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Fire damages boats, dock at marina

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

No injuries were reported in a fire that destroyed three house boats, damaged two others and damaged part of the dock at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park marina this week.

Prestonsburg Fire

Department Chief Mike Brown said his team is working with the Kentucky State Police arson investigator and Park Ranger Joey Sparkman to determine the cause of the fire, which started shortly after midnight on Aug. 8.

Park Manager Julian Slone said Sparkman no-

ticed the fire while patrolling around the lake marina area and alerted the fire department, which responded within minutes.

"When we got down there, three boats were damaged pretty badly, and our dock, there's

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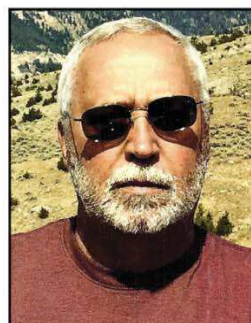
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Floyd man killed in crash

A FLOYD
CHRONICLE AND
TIMES STAFF
REPORT

The Prestonsburg Police Department is investigating a motorcycle crash that caused the death



Danny Stephens

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Welcome back students!

Floyd students returned to class Wednesday for the first day of the 2018-2019 school year. At right, Melita Meade, a related arts teacher at Betsy Layne Elementary, hugs a student.

Appalachian Newspapers
photos by Elaine Belcher



Parsons won't provide employment contract

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

ALLEN — An Allen City commissioner who works for the city is refusing to accept the advice of the city's legal counsel and the state attorney general's office in regards to his employment with Allen.

Allen City Attorney Beth Shortridge

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"If you want a contract, find somebody that will work for \$2.50 an hour."

— Elmer Parsons

Squad raises \$20K in auction

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad raised \$20,000 in its radio auction last week.

The four-day event, broadcast on Q95, featured 686 items that were donated by local businesses and individuals.

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Adkins appointed to state council

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Kentucky House Speaker Pro Tempore David Osborne, R-Prospect, appointed Danny Adkins, Floyd County Schools superintendent, to serve on the Local Superintendents Advisory Council. The appointment came following the recommendation of Rep. Larry Brown, R-Prestonsburg. Members of the LSAC advise the chief state school officer and the Kentucky Board of Education concerning the development of administrative regulations and education policy in the Commonwealth.

The council consists of 11 members and meets eight times per year.

"I know that Danny is very passionate about the education of the children in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He will immerse himself in the community and will share his enthusiasm, commitment, and talent with the other council members," Brown said.

Adkins will represent the 7th Supreme Court District, which is comprised of Eastern Kentucky counties. He assumed the position earlier this month and will serve in the position for four years.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
These three house boats were destroyed and two others were damaged in a fire that occurred after midnight on Aug. 8 at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. No injuries were reported.

FIRE

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some minor damage to our dock," Slone said. "There's no injuries or fatalities and we're very thankful for that."

Brown said extinguishing the blaze was challenging because the boats and the dock moved on the water. He said 16 fire department personnel responded to the scene with five trucks. They worked several hours there.

"Upon the first truck's arrival, there were two house boats that were fully involved, and then, the heat exposure off of those two actually caught a third on fire," Brown said. "And, with the three burning, there was damage to a couple of other boats that we were able to get loose and get away from that dock."

He praised the fire fighters for their work.

"They done an exceptional job, to battle the elements and just the instability of the actual boat dock itself and the boats. We made an interior attack on two of the boats, and they done an exceptional job," he said.

The heat destroyed the boat tie-downs, so fire fighters had to try to stabilize the boats while working to extinguish the

fire.

"It was a tough task," Brown said. "It's something that's not in the ordinary thing of what we do."

Brown said officials are still working to determine the owners of the boats that were damaged in the fire. Some of the boats had changed owners, he said, and the names of the new owners were not immediately available.

Slone said officials pulled the boats out of the water to prevent oil from leaking into the lake, and had them up on shore by 4 a.m. Slone also praised the fire department's work.

"The fire department did an excellent job. In three hours, they had the boats out ... They got them out pretty quick,"

Slone said. "From the park's standpoint, we're just thankful nobody was hurt."

He also praised Sparkman for a job well done.

"If he hadn't have been there and saw that down there, because when I got down there,

it quickly was jumping. If it would have been 20 or 30 minutes of burning, it's hard to tell how much damage it would have done," Slone said. "I will be sending an email up on Mr. Sparkman. He earned his money last night, I'll say."



Floyd Chronicle and Times file photo
Floyd County Schools Superintendent Danny Adkins

CRASH

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of a Floyd County man on Tuesday.

According to a press release issued by the department, Danny Stephens, 65, of Bucks Branch, Martin, lost control of a motorcycle he was driving on Stephens Branch on Cliff Road and it went into a ditch.

The wreck occurred at approximately 12:46 p.m. Tuesday and the Prestonsburg Fire Department also responded to assist at the scene.

Stephens was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead, PPD said.

Stephens is survived by his wife, Mary Susan Hall Stephens; children, Shawn Howard, April Stephens, Amy Williamson,

Michelle Castle and Joy Vanover, as well as other family members and friends.

A memorial service was held for Stephens at Hall Funeral Home on Thursday. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made in his honor to the V.F.W. Post 5838, Lancer Homeless Shelter, 3106 South Lake Dr., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

Stephens' full obituary is available on the Hall Funeral Home website.

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Several charged in Floyd District Court

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Charges were filed against several individuals recently in Floyd District Court.

Those charged include:

Felony charges filed

Christopher Edward Kidd, 30, of Prestonsburg; public intoxication of a controlled substance, first-degree indecent exposure, second-degree burglary

Brian Slone, 46, address unavailable; flagrant non-support

Lucille Tackett, 47, of Hi Hat; two counts of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, third-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, trafficking in a legend drug, possession of drug paraphernalia

Terry J. Hamilton, 33, of Teaberry; second-degree escape, first-degree possession of a controlled substance, second-degree possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in proper container, possession of drug paraphernalia, theft of identity, giving officer false information, persistent felony offender

Phillip Hagans, 34, of David; theft by unlawful taking

Travis M. Hall, age unavailable, of Prestonsburg; flagrant non-support

Misdemeanor charges filed

Randal M. McCoy, 19, of Prestonsburg; possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, carrying a concealed deadly weapon

Rebecca Davis, 26, of Dwale; harassment

Charles R. Daniels, 51, of Stanville; failure of underage child to wear a personal floatation device

Janice Davis, 58, of Prestonsburg; harassment

Kaitlyn Baisden, 20, of Prestonsburg; harassment

Mickey Newsome, 49, of Teaberry; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Tabitha Christine Wallin, 42, of Ashland; fraudulent use of a credit card under \$500

Teresa Ramey, 47, of Garrett; alcohol intoxication of a controlled substance

Charlie Duncan, 41, of Hueysville; menacing, alcohol intoxication of a controlled substance

Jason Jenkins, 40, of Wayland; public intoxication of a controlled substance, possession of a legend drug

Colby Blanton, 34, of Richmond; alcohol intoxication in a public place

Alan L. Adkins, 33, of Pikeville; public intoxication of a controlled substance, first-degree disorderly conduct

Samantha J. Skeens, 31, of Prestonsburg; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Merlin Conn, 44, of Printer; falsely reporting an incident, harassing communications

Heather Halcomb, 43, of Prestonsburg; second-degree criminal trespassing

Alan Adkins, 33, of Pikeville; public intoxication of a controlled substance, first-degree disorderly conduct

Selina Lawrence, 25, of Martin; fourth-degree assault, menacing (in-mate)

Tiffany Hall, 29, of Wayland; fourth-degree assault, menacing (in-mate)

Jamie B. Brewer, 43, of Prestonsburg; second-degree wanton endangerment

Kenneth Hall, 50, of Galveston; third-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, prescription not in proper container

Lawrence W. Songer, 38, of Paintsville; second-degree criminal trespassing

Chris Turner, 46, address unavailable; public intoxication, theft (shoplifting)

Judy Lynn Skeens, 44, of Auxier; failure to wear seat belts, driving on a suspended or revoked license, possession of license when privileges are revoked

Roger Collins, 30, of Auxier; possession of marijuana

Bobby Hamilton, 43, of Pikeville; violation of an emergency protection

order
Pamela N. Barnes, 33, of Van Lear; theft (shoplifting)

Timothy M. Stumbo, 43, of McDowell; no navigation lights

Ricky Tackett, 41, of Hi Hat; public intoxication of a controlled substance, second-degree disorderly conduct

Darrell Adkins, 40, of McCarr; driving under the influence, no operator license, driving on a suspended or revoked license, no registration receipt, no registration plate, failure to produce insurance card, possession of drug paraphernalia

Danny Pennington Jr., 40, of Bevinsville; second-degree possession of a controlled substance, harassment

Trevor Howard, 30, of Prestonsburg; no navigation lights

Lawsuits filed

Bank of America vs. Alison S. Tackett; complaint concerning contract

Harley Davidson Credit Corporation vs. Dennis Johnson, Sheryl Johnson; complaint concerning contract

Worldwide Equipment Leasing Inc. vs. Fannon Co LLC, unknown shareholders, James Fannon; complaint concerning contract

Geneva B. Perry vs. John M. Perry; divorce

Branch Banking & Trust Company, successor by merger to BB&T Financial FSB vs. Jack D.

Rice, Phyllis Rice; complaint concerning contract
Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services Department for Income Support vs. Nicholas Lee Hull; petition

Citizens Bank of Kentucky, successor in interest to Citizens National Bank, vs. Sandra Holt, unknown spouse; foreclosure

Credit Acceptance Corporation vs. Jessica Lewis, Heather Lewis; complaint concerning contract

Discover Bank vs. Sarah L. Allen; complaint concerning contract

Carrie Kidd, Mike Kidd vs. Stuart Isaacs; complaint concerning contract

Thomas Austin Allen vs. Andrea Danielle Allen; divorce

Evergreen Bank Group, doing business as Freedom Road Financial vs. Paul Tackett, Virginia Tackett; complaint concerning contract

OneMain Financial vs. Brent A. Hoselton; complaint concerning contract

Bank of America vs. Alison S. Tackett; complaint concerning contract

Santander Consumer USA Inc. vs. James Jarrell; complaint concerning contract

Editor's note: The above list reflects people who are charged in Floyd District Court and those listed in lawsuits in Floyd Circuit Court. The charges and lawsuits filed against them are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent or not liable until proven guilty.

Blood drive set

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Floyd County business invites the public to help save lives by donating blood next week.

Worldwide Equipment is partnering with the Kentucky Blood Center to host a blood drive at its corporate office, located at 1999 Ky. Rt. 1428 in Prestonsburg from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 16.

Those who donate blood will receive a free "Donate Blood Y'all" T-shirt, and donors age 18 and older are also

entered to win a Toyota 4Runner as part of the Kentucky Blood Center's summer giveaway.

The Kentucky Blood Center relies on volunteer blood donors to supply blood to nearly 70 hospitals in Kentucky. According to its website, those hospitals need about 400 units of blood a day to meet the demand.

For more information about blood donation, visit kybloodcenter.org. For more information about services offered by Worldwide Equipment, visit thetruckpeople.com.



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Allen City Commissioner Elmer "Fudd" Parsons writes in a notebook during an Aug. 6 meeting as Commissioner Dr. Eilene Kinzer asks whether she and other commissioners will face legal issues because Parsons refuses to provide a contract for his employment in the city.

CONTRACT
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told Commissioner Elmer "Fudd" Parsons that by ignoring her advice, he could be charged with a misdemeanor or be removed from office.

In July, Shortridge told commissioners they should approve a written contract for Parsons, who works as maintenance supervisor in Allen, at the beginning of each fiscal year.

Questions about a potential conflict of interest with Parson's employment were raised earlier this year and Shortridge sought an opinion from the state attorney general's office. In July, she referred to the state's response, telling the commission that city officials are prohibited from benefitting from city contracts unless the "specific nature" of it is publicly disclosed at a meeting.

On Monday, Commissioner Dr. Eilene Kinzer asked whether Parsons had his contract ready for approval.

"I don't have a contract. I'm not going to fill a contract," Parsons said. "If you want me to quit, say so, and I'll go."

Mayor Sharon Woods told him, "No, I don't want you to quit because we can't get nobody else."

She and other commission members have praised Parsons' work, saying the city cannot afford to hire another maintenance supervisor for what he earns — \$700 a month.

Commissioner Josh Kinzer asked Shortridge if a written contract is required.

Shortridge said the attorney general's opinion recommended a contract every year. She explained that the letter from the attorney general's office said any violations of the conflict of interest law could result in criminal charges.

Throughout the conversation, Josh and Eilene Kinzer asked whether the other city commissioners could be criminally charged if a contract is not approved for Parsons.

Shortridge read the letter, which cites KRS 61.252, which prohibits city officers from contracting with the city unless the "specific nature" of the contract is publicly disclosed at a city meeting and made part of an official city record prior to the execution of the contract. She said the commission must also determine that Parsons'

employment benefits the city and that finding must also be part of the official city record.

"I'm just advising you," Shortridge said. "In the best interest for you personally, Mr. Parsons, I think a contract would protect you and the city. That way, it's on the record and it's made known to the public."

"Well, put it on the record. I'm not looking for work," Parsons said. "I'm 73 years old. If you want a contract, find somebody that will work for \$2.50 an hour."

Shortridge responded, "This is my legal advice and the commission can do with it however they see fit. But, legally, that's my advice ... I'm obligated, legally, to tell you what the legal advice would be, and my advice would be to have a contract, put it on record, put it in the minutes and that way you'll have no issue. The commission can do whatever. I don't have a vote here."

Mayor Woods said Parsons was hired by the city before he was elected as a commissioner.

According to documents provided in open records requests, Parsons earns around \$700 a month on his verbal contract. He was elected to the commission in 2012 and the city provided a copy of his first paycheck for \$600, which was dated in May 2010.

According to copies of meeting minutes, he was hired during a closed session — which is contrary to open meeting laws — on May 3, 2010, the first day of the pay period for this first paycheck. In 2010, the city withheld funds for Medicare, Social Security and state taxes for Parsons, which is unusual for contract employment. Officials report now, however, that the city does not pay taxes or workers compensation on his behalf.

When Eilene Kinzer asked, again, whether the commission would face legal issues if it does not

approve a written contract for Parsons, Shortridge said Parsons, not the commission, could face those issues.

"As a commissioner, I think there could be issues if you accepted it, knowing that those requirements were not met under the law," Shortridge said.

"So, what does that mean?" Josh Kinzer asked.

Shortridge continued answering questions about the commission's liability.

"If you accept it and his verbal contract with the city and it does not meet the requirements, then a violation has occurred which can result in a class A misdemeanor," Shortridge said. "It may result in the court voiding the contract and shall be grounds for removal from office."

Eilene Kinzer asked for clarification on how this issue arose.

"I'm not quite understanding," she said. "So, there was a verbal agreement that was made years ago and every fiscal year, we need a contract? And you're saying, because we approved ..." "Nothing has been approved yet," Shortridge said. "Nothing's been voted on. No contract's been presented. No oral contract has been presented. Nothing has been laid out. There's no written contract. No votes have been taken."

Parsons told the commission in March — after the letter from the attorney general's office was presented — that he would provide a written contract for the work he does in Allen. During the discussion on Monday, he and Mayor Woods said they would get together and talk about the contract.

After the meeting, Parsons said he can't provide a contract because it would require him to buy workers compensation for himself and he does not earn enough money for that.

Floyd woman accused of drug trafficking

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Officials with the Kentucky State Police's Drug Enforcement Special Investigations branch arrested a Floyd County woman last week on several drug trafficking charges.

According to court documents, Lucille Tackett, 47, of Hi Hat, was arrested on Aug. 3 by Jonathan Rouse of the KSP's DESI East department.

She is charged with two counts of first-degree drug trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine and opiates), and she was also charged with second-degree and third-degree

drug trafficking, trafficking in a legend drug and possession of drug paraphernalia, court records show.

Rouse said in the citation that, he and Trooper Adam Hall conducted a "knock and talk" at Tackett's residence in Hi Hat, reporting that they had received information that she was trafficking drugs there.

Tackett gave the troopers consent to search the home, the citation said, and troopers found a "large amount of US Currency," a "variety of pills," a "rock-type substance" suspected to be methamphetamine and digital scales.

"After locating the il-

legal drugs, Lucille began to get very belligerent and was asked to calm down numerous times," Rouse wrote in the citation. "Lucille refused to calm down and she was placed under arrest."

The troopers contacted social services for "numerous children" in the home, the citation says.

Tackett denied the charges and entered a not guilty plea during her arraignment in Floyd District Court Monday. Floyd District Judge Jimmy Marcum set a \$2,500 cash bond in the case, court documents show, which was posted on Aug. 7.

Tackett is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on Aug. 14.

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"It went good this year. We're still tallying up, but it looks like, if we collect everything, we're going to probably be right around \$20,000," Captain Ritchie Schoolcraft said.

Schoolcraft thanked businesses and individuals who supported the event and the squad.

"We're very appreciative of the people that's stuck with us for over 60 years," Schoolcraft said. "It was our 51st year on the radio auction, but they've supported the rescue squad for 60 years this year and we have a great appreciation for them."

Callers never know what they'll find during the squad's annual auction, and this year was no different. Squad Treasurer/Secretary Brian Sexton said the list of items sold included a few truckloads of horse manure that was donated by Bill and Wanda Conn, of Arkansas Creek.

"We've had that before," Sexton said. "We sold a few truckloads of it. It ranged, I think, from \$10 to \$15. You know, it wasn't a lot, but it was something anyway."

The auction ended on Saturday with a bidding war between people who eyed an auto-graphed University of



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Volunteers man their stations during the Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad's 51st annual radio auction.

Kentucky basketball. It sold for \$305 to Gary Blankenship.

Sexton has been helping the squad host the auction for 34 years.

"It's a good time, you could say, but then again, it's very tiring. It's a lot of work, but it's worth it," he said. "It's worth it in the end."

The annual radio auction is the squad's biggest annual fundraiser. Schoolcraft said funding received doesn't cover all of the squad's expenses, but helps keep the squad

operational.

Sexton said some winning bidders have yet to pick up the items they won during the auction.

The squad gives those individuals time to pick up the items, and then they call the second-highest bidder.

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EDITORIAL

'It's up to us to change our community'

The volunteers who have been working behind the scenes for nearly three years now to build a homeless shelter in Floyd County are doing important work.

The Floyd County Homeless Shelter, which is expected to open soon on Ky. 122, is one of two homeless shelter projects currently underway in the county. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Prestonsburg is also building a shelter for homeless veterans, and both of these donation-driven projects have encompassed loads of work.

The volunteers who are carrying that effort are setting a fine example for other Floyd County residents.

Gail Spradlin, president

of the Floyd County Homeless Shelter, said it best when she talked about the need for residents to take ownership of their own communities.

"It's up to us to change our community. We can't wait on the government to come in and do it for us," she said. "We've got to do it ourselves. The government has so much to do on its own, and our community is going to be what we make it. If we want it better for our kids and our grandkids, it's up to us to do it."

That's sound advice from a community member who has spent years working to help others in need.

Life is a hectic mess now-

adays for most folks, and we know that makes it difficult for some people to give even more time to help people they don't even know. But we also know that when people come together for projects like this, it improves not just the folks the project is geared to help, but also the community as a whole.

No, you won't find many homeless folks begging for money in many Floyd County neighborhoods, but homelessness is a reality here. We have adults who are sleeping in tents on creekbeds, two or three families living under the same roof because they can't afford rent and children who are sleeping on couches because they have no place

else to go.

It's up to us to care about these folks. It's up to us to realize that they matter and that Floyd County will be a better place to live if we can help them better their lives.

The goal of the Floyd County Homeless Shelter will be to give homeless people the tools they need to improve their lives. If it is successful, this project will accomplish that goal and more.

We commend these volunteers for their hard work and encourage our readers to support them. As Spradlin said, it's up to us to change our community, and this project will go a long way toward changing people's lives.

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*- Gail Spradlin,
president of the Floyd
County Homeless Shelter*

GUEST EDITORIAL

\$1 trillion deficits return at bad time

By JIM PAXTON
THE PADUCAH SUN

Remember the tea party? It is the conservative movement that arose in 2009 after then-newly elected President Barack Obama set the nation on the course for a series of \$1 trillion budget deficits.

A core tenet of the tea party was the need to rein in deficits by cutting federal spending and reducing the size of government. The movement helped Republicans reclaim majorities in the House and Senate during Obama's tenure.

The tea party is still around, although one

would hardly know it. President Trump has set the nation on a path for \$1 trillion deficits for as far as the eye can see. His timing could not be worse.

That is because the world of near-zero interest rates that provided financial cover for Obama's deficits in the wake of the Great Recession is rapidly unwinding. This means higher interest rates, which pours more fuel on the deficit fire by raising the cost to the federal government to finance it. It is becoming something of a perfect storm.

One method the Federal Reserve used to

keep interest rates low after the recession was to buy up large portions of new issues of government debt. The more demand the government has for its debt the lower the interest rate it pays (and vice versa). And the lower the interest rate, the less it costs the government to finance the national debt over time.

The Fed accumulated some \$10 trillion of government bills, notes and mortgage instruments during this exercise. Now it has begun to "unwind" this position by allowing its holdings to mature and not rolling the proceeds into new debt pur-

chases. The result, as an article on the website of financial network CNBC reported last week, is a headache for the Trump administration.

The national debt is now \$21.3 trillion. The American public finances the bulk of that — \$15.6 trillion — by way of government bonds held in mutual funds, pension funds, 401(k)s and other investments.

But the fast-growing debt is becoming more costly to finance. Last week the Treasury Department announced it will have to increase the size of its bond offerings by \$30 billion this quar-

ter to refinance maturing debt and pay the interest. Worse, the Treasury says it will borrow a total of \$769 billion for these purposes over the second half of this year, a 63 percent increase over the last half of 2017.

The Fed meanwhile has been reducing its holdings of federal debt by \$30 billion a month and plans to increase that pace to \$50 billion a month by the fourth quarter.

Put it all together and you have the government trying to sell more debt into a market in which a major buyer — the Fed — has gone away. This means more debt is be-

ing sold to a suddenly smaller pool of investors. This pushes up the interest the government must pay to attract buyers for the new debt. The result is more government borrowing to pay the interest on the more costly debt. And on and on it goes.

The tea party folks had it right nine years ago. This is the road to disaster. Higher rates will inevitably slow the economy. Continued money printing by the Treasury will eventually erode the value of our currency and with it Americans' standard of living.

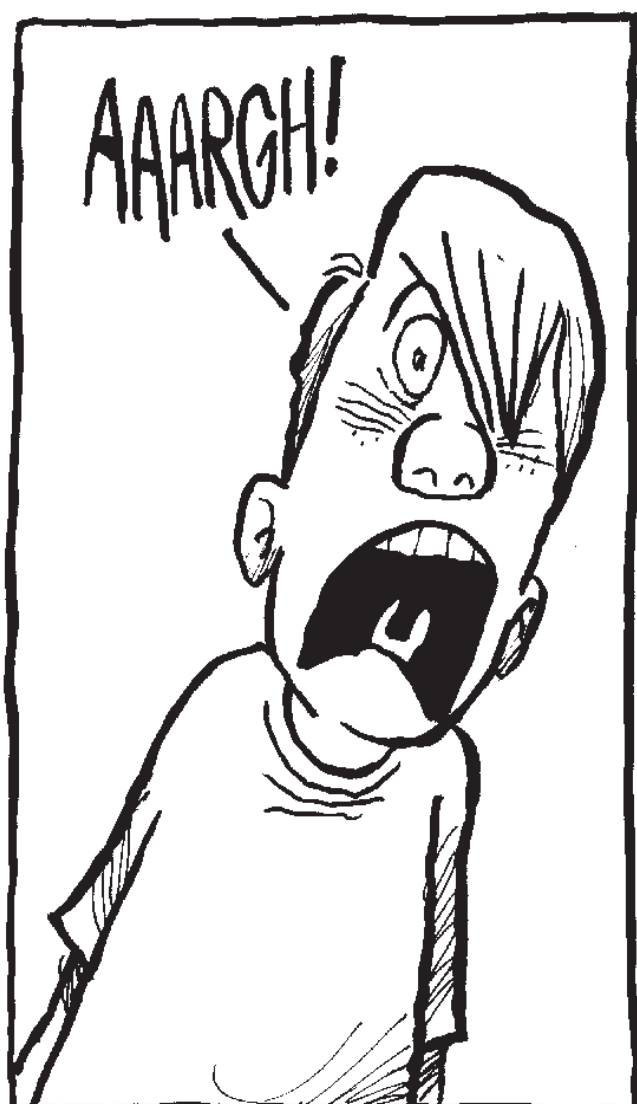
In Washington the attitude appears to be it's not a problem until it's a problem. The bad news is economists are almost unanimous in their view that this day is a lot closer than the politicians think. We're not sure how this ends, but this much seems certain: the day is nigh and it won't be pretty.

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Paul Edward Ousley
Paul Edward Ousley, 56, of Carrie, died Saturday, August 4, 2018. Arrangements were under the direction of

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Eula Mae Sizemore, 85, of Martin, died Mon-

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Danny Carl Stephens
Danny Carl Stephens, 65, of Martin, died Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of

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Patricia Ann Tuttle, 69, of Jeffersonville, died

Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Marriages, property transfers filed in Floyd

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

The following marriages and property transfers have recently been filed in the Floyd County Clerk's office:

Marriages

Brian Curtis Johnson II, 24, of Knoxville, Tn., to Maggie Kathleen Young, 24, of Knoxville, Tn.

Burgundee Nashea Justice, 22, of Pikeville, to Kayla Sheree Fields, 31, of Langley

Alexandria Rae Taulbee, 18, of Prestonsburg, to William Cody Sterling Wells, 24, of Prestonsburg

Elizabeth Ann Prater, 47, of Prestonsburg, to Walter A. Fulford Jr., 42, of Prestonsburg

Garrett Raymond Mullins, 20, of Prestonsburg, to Keneisha Ann Howell, 19, of Prestonsburg

Property transfers

Bay Acquisition LLC to Freedom Investments LLC (Deeds Book 638; pg. 627)

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg to Charlene Johnson, Jeffrey J. Johnson; property on Henry's Branch

Beverly Jo Blackburn, to Seth Patrick Elliott, Tara Miller Elliott (Deeds Book 638; pg. 635)

Quicken Loans Inc., Robert Reffitt to Allen Maynard (Deeds Book 638; pg. 639)

Curtis Hamilton to Jamie Martin (Deeds Book 638; pg. 642)

Quicken Loans Inc. to Secretary of Housing Development (Deeds Book 638; pg. 653)

Brock McVey, Brock Mcvey Company to Ferguson Enterprises Inc. (Deeds Book 638; pg. 657)

Rice & Rice Sales Inc.

to James L. Hall; property in Meadowview Subdivision

Bryan T. Allen, Madelyn F. Allen to Ryan Matthew Howell (Deeds Book 638; pg. 667)

Debra Hall, Judy Hall, Stewart Hall, Louetta Miller, Jacki Lynn Mosley, Kimberly Roberts, Deanna D. Rose, Debbie Tackett, Douglas Tackett, Dustin Tackett, Jerry Tackett, Joshua Tackett, Lakin Tackett, Sylvia Tackett to Larry Tackett (Deeds Book 638; pg. 671)

Donald R. Daniels II to Jody Mullins; property at Hueysville

Howes Coal & Land Company LLC to Hoods Fork Reclamation LLC (Deeds Book 638; pg. 680)

Rita Branham, Larry Douglas Campbell, Rita Campbell to Andrea Thacker, Kevin T. Thack-

er (Deeds Book 638; pg. 684)

Denise E. Porter, Randal Scott Porter to Haley N. Crum, Nickolas R. Crum (Deeds Book 638; pg. 687)

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance Inc. to Anita Mullinax Barber, Anthony Dwayne Barber (Deeds Book 638; pg. 690)

Kenneth Burchett, Lucille Burchett to John K. Burchett, Barbara

Mitchell, Teresa Stewart (Deeds Book 638; pg. 697, 701, 705)

Kenneth Burchett to John Keith Burchett (Deeds Book 638; pg. 709)

Christina Trust, Wilmington Savings Fund Society FSB to Crystal Blair (Deeds Book 638; pg. 717)

Elk Horn Coal Corporation LLC, The Elk Horn Coal Corporation LLC to

Thomas Howell, Victoria Howell; property on Spewing Camp, Left Fork of Beaver Creek

21st Mortgage Corporation, Twenty First Mortgage to Gary Ross (Deeds Book 638; pg. 729)

Angela Thornsberry to Della Hall (Deeds Book 638; pg. 732)

Bonnie Evans to Jimmy Osborne, Linda Osborne (Deeds Book 638; pg. 735)

Race for Shop with a Trooper scheduled

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky State Police Professional Association is accepting registrations for a race that will fund the agency's Shop with a Trooper program.

The association's Fourth Annual Run Signal 9 5K/1 Mile Walk will be held Sept. 1 at 8 p.m. in downtown Prestonsburg, and discounted rates are available for those who sign up this month.

Registration is \$25 through Aug. 15, and those who sign up prior

to that date will receive a race shirt and a glow stick. Registration on the day of the race is \$30 and those who register then are not guaranteed a shirt or glow stick. Awards will be presented to the top male and female runners and the top three runners in each age division.

All proceeds from the race will benefit Shop with a Trooper, a program through which students in need are able to shop for Christmas gifts with troopers. Students from every school in Floyd, Pike, Johnson, Martin

and Magoffin counties are eligible for Shop with a Trooper, and staff at the school-based Family Resource Youth Service Centers select those who participate. The students receive a \$100 shopping spree with troopers at Walmart and they're also provided enough food for Christmas dinner.

Registration for the race is available online under Race 685 at aptiming.com or eventbrite.com.

Community calendar

- Mondays through through-Sept. 4; 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.: Free workshop for people with chronic disease like diabetes or COPD to be offered at the Floyd County Extension Office by Big Sandy Health Care's Chronic Disease Self Management program.

- Aug. 10, 11; 8:15 p.m.: Jenny Wiley Theatre performs "Hairspray," at the amphitheater, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. jennywileytheatre.com

- Aug. 11; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Floyd County Farmer's Market open, South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg

- Aug. 11; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Ride with a Pal, Archer Park, features live music, car show, activities. Ends with a ride for those with special needs.

- Aug. 11; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Floyd County Public Library hosts Learn to

Fish at the Dewey Dam Spillway

- Aug. 13, 9 a.m.: Big Sandy Regional Industrial Authority meets, Sandy Area Development District. (606) 886-2374

- Aug. 13, 5 p.m.: Judi's Place for Kids to host informational training session for people interested in becoming a Court-Appointed Special Advocate for children who have been abused or neglected, Eastern branch of the Floyd County Public Library. (606) 886-8520.

- Aug. 14, 12 p.m.: Prestonsburg Tourism meets, Mountain Arts Center. (606) 886-1341

- Aug. 14, 6 p.m.: Wayland City Commission meets.

- Aug. 14, 6 p.m.: Hay and pasture workshop, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668

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Election filings in Floyd County

FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Floyd County's list of candidates is filling up in time for next week's candidate filing deadline, with more than 30 candidates seeking various governmental seats.

Candidate filings have been slow for local city government races, as only two incumbent mayors and 10 candidates for city government seats had filed their paperwork prior to print deadline on Thursday.

No candidates have

filed paperwork to serve on the governing bodies in Wayland or Martin, and mayors Les Stapleton in Prestonsburg and Jerry Fultz in Wayland are the only two mayors to file their paperwork prior to print deadline on Thursday.

The candidate list includes:

Floyd County Judge-Executive
James "Jimmy" Rose of Martin; Democrat
John B. DeRossett of Prestonsburg; Republican
Robbie Williams of

Prestonsburg; Independent

Floyd County Jailer
Stuart "Bear" Halbert of Martin, Democrat (incumbent)
Emmit Johnson of Prestonsburg, Republican

Magistrate District 1
Mark D. Crider of Prestonsburg; Democrat
Floyd Skeans of Allen; Republican

Constable District 1
Larry "Boss" Jarrell of Prestonsburg, Democrat (incumbent)

Bobby Hamilton of Prestonsburg, Independent

Allen City Commission (four members)
*Joshua Kinzer
*Eilene Kinzer

Prestonsburg City Council (eight members)
Brittainy Branham, incumbent
Mike Lafferty, incumbent
Don Willis, incumbent
David A. Gearheart, incumbent
Rick Hughes

C. Shag Branham, incumbent
Sheila Bryant

Wheelwright City Commission (four members)
Sam Little, incumbent

Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors (three members to be chosen)
Doug DeRossett, incumbent
Bert Layne, incumbent

Races in which candidates who have filed are

currently are not opposed include those for county attorney, county clerk, commonwealth attorney, circuit court clerk, county surveyor, county sheriff, coroner, property valuation administrator, Magistrate District 2, Magistrate District 3, Magistrate District 4, Constable District 2, Constable District 3, Constable District 4, Prestonsburg Mayor, Wayland Mayor and School Board District 2.

Candidates have until 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14, to file paperwork to seek office.

Child advocates needed in Floyd, Pike

BY MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

Judi's Place for Kids is seeking volunteers who want to help some of their child clients.

The organization, which offers specialized care and advocacy for children who have been abused, is seeking volunteers for its Court-Appointed Special Advocate Program.

Shawna Kelly, director of the CASA of East Kentucky program at Judi's Place, said the number of children who need advocacy in court far outweighs the number of CASA volunteers available. "Just based on the number of petitions that we have in family court, because we receive our referrals from family court in Pike and Floyd counties, we need quite a few volunteers, definitely," she said. "Of course, we would like for every child to have a CASA volunteer, but that'll definitely take some time."

Since the program started helping kids late last year, 17 children have received CASA advocacy in courts in Floyd and Pike counties. Kelly said, however, that there have been more

than 100 petitions filed in courts for children referred to CASA in just the last four months in Pike and Floyd counties, and she expects the number of cases to increase since school has started.

Kelly explained that each petition represents one child who is part of a family court case related to dependency needs, neglect or abuse, and talked about how CASA volunteers help these children.

"Our CASA volunteers are appointed to one case, no more than two at a time, and when we say case, that can be one child or a sibling group," Kelly said. "But they're assigned, essentially, to one family at a time, that way they can dedicate their time to that child. They don't have numerous cases like a lot of our other professionals do. They get to know everything about that child."

She said CASA volunteers visit the child's home, may obtain records from school or doctors and get information from a child's parents to learn what he or she needs.

"The volunteers monitor to make sure that the parents are compli-

ant with court orders and social service orders and plans, and they can also just check to make sure that the child is getting what they need, that they are going to the doctor, that they do have good attendance," Kelly said. "Our volunteers attend court. Each time that there's a court hearing for that child, the volunteer is present."

Prior to court hearings, the CASA volunteer submits recommendations for the judge to consider in the case.

"Those recommendations can be anything as simple as, maybe they think the child needs a well care visit at the doctor's office, to they need physical therapy, occupational therapy, a tutor," Kelly said. "And it can even be a recommendation about placement, what would be in the best interest of the child."

Talking about how some children are sometimes moved from place to place before their court case is resolved, Kelly said CASA volunteers bring consistency to the live of these children.

"Some of our children are in foster care, some are in relative placements

and some are actually still with biological families, but wherever that child is placed, our volunteer is able to follow that case and see it through until it's closed in family court," she said. "So they get to be that one consistent person on the case. We frequently see that schools change and teachers change and social workers change, but that CASA volunteer, if at all possible, is that one

consistent person that sees the case until it's closed."

Kelly said Judi's Place seeks volunteers from all walks of life. CASA volunteers must be 21 years old and pass a background check. The volunteers sign up for at least one year of service, Kelly said, and they undergo 30 hours of training and agree to maintain training requirements of at least 12 hours annually

to continue to serve.

Kelly encourages any person interested in serving as a CASA volunteer to attend an informational training session, which will begin at 5 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 13, at the Eastern branch of the Floyd County Public Library. Another training will be held in Belfry in Pike County later this year.

For more information, call (606) 886-8520.

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Trout family receives Yard of the Month honor

The Prestonsburg Woman's Club selected this home, located at 212 South Highland Avenue, as the Yard of the Month for August. The Trout family decorates its yard with petunias, juniper, marigolds, and other flowers and plants. Shirley Thomas of the Prestonsburg Woman's Club said she selected this yard because of its "very nice gerbera daisies."

Ride with a Pal this weekend

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

A Johnson County car club is hosting its annual Ride with a Pal event in Prestonsburg this weekend.

The East Kentucky Gearheads will host the 10th annual Ride with a Pal from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 11, at Archer Park.

"It's our 10th anniversary, so that's worth celebrating in itself," car club president Casey Jones said. "If anybody wants to come out and participate, it's a community event, a car event, for everybody."

Jones said the club's chairman, Danny Wells, came up with the idea for Ride with a Pal 10 years

ago.

"It was such a good idea that several of the members thought it would excellent as a way for our car club to give back to the community," he said.

Jones said "Prestonsburg really rolls out the red carpet" for this event, which will offer live music, free food, activities, a free car show, a burnout competition and a "hot rod-style parade" through town. Ride with a Pal is specifically geared for children and adults with special needs. They judge the car show and, after the burnout competition, they pick which car they'd like to ride in during the police-led parade.

Jones said some Ride

with a Pal attendees have participated every year.

"It's like a big hot rod-style picnic," Jones said. "It's about like getting together 10 family members and having a cookout except it's 50 or 60 car club people having a big picnic and inviting people with special needs."

Jones said live music will be provided by the Mystery Meat Blues Band, which is headed by Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry member Adam Williamson, who has cerebral palsy.

"Adam, he's got a disability himself, and I think it's inspiring for some of the kids to see him up there performing in the band and thinking, wow, look at him. He's got his

own set of challenges and he's right here with us," Jones said. "That's pretty special."

For more information, visit the East Kentucky Gearheads on Facebook.

Registration underway for 'Moonlighting for Hospice'

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND
TIMES STAFF REPORT

Appalachian Hospice Care is hosting a unique nighttime fundraiser this month.

People who sign up for "Moonlighting for Hospice" can enjoy a "Full Moon 5K" race at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park or a "Full Moon Pontoon Cruise" on Dewey Lake.

The fundraiser will begin at 9 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 25, in the former swimming pool area at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The race, open to runners and walkers, will begin there and end near the park's campground. People who want to support Appalachian Hospice but don't want to run or walk in the race can take the Full Moon Pontoon Cruise instead.

Registration is \$25 and those who register by Aug. 15 are guaranteed to receive a Port & Company Sport Performance T-shirt. A post-race party will be held at the park's lodge, where live music will be provided.

All proceeds from the race will benefit Appalachian Hospice Care, which provides hospice services to residents in Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Martin and Magoffin counties.

"For years, we've been trying to think of an annual fundraiser," the organization's volunteer coordinator Charly Sholty said.

She said Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Manager Julian Slone came up with the idea for the moonlight pontoon ride.

"Hopefully, we can garner community support from people that aren't runners or even walkers," said. "We're hopeful that this will be different, fun event ... And we have a lot of swag for your \$25 entry fee. The first 50 get a backpack and the first 100 get a nice headlamp, which I thought would be a nice giveaway for a night run, and, of course, T-shirts."

For more information, or to register, call, (606) 789-3841, or visit, appalachianhospicecare.com.

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Big Sandy Community and Technical College is offering a new scholarship to help students complete their associate degrees in two years or less.

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Beginning this fall, students could start earning \$1,500 in scholarships on their way to an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree and up to \$2,000 if they are pursuing an Associate of Applied Science degree, which may take an additional semester.

"We continually look for ways to keep the cost of college as low as possible so all of our students receive a good value for their education," KCTCS President Jay K. Box said. "The 15 to Finish scholarship is one more way students save money while completing

their programs faster. We're focused on helping students complete their programs as quickly as possible so they can fill the large number of open jobs throughout the state."

The scholarship is another way BSCTC is helping increase Kentucky's higher education attainment levels. The Council on Postsecondary Education set a goal to raise

the percentage of Kentuckians with a postsecondary degree or certificate to 60 percent by the year 2030.

New and current students are eligible for the 15 to Finish scholarship, and students enrolled in the scholarship program will retain eligibility if they transfer from one KCTCS college to another. For more information, visit the KCTCS website.

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Jaguars continue to prepare for season



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Floyd Central hosted Perry Central Saturday evening for a scrimmage. The Jaguars will kickoff the season August 17 as they host Harlan County. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Excitement is surrounding the Floyd Central football program as the Jaguars head into the 2018 season. Floyd Central finished 8-4 in its debut season, knocking off Henry County in the opening round of the Class 3A Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl. Over the weekend, Floyd Central showed progress in a scrimmage

versus Perry Central, an opponent out of Class 5A District 8.

"The scrimmage went good," said Floyd Central coach Shawn Hager. "Perry Central is a very strong football team. I thought we held our own with them. We have some work to do before our first game and I think our players know how hard we need to work."

Floyd Central is closing in on its 2018 season opener. The Jaguars are scheduled to kickoff the

2018 high school football season at home versus Harlan on August 17.

In its inaugural campaign, Floyd Central finished second behind perennial state title contender Belfry in Class 3A District 6. Floyd Central advanced to the second round of the 2017 Class 3A state playoffs.

The Jaguars outlasted visiting Henry County 43-35 in the opening round of the 2017 Class 3A Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron

Bowl. However, Central ended Floyd Central's debut season, blanking the Jaguars 50-0 in the second round of the Class 3A State Playoffs.

Floyd Central's first-ever season included additional wins over Harlan, Betsy Layne, Breathitt County, Lynn Camp, Sheldon Clark, Lawrence County and Letcher Central. The Jaguars dropped games to county rival Prestonsburg, Pike County Central and Belfry in 2017.

Following the 2018 season opener versus Harlan, Floyd Central will take to the road for six straight away games versus Betsy Layne (Aug. 24), Breathitt County (Aug. 31), Lynn Camp (Aug. 31), Lynn Camp (Sept. 7), Prestonsburg (Sept. 14), Pike County Central (Sept. 21) and Belfry (Sept. 28). The Jaguars are due to close the upcoming campaign at home with games against Sheldon Clark (Oct. 5), Lawrence Coun-

ty (Oct. 19) and Letcher County Central (Oct. 26).

Floyd Central competes with Belfry, Lawrence County, Pike Central and Sheldon Clark in Class 3A District 6. Hager spent a lengthy coaching stint with the Sheldon Clark football program.

The Floyd Central football program will hold its media day at 5:00 p.m. on Friday.



Conn ranked among state's top 100 players



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Steve LeMaster

Brady Conn has been ranked among the state's top 100 boys' high school basketball players.

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Floyd Central senior Brady Conn is set to return to the gridiron but he has already earned an honor prior to the opening tip-off of the 2018/2019 basketball season. Rick Bolus has ranked Conn among the state's top 100

boys' high school basketball players.

Conn helped to lead Floyd Central throughout its debut season, averaging 14.4 points and 9.2 rebounds per game for the Jaguars. He led the Jaguars in rebounding and ranked second on the team in scoring.

The Floyd Central boys' basketball team's debut season

included a 58th District championship and an appearance in the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament.

"We return, in what we feel, is the best post in the Mountains next season with Brady Conn," said Floyd Central Coach Kevin Spurlock. "We expect his numbers to improve next season with more expect-

tations from him. He will be our focal point for our team."

Earlier in the offseason, Conn and several of his Floyd Central teammates attended team camp at Coastal Carolina University in South Carolina.

Conn is the only current player from a Floyd County high school basketball program ranked on Bolus' list. Rylee

Samons, who announced he was transferring from Floyd Central to Pikeville earlier in the month, also made the list.

Conn and his Floyd Central teammates will open pre-season practice in mid-October.

201 Speedway cancels remaining 2018 schedule

A FLOYD CHRONICLE
AND TIMES
STAFF REPORT

SITKA — Historic 201 Speedway has cancelled its remaining schedule for the 2018 season. On Friday, Aug. 3, promoter Steve Howard issued the following statement concerning the remainder of the 2018 season:

"It saddens me to announce that due to unforeseen circumstances surrounding my family and myself I will no longer be able to fulfill the duties of promoter at 201 speedway for the remainder of the 2018 season. This has been one of the hardest decisions I have ever had to make but due to recent events surrounding my personal and business affairs it has forced me to hang up the promoter's hat. I want to say that being part of the racing family at 201 has been a wonderful experience for Stan and



photo courtesy of 201 Speedway

Floyd County native Nathan Martin turned a lap at 201 Speedway prior to a heat race during a racenight in July. Officials with 201 Speedway have decided to cancel the remainder of the track's 2018 schedule.

myself. We have made lifelong friends through this endeavor and will be forever grateful to those of you who supported us and the track during

this time. I really don't want to get into the reasons behind our decision but we would appreciate your prayers for our family. As of today, the

remaining schedule of events are cancelled for the 2018 season. We will honor our points system and awards will be handed out to the top three

points leaders in each division, an announcement on that will be forthcoming. Once again, we apologize to anyone this has affected."

One of the state's top dirt tracks, 201 Speedway has hosted several top national drivers during its history.

Prestonsburg, Betsy Layne open with back-to-back losses

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

FLOYD COUNTY — Both Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne have opened the 2018 high school volleyball season with back-to-back losses to 15th Region rivals.

Prestonsburg has dropped matches to Shelby Valley and Sheldon Clark. Host Shelby Valley blanked the Lady Blackcats

3-0 in a high school volleyball season opener on Monday. Shelby Valley topped Prestonsburg 25-19, 25-15, 25-16.

The Lady Blackcats, under the direction of head coach Bobby Hackworth, entertained Shelby Valley in a home opener on Tuesday. Visiting Sheldon Clark managed to deal Prestonsburg its second loss, defeating the Lady Blackcats 3-1. Shaking off a slow start,

Sheldon Clark won 22-25, 25-12, 25-23, 25-22 over Prestonsburg.

The Lady Blackcats were visiting Belfry at press time on Thursday.

Betsy Layne has dropped back-to-back matches to Phelps and Knott Central. Phelps edged the Ladycats 3-2 in a season opener on Tuesday, winning 19-25, 25-23, 24-26, 25-22, 15-13.

Forcing Betsy Layne to remain in the loss column, Knott Central beat the Lady Bobcats 3-1 on Wednesday, prevailing 25-17, 23-25, 25-12, 27-25. Head coach Larry Hodge guides the Lady Bobcats.

Betsy Layne is slated to host Shelby Valley for a home opener on Monday, Aug. 13.

Floyd Central, under the guidance of first-year head coach Alissa Young, is sched-

uled to visit Belfry for a season opener on Tuesday, Aug. 14. Young is preparing to guide Floyd Central after taking over for Jason Clark. Under the direction of Clark, Floyd Central captured a 58th District championship and finished runner-up in the 15th Region in 2017, compiling a 32-8 overall record.

Share, listen and figure out how to best move forward. Don't disregard information that comes from an unlikely source. Don't feel the need to keep up with others or live lavishly. Peace of mind and a solid reputation will bring you comfort and joy. Surround yourself with like-minded people.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Personal improvements will bring you high returns. Feel good about the way you look and present what you have to offer passionately. Romance is featured.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - You'll learn something new if you socialize with people or visit an unfamiliar place. The information you receive will bring about a change in lifestyle or direction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Don't just sit there when you can take action. Get into shape or bring about changes at work or at home that will guarantee a more efficient or stress-free environment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Look for a creative outlet or find someone or something that will open your eyes to alternative ways to live. Lean toward a moderate lifestyle that promotes health and prosperity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - Don't feel you must make a change just because someone else does. If you take control, you'll find a simple way to get the most out of what you already have.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - If you set practical goals, you will encourage positive change both at work and at home. Don't take on responsibilities all by yourself. Ask for help and make your life easier.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) - Keep emotional situations in perspective. If some-

**DAILY
ASTROGRAPH**
by Eugenia Last



one overreacts, keep your distance and put your energy into self-improvement and personal goals for the time being. Offer love, not discord.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) - A problem at work or involving your livelihood should be rectified quickly to avoid any lapse in payment or cash flow. Look for alternative ways to solve a setback.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - Offer assistance to people you may need a favor from in return. A give-and-take situation will put you in a good position for future projects and prospects. Romance is featured.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Don't overspend or make a fuss if things don't go your way. Be willing to do your own thing without expecting others to join in and help. Change begins within.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - Make plans with family or friends. Taking a short trip, collaborating on a project or setting up a romantic weekend with someone you love is favored. Personal improvements can be made.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - A little charm will go a long way. Settle any differences you have using diplomacy to stabilize a partnership that has been undergoing change.

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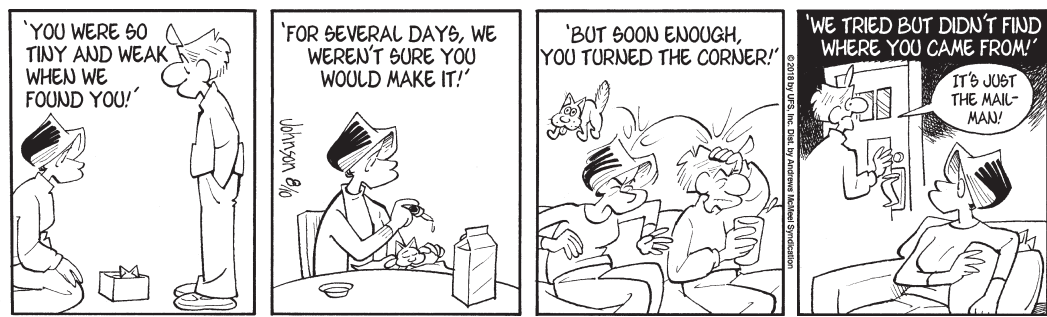
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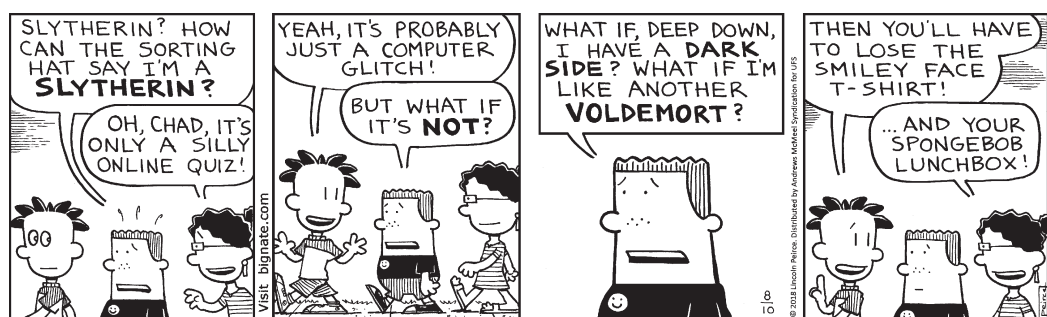
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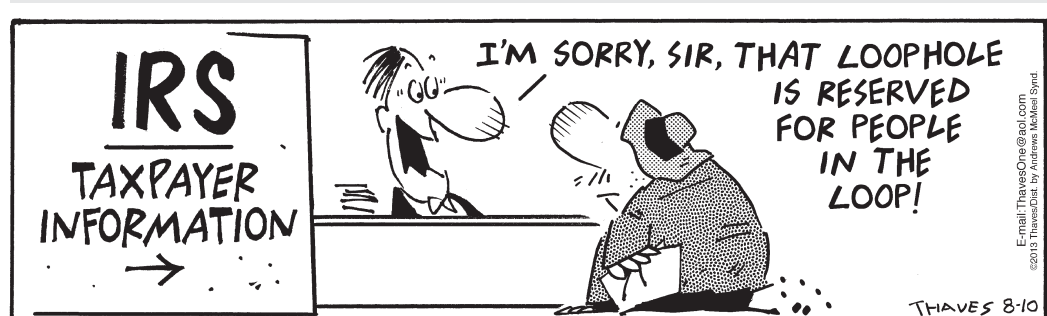
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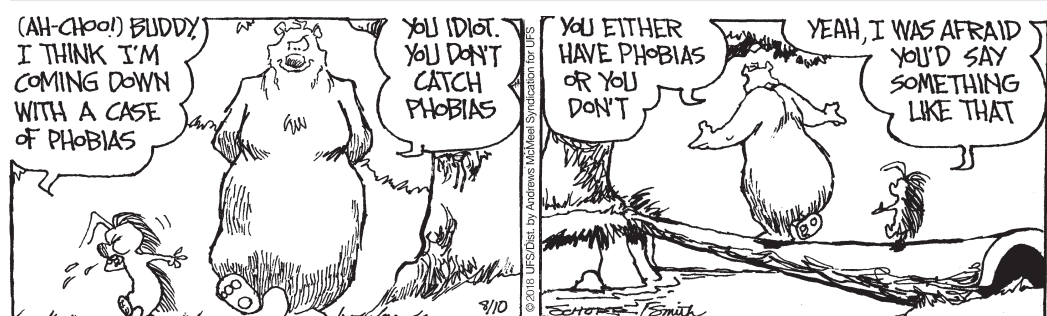
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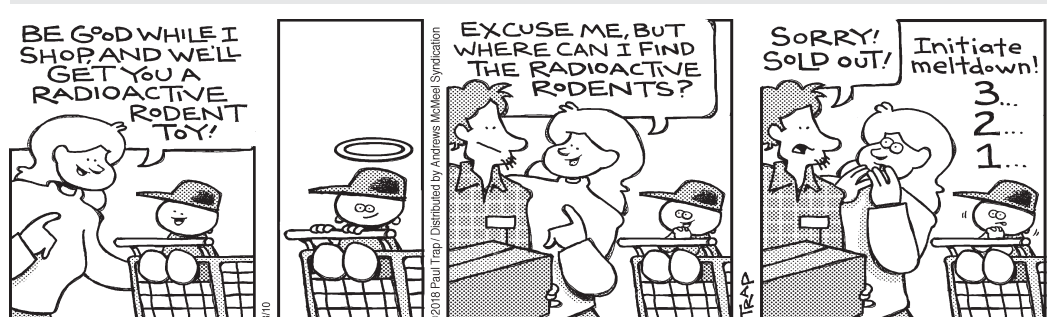
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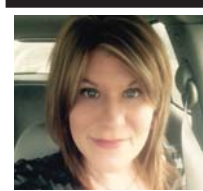
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JENNIFER BURKE ELLIOTT Attorney at Law 107 S Arnold Avenue Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Joe Owens, PO Box 7367, Garrett, Kentucky 41630, has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to fill an area approximately 175'x175' along the right of way of KY RT 777.

The property is located approximately one half mile from Eastern, Ky. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Surface

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Water Permit Branch, Floodplain Management Section, 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: 502-564-3410.

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Notice is hereby given that Kathy Howell, 735 Ky. Rt. 1750, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, has filed an

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application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to repair the northern side of driveway by the placement of durable rock.

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By: Amy Charles

The story of Loma Harris, a 66-year-old retired teacher from Floyd County, demonstrates the value of choosing PMC's cancer services. Loma's story begins in October of last year on the eve of a trip to Tennessee to visit her only son, Tyler. Loma says she was overcome with pain and swelling in her hip. In early December, she received biopsy results indicating Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma—words that brought her to tears.

On Christmas Day, Tyler rushed Loma to a local hospital in unbearable pain. He then had her transferred to Baptist Health in Lexington.

Loma says that her cancer was determined to be stage four and that her health took a turn for the worse after two rounds of chemotherapy and she developed an infection. Loma also reports that she was transferred to a nursing home for palliative care. Tyler says that facility suggested that he just let her go as there was nothing more to be done. Giving up on his mother was just not an option for Tyler.

In February of 2018, Tyler made the decision to bring his mother to PMC. It was a life-changing decision. Loma has no memory of her first visits to PMC because she was heavily sedated with pain medication. She wasn't speaking or opening her eyes.



images and determined she had responded to the chemo and he would go ahead with continued treatment.

Loma received four rounds of chemo, beginning in May, at the Leonard Lawson Cancer Center. Afterwards, in July, Dr. Dinali ordered new scans. "I was really worried about what the scans would show," admitted Dr. Dinali. "I was prepared for the worst, but I was so happy that day."

The scans revealed what Loma had prayed for. There were no signs of cancer, and she was in remission. She will be rescanned for the next two years to monitor her health. If they remain clear, she will be declared cured.

"Being treated here meant that I was able to have more of my family with me," Loma said. "And Dr. Dinali would call Tyler and include him in my treatment

plan and share my progress with him. I've never had a doctor do that before. He is just so compassionate. PMC is lucky to have him!"

"I know I've had a lot of prayers and I know the Lord has been with me. I hope it has made me a better person," said Loma. "A cancer diagnosis isn't a death sentence." Like many others, Loma is enjoying her life again and has more days with her son



because of the skill and dedication of the PMC physicians.

There are real advantages to staying local to get medical treatment. Being able to go home and not have the major expense of travel and hotel accommodations makes it so much easier on the patient and the family.

The Pikeville Medical Leonard Lawson Cancer Center is accredited by the American College of Surgeons and the Commission on Cancer and is certified by the Quality Oncology Practice Initiative. To make an appointment with Dr. Dinali or any of the excellent physicians at the Leonard Lawson Cancer Center, call 606-218-2212.

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TO US, IT'S MORE THAN TREATING CANCER

By: Amy Charles

Along with a cancer diagnosis comes fear of what happens next. Fear of surgeries, treatment and difficult decisions arise. Faith in an award-winning facility that you can turn to for the best quality cancer care, can help relieve much of that fear.

The Pikeville Medical Leonard Lawson Cancer Center provides full-service cancer care with cutting edge treatment and life-long follow-up at a regional level.

During the last nine months, the Cancer Center has experienced a period of rapid growth, welcoming four new medical oncologists and a surgical oncologist. An expanded physician practice also means a growing patient population.

Battling cancer is not only physically and emotionally draining, but financially draining as well. The fear of not having the financial resources to cover all the expenses associated with fighting cancer is a tremendous burden that exists among our growing patient population.



In the last six months the office visits at the Cancer Center total 4935! Many of these patients are finding out that the Cancer Center offers help to the underinsured for various expenses, easing the financial hardship that a cancer diagnosis can bring.

If you have ever wondered what you could do to impact cancer care, or help someone in their fight, that opportunity exists right here in your own community.

Pikeville Medical Center is hosting the 5th annual Colors of Courage 5K on Saturday, August 25 in downtown Pikeville. All the proceeds from this fundraising event go to the underinsured patients of the Leonard Lawson Cancer Center.

"Money from this event provides patients with gas cards to get them to life-saving treatment. It helps them pay for medications and even nutritional needs," explained Marigo Werner, Leonard Lawson Cancer Center manager. "Whatever the need may be, we try our very best to meet it."

Turning this event into a true color race promises to make race day even more fun than in previous years. The community has faithfully supported this fundraising effort each year, and hopefully, will again.

"Everyone at the cancer center is excited that it's a color race this year," said Werner. "I am extremely proud to be part of something that does so much good for our patients."



Dr. Mohamed El Dinali, a PMC hematologist and oncologist, admitted her to the hospital in March after reviewing her history. Loma was not a candidate for chemotherapy at that time. Dr. Dinali's goal was to adjust her medications to get her to the point that she could be treated. As Loma became more awake, she also became very aware of the intense pain in her hip.

"Within an hour of telling my inpatient oncology nurse, Courtney, that my right hip was really hurting, she had a mobile x-ray brought up to scan me," Loma said. "They discovered that my hip was fractured."

The break was serious enough to need surgery. The conversation turned to whether or not to operate on someone in her weak condition, with stage four lymphoma.

"Ortho and I had a discussion about her care," Dr. Dinali explained. "Poor performance status typically excludes people from treatment. But lymphoma is highly curable and I believed if we could fix her hip first, we could then treat her cancer."

In March Dr. Kevin Pugh, orthopedic surgeon, came in on a Saturday to perform a complete hip replacement.

Dr. Dinali did a PET scan to gauge the progression of her illness. The new scan revealed previously undiscovered lesions under her right arm. He reviewed all of her

The Cancer Center has helped thousands of people enjoy more quality years with their families after cancer, keeping patients at home with family and friends. They help give the entire region the confidence of a proven cancer center with amazing physicians.

To make a donation or to register for the race, visit tristatetracer.com/ColorsOfCourage or for more information call 606-218-4509.