Baldridge Engineering drawing no. 3586 and recorded in Floyd County Clerk files at Map No. _____; being the same property conveyed to William A. Dingus, recorded in Deed Book 87 at Page 29. North orientation used is same as shown on U.S. 23 Highway plans SP36-16, dated 1963. Deed from John Banks and Bessie Banks to William A. Dingus (deceased 1935) dated October 30, 1931 of record at Deed Book 87, Page 29; affidavit of descent of W. A. Dingus of record at Deed Book 143, Page 169; will of Rebecca Dingus of record at Will Book E, Page 371; will of William J. Dingus of record at Will Book N, Page 27; will of William (Billy) Ray Collins of record at Will Book Z, Page 14; will of Margaret Collins of record at Will Book DD, Page 200; and will of Thomas Graham Dingus of record at Will Book RR, Page 730, all in the office of the Floyd County Clerk. A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions con-


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tained within the Judgment referenced above. B. The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate provided by the laws of the Commonwealth per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchaser price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiffs or the Respondents named in the above styled action are the successful bidders, then no bond shall be required and said purchaser shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above. C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. D. The property described above is sold subject to existing leases which are not extinguished by this sale. The property described above is also sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property. E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser. F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained herein.


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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CASE NO. 15-CI-00536 ELIZABETH DINGUS ROBERTS, single; JAMES DINGUS and SHARON DINGUS, his wife; GWEN C. DINGUS (now deceased); and KELLI SLONE-COLEMAN and DAVID COLEMAN, her husband PETITIONERS VS. MARGARET BRADLEY and EVERETT BRADLEY, her husband; TERRI LYNN ISON and DELBERT ISON, her husband; JERRA RAE CAMPBELL and UNKNOWN SPOUSE; MARGARET COLLINS and UNKNOWN SPOUSE; and LISA WILLIAMSON and UNKNOWN SPOUSE RESPONDENTS NOTICE OF SALE

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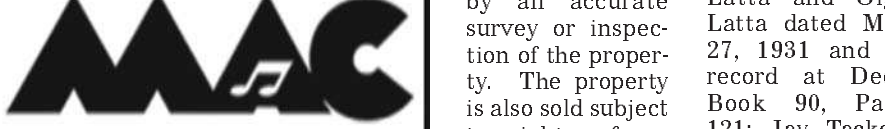


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FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF JOHN P HUNT ANNUAL AUDIT 2016 Property Tax Account

The report of the Audit of the Floyd County Sheriff's Settlement of 2016 Property Tax Audit has been completed and released. A copy of the complete audit report, including financial statements and supplemental information is on file at the Sheriff's Office and available for public inspection during normal business hours. Any citizen may obtain from the Sheriff's Office a copy of the complete audit report including financial statements and supplemental information, for his personal use. Citizens requesting a personal copy of the Sheriff's audit report will be charged for duplication costs at a rate that shall not exceed twenty-five cents per page. Copies of the financial statement prepared in accordance with KRS 424.220 are available to the public at no cost at the Sheriff's Office or by mail at Floyd County Sheriff John P. Hunt, P.O. Box 152, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.



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Birth Announcements

All birth announcements for babies under 3 months are **FREE**.

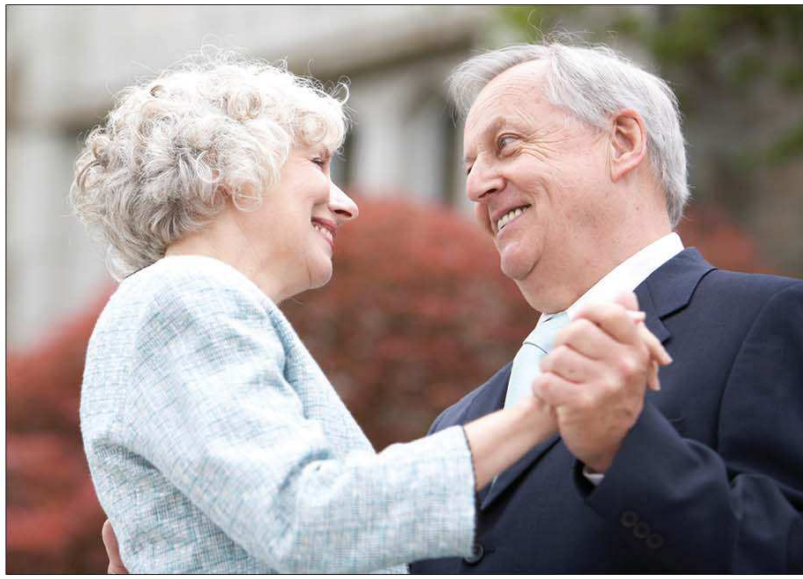
Celebrating Birthdays



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

Senior Citizen Center Birthdays

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



Celebrating 55 years

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

Wedding Anniversaries

All wedding anniversaries over 40 years, in addition to 10th and 25th anniversaries, are **FREE**.

Dotson-Simpkins



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

Engagement

Announce your engagement in the Floyd County Chronicle for **FREE**.

Wedding

Announce your recent marriage. Weddings within 3 months are **FREE**.

Hatfield-McDaniel



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

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