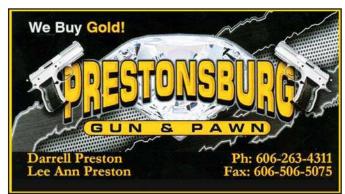


Blackcats end regular season with loss to Commodores

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#### Candidate forum to be held Thursday

Candidates for mayor, judge-executive to answer questions

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The candidates for Prestonsburg mayor and Floyd County judge-executive will talk about the issues and answer questions at a political forum that will be held this

Appalachian Newspapers and the Floyd County Chronicle and Times will host the event from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1, in the Gearheart Auditorium of Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Prestonsburg.

the public.

Appalachian Newspapers Publisher Jeff Vanderbeck will moderate the forum, which will feature Prestonsburg

It is free and open to mayoral candidates Les Stapleton and M. Bryan Lafferty and judge-executive candidates James "Jimmy" Rose, John B.

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers, Gov. Matt Bevin, Ivanka Trump and Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Secretary Derrick Ramsey listen to comments during a roundtable discussion on workforce development at Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

# Trump visits P'burg

By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

The president's daughter visited Floyd County during a workforce development tour of Eastern Kentucky on Friday.

Ivanka Trump, an advisor to President Donald Trump, stopped by Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Prestonsburg for a roundtable discussion on workforce development.

"There's nothing that is equivalent

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#### Banner resident faces elderly abuse charge

By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County man was arrested recently for allegedly abusing his mother.

According to the citation and arrest warrant filed in Floyd District

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#### 'Celebrities' to dance for homeless shelter

By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

Local judges, elected officials and prominent community members will dance this week to raise funds for the Floyd County Homeless Shelter.

Modeled after the television show, "Dancing with the Stars," the shelter's "Dancing for Shelter" will begin at 7 p.m.

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#### Wayland approves buyout application

By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

Commission decided to move forward with a proposal that would allow the federal government to buy out some floodprone properties in the cit y.

During special meeting on Oct. 25, the commission approved submitting an applica-

tion for the federal Flood Mitigation Assistance Program, through which The Wayland City the government could buy, elevate or relocated homes have been declared as "severe repetitive loss" by the Federal **Emergency Management** Agency.

> The city held a public meeting earlier this month in an attempt to

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Regina McClure of the Big Sandy Area **Development District** answers questions for Wayland residents during a meeting about a proposed buyout on Oct. 9. McClure is submitting an application for Wayland residents who faced severe repetitive losses because of flooding.

> Floyd Chronicle and Times file photo



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# Bluestone Resources hiring nearly 300 additional miners

An Appalachian Newspapers Staff Report

Bluestone Resources officials announced in a statement this week that the company plans to hire 290 additional miners.

Company officials said the staff additions will provide "high-paying" jobs at the company's coal operations in Kentucky, West Virginia and Virginia, states where the decline of the coal industry has been acutely felt over the last several years.

Officials said the new jobs are being planned for the Keystone Surface Mine and the reopening Bishop Surface Mine in West Virginia, as well as for operations in Pike County and Wise, Virginia.

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Court, Gary L. Crum,

60, of Banner, was ar-

rested on Oct. 20 and

charged with three felo-

ny charges — knowingly

burglary and theft by

unlawful taking, as well

as two misdemeanor

rized use of a motor ve-

hicle and third-degree

criminal possession of a

iff Sgt. Oliver Little said

he started investigating

the case after an el-

derly woman contacted

adult protective services

because she feared for

her safety. She "had to

check herself in a nurs-

ing home to feel safe,"

wouldn't find what I

found, and, unfortunate-

ly, it was all legitimate

and true," Little said.

"I was hoping I

the arrest warrant said.

Floyd County Sher-

forged instrument.

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abusing/neglecting

adult,

charges

**ABUSE** 

Jay Justice, who is the son of West Virginia Governor Jim Justice and who operates the mines for Justice Companies, said Bluestone is currently hiring. "We're looking for quality workers to operate all types of machinery, and we're offering great wages and benefits," he said. "We are excited about the opportunities we have available and are looking to hire right away."

Justice said a variety of jobs are being offered, "with the highest paying wages in the coal sector," as well as "a newly redesigned bonus program that will benefit families."

He said a new red hat training program for a small number of inexperienced workers is additionally being implemented.

mented.

owed elderly woman lived near Crum, her son, who allegedly broke into her house with a passkey and stole items, including a checkbook, and

sale, according to the warrant.

Little said alleged financial abuse was the primary reason Crum was charged with elder abuse/neglect, and he noted that he refused to

help his mother, who had

mobility issues.

used her vehicle without

permission. Some items

Crum allegedly stole

were included in a yard

"She was having mobility problems and due to the fact that he just refused to help her any and told her the only way he would help her was if she signed Power of Attorney rights over to him. And then the fact that he had financially abused her, that falls under the adult abuse, elder abuse case. Just the financial abuse in

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Justice touted Bluestone as having been a "family operation" since its inception in 1971. He said the new bonus program is aimed to provide incentives to help spouses and children, as well as the Bluestone employee.

"Because of its extremely high-quality coal, Bluestone provides longterm job security, even if the market turns down," he said.

For more information on the job openings or the bonus programs, go to the Bluestone Resources, Inc. Facebook page. Resumes, along with a desired position, should be emailed to, hiring@bluestoneenergygroup.com.

Interested job candidates can also call, (304) 956-0765.

reason for that charge," Little said.

He alleges that Crum threatened to kill his mother if she did not give him Power of Attorney.

"My understanding is her son, Mr. Crum, had actually threatened to kill her if she didn't sign Power of Attorney rights over, and that's when she decided to check herself into the nursing home," Little said.

On Oct. 22, District Judge Eric D. Hall set Crum's bond at \$5,000 cash. He scheduled a preliminary hearing in the case for Oct. 29. He ordered Crum to have no contact with his mother.

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#### Floyd chamber welcomes Transamerica



Appalachian Newspapers photo by Chase Ellis

Floyd County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Weston Reid welcomed Transamerica Agency Network Licensed Insurance Agent Kristina Huff to the chamber with a ribbon-cutting ceremony held at Huff's Pikeville office last week. Huff and Transamerica are located on the third floor of the BB&T Building in downtown Pikeville.



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# Kentucky Power deploys air saws for right-of-way work in Johnson County

By AARON K. NELSON APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

THELMA — Kentucky Power has almost completed its 2018 season of work clearing rightof-ways for transmission lines with its contracted partners at Aerial Solutions of Tabor City, North Carolina.

The nationally contracted Aerial Solutions operates a fleet of nine "air saws," what general manager Ted McAllister calls "essentially a giant hedge trimmer."

McAllister said that since 1985, Aerial Solutions has been pioneering the design of the system and holds several patents.

A small helicopter carries a pole, over 100 feet long, with an additional 20 foot long apparatus on the end housing an engine and 10 large belt-driven saw blades.

Kentucky Power corporate communications manager Allison Barker said the company maintains more than 1,200 miles of transmission lines in the state, and trims right-of-way for approximately 240 miles every year on a rotating basis.

McAllister said the use of the aerial saw vastly out-paces traditional manpower.

"What we do in an hour with an air saw is usually about three or four days of work for a labor crew," McAllister said. "The air saw is an exceptional tool for time and money savings."

Barker said the aerial saw's cost savings, particularly for work in remote and terrain and steep elevations, is one of the savings Kentucky Power is able to pass along to the utility's customers.



Appalachian Newspapers photos by Aaron K. Nelson One of North Carolina-based Aerial Solutions' air saws, piloted by Barbie Rise, takes to the skies over Thelma this week to clear right-of-ways for transmission lines in Johnson County. The saw was also recently used in Floyd County.



#### **Pre-registration for** heating assistance ends Friday

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Elderly and disabled residents in Floyd County who need help with their heating bills this winter have until Friday to pre-register for the program.

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program opened pre-registration for the Subsidy portion of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program on Oct. 22 and pre-registration ends on Nov. 2.

If they miss the pre-registration deadline, elderly and disabled residents can still receive heating assistance through the program. They can sign up when all other applicants begin applying on Monday, Nov. 5, through Friday, Dec. 14. During this time, applications will be taken alphabetically, according to the applicant's last name, and long lines are expected.

To be eligible, applicants must bring proof they are receiving disability benefits and/or are at least 60 years of age and on a fixed income. They must also present the following:

- Most recent heating bill or proof that heating expenses are included in rent (for example: lease agreement or rent contract);
- Proof of physical address – bring metered utility bill;
- Proof of household income for prior month;
- Birth dates for all household members:
- Social security card or official documentation with social security numbers for each member of household.

Applications will be taken from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on week days in Floyd County at 60 Court Street in Allen. For more information, call, (606) 874-3595.

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DeRossett and Robbie Williams.

All candidates will be permitted to introduce themselves and will then

answer questions posed by Vanderbeck as well as audience members. "We started host-

ing open forums several years ago in Pike County, and have continued that in other markets where we own newspapers," Vanderbeck said in an email. "We have found that since we are the only source for all local information for Floyd County and that we concentrated on Floyd County, it's important to offer this to our loyal readers. These forums have proven to

be very successful and it gives the voters an opportunity to listen to the candidates and make an informed decision."

He hopes candidates answer questions "openly and honestly so that the voters can understand their agenda."

"Our responsibility is to inform the public and keep government transparent and accountable to the public," Vanderbeck wrote. "We deal in many markets and have a responsibility to the readers and the public to do our job to the best of our ability. We do that well and will continue to do that. We want the politicians to understand that we will hold them accountable to the public for their promises and their agendas."

# Martin Clinic Open House

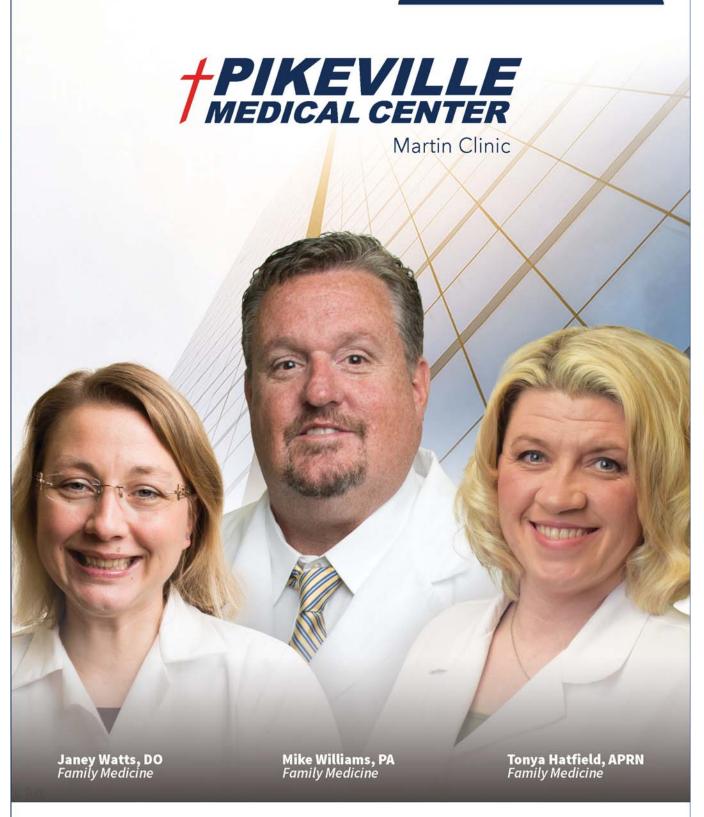
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#### TRUMP

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to seeing ... the innovations that are happening in education, and we've seen that this morning," Trump said, pointing out that her father has made workforce development an "enormous priority" of his administration.

The event followed a tour of the East Kentucky Advanced Manufacturing Institute in Paintsville and it came prior to Trump's visit of Morehead State University's aerospace program.

Trump was accompanied by Gov. Matt Bevin, Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers and Kentucky Education & Workforce Development Cabinet Secretary Derrick Ramsey. Other roundtable discussion guests included BSCTC President/ CEO Dr. Sherry Zylka, Hazard Community & Technical College President/CEO Dr. Jennifer Lindon, several students of the Magoffin County Adult Learning Center and BSCTC, as well as employees of Interapt, Sonya Burkman of Appalachian Regional Healthcare and James Glass, the co-founder of American Metal Works, which is based on the college's Mayo campus.

The discussion lasted about 40 minutes, with the majority of that time spent on introductions that highlighted programs and businesses that are working to increase education and workforce development opportunities for local residents. The students, Trista Arnett, Calvin Wireman, Elizabeth Chaffins and Darrell Fay talked about how the Magoffin County Adult Learning Center and/ or BSCTC changed their lives by helping them gain certifications for jobs.

Alex Hughes and Shae Maynart talked about how the Interapt training program helped them find technology careers. Trump called that program "truly amazing."

"It's tremendous, and when you think about the jobs of the future, these are such foundational skills, so, it's really terrific, and you also think about staying here in Kentucky just like, great coal is exportable, and so is code," she said.

Reacting to Glass' comments about partnering with BSCTC to train students for jobs that his company needs, Trump said that type of partnership is seen at the "best programs across the country."

She said the country

needs to "shift to a demand-driven model of education."

Trump said she learned during her visit that Eastern Kentucky residents don't want to leave the area—a topic that was later addressed by Bevin, who asked attendees who travel more than 45 minutes to work to raise their hands.

"For the people that want to stay here, why not? Why should we not have companies come here, as opposed to have you get the skills here and go somewhere else?" Bevin asked, as the audience applauded.

Trump noted Bevin was among the first
governors in the country
to sign the president's
pledge for American
workers, through which
businesses pledge to retrain workers.

Rogers noted that President Trump recently signed a law that provides funding for various training programs.

"Ivanka, tell your dad that we really appreciate that," he said.

He closed the discussion, telling Trump, "What you're hearing here and what's happening in Eastern Kentucky is we're creating what I lovingly call Silicon Holler."

#### No injuries reported in Auxier fire



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Members of the Auxier Volunteer Fire Department work to extinguish a blaze at this home on River Street in Auxier on Monday. Officials say a couple was home at the time the fire started in a bedroom of the mobile home, but no injuries were reported. The Kentucky State Police also assisted at the scene.





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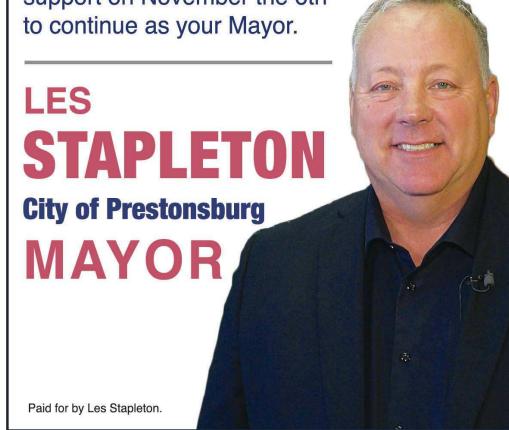
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#### Some fought, some died for the right to vote, take it seriously

States, voting rights are seemingly a given.

After all, anyone who is a U.S. citizen and meets very few requirements can register and cast a ballot.

ways been so.

have been changed to althe population to vote in elections. Initially, it was could vote, based on requirements such as that they own property before being allowed to cast a ballot.

It took a great deal

number of citizens of the United States continued to be excluded. For example, it wasn't until 1920 that women were guaranteed the right to vote. It wasn't until 1965 However, it hasn't al- that racial minorities, such as African Amer-At various times in icans, were allowed to our nation's history, laws cast a ballot. In the nation's early history, there low a greater segment of were even religious tests in some states.

And it doesn't take often only a minority who much digging into history to see that the right to vote was rarely won quietly or, in some cases, peacefully. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 was preceded and, in some of time for those laws to cases, succeeded by acts

In today's United be changed, but a large of voter suppression, manipulation and violence that this nation still wears as a mark of shame.

> In a representative republic such as the one in which we live, a vote is a voice in government. Without the ability to vote, we cannot have a say in regards to our government.

> When a group of people is denied that right, then that group can be subjected to inequity and is at the mercy of those with the voice.

> So, with that being said, we're still floored by our community.

According to the

tions, in this year's primary election, only 37.5 percent of Floyd County voters came out to vote. So only 37.5 percent of voters were able to take time out of their day to make their voice heard on their government.

than 60 percent of eligible voters in this community allowed others to speak for them, to make decisions that will impact their daily lives and beyond.

We understand the numerous reasons why people don't vote. Often, the turnout statistics in it stems from frustration a sense that a single vote doesn't matter, the

is worth it or that the system's so broken it really doesn't make a differ-

Sometimes it stems from a lack of education. After all, how can we cast a vote for candidates whose names we're hear-That means more ing for the first time in the voting booth?

Whatever the reason, we're asking you to to please consider taking time to vote this Tuesday. Polls in Kentucky will be open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Have questions about where you're supposed to vote?

Visit the Kentucky Secretary of State's Voter Information Center Kentucky Board of Elec- feeling that no candidate search at, https://vrsws.

sos.ky.gov/vic/.

What's at stake? Nearly everything. The government offices up for grabs in this election stem from federal to local and will make a difference in not only your life, but the future of everyone in this community and beyond. It matters and your voice needs to be heard.

Educate yourself. Take the time to cast a ballot on Tuesday, Nov. 6. Participate in your community. Make your voice heard. Even if you don't agree with the results, at least you will have spo-

Stop letting others speak for you.

### ETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Opposes conservative stance

For the last three get the one thing he told months, I have read your opinion and quest columns about the current state of our government. You seem to be biased in Party.

me before every election: "Republicans are for rich a nerve when he wrote people and Democrats are for us."

Two good examples favor of the Republican of this are the recent tax bill that favors the top I am a 76-year-old one percent of the rich has a female in his family Democrat and proud of in America, and the 70 in that situation. Men like wants to divide the counit. My dad was a union times Republicans have us will never know the coal miner. I'll never for- voted to do away with problems women face

Obamacare.

J.K. Coleman really hit about Christine Blasey Ford and John McCain. The things he said about Ford are an insult to all women. I hope J.K. never

when recalling those experiences.

Why J.K. wanted John McCain to get along with the president proves he doesn't understand the difference in the two. McCain was an American hero, while the president ty and make us weak.

I hope things change

for the better but I don't think that will happen with the current president. He and his pal, Vladimir Putin, are a threat to America and our democracy. The Manchurian candidate is alive and well and living in the White House.

> Eddie Patton, McDowell

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#### **Pauline Conn Akers**

Pauline Conn Akers, 90, of Dana, died Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018.

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

#### **Emogene Burke**

Emogene "Jean" Burke (Herald) died Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Carter Funeral Home of Prestonsburg.

#### Charlotte E. Dorton

Charlotte E. Dorton, 89, widow of Henry "Ray" Dorton, died Oct. 26, 2018, at her residence in Versailles. Born Oct. 11, 1929 in Hi Hat, she was the daughter of the late Dewey and Ann Jones Hall.

She earned her B.S. in Education from Morehead State University and her Master's Degree in Library Science from the University of Kentucky, and had been employed as a primary school librarian in Scott and Hardin counties.

She was a member of the Holiday Ramblers and the Good Sam RV Clubs. She was a Kentucky Colonel.

Survivors include three children, Karen Weaver of Lexington, Alan (Jean) Dorton of Versailles and Lisa Baber of Lexington; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one brother, Carroll Hall of Versailles; one sister June Hackworth of Ohio and her two cats, Precious and Freddie.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Martha

Visitation was held

on Oct. 29 at Kerr Brothers Funeral Home, Harrodsburg Rd. A private graveside service will be held.

The family has requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Woodford County Humane Society or Military Missions, Inc.

This is a paid obituary.

#### **Becky Hicks** Howard

Becky Hicks Howard, of Hueysville, died Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

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

#### Robert "Bob" Lee King

Robert "Bob" Lee King, 78, of McDowell, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Arrangements under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

#### Lydia Lou McGlone

Lydia Lou McGlone, 81, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

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

#### **Ricky Newsome**

Ricky Newsome, 58, of Betsy Layne, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

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

#### **Eula Stumbo**

Eula Storie Stumbo, 97, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018.

under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

#### **Study says Johnson County** overdose deaths on the decline

BY AARON K. NELSON APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PAINTSVILLE — In the past four years, Johnson County and other Eastern Kentucky counties saw a sharp decline in the rate of drug overdose deaths, even as statewide rates for Kentucky continue to climb, according to a tool created by a social research

The tool, created by NORC at the University of Chicago and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, uses numbers from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to paint a picture of drug overdose deaths compared to other socioeconomic factors.

The numbers, which have been adjusted relative to a population of 100,000 people between the ages of 15 and 64, show Johnson County saw 90.2 drug overdose deaths between 2007 and 2011, with 71.3 of those being related to the abuse of opioid drugs. For the most recent four years for which data is

the overall death rate has fallen by approximately half, to 45.6 per 100,000 people, with 41.6 due to opioids.

Similar declines were seen in Martin, Floyd and Magoffin counties. Of neighboring counties, only Lawrence county saw an increase, from 41.8 to 43.7, while data is not available for 2012-2016 for Morgan county. Statewide, overall drug overdose deaths are on the rise due primarily to increased mortality rates in urban areas, making Eastern Kentucky's decline all the more stark.

Johnson County Sheriff Dwayne Price said the decline in mortality could not be attributed to any one factor, but is instead due to multiple changes at once, including decreased prescription rates, enhanced treatment programs, drug court and more, with the department's drug investigations and arrests being one major factor.

"I think it does clearly play a role. We've arrested and indicted a lot of people, and we've even had feedback on audio and video during drug available, 2012 to 2016, buys with dealers saying

things like, 'We're going to have to go to another county and sell this, they just won't leave us alone," Price said.

Deputy Bill Meade said the investigations the department undertakes are detailed and thorough to ensure charges will stick in the court system, and each involve numerous man hours with multiple officers involved in planning, buying, logging evidence and testifying in prosecution of these cases.

department's The other major role to play, Price said, is in education and outreach with children in schools, an opportunity they do not pass up.

The criminal prosecution side of things, Meade said, is just the starting point for many addicts.

"We try to help people get hooked up with rehab, and go that way with it," Meade said. "Good people get hooked on drugs, and drugs will make you do things you never thought you'd do. We believe strongly that if we can help somebody to get off the drugs, get back to their families that love them, get back to

work and be productive, all those things are important."

Paintsville Police Chief Mike Roe said his department has, in the past several years, managed to help close down two major pain clinics in the city that may have been over-prescribing opioids, a change which Roe said has "helped immensely."

"And of course, we're still on the hunt for new pain clinics that are trying to open up," Roe said.

Roe said that, while

pain medication in particular is being targeted and quashed, meth has begun to see resurgence. "We are having a hor-

rible meth problem in the city and the county," Roe said. "I want to stress to people using meth that we are starting to see fentanyl in it."

Fentanyl, Roe said, can be lethal in even very small doses. A report from the Lexington Herald-Leader, citing numbers from the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy, said that fentanyl's involvement in fatal overdoses is on the rise, especially as it is being mixed into other drugs.

#### Road work planned on Ky. 3385

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD **CHRONICLE AND TIMES** 

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Highway District 12 office in Pikeville reported Tuesday that work to repair an embankment failure would begin that day or Wednesday on Ky. 3385 in Floyd County.

The site is between Arrangements were mile point .547 and .822, the agency reported, and the district's drilling contractor, Kingcrete, will have to close the road at

the work site in order to about 4:30 in the afterfix the break. The drilling rig takes up the entire roadway.

"We will accommodate after school traffic around 3:00 p.m.," said Matt Moore, section engineer for Highway District 12. "Emergency vehicles will be accommodated when they are on an emergency run. However, people need to understand that for the most part the road will be closed to all traffic after 8:30 in the morning until

noon."

Moore said this break was inspected shortly after the most recent heavy rains a few weeks ago, when it seemed to be somewhat worse. He compiled an estimate to fix the break at this site and three other roads in Floyd County. These estimates were submitted to the Transportation Cabinet's Department for Rural and Municipal Aid in very long to finish up." Frankfort for emergency funding.

Work to fix the break should take two or three depending days, weather.

"We anticipate that the break will be fixed before the end of the week," Moore said. "We obviously can't control the weather, but once the contractor gets started, if we can keep the road closed long enough to drill the required railroad steel, it shouldn't take







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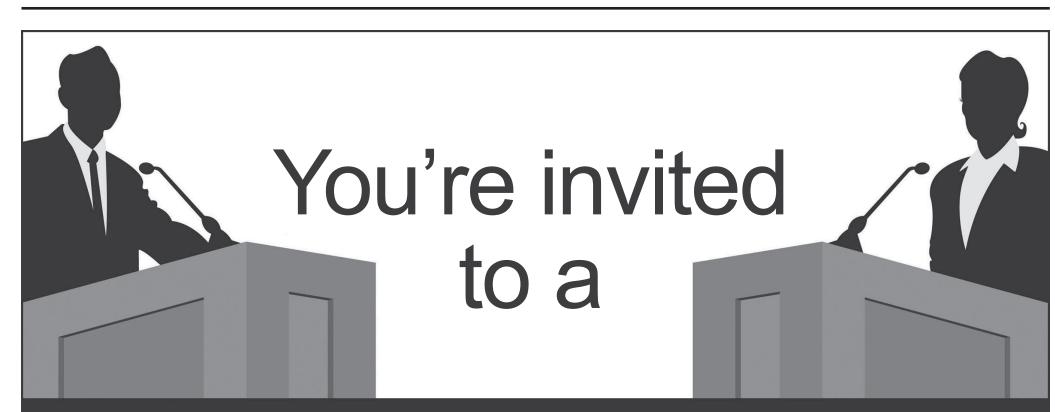


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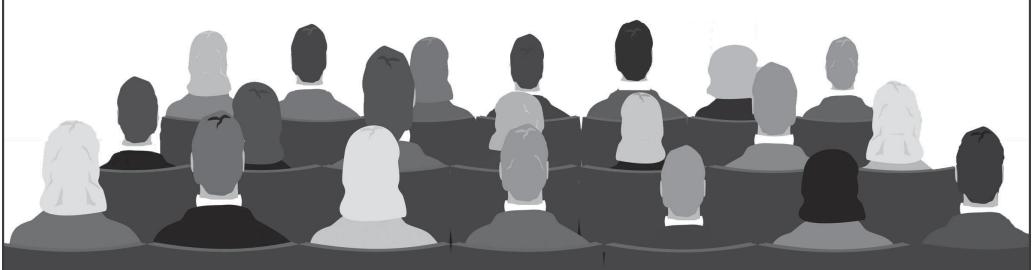
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# KVEC issues 'call to action'

#### BY JOSH LITTLE **APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS**

During a press conference held by the superintendents across Eastern Kentucky and the Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative (KVEC) during its FIRE (Forging Innovation in Rural Education) Summit held recently at the East Kentucky Expo Center, officials discussed a position paper designed to address the urgent needs facing students and communities which will be brought before legislators in 2019.

According to a statement released by KVEC, at the beginning of the 2019 legislative session, KVEC will propose research-based solutions and policy recommendations to better serve disadvantaged rural students statewide.

Scott Helton, superintendent of Magoffin County Schools, said the group, made up of KVEC members and superin-

tendents across Eastern Kentucky, has been working for months to develop the position paper.

"Hopefully, the things that will come out of this paper will be positive and lead to some changes that we feel need to occur within some of the funding concerns, but not just funding, but some of the aspects within schools to kind of bring us up on par with some of the things that we feel, as district leaders, that our students and our communities deserve," said Helton.

KVEC, according to the statement, serves 22 Eastern Kentucky school districts, including both Paintsville Independent and Johnson County, encompassing 134 schools and nearly 50,000 students in its "economically distressed" region.

Paintsville Independent Schools Superintendent David Gibson said Eastern Kentucky has some of the brightest kids in the nation. He said providing training

skills and the appropriate education is critical to the growth of the area.

"I think it's been stated many times that, since 2000, we've had a decrease in over 17,000 students in Eastern Kentucky," said Gibson. "That's billions of dollars of growth for our communities. But it's also a blight when we lose our best and brightest. We're training a workforce, not for our area, but for other parts of the state."

Gibson said, as superintendents, the goal is to encourage students to stay in the region.

"In a lot of ways we feel like we are the last stop to stop this migration of our talent out of this area," he said.

KVEC Executive Director Jeff Hawkins said the board is still developing the paper. He said it will be approved and presented at a press conference in Frankfort on Feb. 12, during the legislative



Appalachian Newspapers photo by Josh Little

KVEC Executive Director Jeff Hawkins (back, left) is pictured with superintendents from the Jackson Independent, Owsley County, Magoffin County, Paintsville Independent, Lee County and Jenkins Independent school districts. The board announced a call to action in the form of a position paper to help distressed students and communities in Eastern Kentucky.

parts, Hawkins said. First and how does that com- the Jackson Indepenwill be an examination of the data related to the region, compared to other parts of the state. The second deals with education policy and the three resources officials want to look at, including where do resources for learners come from,

pare to other districts in the state; attracting and retaining teachers and leaders; and assessment accountability. Third, a call to action; what leaders in the area can do to go from surviving to thriving.

Hawkins was joined The paper is in three how are they distributed by superintendents from

dent, Owsley County, Magoffin County, Paintsville Independent, Lee County and Jenkins Independent school districts.

Hawkins said ideas are always welcome. He encouraged anyone with any suggestions or feedback to contact KVEC at, (606) 436-3161.

#### Grand jury consider perjury

#### A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Floyd County grand jury will determine whether there's enough evidence to indict a Johnson County woman accused of theft and perjury.

According to court documents, Prestonsburg

Police Officer Bradley Calhoun arrested Rebecca Ratliff, 36, of Hagerhill this month, charging her with theft of identity and first-degree perjury, both felony charges, as well as misdemeanor counts of theft by unlawful taking and public intoxication of a controlled substance

Calhoun alleges in the

citation that he was dispatched to Advance Auto Parts in Prestonsburg to investigate a suspected theft complaint.

The store manager reported that Ratliff was walking around the store, putting items inside her purse, the citation alleges.

observed her inside of her vehicle," Calhoun wrote. "She looked up and saw me and ran inside of the store. I walked inside of the store and she was in the back behind the shelfs (sic) and I heard her throwing the items onto the floor."

He claimed Ratliff "Upon my arrival, I was "acting extremely

nervous" and "sweating

profusely."

He also reported in a post-arrest complaint that Ratliff lied about her identify to District Judge Jimmy Marcum.

That citation alleges that Marcum placed Ratliff under oath and she stated that her name was Christina Mills, the at \$5,000 cash.

same name Ratliff gave Calhoun during her initial arrest.

Ratliff denied the allegations, entering a not guilty plea during her arraignment on Oct. 18. District Judge Eric Hall referred the case to a grand jury on Oct. 22.

He set Ratliff's bond



PRESTONSBURG MAYOR LES STAPLETON STATED IN A RECENT PUBLIC FORUM, THAT IT IS NOT HIS JOB TO GET BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE GOOD PAYING JOBS TO LOCATE HERE, AND THERE'S NOTHING HE COULD DO ABOUT THE ECONOMY.

#### ECONOMIC FACTS OF PRESTONSBURG'S DECLINE DURING LES STAPLETON'S TIME IN OFFICE

1. Prestonsburg has an increased rate of reail/tourist business closings resulting in a net loss of retail/tourist minimum wage employment. (Add The Honda Shop's closing within the last few weeks to the closing of Long John Silvers, Papa Johns, Subway next to Wal Mart, Reno's Steakhouse, Car Dealerships, Shoe Store nect to Super Dollar, Italian Restaurant next to Catos, Minix Optical, the closing of two branch banks by The Citizens Bank and Guaranty/1st Commonwealth in the main district of Prestonsburg, The Floyd County Times, and many others.).

- 2. Prestonsburg's population had declined by 45% from its highest population.
- 3. Under the present mayor's time in office, the population decrease of Prestonsburg has accellerated by 5%
- 4. 42% of the people of Prestonsburg live in poverty with 51.9% of all children living in poverty, and with 1 in 5 adults over 65 living in poverty.
- 5. Annual household income in Prestonsburg is only \$18,711.00 as compared to \$44,811.00 for the state of Kentucky.
- 6.80% of the population over 25 years of age, the work forces, in Prestonsburg does not have a high school or above education.
- 7. Prestonsburg is a -4.3% loss job rate while the national economy is creating 200,000 jobs a month, and Kentucky is creating 5,000.
- 8. The unemployment rate in Prestonsburg is 11.4% as compared to the national rate of 3.9%, and the Kentucy unemployment rate is 4.5%.
- $9.\,\mathrm{After}$  being on the market for over a year, homes are selling as much as 35% less than their appraised and taxable value, with 11.1% of the homes in Prestonsburg now being vacant.
- 10. The "Chronicle and Times" now reports that the present mayor is trying to squeeze more taces out of the remianing businesses/employers and our hard working families by employing out of state collection agency. With the rapid loss of jobs and population in Prestonsburg, the present mayor, if re-elected, will be seeking a regressive, unjust, harsh, and detrimental tax increase upon our hard working families and businesses/employers in Prestonsburg.
- SOURCES: United States Census Bureau's American Community Survey of Prestonsburg, the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, and The "Floyd County Chronicle and Times.'

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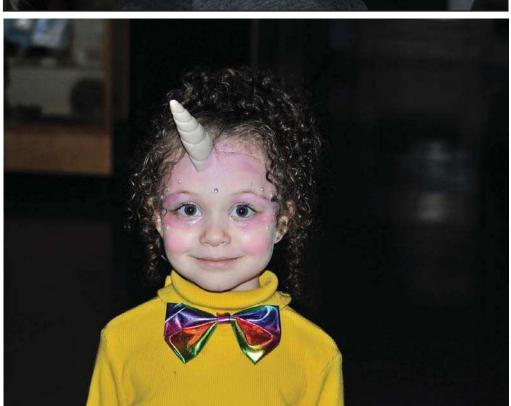
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# "Trunk or Treat Spooktacular"

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Officials reported that more than 1,000 people turned out to the East Kentucky
Science Center, located on the campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical
College, for the "Trunk or Treat Spooktacular" on Monday. The event featured
"spooky science" activities, "Fright Light" laser shows and treats for children.



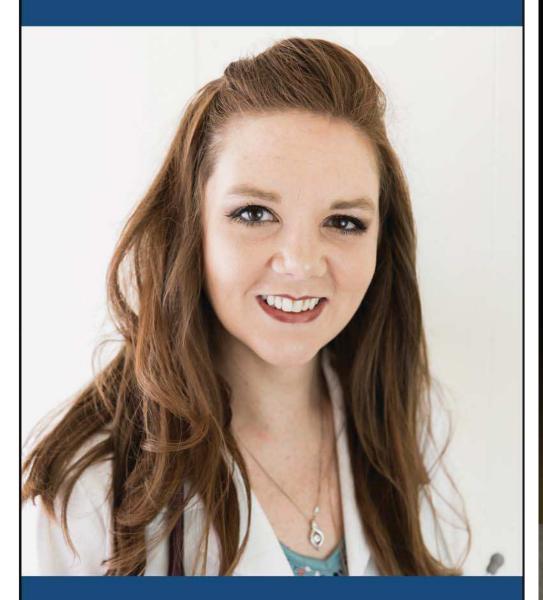








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#### If you ever buy a bronze rat, make sure you get the story behind it

By Roger Alford

A man walked into a small-town antique shop and couldn't help but notice a lifelike bronze statue of a rat. He asked the shop owner the price.



"The rat is \$20," the shop owner said. "But the story that goes with it is \$100."

The man handed over \$20. telling the shop owner he could keep the story.

As he walked down the street with the bronze rat, the man noticed that real rats were coming out of the alleys and sewers and following him. Before long, he had hundreds of squealing rats trailing along behind.

The scene was unnerving to say the least. The man began to run toward a bridge over the river. The rats kept pace.

Frightened, he threw the bronze rat as far as he could into the river. Amazingly, all the rats jumped in, too.

The man then walked back to the antique shop.

"I see you came back for the story," the shop owner said.

"No," replied the man. "I came back to see if you have a bronze statue of a lawyer."

Well, lawyers certainly are the focus of lots of jokes. And they handle it well. Most of the lawyer jokes I hear are told by lawyers. I suppose it's important that we don't take ourselves too seriously.

Jesus drove that point home during his earthly ministry when his disciples came to Him to ask who is greatest in the kingdom of Heaven. Jesus called a child over and said: "Verily, I say to you, except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of Heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven" (Matthew 18:3-4).

I doubt that's the answer the disciples expected. They probably would have thought a full-grown man, strong and tall and bold, to be the greatest. Instead, Jesus sees the greatest person as the humble believer who understands his dependency on his Heavenly Father for everything, just as a child is dependent on his earthly father for everything.

Whether we're lawyers or doctors or construction workers or coal miners or a person of any other profession, we all must put our entire dependence on Jesus if we are to have the hope of Heaven.

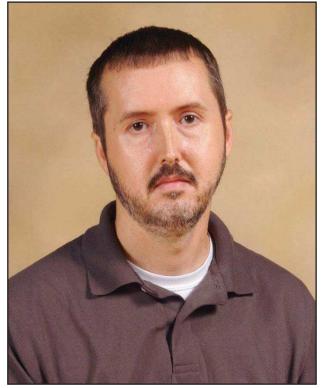
Otherwise, we're kind of like those rats, racing along aimlessly on our way to destruction.

Roger Alford offers words of encouragement to residents of America's heartland. Reach him at rogeralford1@gmail.com.



Submitted photo

The University of Pikeville Distinguished Educators Hall of Fame Class of 2018 includes (from left) Deborah Lemaster, Stephen A. Trimble, Emily Faye Warne, Tammie Hobbs Hensley, Jeff Shannon, Modena Sallee, Cassandra Akers and Billy Ray Buchanan accepted Teddie Renee' Buchanan's award.



Dr. Jeff Shannon



**Cassandra Akers** 

### Floyd County educators honored

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Educators with ties to Floyd County are among those inducted into the University of Pikeville Distinguished Educators Hall of Fame recently.

The Distinguished Educators Hall of Fame was established in 2010 to "honor those whose contributions to learning have inspired generations of students and made a significant impact in the field of education," a press release from UPike said.

This year's inductees include Floyd County Schools consultant and former principal Cassandra Akers of Stanville, Prestonsburg High School teacher Jeff Shannon and Stephen A. Trimble of Paintsville, who previously served as interim superintendent in Floyd County.

Akers, who has a 25-year-carreer in education, received her bachelor's degree from Alice Lloyd College, her master's degree and Rank I in special education from Morehead State University and her Principalship from Morehead State University. Teaching physical education and special education for 19 years, she was able to give back to her alma mater of Betsy Layne High School in Floyd County as teacher, coach, assistant principal and then as principal. She retired from that role as BLHS principal, but she returned to the school district this year as a consultant, assisting with special education, administration and planning development.

Akers is part of the Kentucky Basketball Association's Court of Honor and is a Betsy Layne High School Hall of Fame inductee. She also served as Regional Representative to Kentucky Association-School Administration (KASA) for the mountain regions. A memorable moment for Akers was in November 2015 when her school was selected for a visit with Bill and Melinda Gates as well as members of the Gates Foundation.

"I appreciate the honor of being recognized, but it's no only my award," Akers said in a press release issued by Floyd County Schools. "It belongs to my family for their support, my students who always pushed me to be my best for them and the wonderful teachers and support staff teams that have surrounded me over the years. I've been truly blessed."

She has been married to her husband Ronnie Akers for 27 years and has four children, Donnie, Kim, Justin and Alex.

Shannon, who has 18 years in education, received his bachelor's degree in industrial and engineering technology, a master's degree in career and technical education and Doctorate of Education from Morehead State University. He holds numerous certifications and is a member of the Kentucky

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#### Allen Elementary School honored

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD **CHRONICLE AND TIMES** 

Allen Elementary earned a state honor for high atten-

Floyd County Schools Superintendent Danny Adkins reported in a statement that AES is the State High Attendance Day winner in the Small Middle School category of the competition.

The competition, held in September, was open to elementary, middle and high schools in Kentucky. The school in each category with the highest percentage of attendance for that day earned \$500, Adkins reported.

"For elementary and middle schools, many can have 100 percent attendance on the day of the competition and with ties broken by day," the press release said.

AES had 100 percent attendance on the day of the competition.

"Congratulations Allen Elementary students and staff," Adkins' statement said. "We're thrilled to see one of our schools win. Our Floyd County team is working hard to provide opportunities for all students and the

attendance on the previous best way for students to take advantage of these opportunities is to attend school regularly." He continued, "We are asking for all students to be in school every day and be on time and we appreciate our families and community members for their support with this expectation. Together, we can help our students become globally productive citizens."

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#### Contest Winner



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Emma Burchett Congratulations to Lillian Gracie Shepherd, the winner of the Floyd Chronicle and Times Halloween Coloring Contest! Lillian won a Halloween pail full of goodies and a \$50 Walmart of Prestonsburg gift card.

#### Community **Events**

- Nov. 1, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Political forum, hosted by Appalachian Newspapers and Floyd County Chronicle and Times, Gearheart Auditorium at Big Sandy Community & Technical College, featuring candidates for Floyd County Judge-Executive and Prestonsburg Mayor races. Free admission.
- •Nov. 2, 7 p.m.: Dancing for Shelter, Mountain Arts Center, raises funds for Floyd County Homeless Shelter
- •Nov. 3, 7 p.m.: Unending Grace Outreach Ministries, Prestonsburg, to host Helping the Hopeless: Run for Their Lives 5K, Prestonsburg, a fundraiser for children in southern Honduras. tristateracer.com
- Nov. 3, 7:30 p.m.: Russell Moore & III Tyme Out performs at the Mountain Arts Center with The Wooks as opening act. macarts.com
- Nov. 4; 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.: The Art Gallery in Langley to host Fall Art Show with works by Tina Ousley, Angelia Doderer and Duna Combs. A reception for the artists will begin at 3 p.m.
- •Nov. 5, 6 p.m.: Allen City Commission meets, Allen City Hall. (606) 874-2953
  - •Nov. 6: Election Day
- •Nov. 6, 6 p.m.: Floyd County Beekeepers Association meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- •Nov. 7, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- •Nov. 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Fall College/Job Fair, Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, open to the public.
- •Nov. 8, 7 p.m.: Adam Chaffins performs Gearheart Auditorium, Big Sandy Community & Technical College. macarts.com
- •Nov. 8, 12 p.m.: Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets, Prestonsburg First Presbyterian Church
- •Nov. 8, 5:30 p.m.: Free Bornlearning Academy for children age birth to five and their parents, May Valley Elementary. Free meal. (606) 285-0883
- •Nov. 8, 5:30 p.m.: Pen and Tell Writers' Group, Prestonsburg Library. (606) 886-2981
- •Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m.: Prestonsburg Health Care Center to host Hall of Fame
- •Nov. 10, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Appalachian Handmade Craft Fair, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Convention Center. (606) 889-1790



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Colonels, CompTia Educator Network, the National Association of Industrial Technology and an online learning consortium.

Shannon has written and received three grants and has been awarded the Alumni Tower Supervision Award from Morehead State University. He was also named a Tech Teacher of the Year finalist with Kentucky Tech as well as named the 2016, 2017 and 2018 Congressional Skills Education Program Winner.

Shannon currently serves with the Kentucky Department of Building and Housing and as an adjunct professor for the University of Louisiana's Department for Graduate Education and the Kentucky Department of Education with Prestonsburg High School. He continues to make an impact across the Commonwealth through his work with the Kentucky State Board of Technical Education, the Eastern Kentucky Federal Credit Union Board of Directors and the Trinity Christian Academy Board of Direc-

He said in the press release, "It's truly an honor to be inducted into the University of Pikeville's Distinguished Educator Hall of Fame. I see this accomplishment as only being possible due to blessings from God, the support of my wife and kids and the wealth of career advice over the years from my principal Lenville Martin."

Trimble, a consultant for School Administers/ Superintendents for the Kentucky Educational Development Corporation, worked as interim superintendent in Floyd County until the hiring of Danny Adkins.

A Johnson Central High School graduate, Trimble received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Pikeville

College (PC '81), a master's degree in health/ physical Education/Recreation from Morehead State University, his Rank I in School Administration at Morehead State University and his Superintendent's Certification from Union College.

During the course of his career, Trimble has received several accolades including 2007 Johnson Central High School Hall

of Fame inductee, 2009 Kentucky Association for Competition Academic Hall of Fame as Administrator Supporting Academic Success, 2010 Kentucky Educational Development Corporation (KEDC) Superintendent of the Year and the 2014 Paintsville/Johnson County Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement in Education award.

Trimble and his wife

Pam have two sons, Drew and David; two daughters-in-law, Kristina and Miranda; and two grandsons, Noah and Jake.

Other inductees included Teddie Renee' Buchanan (posthumously), Tammie Hobbs Hensley of Pikeville, Deborah Lemaster of Paintsville, Modena Sallee of Lexington and Emily Fay Warne of Paintsville.

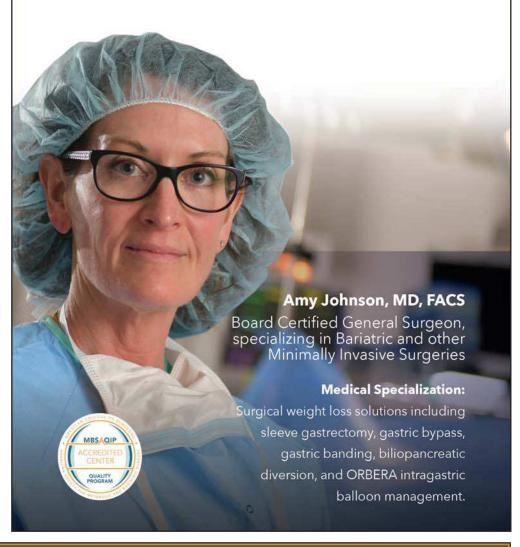
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#### SHELTER

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on Friday, Nov. 2, at the Mountain Arts Center.

Prestonsburg attorney Mickey McGuire, who has earned numerous awards for competitive dance over the years, organized this event to help the shelter open in Floyd County.

"This has been a journey and it's about to come to an end. I've so excited, but a little sad, too, because it's just been wonderful to see," he said.

He was surprised when elected officials and community leaders agreed to participate in this dance competition, saying some of them were not familiar with dance prior to agreeing to participate.

Ten officials — Prestonsburg Mayor Les Stapleton, Floyd County Circuit judges Tom Smith and Johnny Ray Harris, state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, state Rep. Larry Brown, Magoffin County District Judge Dennis Prater, Big Sandy Community & and Technical College President/CEO Dr. Sherry Zylka, attorney Gary C. Johnson, Appalachian Wireless Chief Financial Officer Michael Huffman and Willard Kinzer, owner of Kinzer Drilling, have spent weeks practicing with McGuire and professional dance instructors to prepare for Friday's competition.

"I only asked people that are really busy and really successful, and those type people are just, you know, they can't do something halfway, so they have practiced and practiced, and now they're starting to get nervous," McGuire said. "They're going to be performing for over 900 people. I have 90-yearold Willard Kinzer participating in a dance contest. I've got the mayor. I've got three judges. I've got the president of the community college, and I've got people that are just totally uncomfortable with dance. It just frightens them. They've never done anything like that, and I can't believe I've got them to do it, and the thing has changed so much."

McGuire said some of these officials were hesitant to sign up for the competition, but decided to do it because it's a fundraiser for the shelter.

"And now, after 10 weeks, we're getting down toward the end and they're telling me, 'This has been so great. Thank you for getting me involved in this. I'm so excited. I'm going to miss it so much when it's over," McGuire said. "It's been so rewarding to see these people change from being, like, 'I just don't know about this. I'm not comfortable with

emphasized that the city is seeking a competitive grant that is available na-

McClure available in Kentucky.

"There's no more

To provide the program for other homes in Wayland, McClure said the city would be responsible for 25 percent of the cost of demolition, asbestos surveys, asbestos removals, seeding, grading and other requirements of the program.

Based on property values, she estimated that the city would be required to pay 25 percent of \$1.3 million, or around \$325,000, and doesn't include the costs of all of the requirements of this program.

down to is the city doesn't have the money to, upfront, pay for some of the things that have to be done, to move those without severe repetitive loss status," Fultz said. "That's basically it, but it doesn't mean that we won't try again."

it. This is real awkward, or, you know, 'Can't I just play golf or donate money or do something like that?' And everybody has just jumped up."

At Dancing for Shelter, the competitors will be paired with instructors to compete, and their performance will be judged by Freddie "Munroe" Goble, former state representative Greg Stumbo and Jody Shepherd, owner of Dance Etc., as well as the audience.

"The audience will be able to vote by using their cell phone," McGuire said. "And so, the winner

will be chosen, half of the count is what the judges give them, but half will count what the audience vote is."

He said the first round of judging will conclude with the selection of three top couples, who will then compete in a "dance off" for the win.

"It's going to be exciting," he said.

Dancing for Shelter will also feature performances by Dance Etc., and professional dancers from throughout the

"This will probably be our biggest fundraiser of the year," homeless shel-

ter committee Chairman Gail Spradlin said. Officials hope to make Dancing for Shelter an annual event.

She reported that Dr. Mina Majmundar and Dr. Gopal R. Majmundar donated funds to rent the Mountain Arts Center on Friday, so that all proceeds can benefit the shelter. Officials hope to open the shelter on Rt. 122 in December. Volunteers have been working to complete remodeling of the building for several months.

Spradlin said the shelter will need ongoing funding and donations

for the utilities, janitorial services and food for residents.

Once open, the shelter will help homeless residents find the support they need to get back on their feet and into permanent housing.

For more information about the shelter, visit, ekyhouseofhope.com or the Floyd County Homeless Shelter on Facebook. For more information about Dancing for Shelter, visit, macarts.com.

Tax-deductible donations may be sent to the Floyd County Homeless Shelter, P.O. Box 1746, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

# Turkey Recipes

FROM A

### Child's Point of View

#### TURKEY

First, I would go to the barn and catch a turkey. Next, I would take his feathers off and put cheese on him. Then, I would put him in a big big thing where the cookies go in. Last, I put it in the stove. Then when he is done I would eat it. - Alexis Puckett, age 5



Get a turkey by going to WalMart and buy it. Before you cook it you need to: put sauce on it like mustard and get all the grits out of it. Cook the turkey at 100 degrees for 100 minutes in the fire (you cannot play with fire

you must be careful with it so you don't die). The turkey is done when I look at it. You can eat a fork with the turkey. For dessert I would go with another turkey. - Jayson Bartley, age 6

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Friday, November 2, 2018.



#### WAYLAND **Continued From Page 1A**

gauge interest in the program for all Wayland residents who live in the flood zone, but officials explained that a lack of matching funds will prevent the city from helping residents unless their properties have been declared by the Federal **Emergency Management** Agency as "severe repetitive loss" properties.

Regina McClure of the Big Sandy Area Development District obtained permission to submit the application on behalf of five Wayland residents two of whom may be city commission members. Commissioners Curtis B. Lee and Charles "Butch" Bentley abstained from voting on the measure, with Mayor Jerry Fultz reporting that they each submitted applications that could be considered as part of the program. Two other commissioners and Fultz voted in favor of submitting the application.

McClure reported that 10 Wayland homeowners who met the qualification of having National Flood Insurance want to participate, but only five of them had "severe repetitive loss" properties. She said nine people who were interested did not qualify because they owned lots, not homes, in the city, and nine others were interested but didn't qualify because they didn't have flood insurance, as required.

McClure explained that the buyout of the five "severe repetitive loss" properties will be 100 percent funded, if the grant is awarded,

and she and Fultz also tionally, so the city is not guaranteed to receive it.

explained that she attempted to get funding to pay matching funds required for properties that are not categorized as "severe repetitive loss" properties, and she was informed that those funds are no longer

matching funds that I can get from the state to match this project," McClure said, explaining that she also sought other types of funding, but was unsuccessful.

Fultz pledged to continue looking for ways to fund the project, with McClure saying she will let officials know if funding becomes available in the future.

"What it really comes

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The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats have a newly remodeled locker room for the 2018/2019 season.

photo courtesy of Prestonsburg Girls' Basketball

#### Lady Blackcats settle into remodeled locker room

By Steve LeMaster SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — When the Prestonsburg High School girls' basketball team opened preseason practice earlier in the month, players were surprised with a newly remodeled locker room.

"Seeing the girls' faces made all the hard work over the past three months worth

it." Prestonsburg coach Brandon Kidd said, following his team's first practice on Monday, Oct. 15.

Multiple individuals, including Chester Slone, helped with the Prestonsburg girls' basketball project.

"Having someone like Chester Slone that sacrificed his time to build these amazing lockers for our girls is amazing," said Kidd. "It takes peo-

ple like Chester that want to see this program improve and change to get the job done."

The Lady Blackcats are poised to carry some momentum over into the 2018-19 season. Kidd made an immediate impact in his first campaign as the Lady Blackcats' head coach. He guided Prestonsburg to a 12-18 record during the 2017/2018 season.

"When I came to Prestons-

burg, I said I wanted to build this program from the ground up and this was a huge step in this process," added Kidd. "The girls deserve this. If we want to be a championship program then we need to look like a championship program and that's what I'm trying to do here.

"The complete remodel took three months to complete. I want to thank my wife and kids and Chester's family for allowing us to complete this for the girls. We spent a lot of long days and late nights away from them. Their support was amazing."

The Lady Blackcats represeason practice earlier in the week. Prestonsburg is scheduled to tip-off the 2018/2019 season on the road at Belfry on November 27.

#### Bobcats level Jenkins in season finale

By Steve LeMaster SPORTS WRITER

BETSY LAYNE - Betsy Lavne broke into the win column in its regular-season finale on Friday night, leveling visiting Jenkins niors go out with a win 48-8.

With the win, Betsy Layne ended its season classmen to build off of

Jenkins concluded its campaign winless at 0-10 with the loss.

Thanks to the victory, Betsy Layne will carry some momentum over into the offseason.

"I'm proud of the

committed all year," said Betsy Layne coach Scotty McCoy. "It would have been easy for them to just give up and quit but they stuck it out. I'm happy to see the seand hopefully this will be something for the underduring the offseason and into next season."

Senior running back Quintin Adkins led Betsy Layne to the victory, rushing 13 times for 167 yards and three touchdowns. Adkins paced the Bobcats in scoring, addway the players stayed ing a two-point conversion in Betsy Layne's win.

Quarterback Chase Mims, a freshman, visited the endzone twice in the Bobcats' winning effort, rushing five times for 54 yards and two touch-

Adding a score of his own for the Bobcats, Austin Tackett rushed twice for 52 yards and one touchdown.

Paul Hall (two-point conversion) and Skyler Salisbury (extra-point kick) aided the Bobcats' offensive attack.

Neither Betsy Layne nor Jenkins will be competing in the postseason.

#### Jaguars fall to Letcher Central

By Steve LeMaster SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Floyd Central exited the 2018 regular season on a twogame losing skid as visiting Letcher Central pulled away to win 43-22 in a non-district high school football game on Friday night.

With the loss, Floyd tackles. Central dropped to 5-5.

Letcher Central evened its record to 5-5 with the win.

Running back Hunter Campbell led Letcher Central to the victory, rushing nine times for 146 yards and two TDs.

As a team, Letcher Central rushed 23 times for 233 yards and three TDs. Quarterback Nick Sergent added another

rushing TD for the Cougars. Sergent completed both of his pass attempts for 48 yards and one TD.

Kalin Branham was

on the receiving end of Sergent's scoring pass, hauling in a 32-yard TD reception.

Hayden King led the Letcher Central defensive effort, recording seven

Floyd Central finished with 287 yards of total offense in the setback. Senior running back Josh Whitaker led the Jaguars, rushing 19 times for 150 yards and two TDs.

Brae Coleman followed Whitaker, rushing five times for 17 yards and one TD.

In all for Floyd Central, six different players rushed for positive yard-

Caleb Hager paced Floyd Central through the air, completing four of nine passes for 81 yards.

Ethan Smith-Mills and Brendan Evans combined to lead Floyd Central in receiving, hauling in two receptions apiece.

Jordan Akers led the

Floyd Central defensive effort, posting seven tackles. Gavin Martin (six tackles), Brady Jones (five tackles) and Noah Marcum (five tackles) were additional key defensive players for the Jaguars.

Much-improved Letcher Central competes in Class 5A District 8.

Both Floyd Central and Letcher Central moved on to the postseason.



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Betsy Layne's Chase Mims rushes with the ball earlier this season against Prest-





Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Cory Vance, FILE Floyd Central's Caleb Hager hands the ball off to Dalton Boyd earlier this season

against Pike Central.

#### Blackcats end regular-season with loss to Commodores



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Senior running back Ethan Varney (1) rushed 22 times for 116 yards and one TD for Prestonsburg in its loss to visiting Perry Central on Friday night.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Steve LeMaster

Prestonsburg quarterback Brayden Slone prepared to hand off to Blackcat running back Ethan Varney on Friday night.

By Steve LeMaster Sports Writer

PRESTONSBURG pushed Prestonsburg visiting Perry Central for three quarters until the much-improved Commodores eventually pulled away to win 35-14 in a non-district high school football game at Josh Field/Blackcat Francis Stadium on Friday night.

The Blackcats and showed Commodores met for a regular-season finale.

With the loss, Prestonsburg slipped to 2-8. Perry Central improved to 8-2 with the

The Commodores led 15-8 at halftime and car-

the third quarter. Despite suffering the the non-district contest setback, Prestonsburg

improvement throughout the late-season matchup.

Senior running back Jayden Neace continued to lead Perry Central offensively. Neace rushed 32 times for 182 yards and four TDs.

Perry Central forced ried the same lead out of the Blackcats to play from behind throughout

Quarterback Chanse



Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Steve LeMaster Prestonsburg's Owen Greene (6) tackled Perry Central's Preston Mullins.

McKenzie aided the Perry Central offensive attack

through the air, completing five of nine passes for 76 yards.

Jake Brown paced the Perry Central defensive unit, posting a gamehigh 20 tackles. Following Brown, Noah Canady and Ronnie Collins contributed 10 tackles apiece for the Commodores. In addition to posting 10

tackles, Collins recorded three sacks.

Ethan Eldridge provided a score from the defensive side for Perry Central, returning an interception for a TD. Eldridge recorded two interceptions for the Commodores.

Ethan Varney led Prestonsburg, rushing 22 times for 116 yards and one TD.

Ezekiel Briggs added Prestonsburg's other TD in the setback.

Defensively, Varney paced the Blackcats with nine tackles.

Both Perry Central and Prestonsburg are poised to compete in the postseason.



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#### UPike's upset bid falls just short at Reinhardt

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WALESKA, Ga. - For most of the game, it appeared that UPike football was on the verge of the nation's premier upset, but couldn't get the tall task done, falling to No. 3 Reinhardt 35-23 on Saturday.

Despite falling behind 16-0 early, the Bears scored 16 straight to tie the game. After tallying -2 yards in the three drives prior, Bowen Smith capped a 12play, 66-yard drive with

a 17-yard dart to Braxton Whitmore to get the Bears on the board.

On UPike's next possession, William Chandler pinned the Eagles to their own two-yard line on a punt and the Bears got a safety on the very next play to draw the score to 16-9 in favor of Reinhardt.

Pikeville (5-4, 3-1 MSC App.) then took the corresponding possession down the field, thanks in part to a big 40-yard pass from Smith to Vick Johnson. Willie

McCloud then took in his first touchdown of the day from the one-yard line to tie the Eagles.

Smith didn't have a good day as a whole, completing 11 of 39 passes, but made those 11 count as much as he could for 190 yards and two touchdowns. Because of that inefficiency, UPike had to go to the ground often and earned 134 that way.

The second-quarter tie carried into halftime, but not soon after. Reinhardt (8-1, 4-0 MSC App.) needed just three plays to go 65 yards to break the tie after halftime on a touchdown run from Trevae Cain.

However, UPike returned the favor on the next possession with a 76-yard drive to tie the game back up at 23 on a pass to Alexander Shelton. He was Smith's favorite target on the day and was the only player to get more than one reception in the game, catching four passes for 90 yards and that touchdown.

The game was in UPike's grasp from that point as it strung together two long drives but both were thwarted on the Bears' own accord. Pikeville missed a 21-yard field goal and fumbled the ball on Reinhardt's 5-yard line with

the game still tied. After the teams traded empty possessions to start the fourth quarter, Reinhardt quarterback Billy Hall took a scramble 65 yards to break the tie. UPike failed to convert a fourth down in its own territory and Reinhardt scored again to ice the

The loss is the UPike's first in Mid-South Appalachian Division play and snaps a four game win streak. The Bears will likely now have to win out for a chance to win the division.

#### **UP NEXT**

UPike continues its road swing next week when it faces Bluefield (4-5, 1-2 MSC App.) in Bluefield, Virginia. Kickoff is scheduled for 6:00

and finished sixth at the

end of the race. He col-

lected 43 points on the

day which if it wasn't

during the playoffs would

be a great day. His three

finishes on the day had

him leaving Martinsville

in fifth place, 25 points

below the cutoff line

behind Kevin Harvick in

fourth. Harvick is tied

with Truex for third but is

in fourth because Truex's

### Logano is heading to Miami



#### Racin' **Steve Mickey**

It didn't take long in the Round of 8 to figure out just what a driver would do to advance into the Championship 4 Round and have the opportunity to run for the series title in a one race showdown at Homestead-Miami. What started as a sixteen driver field with the chance to advance to the final had been trimmed down to eight when the green flag waved at Martinsville but the level of competition had intensified to the point that what would be considered a good day is no longer good enough.

Since that day back in February when Austin Dil-Ion took the first checkered flag of the season, the pressure to be the next driver to make a trip

to victory lane began to mount. Wins in the regular season moves a driver into the playoff round but a win there advances him into the next round where the pressure to win continues to grow to the point that a driver is forced into making a decision that may or may not set well with the rest

of the drivers. Both Joey Logano and Martin Truex Jr. were put into such a spot in the closing laps on Sunday. Truex was chasing down Logano and once on his bumper made the choice that he would try and get the bumper of his Toyota under Logano's Ford and complete the pass. Maybe it would have been easier to just put his bumper into the rear of Logano but his patience paid off as after running side by side for several laps was able to make the pass for what at the time looked like the winning move of the race.

The roles were reversed in those closing laps and now it was Logano who was on the rear bumper of Truex as the white flag was waving to signal the last lap.

This time it was Logano who had a choice to make of either trying to get to the inside of Truex and attempt to make the pass or use his bumper to move him up the track to clear his path to the checkered flag.

Logano chose to use the bumper while they were going through turns 3 and 4 for the last time. It was a classic bump and run move with the two drivers leaning on each other as they headed toward the finish line with Logano taking the checkered flag while Truex spun his way to a third place finish as Denny Hamlin was able to pass him to take second place.

Logano's move will be scrutinized all week long leading up to Texas this weekend and there will be some who will agree and some refusing to see it that way. One of the oldest saying in the sport is that, "I will race you as you raced me" and if there is any truth to that old adage then Logano was in the wrong but the rules for advancing through the playoffs had more to do with his decision than what was taking place on the track.

three different playoff drivers win a race in this Round of 8 that leaves only one driver who will advance to Homestead-Miami cause of his position in the points. After Martinsville there are races at Texas and Phoenix and Logano knew that Martinsville may have been his best shot to advance as one of the four drivers to run for the title. His bump and run move may not have been one of the

finest moments of his career but if he does end up as the season's champion there will not be a footnote engraved on the trophy saying that he only got there because he used his bumper to win and advance.

PLAYOFF NOTES: Kurt Busch can attest to how tough the Round of 8 is as he had the kind of day that most drivers would have loved. He finished fifth in both the first and second stages

third place finish is used as the tiebreaker as Harvick came home in tenth. 4 banked 24o) Date: November 4, 3:00 pm TV: NBCSN Radio: PRN

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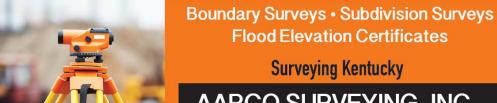
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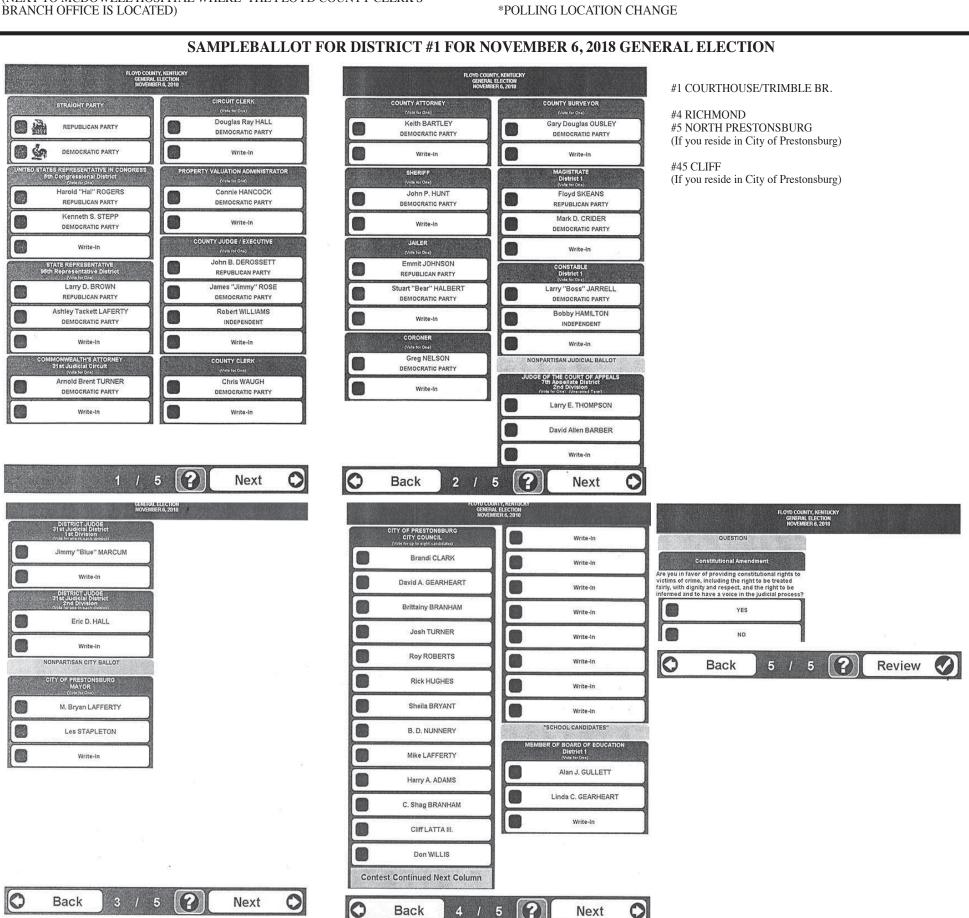
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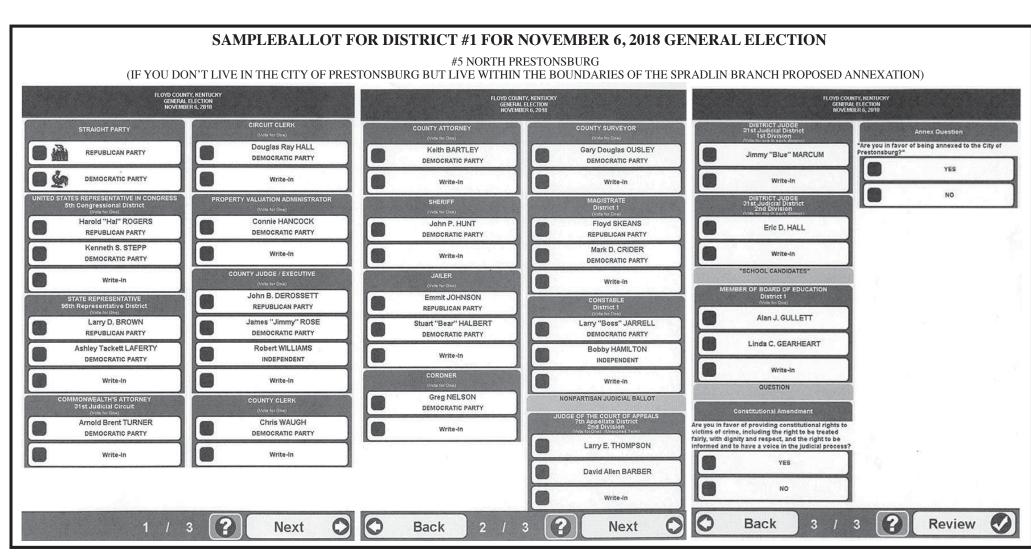
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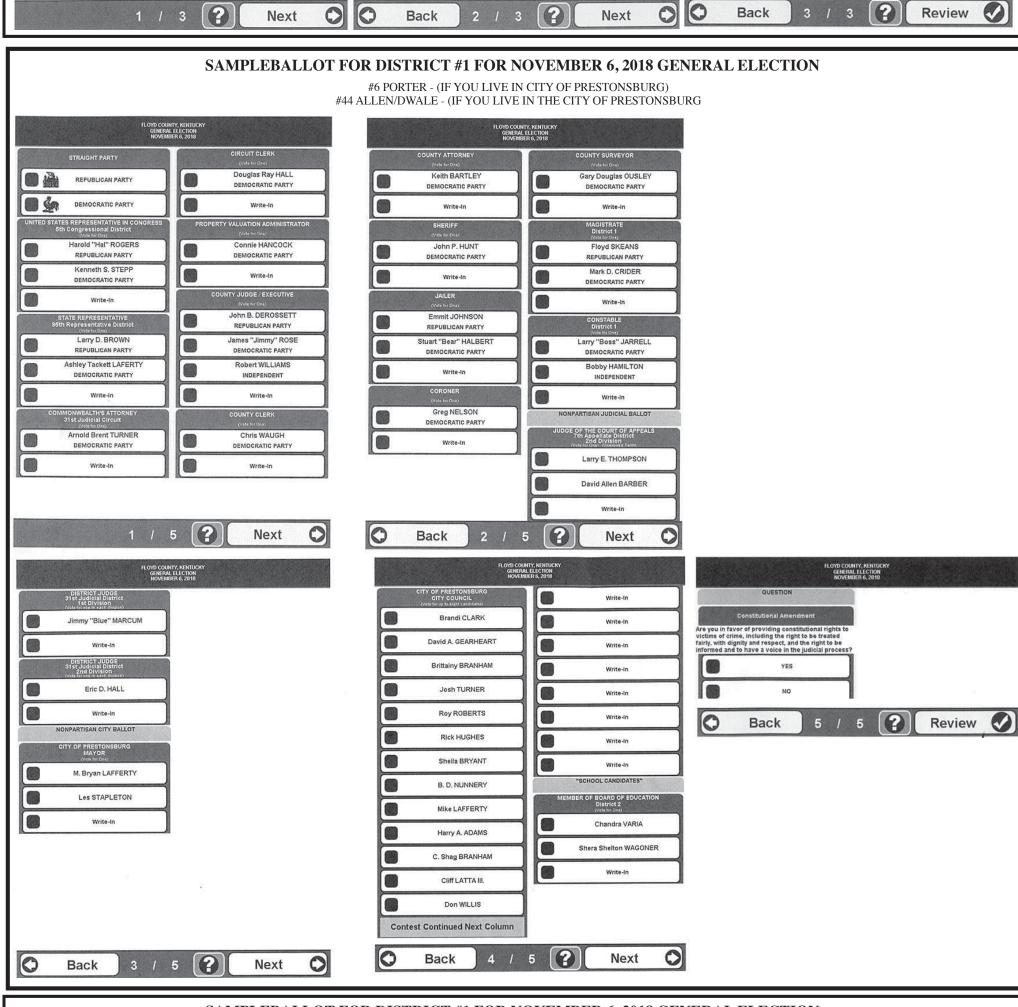
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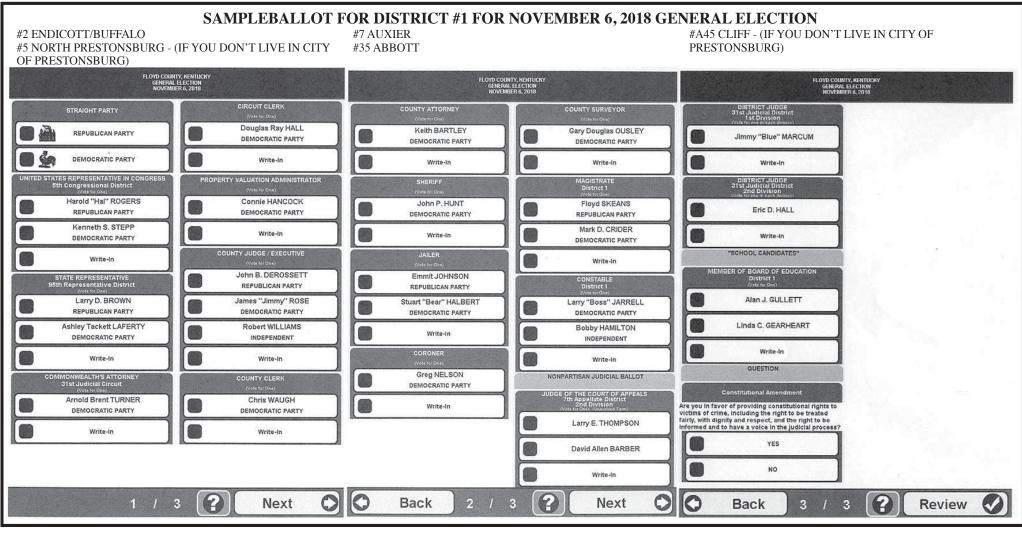
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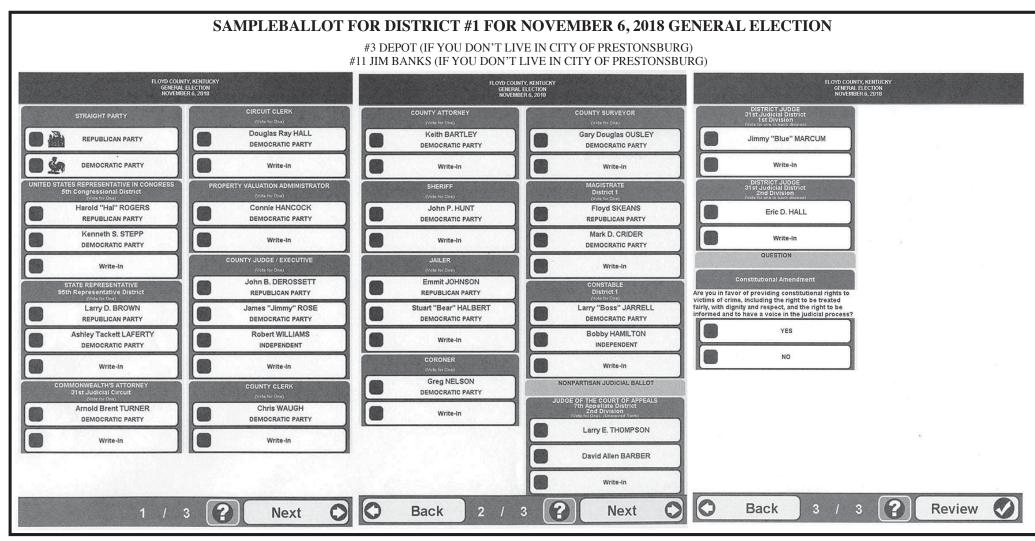


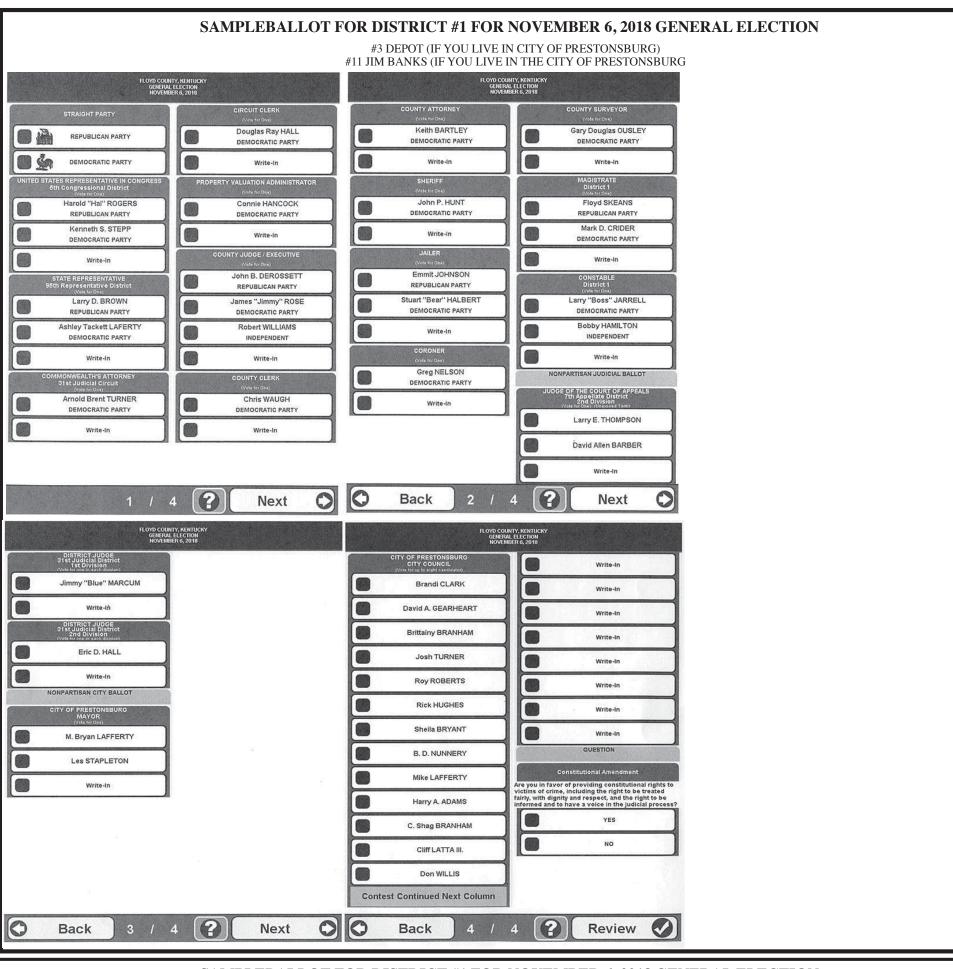
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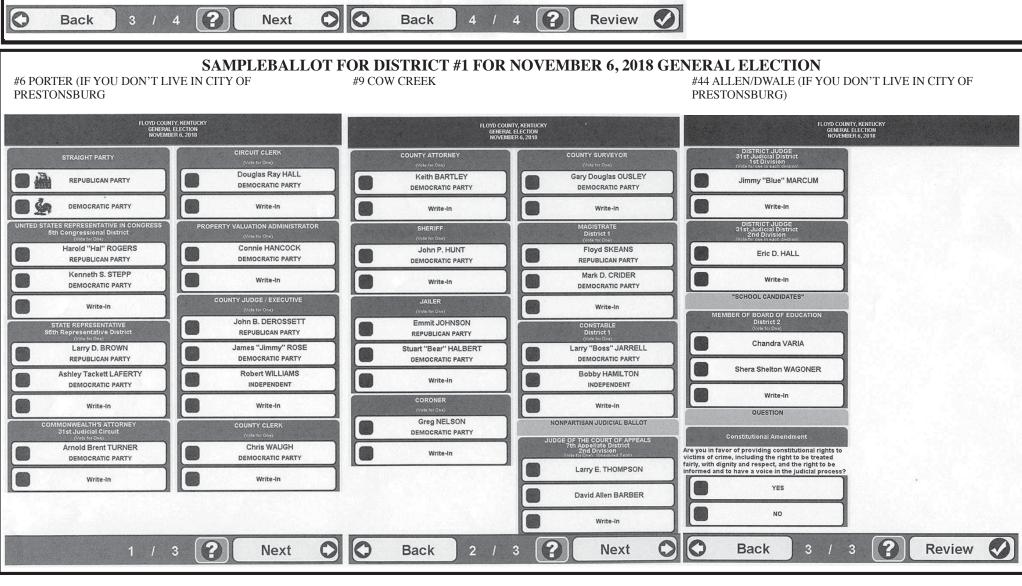


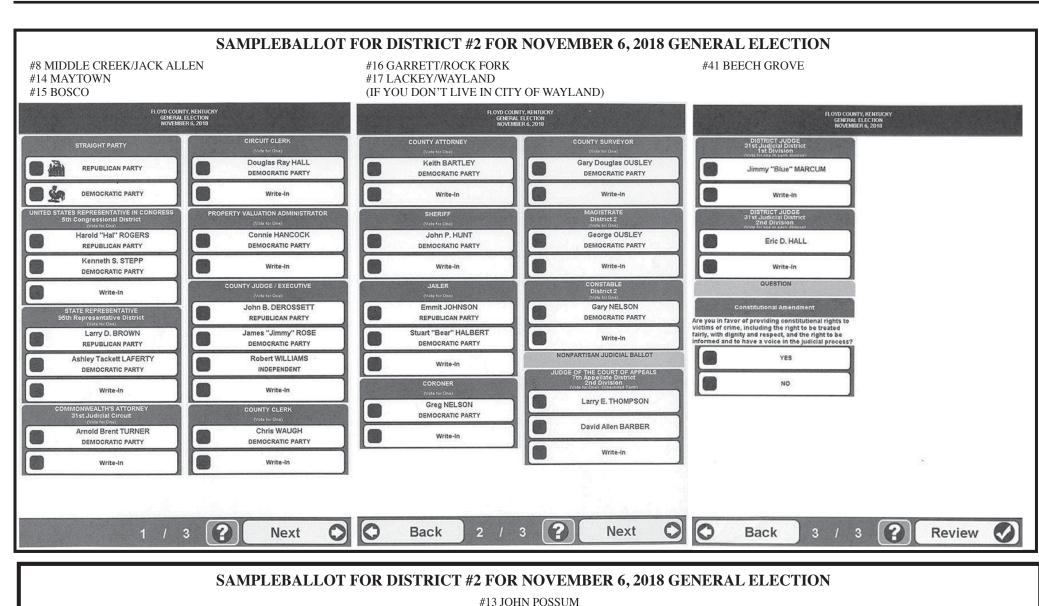


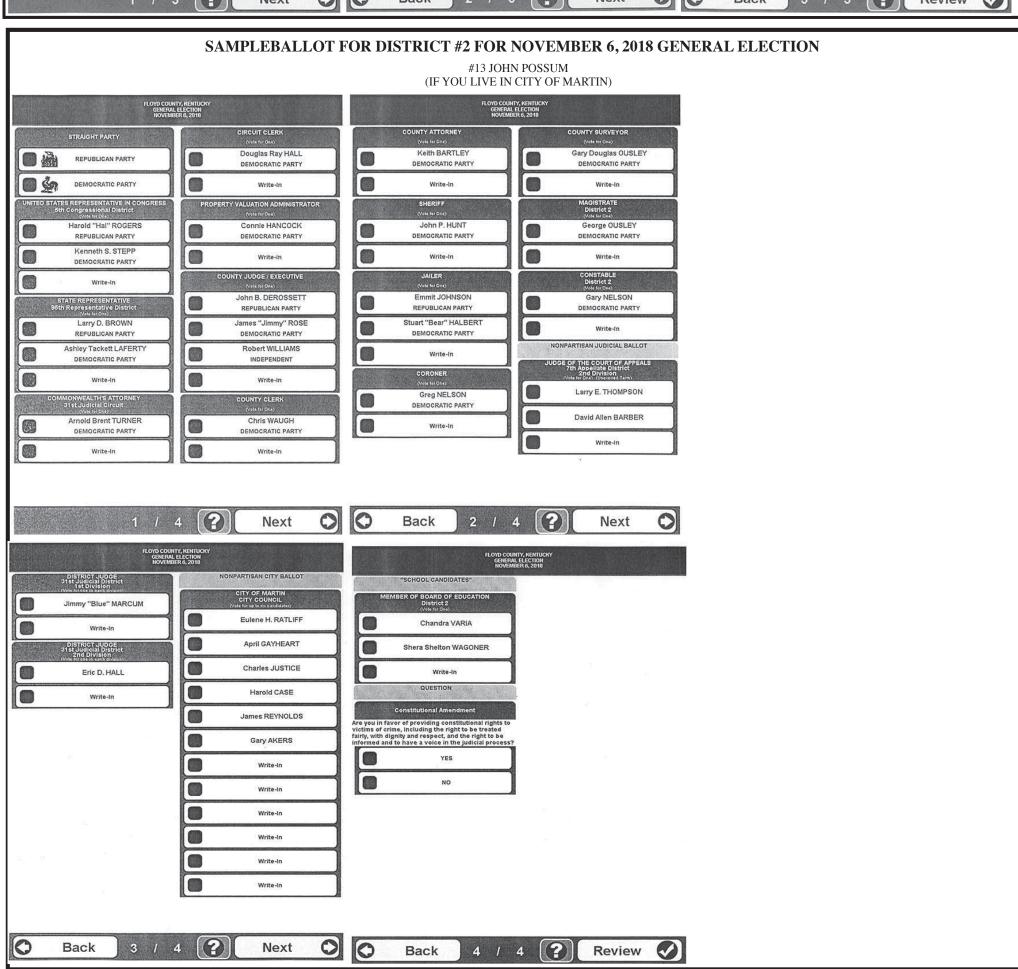


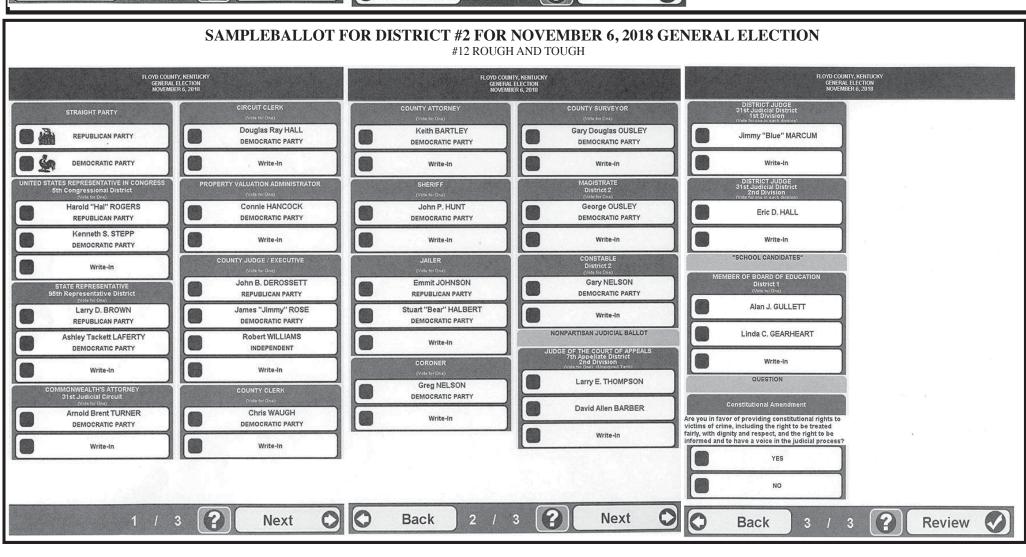


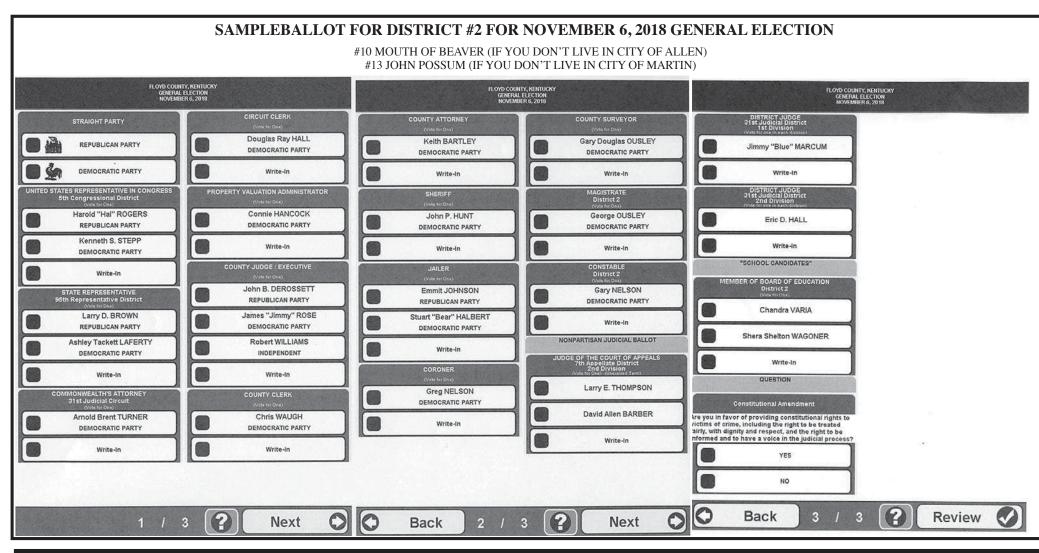


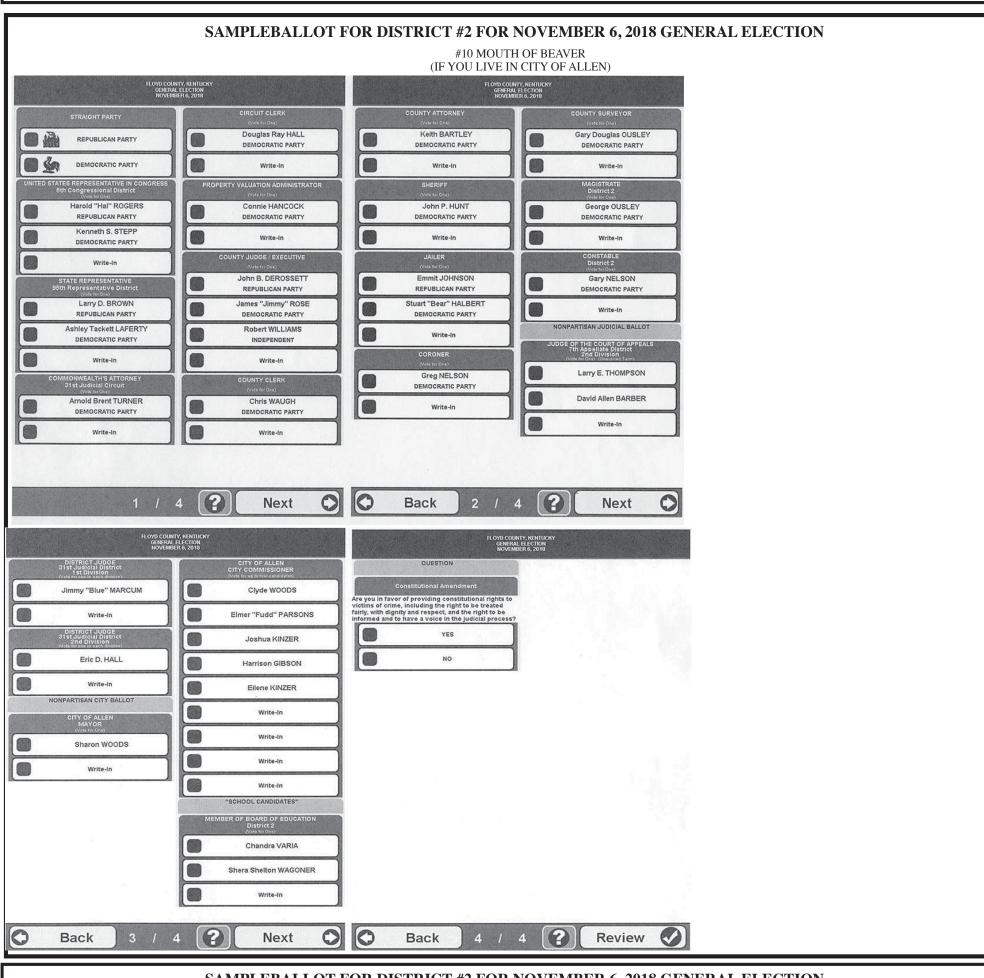


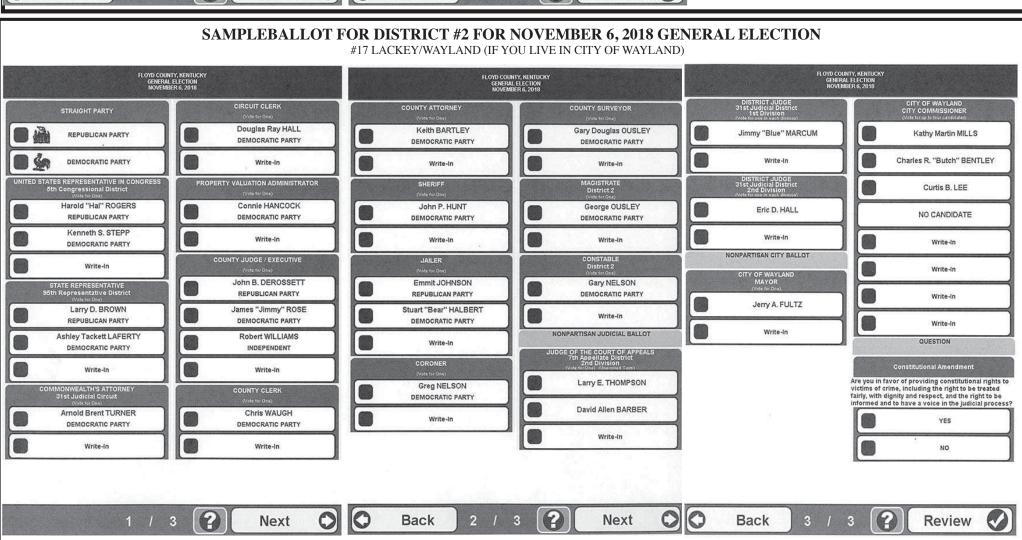


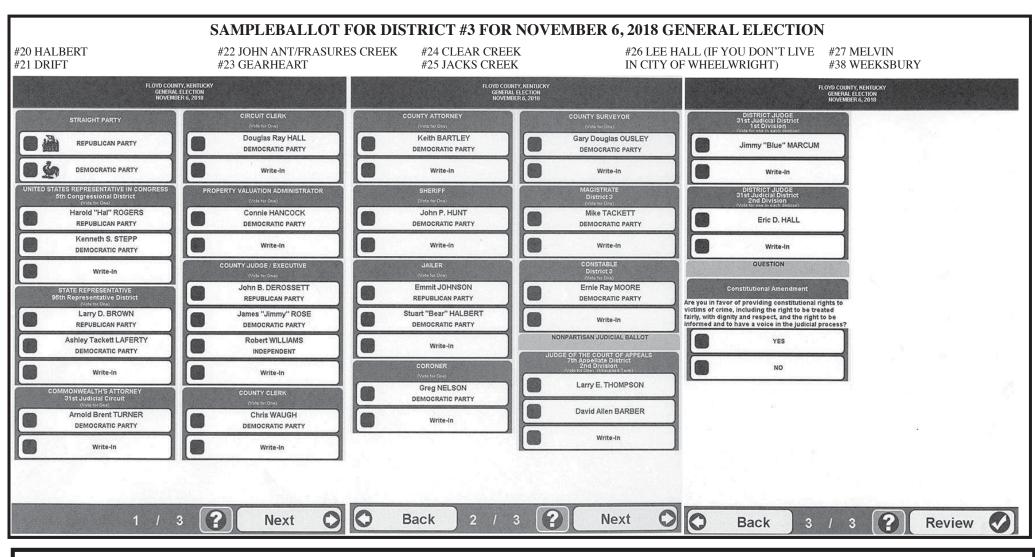


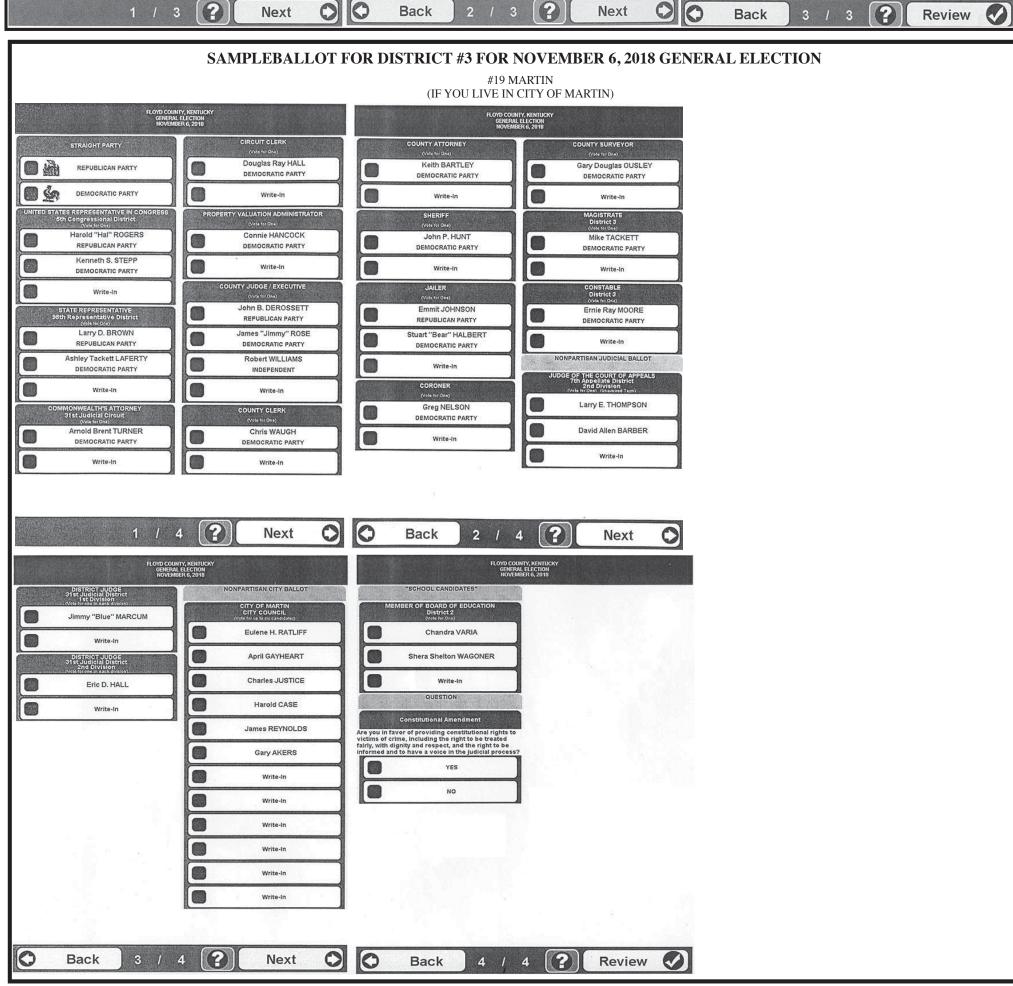


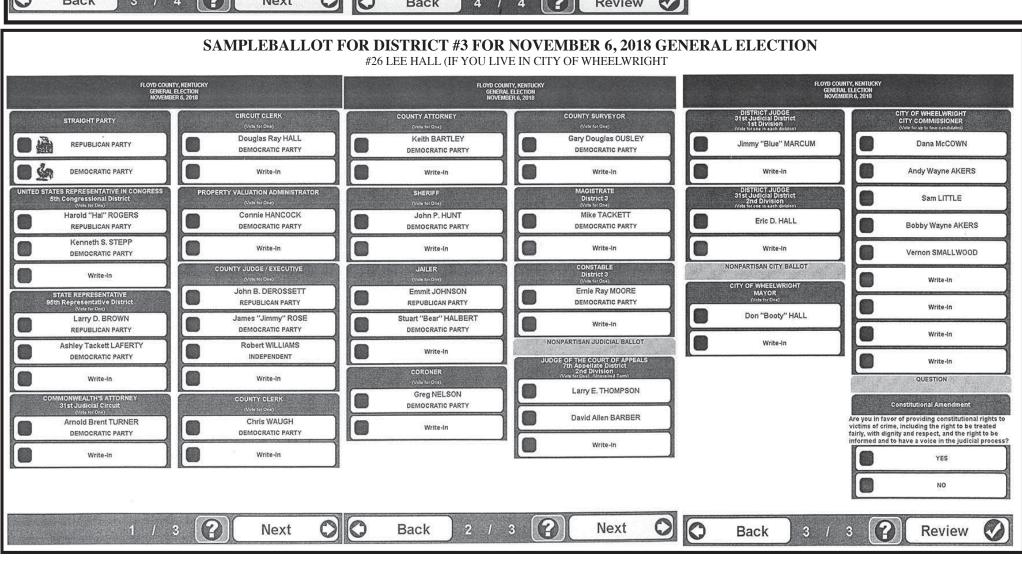


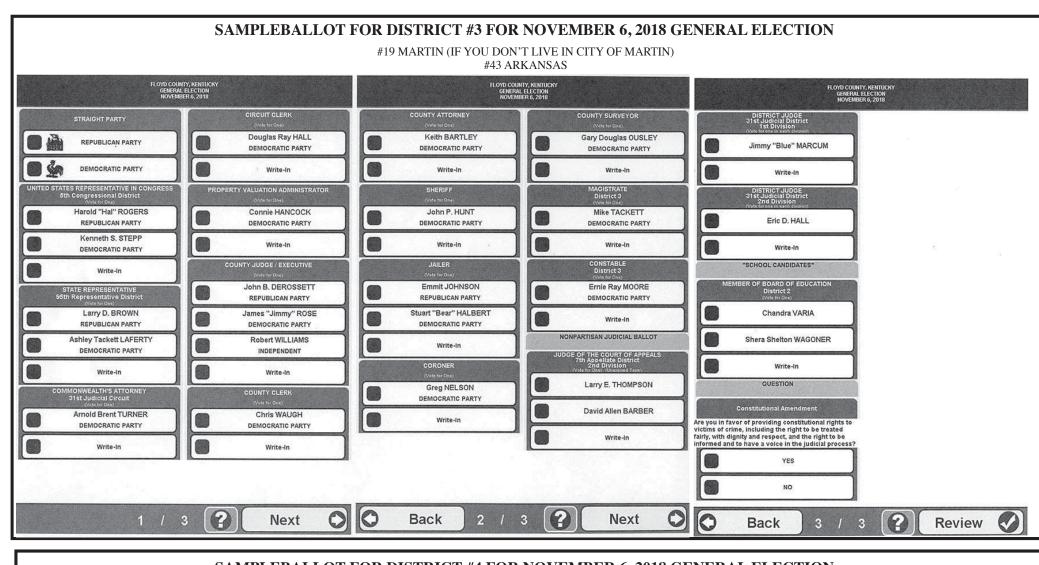


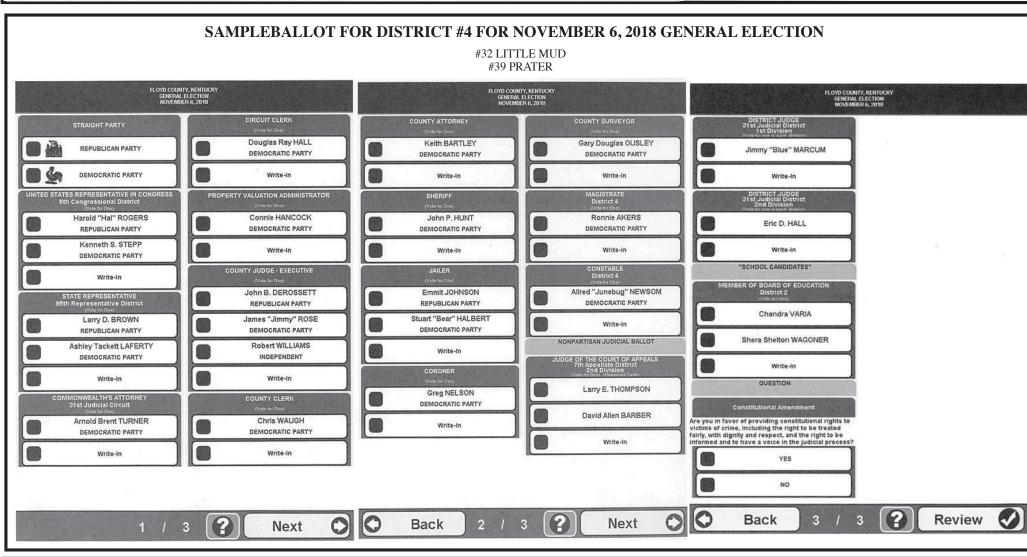


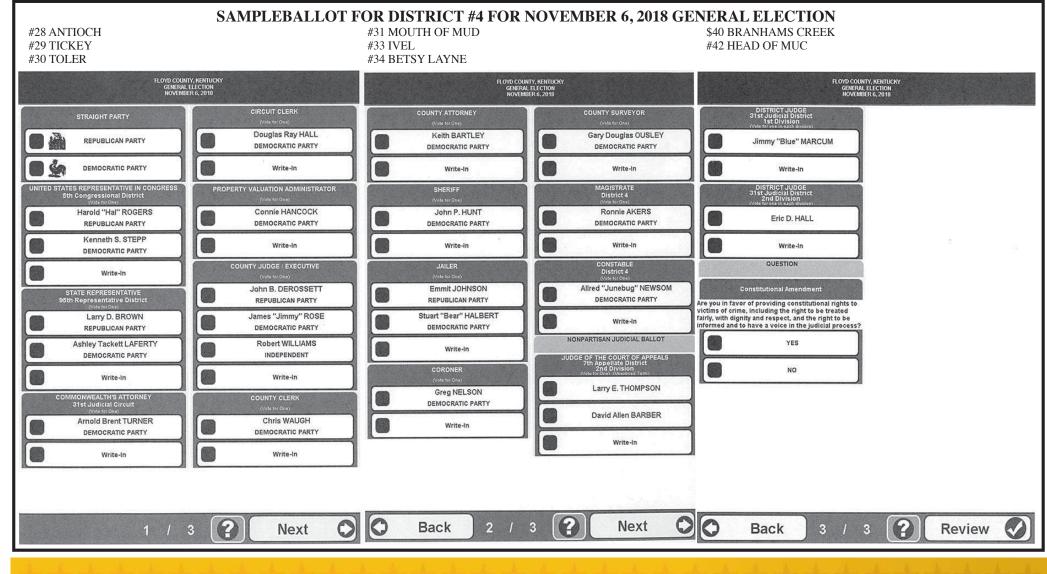












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October 31, 2018.

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NOTICE Collins Towing, 3191 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has a 2011 Nissan Maxima that was towed due to abandonment, on June 4, 2018, financed to Vehicle Solutions Corporation, 104 Crandon Blvd., Ste. 400. Key Bis-

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to **Application** Number 836-0446,

Major Revision No. 9

accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Spurlock Mining, LLC 3228 Summit Square Place, Suite 180, Lexington, KY 40509 has applied for a major revision to an existing surface/ auger coal mining and reclamation operation located 3.0 miles southeast of Printer in Floyd County.

The major revi-

sion will add

57.30 acres and

delete 59.36 acres

of surface disturb-

ance and will de-

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lete 6.25 acres of highwall/auger mining, making a total area of 435.08 acres within the revised permit boundary. The proposed major revision area is approximately 3.0 miles southof State Route 2030's junction with State Route 122 and lo-

cated 0.1 miles

west of Spurlock Creek. The proposed major revision is located on the McDowell. Wavland, Martin, and Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Dareen and Kermit Martin, Alma Land Company, Phillip Ida Ann and Meade, Cas Spurlock Heirs(Billy Spurlock, Kathleen Crum, Leonard and Sue Spurlock, Jeffrey Case. Garnett Weddington,

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by Patton, Sarah Spurlock, Peggy Kenneth Hall. Spurlock, Bobbi McKinney, Kathy Adkins, Dale and Sherry Spurlock, Joann Caudill, Brian Conn, Thomas Spurlock, c/o John S. Bowers, Blackhawk Mining, LLC), Clay-Bailey born Heirs(Joe Dean Bailey, Mary Humphrey Harper, Sue Burns, Kay H. Estep, Tina M. Beaver, Tyler Bailey, Noah Hinton, Jr., Robert Bailey, Charles Borders, Robin Bailey, Jack Steven Himphrey, Dona C. Tucker, Patty M. Taylor, Edna Mae Click, John David Humphrey, Daniel C. Humphrey, Ali Jo Rohr, James Hardwick, Linda Zaranhaven, William C. Humphrey, Kim D. Russell, Thomas Hardwick), and Denzil Yates Jr. Heirs(Steven

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Meade, Pearline Yates, Nadine Herrell, Helen Isaacs, Christopher Yates, Denzil Yates, Jr., Ladonna Jo Briggs, Danny Yates, Connie Mullins, Mandy L. Yeager, Timothy Yates. and Carter Yates). The major revision proposes to change the postmining land use to Pastureland (220.93 acres). The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the

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#### **PUBLIC** NOTICE

The Housing Authority of Prestonsburg has developed it Agency Plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. It will be available for review on November 1, 2018 at the Housing Authority Office located at 12 Blaine Hall Street. Prestonsburg, KY. The Authority's office hours are 8:30AM to 4:30PM. In addition, a Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 2PM at the Housing Authority office. If special accommodations are needed, please call Prestonsburg Housing Authority at least 72 hours in advance at 606-886-2717.

#### NOTICE ( Of Final Settlement)

Yates,

Sandra

Lawson.

Mary

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD...SCT

I. Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do Hereby certify that the following Settlements of Estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said Settlements must do so on or before NOVEMBER 28TH, 2018 at 10:00 am.

SETTLEMENT	CASE NUMBER	ESTATE OF:	FIDUCIARY	DATE FILED
FINAL	13-P-385	MERLENE DINGUS	SHARON KREKE	11/12/13
FINAL	15-P-151	BE BE CONN	BARBIE BOW	4/23/15
FINAL	15-P-412	NANCY MARTIN	ELIZABETH MARTIN	10/13/15
FINAL	16-P-00073	JOHNNY PAIGE	DONNA PAIGE	2/29/16
FINAL	16-P-00091	BARBARA HAMILTON	GARY HAMILTON	3/8/16
FINAL	16-P-00098	FRELON HOWELL	MARY HOWELL	3/11/16
FINAL	16-P-00336	RONNIE HITCHCOCK	CAROLYN DEROSSETT	9/1/16
FINAL	16-P-00384	CAROLYN MOORE	JOANNA PRATER	10/12/16
FINAL	17-P-00241	BRUCE KEENE	FRANCES COMPTON	6/15/17
FINAL	17-P-00398	JOHN OWENS	ELLA STANLEY	10/17/17
FINAL	18-P-00019	TRAVIS CRUM	DANNIE CRUM	1/19/18
FINAL	18-P-00047	REBECCA HAMILTON	LAURA KIDD	2/5/18
FINAL	18-P-00057	TERRY HALL	DEBORAH HALL	2/9/18
FINAL	18-P-00098	BOBBIE BURCHETT	ARLENE BURCHETT	3/7/18
FINAL	18-P-00103	EVERETT BLANTON	CAROL BLANTON	3/8/18
FINAL	18-P-00123	FLOYD DAVIS	DEANIE DAVIS	3/21/18
FINAL	18-P-00124	LOU ELLEN FRASURE	PEGGY WATTS	3/21/18
FINAL	18-P-00126	PAUL FRASURE	PEGGY WESTFALL	3/21/18
FINAL	18-P-00129	ROBERT PRATER	KATHLEEN PRATER	3/23/18
FINAL	18-P-142	FRANCEEN CRUM	DANNIE CRUM	4/2/18
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LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD

I. Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of Floyd District Court, Do Hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court, All person indebted to an Estate should settle with the Fiduciary within six (6) months from the date of appointment.

DATE OF APPOINTMENT	CASE NUMBER	ESTATE OF:	FIDUCIARY	ATTORNEY
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9/25/18	18-P-378	GARY EVANS	VARDIE EVANS	
9/26/18	18-P-380	MART BOYD	MARY BOYD	
9/26/18	18-P-381	PATRICIA HAYWOOD	KIMBERLY FRASURE & SCOTT LITTLE	
9/28/18	18-P-384	LOUEARTA TURNER	LINDA ROWE	
10/3/18	18-P-386	IRENE MERION	KENITA SHEPHERD & TERRY SHEPHERD	
10/3/18	18-P-387	FRANKLIN BURCHETT	BARBARA BURCHETT	
10/9/18	18-P-393	RANDALL EVANS	CHERYL EVANS	
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10/22/18	18-P-403	VONDA MOLLETT	KELLIE CHRISTIAN	KEITH BARTLEY

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#### **L**EGALS NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5689

In accordance with **KRS** 350.055, notice is hereby given that Mason Coal, Inc. P.O. Box 869, 100 Mountain Parkway, Salyers-Kentucky 41465 has applied an underground coal mining operation located 1.4 miles south of the Grethel Post Office in Floyd County. The proposed operation will consist of approximately 8.82 acres of surface disturbance making a toarea tal of 1343.43 acres within the proposed permit boundary.

The proposed operations area is approximately 6.0 miles southsouthwest Kentucky 979's juncwith Kentucky 1426 and located 0.01 mile east of Mud Creek. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2-minute quadrangle map. The surface to be disturbed is owned by Levi Tackett.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation Enforceand ment's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a perconference mit must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, F r a n k fort, Ky. 40601.

#### NOTICE OF BOND

RELEASE accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Spurlock Mining, LLC, 3228 Summit Square Place, Suite 180, Lexing-Kentucky 40509 has applied for Phase II bond release on permit number 8080 which was last issued on Au-31, 2016.application The covers an area of approximately 12.00 acres located at Hite in

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Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 0.35 miles northeast from KY Route 122's junction with CR-1220 and located 0.04 miles east from Left Fork Beaver

#### Creek. The bond now in effect for the permit is a surety bond the amount of \$21,600. Approxitwentymately five percent (25%)

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bond amount of \$21,600 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading and seeding which was completed in

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July 2014. Results thus far achieved are backfilling, grading, revegetation of disturbed areas and establishment of the post-mining land use.

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ments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, #2

Hudson Hollow,

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127 South, US Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by December 7, 2018. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Monday, December 10.

2018 at 10:00 a.m.

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at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will

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be cancelled if no request for hearing or informal conference is received by December 7, 2018.

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The report of the Audit of the Floyd County Sheriff's Settlement of 2017 Fee Audit has been completed and released. A copy of the complete audit report, including financial statements and supplemental information is on file at the Sheriff's Office and available for public inspection during normal business hours. Any citizen may obtain from the Sheriff's Office a copy of the complete audit report including financial statements and supplemental information, for his personal use. Citizens requesting a personal copy of the Sheriff's audit report will be charged for duplication costs at a rate that shall not exceed twenty-five cents per page. Copies of the financial statement prepared in accordance with KRS 424.220 are available to the public at no cost at the Sheriff's Office or by mail at Floyd County Sheriff John P. Hunt, P.O. Box 152, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

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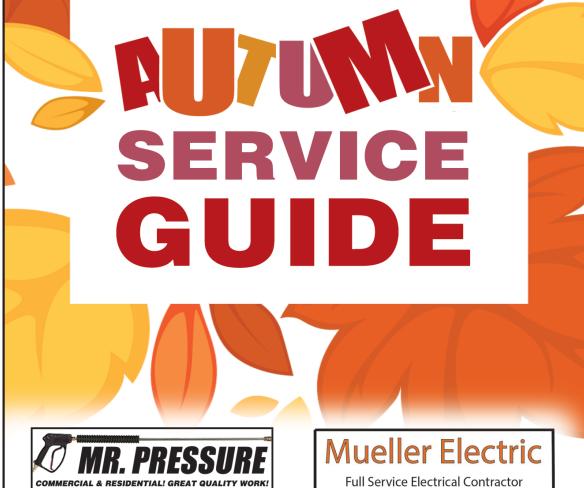
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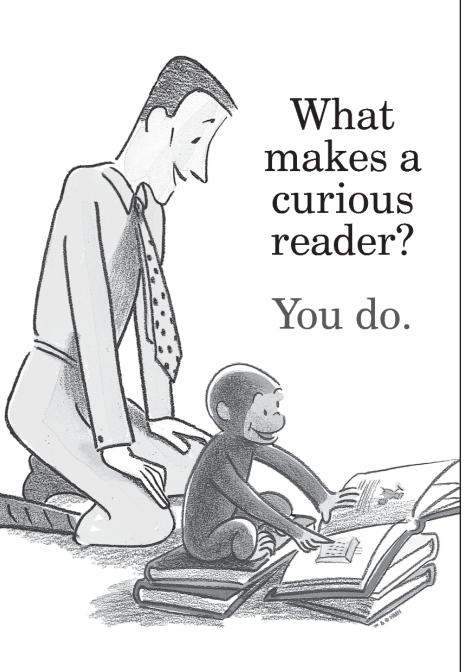
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#### **Birth Announcements**

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

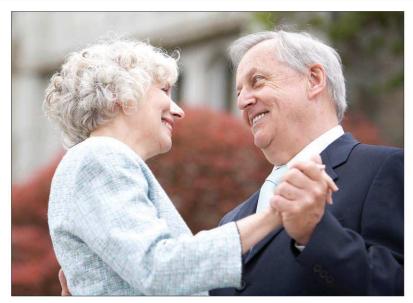
#### **Celebrating Birthdays**



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

#### Senior Citizen Center Birthdays

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



# Celebrating 55 years

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

#### Wedding Anniversaries

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

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#### **Dotson-Simpkins**



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

#### **Engagement**

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

#### Wedding

Announce your recent marriage. Weddings within 3 months are

#### **Hatfield-McDaniel**



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

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