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Bartley files lawsuit as state tries to end child support contract

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services is attempting to end its child support pro-

gram contract with Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley, and he claims state officials are doing so unlawfully.

Bryan Hubbard, commissioner of the Cabinet

for Health and Family Services, sent Bartley a letter on July 16, announcing that the state plans to terminate the county's contract within 30 days.

"This termination is occurring for the convenience of the commonwealth," Hubbard wrote in the letter.

Bartley, however, claims ending the

county's approximately \$500,000 contract for child support enforcement will be anything but convenient for Floyd

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Brother's Keepers M.C. hosts 'Burn Run' at Archer Park



The local chapter of the Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club hosted a fundraising Burn Run at Archer Park on July 27-28, with nearly 100 vendors and activities. The event raised funds for Camp Ytiliba, a Shriners Hospital for Children camp for children who have suffered burns.

Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows



Floyd County overdose deaths decrease slightly

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The number of people who died as a result of drug overdoses in Floyd County decreased over the past year, but not by much.

The Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet and the state's Office of Drug Control Policy released the 2017 Overdose Fatality Report last week. The report, produced by the Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center, compiles information from the state's death certificate database and information from other state offices.

The report shows there were 12 overdose deaths in Floyd County in 2017, two fewer than the prior year.

Last year's overdose death report showed 14 people died of drug overdoses in Floyd County in 2016, a decrease from 16 deaths reported in 2015 and 21 deaths reported in 2014.

Since 2012, 98 people have died of overdose in Floyd County, these annual reports show.

Last year's report ranked Floyd County high on the list of counties, in terms of the annual rate of overdose deaths per 100,000 residents, at 46.67 percent. This year's report lists Floyd County's annual overdose rate at 33.1 percent per 100,000 residents, but the report also notes that the annual rates based on less than 20 overdose deaths are "unstable and should

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School board hires new attorney, approves health contract

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Schools Board of Education hired a new attorney this week.

During a special meeting on July 30, the

board unanimously approved hiring John Earl Hunt as the new board attorney.

According to documents provided as part of the meeting agenda, Hunt will earn \$135

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Fire destroys truck on Ky. 3



Prestonsburg Firefighter Tyler Sparks fights a truck fire on Ky. 3 near the former location of Thunder Ridge Monday morning. Sparks and his father, Prestonsburg Fire Department Capt. Darrell Sparks, were the first responders at the scene and extinguished the blaze within a few minutes. The driver, the only occupant of the vehicle, was not injured.

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St. Vincent celebrates 50 years of service



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St. Vincent Mission celebrated 50 years of service on July 27-28 with a reunion and community celebration in David and mass at the Foley Mission Center in Martin on Saturday. The nonprofit organization opened in 1968 to serve people in need, a mission it continues today.



Floyd Tourism now has a budget

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

It comes late, but the Floyd County Recreation, Tourist and Convention Commission now has a budget.

On July 26, the commission approved its first budget after it was introduced to the commission by Treasurer David Tackett.

The commission is required to submit a proposed annual budget to the Floyd County Fiscal Court no later than May 15 of each year, and budgets are required to be established with two readings and a vote.

The budget approved by the commission details \$250,000 in revenues and expenses, and reports that the commission is carrying forward \$99,600 from its first year of operations into the new fiscal year, which began July 1.

Tackett said the numbers reflected in the budget are just estimates, reporting, for example, that the commission doesn't know whether it will get a \$10,000 grant budgeted as revenues. The commission expects to receive \$120,000 from its transient room tax and \$20,000 from joint ventures with cities in the county in the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Expenditures listed in this budget detail some of the plans the tourism commission for future tourism development.

Months ago, tourism commission members discussed the possibility of providing a boat ramp on the Levisa Fork near Harold or Allen. The budget allots \$100,000 for that project, and it also lists \$45,000 for a "special project." Chairman Josh Hall said the special project funds will be used to provide grants to agencies seeking funds for tourism-related events and projects.

Other expenses include \$65,000 for the Al-

len golf course and parks, \$23,000 for advertising, \$5,000 for supplies, \$5,000 for a multi-county partnership with the Kentucky Mountain Regional Recreation Authority and other expenses.

The commission voted for that KMRRA partnership at the meeting, with Judge-Executive Ben Hale, serving as commission secretary, telling members that the group is asking all 19 counties involved in the project to provide funds to hire a director. The KMRRA, created by state law, is working to develop cross-county ATV trails and other trails in Eastern Kentucky.

During the meeting, the commission also heard a presentation from Janice Allen of the Big Sandy Trail Riders, a nonprofit organization that leases the German Bridge campground area and the horse trails there from the Fiscal Court and the US Army Corps of Engineers. The Big Sandy Trail Riders is responsible for maintenance of the park and trails and the fiscal court funds most of the electricity and other services there, with the club reimbursing the fiscal court \$5 per campsite.

Allen made a similar presentation to the fiscal court earlier this year, seeking more than \$11,000 for equipment that includes a truck, an ATV, chain saws and other items, including paint and a replacement of the roof on a building near the campground's entrance. Hale told her at that time to seek the funds from the tourism commission. After the presentation on July 26, the tourism commission tabled the matter, with Hale reporting the fiscal court recently voted to surplus some equipment and tourism officials saying they will wait and see if the fiscal court can provide equipment to help the club.

Tourism commission members did, however,

emphasize that the agency could likely help the club with advertising and trail mapping. Misha Curnutte, who volunteers with the tourism commission, talked about an app that could benefit the trails. She said she'd work with Allen to facilitate that project. Hale suggested the possibility of having rental horses on site at the campground to help it generate more revenue.

In other news, the commission also:

- Reported the commission's website, floydcountytourism.com, is now live. It highlights attractions and events throughout the county and links visitors to websites and Facebook pages.

- Approved the financial report, showing \$159,000 collected in the transient room tax to date and expenditures of \$30,000.

- Approved reimbursing the City of Prestonsburg \$5,000—half of the expenses of materials purchased to make repairs to the Jenny Wiley Amphitheatre. The city, which leased the amphitheater from the state after its closure this year, initially requested \$10,000 from Floyd County tourism for this project, reporting Prestonsburg would provide up to \$40,000 in in-kind funds. Tackett said, however, that the invoices totaled a little more than \$5,000, and the vote to approve payment was unanimous.

- Approved spending \$1,600 for four new weed eaters the fiscal court bought, reporting they will be used for county parks.

- Tabled a request from the Kent Rose Foundation for between \$2,500 and \$5,000 for the Russell May Retrospective, an arts event that will be held Sept. 21-22 at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center. Officials requested a presentation from the foundation prior to approval.

- Approved spending \$2,500 for the Kentucky State Fair, set to be held in Louisville next month. The funds will allow the county tourism to partner with other local tourism agencies in booth space and be included on a Eastern Highlands North Tourism Region guide, fund a portion of the accommodations for Curnutte to attend at least two days of the fair and purchase a pop-up banner that may be used after the fair is over.

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Free tutoring program proposed for Floyd Schools

By **MARY MEADOWS**
STAFF WRITER

A Texas resident has traveled more than 1,000 miles over the past three summers to provide free tutoring services to children in Floyd County, and now, she plans to create a nonprofit organization, filled with volunteers who will provide the same services here.

Kim Waddell, 62, a special education teacher who lives in Houston, Texas, shared her proposal with the Floyd County Board of Education on Monday, seeking a partnership that she hopes will grow to help hundreds of local students. Her family offers the Georgia Watkins Scholarship program in honor of her mother, who is from Floyd County.

"People ask me, 'Why are you coming from Houston, Texas?'" Waddell told board members. "And I tell them it's because my mother was born in Lackey and she was a coal miner's

daughter. And when we were little, she used to bring us here, and as I child, I felt a love for this area. I believe, as a child, I have the conviction of coming back and doing something for the people."

In the 1990s, she volunteered with the Christian Appalachian Project in Eastern Kentucky. She's been teaching for more than 40 years.

On Wednesday, Waddell, who has been staying with her cousin in East Point, finished a free group tutoring session this summer to six children at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office. She tutors children in the first through eighth grades.

She's returning to her home in Texas with plans to create a nonprofit organization that will offer this free tutoring program in Floyd County.

Waddell said her goal is to create a program through which retired teachers will tutor stu-

dents, free of charge. The afterschool tutoring program would involve providing snacks for children and creative teaching methods to keep kids interested in participating, she said in a recent interview.

She told board of education members on Monday that she's already spoken with officials in Wayland, David and Maytown who have offered community buildings so free tutoring may be offered at those locations, telling the board of education that she wants to "meet the needs of students where they live."

She mentioned the possibility of offering this service in schools and talked about the need for the district's help in identifying students in need of tutoring.

She said her goal is to be in Floyd County year-round to provide this service, and she's already been in contact with retired teachers and Christian Appalachian Project

in search of volunteers to help.

Board member Dr. Chandra Varia told Waddell that she likes the idea, and pledged to help in any way she can.


Superintendent Darryl Adkins told her that the school district is required to follow certain guidelines, but it would also do what it can to support the endeavor.

"When you came and met me and said you wanted to help our kids, I said, I'm willing to listen to anything that's willing to help our students," he said, reporting that he invited her to speak to the board. "You know, there's some regulations, of course, we have to follow, and as long as it's our students, our facilities can be used as well.

You let us know what you need, through the winter. We'll ask the council to get with you as far as identifying some students, and we'll get some letters out, okay."


For more information about the nonprofit being created or to volunteer, call Waddell at, (281) 685-2668.






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Last chance to see the opry

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

Local residents have only one more opportunity to see the Billie Jean Osborne's Kentucky Opry summer show this week.

The final opry performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 4.

In its 28th summer season, the show has brought thousands of guests to the Mountain Arts Center this summer.

"It's been an excellent season," MAC Director Clayton Case said. "Our attendance is up around 15 percent overall, so we've been doing really well."

He said more people who have never been to an opry performance are turning out to watch concerts this year, and they're going back and telling their friends and family members. He said organizers also brought in some new guests this season, another reason he believes there's been an increase in attendance. He admits, however, that this season's show has earned accolades.

"It's just an excellent show," he said. "It's a lot of fun."

Case said the opry has showcased special guests every week this summer, but the final show will showcase the

opry's "consistent vocalists."

"We're excited about that and just about being able to say thank you to all the folks who have supported us throughout the season," Case said.

Billie Jean Osborne launched the opry more than two decades ago, holding performances at the local community college and elsewhere before the MAC was built and opened in the 1990s. The opry is now MAC's longest-running concert series, featuring dozens of musicians—and an in-house comedian, Munroe — every summer and winter.

Munroe and other opry members have been part of the opry since it started, and

other musicians have also been added over the years. Since Big Sandy Community and Technical College signed an agreement with Prestonsburg to operate the MAC, Case and other organizers have worked to update opry shows by bringing in guest performers and performing music from various genres. There are several medley performances in this summer's show, including one that highlights music from popular movies.

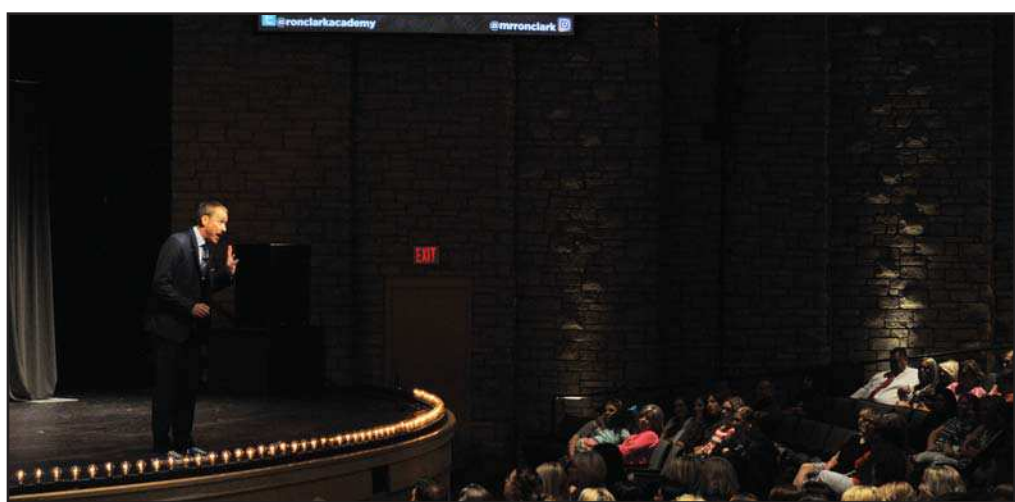
Each opry show opens with the Jr. Pros, made up of students from Floyd, Johnson, Pike, Magoffin, Breathitt and Fayette counties. This summer, the Jr. Pros have been

singing through the decades with medleys featuring popular songs that have topped the music charts since the 1950s.

This group, with vocalists coached by Jennifer Bersaglia and the band is coached by Michael Stevens, was scheduled to host its own concert later this month at the MAC, but Case said that show has been postponed until October. He said the Jr. Pros will hosts a special Halloween concert that month.

Tickets to the opry range from \$12 to \$16. For more information, visit macarts.com.

KVEC hosts Clark for Floyd Schools workshop



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

The Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative hosted its Renaissance Academy guest speaker Ron Clark for a workshop with the Floyd County Schools District on July 31 at the Mountain Arts Center. Clark, who was named the American Teacher of the Year in 2000 by Disney, used stories from teaching students in Harlem, New York City, to inspire Floyd County teachers. He shared tips about motivating hard-to-reach and challenging students. The school district hosts guest speakers annually for staff at the beginning of every school year. Floyd County students will return to the classroom on Aug. 8.

Local organizations work to 'Create Bridges'

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Big Sandy Area Development District and Big Sandy Community and Technical College want to participate in an initiative geared to improve small businesses, the Floyd County tourism commission learned last week.

The initiative, named CREATE BRIDGES, was highlighted during a July 26 Floyd County tourism commission meeting, when the commission voted to approve a letter of commitment, pledging to participate.

CREATE BRIDGES stands for Celebrating Retail, Accommodations, Tourism, and Entertainment by Building Rural Innovations and Developing Growth Economies.

"The purpose of this pilot project is they're going to offer resources to small businesses to try to help them grow, and it's small businesses related to tourism, retail, accommodations and restaurants. So, it's everything related to tourism," the commission's volunteer director Misha Curnutte said. "And what it will do is enhance businesses so they're better able to target tourism industry because they see tourism as having a big impact on economies."

Curnutte, who works at the Big Sandy Area Development District, told Floyd County tourism members on July 26 that the Big Sandy ADD is working with the college to submit an application for all counties in its five-county service region. The application deadline is Aug. 3.

The initiative focuses on improving small businesses that provide retail, accommodations, tourism and entertain-

ment in rural communities. It comes, with grant funding from Walmart, as a partnership between the Southern Rural Development Center, University of Kentucky's Community and Economic Development Initiative of Kentucky, University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service's Community and Economic Development and Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension Center.

The program is only available in Kentucky, Arkansas and Oklahoma, and organizations in rural counties are invited to apply. One two- to five-county pilot region will be selected from each of those states.

Regions selected to participate must be at least 51 percent rural in nature and include counties that are economically distressed.

Curnutte said the other organizations will also be part of the application and other Kentucky organizations are also applying. Proposals will be judge on their description of the region, evidence of working together, the "stakeholder buy-in," and evidence that CREATE businesses are a priority in the region.

Announcing the initiative in June, the University of Kentucky reported that the college and its partners will facilitate a "Retail Academy" for regional leaders and a "Business Retention and Expansion Program."

"They will coordinate with regional workforce investment boards to identify opportunities for workforce training focused on incumbent and new workers," the press release said.

For more information about the initiative, visit, bit.ly/2Kf11WH.

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Johnson resident dies in motorcycle crash

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Kentucky State Police reports that a Johnson County man died in a motorcycle crash in Floyd County Thursday.

KSP spokesperson Trooper William Petry said that Dakota Hampton, 24, of Wittensville, died in a crash that occurred on U.S. 23 in Ivel at approximately 6 p.m. on Thursday.

Hampton was not wearing a helmet, Petry said, and was travel-

ing northbound toward Prestonsburg when he fell off the motorcycle.

"Upon troopers' arrival it was determined the operator of the motorcycle had fallen off the bike while traveling north on the highway," the statement from Kentucky State Police said.

Hampton was transported to Pikeville Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead shortly after midnight, the press release said. U.S. 23 was closed as officials reconstructed the crash.

Petry said toxicology results are pending for Hampton. Trooper William Howard continues the investigation.

It was the second motorcycle crash that caused a death in two days locally. On July 25, KSP officials investigated a motorcycle crash on Feds Creek in Pike County that involved a motorcycle and a vehicle. John Mollett of Jones Fork, who drove the motorcycle, was pronounced dead at that scene.

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EDITORIAL:

Falling overdose rates a positive move, but zero remains the ultimate goal

It's definitely heartening when we see a fewer number of people falling victim to drug overdoses in our community. According to the latest report released by the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet and the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy, a total of 12 people died in Floyd County as a result of overdoses in 2017, a number far lower than the 21 deaths reported in 2014.

So, there's definitely reason to be pleased with that change and there's a number of factors that can be seen as

responsible for the continually falling numbers. Some of those reasons — such as better education on the issue and access to help — are good. Some — including a rising level of methamphetamine use — are not.

It's good, though, that fewer people fell to this problem.

At the same time, there's an essential problem with overdose statistics that prevent any celebration from being too intense — there were 12 people who lost their lives due to overdose.

These people who are now

represented by a number in this instance are actually much more than just a statistic. They were mothers, fathers, sons and daughters. They were people with the possibility of a bright future until drug addiction snuffed out that light.

It's been said before and it stands just as true today — drugs and their negative effects do not discriminate. Those who died, even though we don't know their names, likely represent a broad cross section of our community.

The most important thing

to remember is that their deaths impacted so many people and cut short the possibility that they would be rescued from the grip of addiction.

The reality is we've still got a long way to go. Even though the numbers are falling, until the number of overdoses drops to zero, we have work to do.

Law enforcement must continue their effort to curb the flow of drugs into our community. They're doing a great job, but need support and backup from lawmakers in Frankfort and Washington, D.C. Those

responsible for rehabilitation and education programs also need support and backup, as their work continues to remain difficult.

Can we eventually bring the number of overdoses in Floyd County to zero? We don't know the answer to that.

However, what we do know is that the cost of not seeking to bring the number to zero and to make every effort to save everyone possible will be counted in lives — not just those lost, but also in those impacted.

LETTERS:

Ode to Coal Miners

By JACK FRASURE

Coal miners are a breed apart from ordinary men
Digging coal in a deep, dark hold there's coal dust in their veins

Defying death each time they go inside that holed out hill

If coal dust doesn't kill them, the mountain surely will

There ain't no rich folk working there in those Kentucky mines

Rich folks don't die young, with blackened lungs, and calloused hands

Every ton of coal that's taken from those holes within those hills

Are by miner's sweat, and blood, and blackened lungs that kills

I watched my father go to work when the morning sun was low

And coming home when sun was gone and tired from loading coal

He labored long and

labored hard beneath that mountain clay

I wonder if he knew that he was digging his own grave

So many young folks take a vow to never work a mine

But dreams young men have like youth, soon will fade with time

'Cause like their dads and theirs before coal dust will stain their face

Knowing not those heinous holes could be their final resting place

Yes, coal miners are a breed apart from ordinary working men

Jack Frasure, of San Pierre, Indiana, is a native of Stone Coal Creek in Garrett. His father McKinley "Kindle" Frasure, worked over 40 years as a coal miner, mostly with the Elk Horn Coal Company in Wayland.

GUEST COLUMN:

Job ready

By JEFF VANDERBECK
PUBLISHER

The good news is there are plenty of jobs available for people who are willing to work. The bad news is that employers in Kentucky are experiencing a lack of people who can fill the open positions.

The Kentucky Chamber Workforce Center published a slew of statistics that explain the state's current workforce position. Their research shows that more than 81 percent of Kentucky businesses are planning to expand in the next three to five years and that 80 percent of those businesses say they can't fill those positions. Kentucky also has a low workforce participation rate, meaning the available people who are eligible to work and

do, is lower than average.

The chamber claims the high incarceration rate, high rate of opioid deaths and high disability rates are the top reasons why the participation rate is low. All this makes sense. If you are in jail, it's hard to work. If you overdosed, well that makes it exceptionally hard to hold down a job. As far as one of the highest disability rates in the country, blame Eric Conn. Truly disabled people need to have the support that is provided. But we all know that not every person on disability is truly disabled.

There is also the shrinking population. The baby boomers are retiring and are dying off and our country did not have an adequate population growth spurt since that era, leaving less people to fill positions.

Kentucky, along with three other states, is embarking on a project that will address the workforce issues. The chamber is rolling out its Talent Pipeline Management program that will identify the personnel demands and support a supply chain to meet those demands.

This initiative will show prospective employers that Kentucky is proactive in preparing the workforce to meet the demands. The plan is to work with industries across the state and find where the biggest needs are and then work with educational institutions to develop a workforce to develop the talent needed.

According to the study there are many industries where employees are needed. Health care, manufacturing, engineering and trade positions are in high demand.

Recently, we saw Big Sandy Community and Technical College graduate

people who were trained and are getting positions at SilverLiner in Pikeville. We saw Pikeville Medical Center partner with the University of Pikeville. And UPike has made collaborative efforts with EnerBlü and AppHarvest.

In Perry County, the jail is teaching inmates proper financial tactics so when they get released, they can better manage money if and when they get jobs. Training in the jails throughout the region will help people get jobs when they are released and could cut down on the recidivism rates. Good paying jobs where people feel useful and have hope may help the abuse of opioids and keep people out of jail. As for the career criminals, I'll save that for another day.

Jobs are coming, and the economic rebound will be here soon and with a vengeance. We need to be prepared to accept the challenges ahead and fill these positions that have sustainability. This region has been knocked down, but we are not out.

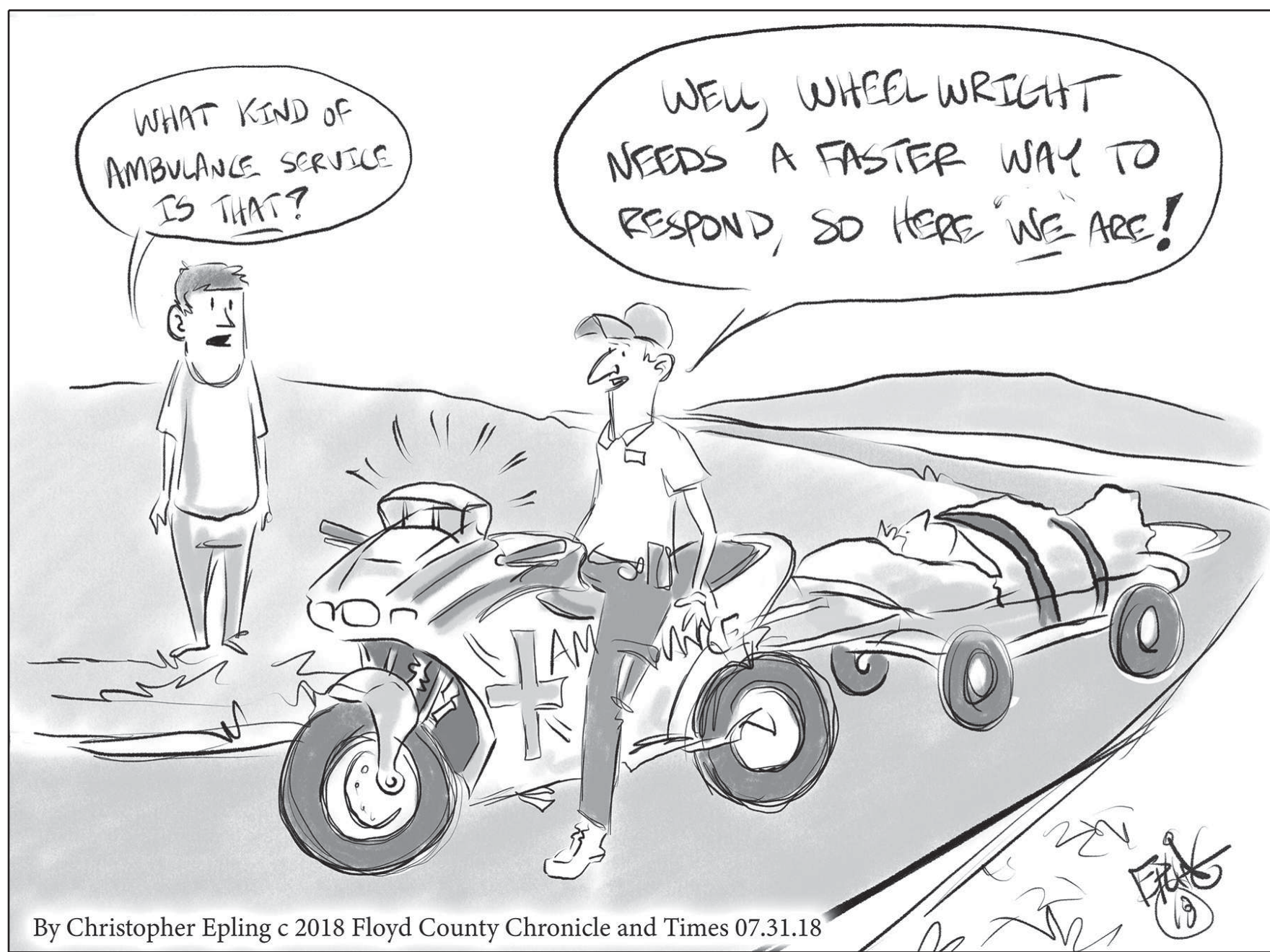
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By Christopher Epling c 2018 Floyd County Chronicle and Times 07.31.18

Patty Allen

Patty Sue Allen, 83, of Berea, formerly of Martin, died Friday, July 27, 2018.

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

Adam Dye

Adam Kory Dye, 27, of McDowell, died Friday, July 27, 2018.

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

Emberleigh Bays

Emberleigh Faith Bays, 21 days old, of Harold, died Thursday, July 26, 2018.

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

Dakota Hampton

Dakota Michael Hampton, 24, of Winchester, died Friday, July 27, 2018.

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

Patty Collins

Patty Hicks Collins, 86, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, July 28, 2018.

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

Clyde Conn

Clyde Vernon Conn, 57, of Printer, died Thursday, July 26, 2018.

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



Phyllis Isbell

Phyllis Gail Webb Isbell, 81, of Georgetown, died Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at Baptist Health,

Lexington.

She was born in Floyd County, Oct. 10, 1936, the daughter of the late Dow and Ruby Kendrick Webb.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Captain Samuel Maurice Isbell II (United States Air Force); and one brother, William Kendrick Webb.

She is survived by her husband, Samuel Maurice Isbell; one son, Mark Isbell, of Lexington; one daughter, Nancy Isbell, of Lexington; and many cousins.

Graveside services were held at 1 p.m., Monday, July 30, 2018, at Highland Memorial Park, Staffordsville. Arrangements were under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home of Paintsville.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks that contributions be made to your local humane society.

The guestbook may be signed at www.phelps-sonfuneralhome.com.

This is a paid obituary.

Kenny Joe Jones

Kenny Joe Jones, 36, of Virgie, died Saturday, July 28, 2018.

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

Veleda Jo Levy

Veleda Jo Levy, 65, of Lexington, died Wednesday, July 25, 2018.

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

Nora Mullins

Nora Lou Hamilton Mullins, 54, of East Point, died Thursday, July 26, 2018.

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

Bill Parsons

Bill Parsons, 84, of Al-len, died Friday, July 27, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.



Bonnie Shepherd

Bonnie B. Click Shepherd, 83, of Pierceton, Ind., widow of Wheeler Shepherd, died Sunday, July 22, 2018, at Grace Village, Winona Lake, Indiana.

She was born at Martin, June 18, 1935, the daughter of the late Jake and Narcie Prater Click.

She was a retired machine operator.

She lived in Indiana, for 59 years, but always called Floyd County her home. She was a 1955 graduate of Martin High School.

In addition to her husband and parents,

she was preceded in death by two brothers, EJ and Jackie Click.

She is survived by two brothers, Bill Click, of Pierceton, Ind., and Teddy Click, of Martin; four sisters, Louise Compton, Berniece Howard and Patty Taylor, all of Martin, and Rosie Voiers, of Deer Park, Texas.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Friday, July 27, 2018, the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Willie Duff officiating. Burial followed at the Click Cemetery, Stephens Branch, Martin. Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

The guestbook may be signed at www.hallfuneralservice.com.

This is a paid obituary.

Randall Wright

Randall Lynn Wright, 68, of Auxier, died Friday, July 27, 2018.

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

Four indicted for arson in Pike County jail

By CHASE ELLIS
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

Four men were indicted by a Pike grand jury last week on arson charges for a fire which occurred inside

of the Pike County Detention Center last month. Prosecutors said a fifth man charged in the arson was determined through investigation to not have been involved and his charges

were dropped.

Tommy Lee Travis Engle, 38, of Ky. 194, Pikeville, Scotty Gibson, 24, of Prestonsburg, Corey Thompson, 25, of Stanville, David Pearson, 27, of Berea, and Christopher Bales, 24, of Wooten, who are all incarcerated on various charges in the PCDC, were each arrested and charged with inciting a riot and second-degree arson in connection to a "major disturbance" at the jail on July 18.

Gibson, Pearson, Thompson and Bales were each indicted this week on charges of first-degree arson, but Engle's charges were dropped after investigation revealed his lack of participation in the incident.

"Engle was initially thought to have been involved, but after additional

interviews and investigation, it was discovered that he was not," Pike Commonwealth's Attorney Rick Bartley said. "The grand jury returned a 'No True Bill' and dismissed the charges against him."

According to Bartley, the four inmates who were indicted were all a part of a group of 13 inmates within a cell at the jail.

"There had been an earlier disturbance in the cell, so deputy jailers were closely monitoring that group," Bartley said.

During routine checks, deputy jailers heard a disturbance near the cell and found a fire had been set, Bartley said. The jail staff extinguished the fire and determined that an amount of papers had been lit on fire and pushed under the

cell door and outside of the cell.

"Fortunately, no one was injured and the fire was extinguished before any extensive damage could be done," Bartley said. "The dangers of this type of behavior is extreme. Had the jail been evacuated, over 300 inmates would have had to been quickly removed from the jail and secured. Quick action by the jail staff kept this from being a real disaster."

Court records show Gibson is being held at the PCDC after allegedly killing another inmate at the Floyd County Detention Center in June. Gibson was being held in custody on charges out of Floyd County at the FCDC when the killing occurred.

Thompson, according

to Bartley, is serving time at the PCDC on convictions through both Floyd County and Pike County. Both Bales and Pearson are being held in Pikeville due to overcrowding at detention centers closer to their charge originations, Bartley said.

"I don't know what the inmates hoped to accomplish because we are not exactly sure what their motives were, but their actions have resulted in charges that almost guarantee that they are going to be locked up for a long time," Bartley said. "I have spoken to (Pike County Interim Jailer) Brian Morris and he had certainly impressed upon me the seriousness of the case. We intend to take this seriously."

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Pikeville Police: Domestic calls lead officers to find meth, arrest Floyd man

AN APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS
STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — A Floyd County man was arrested at a Pikeville body shop Saturday night after, police say, officers responding to a call of a potential domestic in progress located the man allegedly in possession of an amount of methamphetamine.

According to the citation of Pikeville Police Sgt. Russell Blankenship, he was dispatched to a local body shop on Chloe Road Saturday night after reports of a potential domestic in progress. Blankenship wrote in the citation that upon arrival, he made contact with James B. Collum, 42, of Toler Creek Road,

who said his wife had "blocked in" his truck in the area "because they had been arguing."

During interviews, Collum kept placing his hands in his pockets "several times after being told not to for officer's safety," the citation said. When Collum again placed his hands in his pockets, Blankenship performed a pat-down during which Collum "began breathing very heavy and began trembling and was acting very nervous," the citation said.

Blankenship located a small blue container in one of Collum's pockets, the citation said. Inside of the container was "crystal methamphetamine and one pill, found to be clonazepam," the citation said.

Collum was arrested on charges of first-offense first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and second-degree possession of a controlled substance, court records show. Collum entered a plea of not guilty to his charges Monday during arraignment and Pike District Judge Kelsey E. Friend Jr. ordered Collum held in custody on a \$2,000 cash bond, with MCR monitoring if bond is made, court records show.

Collum, according to jail records, was released from the custody of the Pike County Detention Center Monday afternoon.

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Open house events this week for county schools

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Floyd County students are gearing up to return to classes on Aug. 8, and schools are hosting open house events and orientations for some students.

Open houses began on Tuesday, July 31 for middle school students at Duff-Allen Central, and that school is also hosting an open house on Thursday, Aug. 2 for students in grades kindergarten through fifth grades.

The full schedule of open house activities include:

Duff-Allen Central

Aug. 2; 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for K-5th grades

Floyd Central High School

Aug. 7; 5:30 p.m. for 12th graders
Aug. 7; 6 p.m. for 11th graders
Aug. 7; 6:30 p.m. for 10th graders

May Valley

Aug. 2; 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

South Floyd

Aug. 1; 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for K-4th:

Aug. 2 for 6th grade orientation
Aug. 2; 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for 5-8th graders

Betsy Layne Elementary School

Aug. 2; 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

J.M. Stumbo

Aug. 2; 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Betsy Layne High School

Aug. 2; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for ninth graders
Aug. 2; 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for parents

Prestonsburg High School

Aug. 2; 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for 9th grade orientation

Prestonsburg Elementary School

Aug. 2; 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Allen Elementary School

Aug. 6; 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Adams Middle School

Aug. 1; 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 1; 5 p.m.: orientation for sixth graders

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per hour for the contract, and the rates are \$75 per hour for other members of the firm and \$50 per hour for paralegal services. The district also agrees to reimburse mileage expenses, the document states.

Officials did not provide a copy of the contract prior to print deadline. The board did not disclose information as of press-time about whether the funding for this contract varies from the district's prior contract with attorney Jonathan Shaw, who resigned last month.

Hunt, who practices in Harold, said he's looking forward to working with the district. He previously served as a county master commissioner, commonwealth attorney and administrative law judge.

At the meeting, board members also unanimously approved a memorandum of agreement with Big Sandy Health Care to provide a registered nurse

for Duff Allen Central Elementary. According to documents provided with the agenda, the memorandum is needed to fill a vacant position at the school. The registered nurse from Big Sandy Health Care will work full time to fill the vacancy until the county health department hires another registered nurse to fulfill its contract with the district, the document says.

The contract with Big Sandy Health Care notes that the nurse will provide medical and nursing services to students at Duff, but "may later, by mutual agreement, be transferred to John M. Stumbo Elementary."

The contract reports that the school district will pay Big Sandy Health Care \$2,000 per month for services at Duff-Allen Central, but the reimbursement will end if the nurse is transferred to John M. Stumbo.

It also notes that Big Sandy Health Care "will be permitted to employ a second registered nurse or advanced practice nurse,

"at its own expense," to work at South Floyd elementary.

Superintendent Danny Adkins said he expects the \$2,000 payment to last only a couple of months.

Answering a question from Board member William Jr. Newsome, Adkins said the contract is the same as the previous contract.

"I would like to say is that he's placing a nurse practitioner at South Floyd, so, and they didn't have one," Adkins said, reporting that nurse practitioner will serve at South Floyd all year. "The nurse at DACE, we are going to reimburse him a minimal amount, and we probably won't have her there for two months, and once she goes back to Stumbo, she's free. The most charges, the largest amount we would spend would be \$4,000, and he still does all the dental and vision, too."

The board also finalized approval of the athletic handbook and student code of conduct at the meeting.

Findings from Kentucky Health Issues Poll released for Eastern Kentucky

A NEWS-EXPRESS STAFF REPORT

The 2017 Kentucky Health Issues Poll (KHIP), an initiative of the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky and Interact for Health, recently released its findings for Eastern Kentucky.

The poll showed that Eastern Kentuckians were less likely to hold favorable opinions about the Affordable Care Act, report "excellent" or "very good" personal health and have household incomes more than 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. In retrospect, Eastern Kentuckians were more likely to report no prescription pain medicines in the past five years, more likely to believe addiction is not a disease and have household incomes at, or below, 138 percent of Federal Poverty Guidelines.

The KHIP is a telephone survey conducted annually. According to the statement, the poll is conducted to access what Kentucky adults

think about a variety of health topics affecting Kentuckians. For the 2017 poll, a random sample of 1,692 adults across the state were collected; 362 respondents reside in the 46 counties considered as the Eastern Kentucky region, including Pike County.

The statement shows that three in 10 Eastern Kentuckians reported having family or friends who experienced problems as a result of abusing prescription drugs. The study shows that 31 percent of Eastern Kentucky respondents reported knowing someone who had problems as a result of abusing prescription drugs in 2017, compared to 45 percent in 2012, while 24 percent of statewide respondents reported knowing someone in 2017.

Additionally, 14 percent reported knowing someone who had problems related to the use of heroin. And, about one in five reported knowing someone who had problems with using methamphetamine; 22 per-

cent of Eastern Kentucky respondents reported knowing someone who had problems as a result of using methamphetamine, compared to 16 percent of statewide respondents.

According to the study, more than half of Eastern Kentuckians (56 percent) strongly favored court-mandated drug treatment programs for those with a drug-related offense.

Seven in 10 Eastern Kentucky respondents reported that they favored a statewide smoke-free law and, more than half favored increasing the minimum legal purchase age for tobacco products to be 21, as opposed to the current age of 18.

More than one in 10 adult respondents from Eastern Kentucky, aged 18-64, did not have health insurance at the time of the study. The study shows that 85 percent of respondents from Eastern Kentucky favored access to affordable, quality health care for all Americans.



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Floyd County School District Superintendent Danny Adkins, right, speaks to John Earl Hunt, who was hired as the district's new attorney during a July 30 meeting.



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New scam warning; admitted scammer sentenced

By TOM LATEK
KENTUCKY TODAY

A new scam warning was issued while an admitted scammer was sent to federal prison and ordered to reimburse his victims.

A Franklin County woman was bilked out of \$10,000 in a new twist on the old counterfeit check scam, Kentucky Attorney General Andy Beshear announced.

She provided her online bank account information to what appeared to be a legitimate banking institution to deposit a \$10,000 personal loan, Beshear said. Later the "lender" claimed there was an issue and that the money must be returned and reissued. After sending the money back using an untraceable method of payment, the victim's bank detected the loan check was counterfeit and the victim was stuck repaying the bank.

Meanwhile, Kingsley I. Ekpendu, 42, a Nigerian national, was sentenced to 15 months in prison at U.S. District Court in Louisville, for his participation in a sweepstakes scheme that resulted in over 50 victims sending him cash in the mail, according to United States Attorney Russell M. Coleman.

Ekpendu was charged in an indictment and pleaded guilty to three counts of mail fraud. As part of the plea agree-

ment, Ekpendu agreed to his removal from the United States after the completion of his 15-month prison sentence. The judge also ordered him to pay \$257,916.15 in restitution to victims of the scheme.

Beshear offers the following tips to help Kentuckians avoid banking related scams:

- Until the bank confirms that the funds from a check, including cashier, business or personal checks or a money order you deposited have cleared, you are responsible for any funds you withdraw against that check. Even if the funds appear to be immediately available, that does not mean the check is good.

- If you are asked to wire money or use untraceable methods of payment, it is most likely a scam.

- Be wary of ever disclosing your banking username and password. Take advantage of security measures your bank may offer, like dual security checks and fraud alerts, to protect your account from scams. If you mistakenly provide your account number, password or PIN in an email or text or on a website that might be fraudulent, call your bank right away.

For more information, and to report a scam, go to, <https://ag.ky.gov/scams/>

researchers highlighted trends they found in toxicology reports available for 1,468 Kentucky residents who died of drug overdoses in 2017.

The researchers determined that most drug overdoses occurred in people age 35 to 44, and heroin attributed for 22 percent of overdose deaths in the state — a decrease from the prior year.

Fentanyl caused 763 resident deaths in the state and morphine was detected in 627 deaths, the report shows. Other drugs related to deaths included Alprazolam, found in 36 percent of resident overdose cases, gabapentin, found in 31 percent

and methamphetamine, found in 29 percent of overdose deaths.

The percentage of people who died from methamphetamine overdoses decreased by 57 percent, the report says, and overdoses caused by hydrocodone also decreased slightly to 14 percent.

Local residents who are struggling with addiction or have family members with substance abuse disorders can seek help by calling, 833-8KY-HELP, or visit findhelpnowky.org. Information about resources and help available is also available on the state's "Don't Let Them Die" website.

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County residents. He filed a lawsuit in Franklin Circuit Court on July 27 to stop the termination, claiming it is improper.

That lawsuit, filed on behalf of Bartley by attorney Masten Childers III of Lexington, includes a request for an emergency injunction to stop the termination. It asks the court to prevent the closure of the Floyd County Child Support and Social Services office by ruling the state's actions are improper, permanently enjoining the state from terminating the contract for "any unlawful reason," and ordering the state to comply with the terms and conditions of the contract.

The lawsuit alleges that terminating the contract for the "convenience of the commonwealth," as Hubbard said in the letter, skirts the law, which says contracts may only be terminated for "good cause."

"I'd love to hear them answer that question," Bartley said, when asked how closing the Floyd County office would be more convenient for the commonwealth. "I would give anything to hear the answer to that question, because the answer is there ain't no way in hell it can be more convenient to them."

The lawsuit alleges that by terminating the contract for that reason, the state has breached its agreement with Floyd County and violated KRS 205.712(7), which regulates the local county attorney as the designee for administering the child support programs in counties, unless that county attorney declines the designation.

Bartley said that he and other county attorneys struggled to negotiate the child support program contract with state officials this year. The contract was supposed to start on July 1, but it had not been finalized when he received the state's termination letter. Bartley said the state's finance cabinet didn't get final approval for this contract until July 18.

"So, before it's finally approved, I get a letter on July 16, saying they are terminating Floyd County's child support enforcement contract for the convenience of the commonwealth. And that's all they will tell me," he said.

He said negotiating the contract terms took nearly two months, and he "was very vocal" about some issues. He claims parts of the contract violate state laws.

"When something's wrong, I call it wrong," he said. "And just like this provision here, there are in my opinion, multiple provisions within this new contract that are in violation of the law. They made a few changes, as requested by the county attorney's association, but there were certain provisions that they just absolutely

refused to change, even when we pointed out to them that they were in violation of the law."

He said the new contract allows the state to terminate contracts for the "convenience of the commonwealth," but argued, as he did in the lawsuit, that the statement is "inconsistent" with state laws.

"The statute says you can terminate a county attorney's contract for cause only, not for convenience of the commonwealth," he said. "So, like, if I stole their money, they could certainly terminate the contract. There's nothing like that whatsoever. They won't even try to say there's a cause. It's convenience only. It's an effort by the cabinet, in my opinion, to subvert what the laws says."

The reason, Bartley said is, "They want rid of Keith Bartley."

Bartley serves as the county's Democratic chairman and has been a vocal opponent of actions taken by state's Republican administration several times during his role on the Floyd County Fiscal Court. He has voiced frustration about state funding issues on the fiscal court several times, saying things like, "Welcome to the Bevin administration." He would not say whether he believes the attempt to terminate the contract is politically motivated, but the lawsuit appears to make that assertion.

The lawsuit, filed against the Cabinet for Health and Family Services Department for Income Support, its secretary Adam Meier, and Hubbard, claims that the directive to terminate the contract "usurps, invades, and erodes the authority of the legislative branch, a co-equal branch of state government, which has the authority to pass laws."

"If left to stand, it would make way for the commonwealth to terminate cooperative agreements for the administration of child support services by executive decree for any reason for the 'convenience of the commonwealth,'" the lawsuit states. "For example, the commonwealth could terminate an agreement in counties whose county attorneys question his actions or who vote in defiance of their personal interests. If the commonwealth is permitted to violate the law by merely writing a letter, and for no good cause, nothing prohibits them from violating other statutes by executive decree."

Bartley expects the state to take similar actions against other county attorneys.

"If they're allowed to do to Floyd County what they're trying to do right now, which is terminate for the convenience of the commonwealth, then they could do it to every county attorney in Kentucky, any time they please."

He echoed com-

ments made in the lawsuit, reporting his office collected more than \$70 million in child support in his 22 years of service in Floyd County and there's never been a problem with the child support program. He said the program is audited monthly.

"I've been doing this for 22 years and I've never had any kind of problem in my life in child support, and then the last three months, it's been a battle with these folks that are now in place and put in place by Bevin," he said.

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services uses both federal and state funding to contract child support enforcement in every Kentucky county. Floyd County's \$500,000 contract funds six full time employees and one part time employee and costs associated with the filing and enforcement of thousands of child support cases every year. Bartley said there are 3,100 open child support cases open in Floyd County on any given day.

The lawsuit claims, "The commonwealth's improper action has an immediate and significant effect on Floyd County's families who rely on child support services. It will undoubtedly result in limited or no support for families who need money to feed and clothe their children or require other services for an undetermined period of time."

When asked who would oversee child support cases in Floyd County if this contract is terminated, Bartley said, "Whoever they want to take over. Whoever they want to choose to do that contact. I think they wanted me to walk away, and I didn't. And, so, when I didn't, what they'd do? Terminate me for the convenience of the commonwealth. It's that kind of stiff arm stuff that I absolutely can't stand."

State officials would not answer specific questions about this lawsuit or the plan to terminate the agreement in Floyd County. Hubbard, however, sent a statement, reporting that Floyd County's program will be administered by a county attorney whose "performance measures are superior" to those in Floyd County.

He said in the statement, "We have received and are reviewing the lawsuit. While we cannot address specific points, the Cabinet's action is in the best interest of children and families who rely on child support services and is well within our legal parameters. Floyd County's program will be administered by another county attorney whose performance measures are superior to those of the Floyd County attorney."

A Franklin County judge will consider the request for an emergency injunction in the lawsuit on Aug. 15.

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be interpreted with caution."

There were, however, more overdose deaths in Floyd County than reported in Pike, Perry, Johnson, Lawrence, Letcher, Magoffin and Martin counties, according to the report. Collectively, there were 40 or more deaths in those counties in 2017.

Overall, overdose deaths increased in Kentucky over the year, from 1,404 reported in 2016 to 1,565 reported in 2017. The 1,565 deaths reported include both residents and non-residents who died in Kentucky, and of those,



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Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the Floyd County Sheriff's Settlement - 2016 Taxes for the period April 16, 2016 through April 17, 2017 - Regulatory Basis, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting as described in Note 1. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Audit Guide for Sheriff's Tax Settlements*, issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Floyd County Sheriff on the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the taxes charged, credited and paid of the Floyd County Sheriff, for the period April 16, 2016 through April 17, 2017.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the taxes charged, credited, and paid for the period April 16, 2016 through April 17, 2017 of the Floyd County Sheriff, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 3, 2018, on our consideration of the Floyd County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Floyd County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Harmon
Auditor of Public Accounts

May 3, 2018

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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) 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 Baldrige 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,

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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 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 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, s t i p u - lations, 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. 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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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.

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

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 a m o u n t s 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 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 ADDRESSES:** 521 North Lak Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 **MAP NO.:** 045-30-07-009.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** **NORTH LAKE DRIVE COM- PLEX** Being a tract or parcel of land fronting on the west side of North Lake Drive and bounded by West Branham Street, Ransdell Lane (alley) and property owned by Blake Burchett at Deed Book 501, Page 256. Deeds to W. A. Dingus from: C.B. Latta and Olga Latta dated May

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27, 1931 and of record at Deed Book 90, Page 121; Jay Tackett and Sarah Tackett dated July 20, 1931 of record at Deed Book 107, Page 635; A. J. May, et al., dated May 31, 1927 of record at Deed Book 74, Page 494 and deed from Verla Banks and Lou Banks dated August 29, 1928 also of record at Deed Book 74, Page 494; deed from Joseph D. Harkins and Recca B. Harkins dated December 6, 1930 and of record at Deed Book 88, Page 196; 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. Also see Affidavit of Descent of Gwen C. Dingus of record at Deed Book 617 Page 104 Floyd County Clerk's Office. A. The property address and map number contained 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 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, s t i p u - lations, 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. 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 CIVIL DIVISION II CASE NO. 16-CI-00834 FIRST COMMON-WEALTH BANK OF PRESTONSBURG, INC. PLAINTIFF vs. DEBBIE ALLEN, single; VELOCITY INVESTMENTS, LLC; and FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS 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 the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$67,637.90, 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:** 2471 Left Fork of Abbott, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 **MAP NO.:** 014-00-00-008.02 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** A certain tract or parcel of land located at 2471 Left Fork of Abbott, Prestonsburg, Floyd County,

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Kentucky and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a stake at the county road; thence across the bottom of Jerry Justice's line to a creek; thence down the creek and James Shepherd's line 75 feet to a stake; thence across the bottom with Rex Wilson's line to the county road; thence up the beginning. It is understood that an easement is granted with this property for the purpose of ingress and egress, to the property of Jerry Justice and all future heirs and assigns. The easement is to be located where the presently existing driveway is now located. Maintenance of the driveway is to be shared equally among the property owners. Being the same property conveyed to the Mortgagor from Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Custodian or Trustee fka Bankers' Trust Company of California, N.A., by deed dated March 17, 2004 and of record in Deed Book 497, Page 177, in the office of 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 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

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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 record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the 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.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL DIVISION I CASE NO. 17-CI-00370 DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS A TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-FF9 8742 LUCENT BLVD., SUITE 300 HIGHLANDS RANCH, COLORADO 80129 PLAINTIFF vs. CHARLES BRYANT AKA CHARLES SEBERT BRYANT AKA CHARLIE BRYANT, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHARLIE BRYANT AKA CHARLES SEBERT BRYANT AKA CHARLIE BRYANT, LAKE VIEW VILLAGE ASSOCIATES, PACCAR FINANCIAL CORP. AND COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS 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 the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$50,567.42, 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

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County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 113 Challet Lane, Auxier, Kentucky 41602 **MAP NO.:** 044-10-05-005.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Being all of lot 15, in the Dewey Lake View Subdivision which lot is more particularly described and shown on the plat or map in the office of the clerk of the Floyd County Clerk. Being the same property conveyed to Charles Bryant, husband and wife, by a deed dated March 31, 2006, of record in Deed Book 522, Page 664, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk. A. The property address and map number contained 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 record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the 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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D. The property described above is 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. 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.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I CASE NO. 17-CI-00533

The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificate Holders of the CWABS Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-24 PLAINTIFF vs. Rondall Nelson, Stacy R. Nelson, Unknown Spouse of Leonard Roberts (if any), Unknown Spouse of Nellie Roberts (if any) 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 \$97,182.23, 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 ADDRESSES:** 65 Route 1086, Wayland, KY 41666 **MAP NO.:** 042-30-02-001.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Parcel No.: 1211701 Parcel No.: 1173401 Parcel No.: 1756901 Certain tract or parcel of land located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows: Tract #1: A certain tract or parcel of land situated in Floyd County, Kentucky, and thus described: Beginning at the lower edge of the yard fence with two apple trees running straight

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up the hill three hundred (300) feet; thence around the hill fifty one (51) feet; thence a straight line down the hill to Steel's Creek; thence up steel's Creek fifty one (51) feet to the beginning. Containing 1/2 acre more or less.

Tract #2: A certain tract or parcel of land situated in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Steel's Creek Right Beaver Creek, and thus described as follows:

Beginning on the left hand side of Steel's Creek at a stake marking the corner of the Elkhorn Coal corporation property; thence up the hollow with said Elkhorn Coal Corporation line three hundred fifty (350) feet more or less to a black oak; thence around the hill one hundred two feet (102) to a stake at Epp Newsome's line; thence down the hill three hundred fifty (350) feet with said Epp Newsome's line to a stake at Steel's Creek; thence down steel's Creek with said Steel's Creek one hundred two (102) feet to the beginning stake at the Elkhorn Coal Corporation line, Containing two acres more or less. Tract #3: A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Steel's Creek, a tributary of Right Beaver Creek and thus described as follows:

Beginning at a apple tree on the edge of Steel's Creek and following the line of Timmy Martin in a northerly direction to the Elkhorn Coal Corporation line; thence with the line of the Elkhorn Coal Corporation to the top point and continuing up the hill with the Elkhorn Coal Corporation line to the top of the hill, thence down the point to a rose bush at the corner of Garnett Moss's line; thence down the said Steel's Creek to the beginning, containing three acres, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Rondall Nelson and Stacy R. Nelson, no marital status shown who acquired title, with rights of survivorship, by virtue of a deed from Leonard Roberts and Nellie Roberts, no marital status shown, dated November 21, 1995, recorded November 30, 1995, at Official Records Volume 391, Page 407, Floyd County, Kentucky records Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements.

A. The property address and map number contained 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.

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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 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.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL DIVISION II CASE NO. 17-CI-00882 VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC. PLAINTIFF

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vs. RONALD D. SPEARS, REGENA SPEARS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RONALD D. SPEARS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF REGENA SPEARS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN BASCOM CLARK, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TOM ED CLARK, FLOYD COUNTY KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS **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 the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$46,464.01, 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:

MOBILE HOME: 2005 Fleetwood Mobile Home, Serial No. VAFL419AB6071 5AV13

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 32 Weddington Lane, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

MAP No.: 061-30-03-010.00

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Being on the west side of the Big Sandy River, beginning on a post on the County road; thence with yard east 74 feet; thence with the fence east to the line of Julia Mosley and G.T. Kendrick; thence west with said conditional line 74 feet to a notch on top rail; thence a straight line to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Ronald Spears and Regina Spears by deed from Tom Ed Clark and John Bascom Clark, dated May 1997, recorded in Deed Book 405, Page 125, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The property address and map number contained 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

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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 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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Former Western Kentucky University standout Justin Johnson has signed with a professional basketball franchise in Italy.

Spurlock eager to follow former player Johnson's pro career

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Floyd Central High School boys' basketball head coach Kevin Spurlock is anxious to follow one of his former players as he begins his professional career overseas.

Former Western Kentucky University star Justin Johnson became the latest Hilltopper to join the professional ranks in July when he signed with Italian program Cagliari Dinamo Academy.

Cagliari Dinamo Academy competes in Italy's Series A2 league.

Spurlock coached Johnson at Sheldon Clark and Perry Central high schools.

"I'm very proud of Justin," said Spurlock. "He's excited to get overseas and start playing. He is going to bust his butt to continue to get better with his dreams still alive for the NBA. He's always overcome his doubters. He's got a great future ahead of him. He'll make a good career playing profes-

sionally and eventually will make a great coach. Basketball is what he loves and because of his work ethic he will make a life of it. Justin is a special young man who set high goals and dreams and was willing to work to achieve those. That's what makes him different than most."

Johnson, a 6-foot-7 forward from Hazard, finished his college career ranked 10th on WKU's all-time scoring list with 1,715 career points and fifth on the all-time rebounding list

with 1,057 career boards. He's one of five players in the WKU men's basketball program's history with at least 1,000 career points and 1,000 career rebounds, and the first since Jim McDaniels in 1971.

Johnson led WKU in both scoring (15.7 points per game) and rebounding (9.4 per game) as a senior, becoming the first player to lead the team in both categories in three straight years since McDaniels from 1968-71.

He was named to the

All-Conference USA First Team, the 2018 NIT All-Tournament Team and the Conference USA All-Tournament Team.

Johnson will have plenty of WKU company at the pro level next season. Heading into the 2017-18 campaign, there were nearly 20 former active Hill-toppers playing professionally in the United States and overseas.

A native of Martin County, Johnson is a Perry Central High School graduate.

New fishing and hunting regulations proposed for 2019

FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES
STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission proposed several new deer, elk and fishing regulations at its June quarterly meeting.

The commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations for approval by the General Assembly. Legislators must approve all recommendations before they become law.

In elk-related business, the commission recommended hunting dates for the 2019 – 2020 seasons. The first segment of archery and crossbow elk seasons would open Sept. 14 and close Sept. 27. The second segment would open Dec. 5 and close Dec. 13. Hunters with this permit could take a bull or cow elk.

The first segment of the

firearms season for bulls would open Sept. 28 and close Oct. 2, while the second segment would open Oct. 5 and close Oct. 9. The first segment of firearms season for cow elk would open Nov. 30 and close Dec. 4, while the second segment would open Dec. 28, 2019, and close Jan. 1, 2020.

Commissioners recommended creating three areas closed to elk hunting in order to emphasize elk viewing opportunities. Those areas would be Paul Van Booven Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Breathitt County, Fishtrap WMA in Pike County and an area centered around the future location of the Appalachian Wildlife Center in Bell County. The commission also recommended creating a series of hunting units in the elk restoration zone.

In other elk-related business, the commission proposed issuing 594 quota hunt permits for the 2019-2020 elk seasons. The number includes 175 archery/crossbow permits, under which a hunter could harvest either a bull or a cow elk. The commission also proposed 150 firearm bull permits, 244 firearm cow permits and 25 youth permits.

The proposed permit allocation is a reduction from the 2018 season. The change will encourage herd growth in areas with fewer elk, while the elk hunting units will distribute hunting pressure and provide a higher-quality hunting experience overall. Elk units are geographic hunting areas bounded by roads across the elk restoration zone.

In deer-related

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Fall Hunting and Trapping Guide set for initial publication in mid-August

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FRANKFORT — An initial printing of this year's Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide will arrive at license vendor locations by mid-August but it will not reflect proposed changes to the 2018 deer seasons, zones and requirements. Final deer regulations will appear in an updated version of the guide that will be available online in September at fw.ky.gov and at license vendor locations.

The proposed changes for deer hunting are pending legislative approval. They include a doe-only, modern gun season in Zone 1 counties the last weekend in September; zone changes for 32 counties; a more restrictive doe harvest in Zone 4; a four-deer statewide permit that includes youth; a 15-deer additional harvest permit; and an increase of modern gun season in Zones 3 and 4 to 16 days, the same as Zones 1 and 2.

This year, archery season opens

Sept. 1 and modern gun season for deer opens statewide Nov. 10. The early muzzleloader season is Oct. 20-21. General crossbow season opens statewide on Oct. 1, and youth-only gun season for deer runs Oct. 13-14.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is publishing two versions of the guide in order to have it available to hunters by Aug. 18, the opening day of fall squirrel season. The initial version of the guide is available on the department's website.

All regulations regarding deer hunting for the 2018 season should be finalized by the first week in September. Any changes from 2017, including deer zones and season structure, will be reflected in both the updated online and printed versions of the guide.

In addition to deer, the Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide contains information about Kentucky's fall and winter hunting seasons, including dove, waterfowl, small game, upland bird, turkey, bear, sandhill crane and more.

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business, the commission recommended changing the crossbow season dates starting with the 2019-2020 season. Crossbow season would open the third Saturday in September and close on the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday (Sept. 21, 2019 through Jan. 20, 2020). Archery deer season would open the first Saturday in September and close on the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday (Sept 7, 2019 through Jan. 20, 2020).

In fisheries-related business, the commission recommended a 40-inch minimum size limit on muskellunge on Buckhorn Lake in Leslie and Perry counties. It also proposed a 14-inch minimum size limit and a six fish daily creel limit on walleye, sauger and their hybrids statewide.

The commission also recommended statewide

regulations of a 12-inch size limit, six fish daily creel for largemouth bass on Paintsville Lake in Johnson and Morgan counties, Lake Reba in Madison County and Benjy Kinman Lake in Henry County. Also proposed was a 15 fish daily creel limit on sunfish on Lake Carnico in Nicholas County.

In other fisheries-related business, the commission proposed adding a two fish daily creel limit on paddlefish using traditional fishing methods and a four fish possession limit on paddlefish for both traditional and non-traditional methods. It also recommended that anglers no longer be allowed to harvest lake sturgeon using non-traditional methods, such as bow fishing or giggering.

The commission also proposed banning the commercial sale of two fish species, mooneye and goldeye. It also recommended removing the shad restriction

for bait on Carpenter Lake in Daviess County and making Benjy Kinman Lake idle speed only for motor boats using the lake.

The commission also recommended revised limits for anglers who hand-grab channel and blue catfish from Taylorsville Lake, Barren River Lake, Fishtrap Lake and Dewey Lake. Commissioners proposed a five-fish daily creel limit of catfish for anglers using this method. Only one of the fish could exceed 25 inches.

If approved by legislators, fisheries regulations proposed at the meeting would take effect March 1, 2019.

The next scheduled Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern time), Friday, Sept. 7. Meetings are held at Kentucky Fish and Wildlife headquarters, 1 Sportsman's Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort.

Prestonsburg to host youth football camp Saturday

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg High School football program will host its 2018 youth camp at Josh Francis Field/Blackcat Stadium from 10 a.m.-noon on Saturday.

Admission to the 2018 Prestonsburg Youth Football Camp is free.

New Prestonsburg head coach Brandon Brewer will host the youth camp. The entire youth camp will be under the direction of Brewer and his staff. Prestonsburg players will help throughout the youth camp.

The Blackcats will conclude team camp at Josh Francis Field/Blackcat Stadium on Wednesday.

Brewer is preparing to guide the Blackcats in his first season as head coach after making the move from Powell County. As a head coach at

Powell County, Brewer compiled a 20-16 record over three seasons, guiding the Pirates to an 8-5 overall mark, a Class 3A, District 7 championship and a region runner-up finish in 2017.

Brewer replaces longtime Prestonsburg head coach John DeRossett. In DeRossett's final season in 2017, Prestonsburg captured the Class 2A, District 8 championship and finished 7-5.

Prestonsburg finalized and released its 2018 schedule in the spring. Brewer's inaugural season as the Blackcats' head coach will include games versus North Laurel, Lawrence County, Breathitt County, Floyd Central, Hazard, Leslie County, Shelby Valley, East Ridge, Betsy Layne and Perry County Central. After having Week 0 as the open date on its schedule, Prestonsburg is slated to kick off the 2018 season on the road at North Laurel on Friday, Aug. 24.

Martin claims feature win at 201 Speedway



photos courtesy of 201 Speedway

Family, friends and members of his crew celebrated with Nathan Martin at 201 Speedway over the weekend.

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

SITKA — Returning to victory lane on a familiar track, Nathan Martin piloted the Venom Motorsports number 21 Swartz Xtreme Crate Late Model to the winner's circle at 201 Speedway on Saturday night.

Martin, a Floyd County native, competed against 13 other drivers in the FASTRAK Crate Late Model Series 20-lap feature. He started on the pole of the feature race

and led all 20 laps.

"I've won a lot of races in my eight years of racing but I can't think of one that means more to me than this one," said Martin. "I was out of racing for two straight years when pharmacy school started. I wanted to race so bad during that time but I knew I needed to focus on school and wait for the right time to jump back in the driver's seat again. Last August, we flirted with the idea of starting a brand new team, then by the end of the

month we pulled the trigger. We started this team from absolute ground zero. With a lot of support and help from my crew we've picked up a win on our seventh time to the racetrack. That might not sound that great to some but I am beyond pleased with our results. Having to balance my time between pharmacy school and the race team has been tough but we have found a way to make it work. There are a lot of tracks around my school in Johnson City,

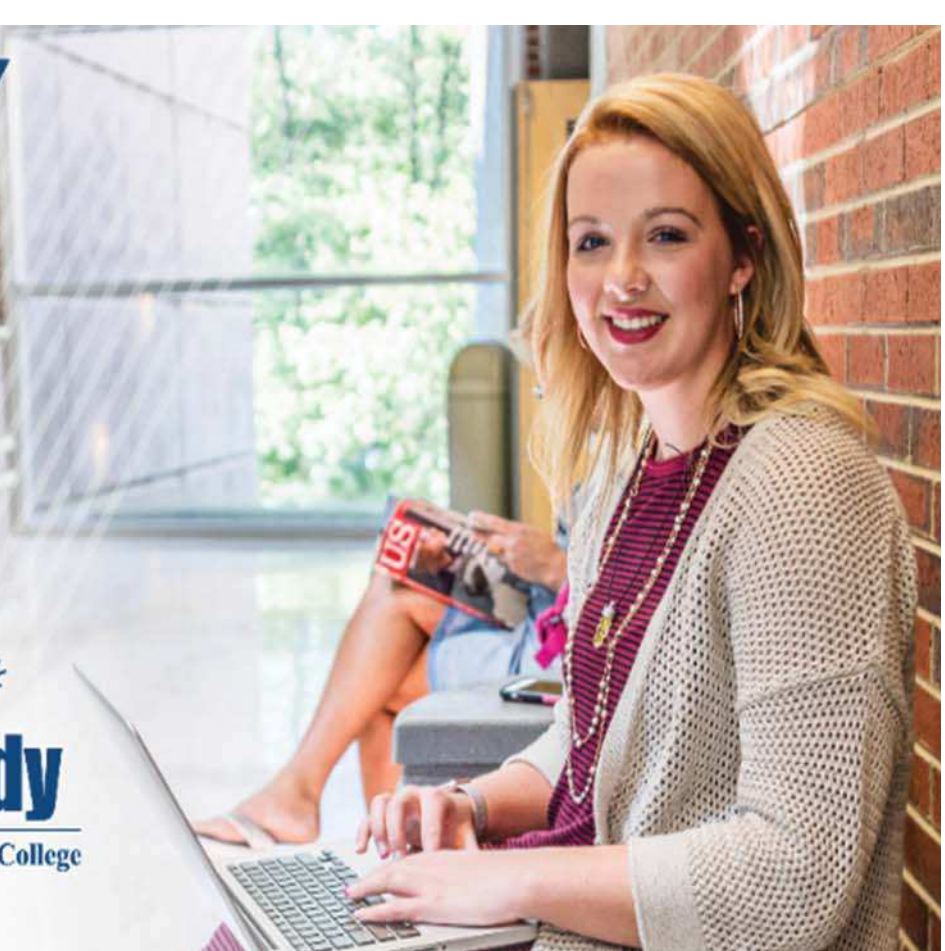
Tenn., so that has helped me to be able to race while also focusing on my studies. All this would not be possible without a lot of help behind the scenes. First of all, my fiancé and car owner, Laura Dollins, and her family, are the ones that have made all this happen. Then, my crew, Brad Hicks and Caleb Knight, have been with me from the start of this program. I am very grateful for all of the great sponsors that have stepped up to help me this year. With that, we are al-

ways open to new marketing partners."

Sponsors for Martin's number 21 Swartz Xtreme Crate Late Model are Shannon Thornsberry Racing, Tim Byrd Motorsports, Commonwealth Pharmacy (Pikeville), D's Grocery (Teaberry), DOTERRA by Chrystah, Rocking W Angus and D and M Used Auto Parts. Marketing inquiries for the Martin's race team can be sent via email to martinr1@etsu.edu.

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