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## briefs

## Boil-water advisory issued

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg City Utilities Commission has issued a boil-water advisory as a precautionary measure for several areas until further notice.

The utilities commission has issued the boil-water advisory for all customers starting at the mouth of Dotson Branch on Route 321, more commonly known as Watergap or Bull Creek Road. The advisory stretches to customers all the way to the mouth of Bucks Branch on Route 80. The advisory also includes customers on Bucks Branch of Route 22 and the community of Dwale.

Workers discovered a break in a water line and are currently working to fix the problem. Water samples will be taken to a certified lab for testing following repairs. Once the results have been received, the commission expects to lift the advisory.

The utilities commission advises customers in the affected areas to boil their water for at least three minutes at a rolling boil before drinking or cooking.

## Turner gets 3 months

by RALPH B. DAVIS  
MANAGING EDITOR

FRANKFORT — State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner will have to spend three months confined to his home for a campaign violation, a federal judge ruled Monday.

Turner appeared for sentencing before U.S. District Judge Karen Caldwell Monday afternoon at the John C. Watts Federal

Building in Frankfort. He pleaded guilty to a "non-willful" misdemeanor campaign violation in December.

In pleading guilty, Turner admitted that workers in his campaign, without his knowledge, conspired to funnel illegal contributions from late Pikeville businessman Ross Harris through straw contributors, then used

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photo by Ralph B. Davis  
State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner spoke with his attorneys Monday, shortly after being sentenced.

## Justice to plead guilty

by RALPH B. DAVIS  
MANAGING EDITOR

LEXINGTON — Barring a last-minute change of heart, Pamela Justice is expected to plead guilty to conspiracy to traffic cocaine and conspiracy to defraud the government during a hearing Friday in Lexington, according to a motion filed Monday by her attorney.

Justice is one of two alleged "ringleaders" of a million-dollar, multi-state cocaine trafficking ring charged last year, along with her boyfriend, Darrell Triplett, with whom she shared a residence in Maytown. Last month, a superceding indictment was handed down in the case, charging nine others with a total of 20 counts.

Named in the second indictment are the two original defendants, Justice and Triplett, as well as Timothy Neal Howard, Roy Branham, Terry Branham, Stephen Randy Gearheart, Stevie Tackett, Loucilla Thornsberry (also known as Louvella Tackett), Johnny Michael Castle, Mica Patrick and Tina Mills.

All of the defendants except Mills are charged with conspiracy to distribute cocaine, and Justice, Triplett, and Roy and

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## WORKERS CELEBRATE



photo by Jessica Hale  
United Steelworkers paraded by caravan Monday on South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg, celebrating the fact that the union and Appalachian Regional Healthcare had reached a tentative contract agreement. Union members will vote on the contract today.

## ARH, union reach agreement

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

McDOWELL — Now in the fourth week of the strike, United Steelworkers say they think they have now reached a fair contract agreement with Appalachian Regional Healthcare.

After further negotiations began on Wednesday, talks continued until late

Saturday night, when ARH issued a news release saying they had reached a tentative contract agreement.

United Steelworkers conducted a victory parade through several cities and towns throughout the region on Monday, giving the impression that they would likely approve this latest offer. Union members will vote today.

"We feel that it is a balanced con-

tract," said Joe Worthington, ARH chief negotiator.

"Employee participation and involvement will be vital as ARH and the USW work together under this new contract," said ARH President and CEO Jerry Haynes. "We will have to be united as ARH moves forward to operate our facilities and regain the confidence and trust of the communities we serve."

## Council discusses wall, park, taxes

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Visitors comments took up much of Monday's Prestonsburg City Council meeting, with most voicing concerns regarding the future of the local economy.

Residents who live along the affected stretch of highway on U.S. 23 where a concrete barrier wall has been constructed asked for the council's support in reaching what they see as a more log-

ical solution.

Mary Neeley, a citizen who works along this stretch of highway, compared Prestonsburg to a sandwich when she said, "We're like a beef patty stuffed between two buns," while citing that both Pike and Johnson counties are each growing economically, but Prestonsburg is stuck in the middle with the new barrier wall, essentially blocking off the main corridor through the city.

"What's going to happen to us?"

Neeley continued. "We're not going to drop it."

In a previous meeting on this project, an engineer made mention that the governor would be the only official who could halt the project or work to establish something more efficient. Council member Collins noted that Gov. Ernie Fletcher will be making a trip to Pikeville tomorrow and suggested that the mayor and each of the council mem-

(See COUNCIL, page 13)

## Couple sues maker of Peter Pan

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

SALYERSVILLE — A Magoffin County couple is suing the manufacturers of Peter Pan peanut butter after they allegedly became violently ill after consuming the product.

Darren and Patricia Ambrozich, of Salyersville, say they were unaware of the recent salmonella outbreak at the time when several cases of salmonella poisoning were being reported across the country. The suspected contaminated peanut butter had reportedly originated from Conagra Foods Inc.

Though each filed a separate complaint through Kirk Law Firm, each plaintiff alleges they

(See PETER PAN, page 13)

## County enlists help of inmates for flood cleanup

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

Flood cleanup projects continue as local officials work together to get several cities and towns in the area back to some sort of normalcy.

This year, prisoners of the Floyd County Detention Center have been participating in the upkeep of several cemeteries and other grounds. Temporarily, they have switched

gears and are assisting the county with cleanup efforts after much of the area experienced damaging floods last week.

Jailer Roger Webb and Magistrate Jackie Owens have been out each morning since the floodwaters swept through the area, trying to help residents remove flood debris and clean up roads so they have a safe way in

(See CLEANUP, page 13)



Prisoners of the Floyd County Detention Center and local residents have been helping with the cleanup of flood debris. Jailer Roger Webb and county magistrates have been working together to get the county up and running once again. This cleanup took place in Wayland, one of the hardest hit areas, which saw several feet of water.

photo by Jessica Hale

2 DAY FORECAST

Today  
Storms  
High: 76 • Low: 58

Tomorrow  
Storms  
High: 79 • Low: 58

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# Obituaries

## Lloyd Harold Allen

Lloyd Harold Allen, age 71, of David, husband of Pauline Hicks Allen, died Friday, April 20, 2007, in King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland.

He was born October 1, 1935, in Warnock, the son of the late R.D. and Ollie Coffee Allen. He was a retired air traffic controller, a former Air Force veteran, and a Kentucky Colonel.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons: Jefferey Scott Allen of Lexington, and Jerald Wesley Allen of Lockport, Illinois; three sisters: Blanche (Joe) Turner of Ashland, Thelma (Ron) Bartram of Xenia, Ohio, and Dorothy Garthee of Lexington; special nieces and nephews; many special friends and neighbors; along with special animal friends, Patches (dog) and cat.

Funeral service for Lloyd Harold Allen was conducted Monday, April 23, at 1:00 p.m. in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Bill Parker officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Pallbearers: Kenny Riggsby, Allen Hubbard, Regan Ratcliff, Don Allen, Bear Cooley, Joe D. Turner, Doug Jones, and Gary Hicks.

Honorary: Joe Turner, Ran Bartram, and James Arnett.

(Paid obituary)



## Edna Bowling

Edna Bowling, age 73, of New London, Ohio, died Friday, April 20, 2007, at her home, following a brief illness.

She was born May 27, 1933, in Maytown, the daughter of the late Maynard and Mary (Griffith) Dudley.

She married Harold L. Bowling in Norwalk, Ohio, April 23, 1955, and he survives her. She was a homemaker, who enjoyed crocheting and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons: David Bowling, and Dee and Rita Bowling, all of New London; four daughters: Sue and Mike Stratton of New Haven, Indiana, Delores and Jim Midolo and Del Bowling, all of New London, and Daisy and Don Ward of Monroeville and; 14 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; and her twin sister, Edith Barker of Lagrange, Ohio, and Fay and Roger Meade of New London.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her granddaughter, Rachel Dawn Ward; her stepmother, Delcie Dudley; and her sisters, Elsie and Mae Dudley.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, at the Eastman Funeral Home, 200 W. Main St., New London, with Pastor Charles Mead officiating.

Burial was in Grove Street Cemetery, in New London, under the direction of Eastman Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

## Carlos Richard Duff

On Friday, April 20, 2007, Carlos Richard Duff of Beckley, West Virginia, formerly of Bradshaw and Prestonsburg, passed away at the Veterans Area Medical Center, in Beckley, following a two-year illness. He was 60 years of age.

Born on April 12, 1947, in Welch, he was one of five children born to the late Alex and Myrtle Shepherd Duff.

He spent his childhood at Bradshaw, and was a graduate of Iaege High School. In 1965, during the Vietnam Era, he entered the U.S. Army, serving in Germany; he received the National Defense Service medal and a citation for sharpshooter.

After his stint in service, he began a career in the mining industry, and retired as a federal mine inspector in July of 2005. A former resident of Ashville, Ohio, he lived in Prestonsburg, for 30 years, where he was a member of the Tom Moore Memorial Baptist Church. After retiring from the federal government, Carlos and his family moved to Smith Mountain Lake at Moneta, Virginia. An avid hunter and fisherman, he opened the Blue Water Bay Guide Service. He settled in Beckley in 2006.

He was preceded in death by two brothers: Steve and Philip; a sister, Serita; and his father-in-law, Eugene Church.

He is the beloved husband of Nancy Church Duff, whom he married on July 21, 1970, the dear father of Westley Duff of Beckley; the fond brother of Billy Ray Duff and wife, Betty of Hillsville, Virginia; his loving extended family, the Churches, his mother-in-law, Sylvia of Iaege; sisters-in-law, Ginny Topping of Beckley, Debra Ballard of Roanoke, Virginia, and Connie Wimmer and husband, Terry of Grundy, Virginia; brothers-in-law: Gene Church and wife, Debbie of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Michael Church and wife, Rayetta of Richlands, Virginia, and Don Church and wife, Mary Beth of Grundy Virginia; and several nephews and nieces.

Funeral services were conducted at noon Tuesday, April 24, in the Melton Mortuary Chapel, at 1200 Harper Road, Beckley, with the Rev. Hobart

Kennedy, Rev. Ira Scott, and Don Branham officiating.

Committal services were in the Roselawn Memorial Gardens, in Princeton, West Virginia.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers were Westley Duff, Alex Duff, Pete Herrera, Terry Wimmer, Mike Church, Don Church and Gene Church.

Condolences may be mailed to the family at melton@wvdsi.net (Paid obituary)



## Milford "Pie" Gayheart

Milford "Pie" Gayheart, 85, of McDowell, died Sunday, April 22, 2007, at his residence.

Born June 17, 1921, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Robert and Matilda Hall Gayheart. He was a former coal miner, and a member of the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church of the New Salem Association.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel Gayheart.

Other survivors include two sons: Bobby Gayheart and Terry Gayheart, both of McDowell; six daughters: Mildred Blevins of McDowell, Donna Hall of Teaberry, Sarah St. Clair of Big Rock, Virginia, Bertha Hamilton of Teaberry, Melissa Henson of Price, and Cheryl Lafferty of Printer; a sister, Ethel Dye of Shiloh, Ohio; 24 grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Ronnie Gayheart; and two brothers: Willie Gayheart and Walker Gayheart.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 25, at 11 a.m., at the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church, New Salem Association, in McDowell.

Burial will be in the Greenbury Hall Cemetery, Frasures Creek, McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church. www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

(Paid obituary)



## Laura Akers Griffith

Laura Akers Griffith, 88, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, April 21, 2007, at Highlands

Regional Medical Center.

Born on December 31, 1918, in Offutt, she was the daughter of the late Logan Akers and Bessie Meta Peery Akers. She was a former grocer and ran Arnett's Grocery, known as Bess Arnett's Store, for 35 years. She was a former member of Adah Chapter No. 24, Order of the Eastern Star; Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31; and I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 293.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Virgil R. "Cowboy" Griffith, on January 11, 1979.

Survivors include a son, Johnny Logan Griffith of Prestonsburg; nine nieces, and three nephews.

She was preceded in death by three sisters: Evelyn Stephens, Ival Whitaker, and Garnett Mayo; two brothers: Johnny Akers and Clyde Akers.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 25, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Arnold Turner officiating.

Interment will be at Richmond Memorial Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Pallbearers: John Earl Hunt, Martin Osborne, Bret Davis, B.D. Nunnery, Wayne Taylor, Jonathan Shaw, Shawn Conley and Keith Bartley.

The family has entrusted arrangements to Carter Funeral Home.



## Delmas V. "Bud" Hall

Delmas V. "Bud" Hall, 75, of Marshall, Michigan, passed away Sunday, April 22, 2007, at his home.

He was born May 27, 1931, in Prestonsburg, the son of the late Alexander and Josephine Bingham Hall. He came to

Michigan at 15 years of age.

On November 25, 1955, Delmas married Watheda "Theda" Scott, and she survives.

He was a quality control inspector at Eaton Corporation for 30 years, and also worked for Lynn's Potato Farm and Farley's Nursery.

Delmas enjoyed playing music in bands, including

Herb Truitt and the Country Gentlemen. He enjoyed antique tractor shows, many times playing music for them. He also enjoyed coon hunting, fishing, tinkering, and making guitars.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters: Bonnie (Ron) Struble and

(See OBITUARIES, page eight)

## Card of Thanks

The family of Nathaniel Stephen "Opie" Meade wishes to thank all of those friends, neighbors and family, who helped in any way upon the passing of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent flowers, prayers or words of comfort expressed. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Ken Lemaster for his comforting words, the Sheriff Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and trusted services.

THE FAMILY OF NATHANIEL STEPHEN "OPIE" MEADE

## Card of Thanks

The family of Oscar Horne would like to take this opportunity to thank all those friends, relatives, and neighbors, who helped to comfort our family during this difficult time. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers or spoke kind words to our family. We are especially grateful to the speakers at the service for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their loving care and hand of friendship to our family.

THE FAMILY OF OSCAR HORNE

## Card of Thanks

The family of Joflene Mosley would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, relatives, and neighbors who helped in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Clergymen Earnest Manns, Claude Allen and Ken Isaac, for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the staff of Hall Funeral Home for their unsurpassed service.

THE FAMILY OF JOFLENE MOSLEY

## Card of Thanks

The family of John P. Wells wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors, in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke words of comfort. A special thanks to Clergymen Clinton "Buddy" Jones, Donnie Patrick, and others for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their professional and compassionate service.

THE FAMILY OF JOHN P. WELLS

## Card of Thanks

The family of Carlos Wayne "Pennyrile" Artrip wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, cards, prayers, or spoke comforting words during our time of grief. We would like to say a special thank-you to Sally Miller and Phillip Caudill for their kind and special words; Jared Arnett, Vicky & Ricky Ellis, The Drift Travelers for the beautiful music and singing; and especially to Ted Shannon for the beautiful and comforting message; and to the Hall Funeral Home for its kind and courteous services.

THE FAMILY OF CARLOS WAYNE "PENNYRILE" ARTRIP

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# Community Calendar

## Calendar items will be printed as space permits

*Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email to: features@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.*

### Prestonsburg Elementary Kindergarten Registration

Prestonsburg Elementary Kindergarten Registration for the school year 2007-2008 will be held May 8 and May 9, from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., in the school auditorium.

Please bring your child when registering for kindergarten. The following is required before entering kindergarten: Student's birth certificate, Social Security card, immunization records, physical exam, and eye exam. If you have any or all of the above documents, please bring on registration day.

### Newbee's Quilt Group

The Floyd County Extension Service Newbee's Quilt Group will meet Thursday, April 26, at 6 p.m., at the Extension Office. Please contact Theresa Scott, County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences at 886-2268 for more information.

### Spring recital

Piano students of David Leslie will present their 27th Annual Spring Recital on May 22, at 6:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the Mountain Arts Center, in Prestonsburg. The public is invited to attend.

### "Pickin' in the Mountains"

Bluegrass Fest to be held Sat., April 28, at Jenny Wiley Theatre - rain or shine. (If raining, will move indoors.) Melvin Goins & Windy Mountain; Don Rigsby; Larry Cordle & Lonesome Standard Time (from Nashville); Dave Evans & Riverbend; Fast Lane (from Floyd County); and more.

Call 1-800-325-0142 or 606-928-2128 for more info.

### East KY Women Leaders Conference, April 26

East Kentucky Women in Leadership will hold their 10th annual conference on

Thursday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the East Kentucky Expo Center, Pikeville. This year's theme is: "Your Invitation to the World of Wellness." The physical, social, emotional, spiritual, environmental, intellectual, and occupational health of women will be addressed.

Registration and coffee at 9 a.m. A light luncheon will be served. There is no fee required to attend.

Event is open to both women and men.

### Allen Central Class of 1977 30-Year Reunion

The ACHS class of 1977 will have a 30-year reunion, September 22, at Best Western, 7-12 p.m. \$25 single, \$40.00 couple. Contact E-mail: class77ACHS@hotmail.com Debbie Bailey, 405 Turkey Cr. Rd., Langley, KY 41645, Lynn Isaac, 1327 Prater Fk. Rd., Hueysville, KY 41640.

### Motorcycle ride to benefit the American Cancer Society

When: Saturday, May 5.  
Rain Date: Saturday, May 12.

Location: Community Trust Bank Operations Center, (Old Pikeville Wal-Mart Parking Lot).

Registration: 9:00-11:00 a.m. Ride begins: 11:05 a.m.

Cost: \$20 per driver; \$10 per passenger

Poker Run \$5 per person. All street legal motorcycles welcome!

Poker Run 1st, 2nd & 3rd Prizes.

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All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. For more information, or to pre-register, contact Amanda Collins, at 606-433-4884, or 1-800-422-1090.

### Orders for sketches now being taken

The Artisan Center Relay for Life team is now taking orders for sketches. Just bring in several photographs of the person you want drawn, and our volunteer artists will create an 8x10 sketch in black and white for \$25. These make great gifts as well as a memorial for a loved one lost to cancer. Matting is also available for \$5 (thanks to Foget-Me-Not Floral for providing them). All proceeds will go directly to the American Cancer Society. For more information, call 785-9855.

### PHS Class of 1987 plans 20th reunion

The Prestonsburg High

School class of 1987 is currently planning their 20th reunion. Please e-mail your contact information to phsclass87@bellsouth.net.

### Democratic Woman's Club

meets at Floyd Co. Library The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club meets regularly on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m., at the Floyd County Library.

### Spring Fling

Paintsville Main Street Association will present their "Arts in Action" Spring Fling on Saturday, April 28, from 1 to 6 p.m., in downtown Paintsville. Live music, antique road show, children's court, featuring petting zoo, inflatables and games, author's corner, art and craft show, plant sale, food booths and much more. Bring a chair and come on down! More info., call Carole Logsdon at 789-6487 or email to: downtown\_main@bellsouth.net

### MCA Class of '87 to hold class reunion

Mountain Christian Academy Class of 1987 will be holding its 20th class reunion. The reunion is scheduled for June 30, at MCA in Martin. Any student who attended MCA from 1983 to 1987 is also invited to attend. Anyone interested can visit our group site at <http://groups.msn.com/mcareunion> or email [mca87reunion@hotmail.com](mailto:mca87reunion@hotmail.com). Emails can be directed to Clarizza Singayao or Tammy Bailey.

### BLHS planning 'Decades' reunion

The Betsy Layne High School reunion committee is planning an event for the classes of the 1930s, 40s, 50s, and 60s, in June, 2007. For more information, contact Marvin Williamson at 478-3310; Betty Conn at 478-5987; Sue Reynolds at 874-2574; or Joe Hinchman at (859)-373-0518.

### WHS Classes of '87 and '88

The Wheelwright High School Classes of 1987 and 1988 will have a combined class reunion on Saturday June 23, 2007. A family picnic will be held at Dewey Lake Dam, Shelter #2, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. An evening event is planned at 7 p.m., at the Best Western, in Prestonsburg. Those wishing to attend should contact Reunion Coordinators Steve Cole and

Jami Campbell Cole at (859) 986-1883.

### ACHS Class of '96

The Allen Central High School Class of 1996 will be holding their 10-year reunion. For more information, call Amanda at 285-9491 or Leslie at 886-8003.

### PHS Class of '97

Members of the PHS Class of 1997 are planning their 10-year reunion. The reunion will be held on July 14, 2007, at Best Western Prestonsburg Inn. Those wishing to attend, please send personal information, including name, address, phone number, occupation, spouse, children, and pets.

All teachers from 1993 to 1997 also welcome to attend.

Send all information to: [phs97@bellsouth.net](mailto:phs97@bellsouth.net), or mail to: Mark McKinney, 69 Hospital St., Martin, KY 41649.

Please visit us at [www.myspace.com/phsblackcats97](http://www.myspace.com/phsblackcats97) for further information.

### Hope in the Mountains

Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Watergap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church.

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.

Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

### Prestonsburg Rotary Club Invites interested profes-

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— John Greenleaf Whittier

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## Guest View (Un-)American way

This is a tale of greed on the part of special interests in Washington, D.C., and how it is literally contributing to the starvation of impoverished people, including many children. The destitute people, hundreds of thousands of them, are in Zambia — just the latest African country to suffer the twin calamities of unrelenting drought and pandemic AIDS. A compelling account in The New York Times earlier this month said that among its 11 million people, more than 1 million children are AIDS orphans, their parents killed by the disease or so sickened that they cannot work and feed their families. Average life expectancy has fallen to 38.

The World Food Program, an arm of the United Nations, has been providing as many people as it can with the most basic sustenance — daily rations of gruel. But with already meager stocks running low, the rations were earlier cut by nearly half. And now officials say supplies are in danger of running out within weeks. The World Food Program in February issued an emergency appeal for cash contributions to enable it to buy corn already piled in Zambian warehouses.

President Bush, to his immense credit, would like to help. But this is where the Washington special interests get in the way. United States law says that American donations for food must come from homegrown American food shipped mostly on American-flagged vessels that use American crews. This, the Times notes, is expensive and generally takes four to six months.

Bush has proposed, for the third consecutive year, that the law be changed to allow up to one-fourth of the budget of the primary U.S. food aid program to be used to buy food within a developing country during emergencies such as that now occurring in Zambia. More people could be fed more quickly, while also contributing to the economy of the poor nation.

But Congress shelved the administration plan each of the last two years and, the Times reported, an alliance of agribusiness, shipping and charitable organizations, each with a financial stake in the status quo, is again posing strong opposition this year.

These opponents argue that such a plan would actually be counterproductive because it would weaken the incentive for American growers and shippers to participate in the aid program. Bunk.

A top official of the U.S. Agency for International Development told the newspaper that the Bush plan would affect less than half of 1 percent of American agricultural exports, hardly damaging American interests.

But for now, at least, the World Food Program can only hope that other wealthy nations will donate cash quickly to buy corn to feed the Zambian people.

There will be more Zambias. But without a change in the law, American emergency assistance will again be stymied by unreasonable special interests. Surely, that is not the American way.

— The San Diego Union-Tribune



## Letters

### McDowell principal extends a thank you

Upon viewing the aftermath of recent flooding for McDowell Elementary, I had initially thought we would likely be out of school for at least a week. This was not my first flood experience at our school so I was having flashbacks of the last flood and what it entailed. The campus was completely surrounded in mud. One entire building and 7 classrooms in two other buildings were hit with the murky water and mud.

We were unable to get access until around 10:30 Sunday morning. What took place within the next 36 hours is simply amazing. Immediately, Dr. Fanning and Greg Adams sent in several of the school district's maintenance department to

help the school's janitorial staff. Someone had gone to the local IGA to get boxes and back came the manager, Tabitha Carlington and additional workers. Gene Bracken, pastor of McDowell First Baptist Church, pitched in along with additional members. The school staff began to call each other about the news and soon we had nearly 50 people on campus Sunday to begin the clean-up process. Later that evening, we were thinking we just might be lucky enough to get back in school Wednesday. By nightfall and two clean buildings later, we were excited to entertain the idea that we could possibly make this thing happen by Tuesday if we worked really hard.

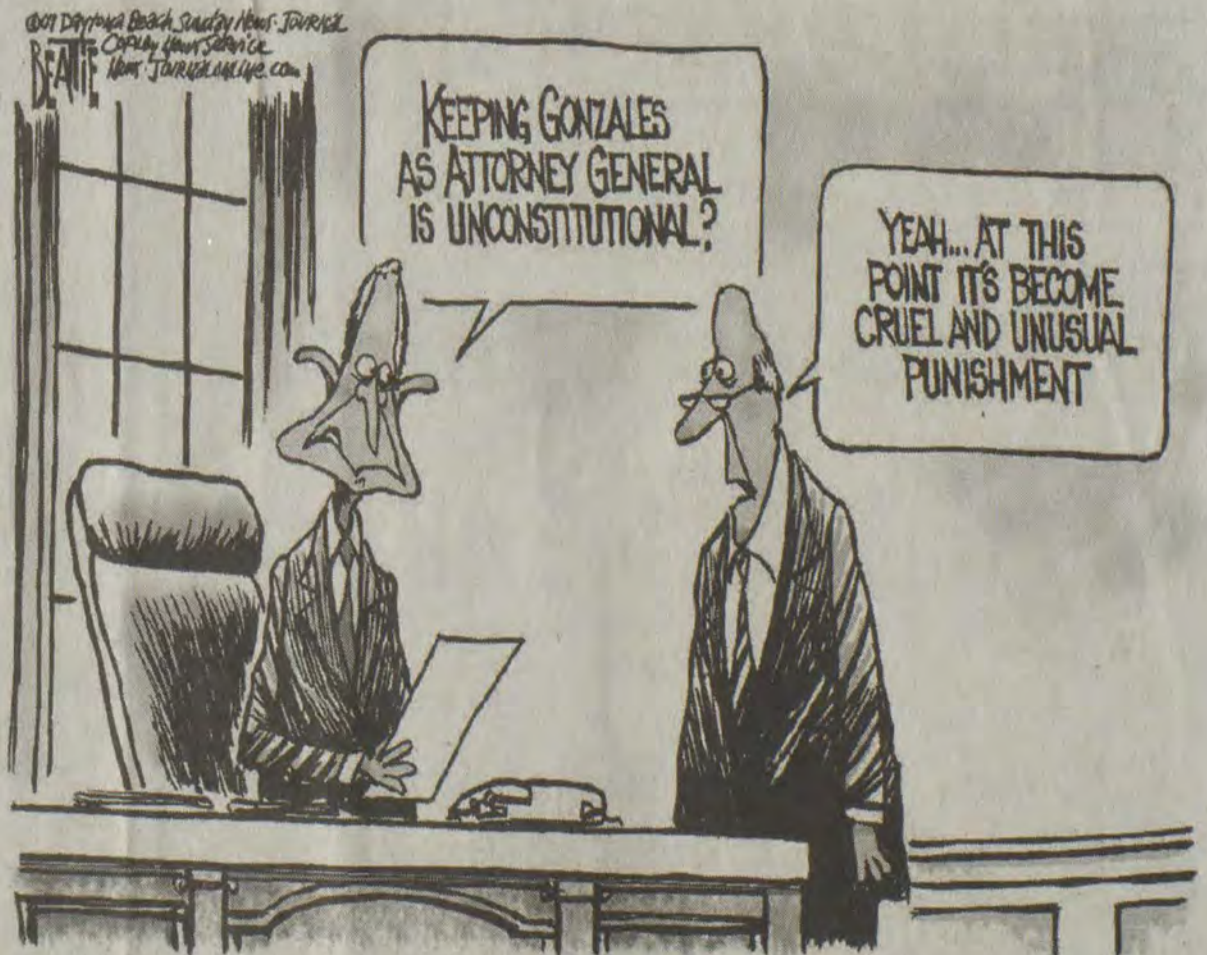
Additional workers and volunteers came on Monday and many staff members returned to help in our mission. Special tribute goes to the Left Beaver Rescue Squad who spent many hours with us attending to the parking lots. After hours of moving, cleaning and disinfecting, the Health

Department gave us the go ahead to re-open Tuesday morning. One staff member volunteer jokingly commented Tuesday, "What flood?"

I want to personally thank Dr. Fanning, Greg Adams, David Dawson, district maintenance workers, community volunteers, dedicated staff and their families who worked together as a team to get our students back in school by Tuesday morning. Thanks to IGA for sending us a cooler of soda and Maudie Osborne for sending some home cooked food for the workers. It was very thoughtful. Gratitude goes to Jennifer Martin and the Floyd County Health Department for arranging tetanus vaccines for our workers.

Awesome work everyone! McDowell Elementary made its own campus flood clean-up history! Thanks again!

Jerri Turner  
McDowell Elementary Principal



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# BSCTC's InHarmony to perform at East Kentucky Live, April 27

PRESTONSBURG — Big Sandy Community and Technical College, along with the Mountain Arts Center, will present East Kentucky Live: A Concert for Music Education on April 27, at 7 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center.

The concert will feature BSCTC's Big Sandy Singers, InHarmony Women's Community Chorus, Serenade, and the 2007 Big Sandy Idol (high school vocal talent scholarship competition) winners.

InHarmony will be presenting several selections including "Fields of Gold," "Lean on Me," "My Guy," and a medley from the movie "My Best Friend's Wedding," along with several other pieces. InHarmony is a female, community-based singing group whose members consist of BSCTC students, faculty, staff, and members of our eastern Kentucky community.



InHarmony, a community-based female singing group from Big Sandy Community and Technical College will be in concert at the MAC on Friday night as part of East Kentucky Live presented by the MAC and BSCTC. Members of the group include: (Front, From Left) Director Laura Ford Hall, Brandi Brown, Kelly Powers, (Second Row) Dawn Stambaugh, Laura Wells, Michelle Fields, Accompanist Alicia Hughes, Terri Tipton, Mary Lou Lavender, Susan Chafin, Terina Caudill, Sharon Tackett, Melissa Hicks, Carolyn Ford (Third Row) Rachael Hayes, Rachel Sanders, Julie Wells, Victoria Hampton, Haley Collins, Melanie Stapleton, Ashley Hall, Sara Tackett, Pam Parker, and Kim Thacker. Jane Bond, Judy Yunker, Mary Going, and Susan Johnson not pictured.

The group is directed by BSCTC Instructor and veteran Kentucky Opry member Laura Ford Hall, with Timothy Cooley, album producer and technical director. Mountain Arts Center Kentucky Opry Orchestra pianist Alicia Hughes serves as the accompanist for the choir.

Serenade is a female singing group comprised of community members who audition for their position in the ensemble. Serenade will be performing selections such as "I Can Only Imagine," and "When You Believe."

The Big Sandy Singers will present a variety show of pop, country, and gospel music.

The Singers is the elite, auditioned, student singing group that is also directed Hall, with Cooley as technical director, and Kentucky Opry member Clayton Case, assistant director. The Singers will present songs from their newly-released album, "Going Home," including "Boondocks," "I Have a Father" and "Some Gave All/God Bless America," among others.

Admission is \$5 or a donation of your choice. Proceeds will go to the BSCTC Music and Drama Club, which helps to fund the performing arts programs at the college. Everyone is invited to attend!

## Fletcher to visit PMC to promote 'Get Healthy Kentucky'

PIKEVILLE — On Thursday, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Pikeville Medical Center will be holding a press conference where Gov. Ernie Fletcher will promote his "Get Healthy Kentucky" initiative.

The press conference will be held in the second-floor atrium of the May Tower at PMC. Everyone is invited to attend.

The governor's ongoing promotion of health across the commonwealth focuses individually on youth, adults, seniors, schools and the workplace. As a physician, Fletcher will express the importance of prevention as the Core for "Get Healthy Kentucky".

PMC shares the governor's vision of reversing the negative current health trends seen across the commonwealth. As a partner, PMC hopes to aid in preserving a better quality of life for its employees, patients, and visitors, by setting the community example in healthy living.

For more information concerning the press conference, contact Carol Casebolt at (606) 218-4942 or Jessica Petot at (606) 218-3960.

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"Lunch is served at noon and programs begin promptly at 12:40. Contact Mike Vance at 226-2075; David Kraus at 886-3082; or Nancy Johnson at 886-1156 for more info.

**UNITE**

The UNITE coalition of Floyd County will meet, beginning in March, on the SECOND Monday of each month, at 5:30 p.m., at the New Allen Baptist Church. All interested persons welcome to join UNITE's fight against drugs.

"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m.

Living Free is a faith-based 12-step support group open to all who are searching for recovery. There is no fee to attend. For more info., contact Shirley Combs at 874-3388 or 434-8400.

**Free Body Recall classes**

Free Body Recall Exercise Classes will be held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30, at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at 11 a.m. at the old R & S Building. Classes are offered by the Floyd County Health Department. Call the health department, 886-2788, for more information.

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**Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings**

Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Dixie: 3rd Thursday, 12:30 p.m., Dixie Community Room.

David: 1st Monday, 1 p.m., at St. Vincent's Mission.

Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.

Maytown: 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m., Maytown Learning Center.

Cliff: 3rd Tuesday, 12 p.m., Community Center.

Prestonsburg: 2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., Extension Office.

South Prestonsburg: 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Home of members (call 886-2668 for info.)

Left Beaver: 2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., Osborne Elem. School Library.

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**Looking for a Support Group?**

Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times.

Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call Jessica Slone at 886-6025 for more information.

Overeater's Anonymous - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red

light. Call 889-9620 for more info.

US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

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PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you

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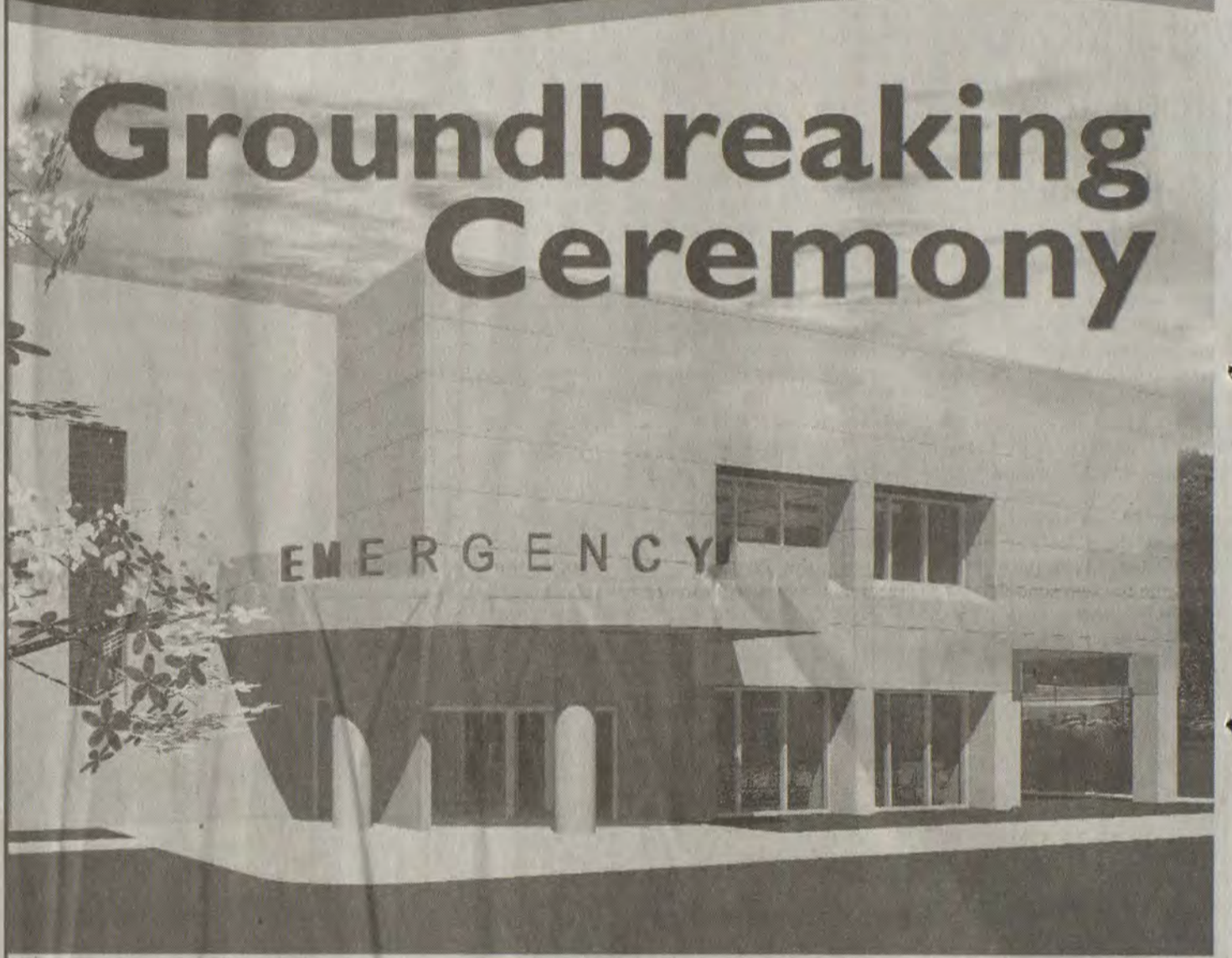
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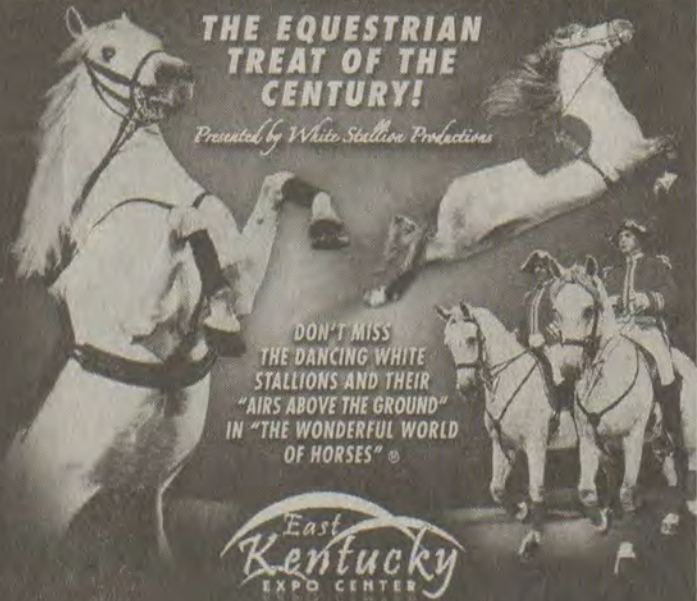
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# Baptist volunteers respond to Floyd County flood

MAYTOWN — Kentucky Baptist disaster relief volunteers from across the state completed repair work last week on Maytown homes damaged by flooding in Floyd County that occurred April 14-15.

In an effort that lasted April 17-22, 10 volunteers helped restore 10 area homes affected by the storms. The team removed water and damaged materials from flooded basements, and also sanitized the homes to prevent further damage.

The Maytown Center in Langley served as the unit's headquarters. The relief work was coordinated by the Kentucky Baptist Convention and was led by Curtis Smith of Lloyd and Bill Jackson of

Ashland, both trained disaster relief volunteers.

Additional volunteers included O.A. Collins of Ashland, Robert Eggleton of Flemingsburg, Nando Felty of Ashland, Rita Kennedy of Louisa, Bonnie Prince of Ashland, Harold Smith of Shepherdsville, David Wilkerson of Taylorsville, and Jeffrey Wilson of West Liberty.

Kentucky Baptists are part of a larger network of Southern Baptist volunteers trained to respond to disasters by manning mass feeding operations, using chainsaws to clear downed trees and limbs, clear mud out of flooded homes and more.

Southern Baptist disaster relief volunteers work in conjunction with other organizations, such as the Salvation Army, the American Red Cross and the Federal Emergency Management

Agency. Together, Southern Baptists compose the third largest relief organization in the United States.

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1LT. Shawn Roop reports to Kentucky's adjutant general, Maj. Gen. Donald Storm, with the ROTC memorandum of agreement to be signed by Storm, Lt. Col. Bonnie Noyes, professor of military science at Morehead State University, and Pikeville College President Hal Smith.

## Pikeville College announces new Army ROTC program

FRANKFORT — The president of Pikeville College, Harold H. Smith, announced the formation of a new Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps program during a press conference held on campus April 14.

A memorandum of agreement to officially launch the program was signed by Smith, as well as Maj. Gen. Donald C. Storm, Kentucky's adjutant general, and Lt. Col. Bonnie A. Noyes, professor of military science at Morehead State University. Noyes will officially oversee the ROTC program through a partnership between the two schools.

“ROTC will provide a great opportunity for our students to grow as leaders and participate in a highly-respected career serving our nation,” Smith said. “We are pleased to work with the ROTC, the National Guard and Morehead State University to provide this exciting program.”

The new Army ROTC program will not only help train the future leaders of the military but will also offer four-year, three-year and two-year ROTC cadets the ability to compete for scholarships. Upon completion of the ROTC program and awarding of a degree, the students will receive a commission to serve as a second lieutenant on

active duty, or in one of the reserve components — U.S. Army Reserve or Army National Guard.

“We are excited to help launch this program at Pikeville College,” said Noyes. “The creation of this program brings some new financial and career opportunities for the student body.”

According to Storm, the Army ROTC program also will assist those Pikeville students already serving in the Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserves, as they are eligible to participate in a special simultaneous member-

(See ROTC, page ten)

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risen by more than 14 percent since 2003. In adults older than sixty, nearly one in every five has diabetes, and the incidence is rapidly rising in children and adolescents. One in ten Kentuckians have diabetes. Diabetes is the only major disease with a death rate that is still rising. People with diabetes are much more likely than others to become blind,

lose a foot, have kidney failure, develop coronary heart disease and stroke. In addition it is now thought that they are twice as likely to develop Alzheimer's disease. Tremendous progress has been made in only the last few years in the prevention and treatment of the disease. Through education and compliance with their health care treat-

ment, most people with diabetes can now lead almost normal lives and can look forward to a respectable, reasonably healthy old age.

Highlands Regional Medical Center hosted its spring Healthy Living with Diabetes Program. Sixty-two people attended the session that offered information on diabetes medication and urological problems. The speakers for the program were Jason North, PharmD and Debbie Ousley, RN, CDE. Other volunteers involved in the program were Deitra Hackworth, Jonni Ousley, Brenda Thornsberry, Penny Marcum, and Amy Haney. Participants received bags filled with educational materials, samples of diabetic nutritional products, and a glucometer. Training sessions were offered after the program on how to use the new meters. The participants had many positive comments about the program stressing to Highlands the importance of "keeping up the good work."

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## Obituaries

Sharon (Harvey) Dunn, both of Marshall; a sister, Frieda Wallen of Marshall, Michigan; three brothers: Joe Hall of Lexington, Manderville Hall of Pikeville, and Russell Hall of Prestonsburg; five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a great-grandson; a sister; and two brothers.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, April 26, at 1 p.m., at J. Kevin Tidd Funeral Home, 811 Finley Drive, Albion, with Rev. Earl Martin officiating.

Interment will follow at Porter Cemetery.

Visitation will be Wednesday, April 25, from 5-8 p.m., at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to Good Samaritan Hospice.

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### Jack Talmadge Hutchinson

Jack Talmadge Hutchinson, age 78, of Lancaster, formerly of Martin, passed away on Saturday, April 21, 2007, in the Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville, following an extended illness.

He was born in Shelbyana, on September 28, 1928, the son of the late David Montgomery Hutchinson and Loretta Justice Hutchinson.

He was a retired educator, having taught in the Floyd County School system and Eastern Kentucky University. He was a Kentucky Colonel, a member of the Kentucky Retired Teachers Association, Madison County Retired Teachers Association, a past master of Masonic Lodge No. 25, F.&A.M. at Richmond, and a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints of Martin, Richmond, Scottsdale, Arizona, and Danville.

Survivors include, his wife, Betty Sue Webb Hutchinson; a daughter, Mary Anne (Larry) Williams of Woodbury, Minnesota; a sister, Vivian Tackett of Martin; grandchildren: Jaclyn S. Byrd and Laura A. Williams; great-grandchildren: Trey Allen Baldwin, Bailee Suezanne Baldwin, and Hunter Jackson Byrd

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers: Garland, Donald, and

Rodney Hutchinson.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 25, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel in Martin, with elders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating.

Burial will follow in the Danville Memorial Gardens, in Danville.

Masonic services were conducted on Tuesday evening, at 7:00 p.m., at the funeral home, and graveside services will be held at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday evening, at Danville Memorial Gardens.

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### Billy Ray Newsome

Billy Ray Newsome, 57, of Harold, died Sunday, April 22, 2007, at his residence.

Born February 9, 1950, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Noah and Vernie Hunter Newsome. He was a disabled landscaper for B.J. Landscaping.

Survivors include a son, Steve Newsome of Harold; a daughter, Elizabeth Flinchum of Stanton; three brothers: B.J. Newsome, and Ricky Newsome, both of Betsy Layne, and Timmy Newsome of Chicago, Illinois; four sisters: Roberta Sturgill of Chicago, Illinois, Ethel Sturgill of Betsy Layne, Jacqueline McCutcheon of Harold, and Rhonda Collins of Betsy Layne; two grandchildren: Jeffery Flinchum and Brittany Flinchum; special parents: Lafe Scott of Harold, and the late Elizabeth Scott; and a special brother, Shirl Newsome of Teaberry.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 25, at 1 p.m., at the Church of Christ, in Harold.

Burial will be in the Bush Cemetery, at Harold, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier

Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation, after 6 p.m., Monday, at the funeral home; and after 10 a.m., Wednesday, at the church.

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### Joan Whitaker

Joan Whitaker, 70, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, April 20, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born May 6, 1936, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Otis and Camack Skeens Goble. She was a retired merchant and a member of the Lancer Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Bill Whitaker.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Donald Robin, wife Pam Whitaker, of Prestonsburg; two sisters: Janet Ratliff of Prestonsburg, and Mary Wells of Paintsville; a grandchild, Joshua Donald Whitaker; and a stepgranddaughter, Krystal Castle, and two step-great-grandchildren: Haley Castle and Ryan Castle.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Howard Goble and Landon Charles.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 23, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Thomas R. Biddle and Bobby Carpenter officiating.

Burial was in the Goble Cemetery, Lake Road, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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that money to buy votes under the guise of paying for vote-hauling and campaign work.

Prior to his sentencing, Turner's attorney, Brent L. Caldwell, repeated a plea for leniency he had made in a memorandum to the court last week. A pre-sentencing report had recommended Turner spend six months under house arrest, but Brent Caldwell argued for probation and community service instead. He said that Turner, as a first-time offender who did not intentionally break the law but merely failed to adequately police his campaign workers, had learned his lesson.

"I don't think you're going to see him [in court] again, at all," Caldwell said.

Brent Caldwell also noted that six months house arrest would be excessive compared to defendants in a Bath County case who were found guilty of "actual vote-buying" and received sentences of three months home incarceration.

Turner also addressed Judge Caldwell prior to his sentencing, keeping his remarks brief.

"I would like to thank you for allowing me to continue to serve my constituents and I would respectfully ask that you allow me to continue to do that," Turner said.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kenneth Taylor, who prosecuted the case, did not make a sentencing recommendation, deferring to Judge Caldwell's judgment. However, while noting that Turner was not a "ringleader" in recent election fraud cases, Taylor said Turner's sentence should "send a message about vote-buying and vote-hauling."

After a brief pause, Judge Caldwell sentenced Turner to three months home incarceration, one year probation and a \$1,000 fine. Turner will be allowed to leave his home for employment purposes and for other reasons when given advance approval by a proba-

tion officer.

During his confinement, which Judge Caldwell ruled would begin within 30 days of sentencing, Turner will be required to wear a monitoring device, the cost of which he will be required to pay.

The judge then addressed Turner directly.

"In this court's perspective, it has been very lenient in granting no jail time," Judge Caldwell said. "You had a real brush with disaster here."

Judge Caldwell noted Turner's exemplary reputation and lack of a criminal record, as well the fact he did not willfully commit a crime, as factors warranting a light sentence, but said the court also had to send a message.

"I agree that in many ways you were a victim in this case, although a willing one," Judge Caldwell said.

Following the hearing, Turner said he believed Judge Caldwell recognized he did not willfully commit a crime.

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"I respect the judge's decision," Turner said.

Brent Caldwell said there are no plans to appeal Judge Caldwell's sentence.

Taylor said he felt Judge Caldwell had handed down a fair sentence, especially given the "strange circumstances in this case."

"It was a close call for Mr. Turner, but I think he has acknowledged that it was wrong," Taylor said.

Turner will be allowed to keep his Senate seat following the conviction and said Monday he intends to run again when his term is up for reelection next year. However, when asked if he would use vote-haulers in future races, Turner responded with an emphatic, "Not me!"

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Terry Branham also face numerous distribution charges. Gearheart faces one distribution count.

Mills, an officer with First Guaranty Bank of Martin, does not face drug charges, but has been charged with helping Justice obtain a \$25,000 loan against Justice's and Triplett's home in an alleged attempt to disrupt a government seizure of the property.

Justice's attorney, Stephen D. Milner, filed a motion Monday to have his client rearraigned for the purpose of pleading guilty. U.S. District Danny C. Reeves granted the request the same day and set a hearing for Friday in Lexington to accept the plea.

In addition to the two conspiracy counts, Justice will also concede to a government forfeiture count seeking to deprive Triplett and her of their \$151,000 home, \$53,371 in cash, nine vehicles, seven guns and ammunition, a set of scales and two computers.

Justice faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and a \$4 million fine for the drug conspiracy charge, and five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine for the fraud conspiracy count.

Justice and Triplett are referred to in court documents as leaders of the conspiracy, which extended to Chicago, Virginia, West Virginia and Puerto Rico. Although the indictment alleges the conspiracy involved five kilograms (11

pounds) of cocaine, court records indicate as much as 20 kilograms may have been involved. The conspiracy is believed to have involved between \$450,000 and \$1 million in transactions.

According to an affidavit filed by Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent Donnie D. Kidd, the investigation began when Gearheart was arrested Sept. 17 after a traffic stop allegedly uncovered an ounce of cocaine in his vehicle. However, other court documents indicate that at least some of the defendants had been under surveillance since as early as January 2005.

Following his arrest, Kidd's affidavit said, Gearheart agreed to an interview with police and allegedly told them he was a regular cocaine user and had obtained the drug from Triplett.

On Nov. 4, Triplett and Justice were stopped for speeding by a state trooper in Franklin County. A search of the vehicle uncovered two kilograms of cocaine inside a duffel bag in the rear of the vehicle. Triplett and Justice were arrested, and Justice later allegedly told officers that she and Triplett were returning from buying the cocaine in Chicago at a cost of \$45,000. She reportedly told police that the two had made approximately 10 previous trips to Chicago for the same purpose.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen Craig Smith is leading the prosecution.

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 Huge Family yard sale. 205 South Arnold Avenue Prestonsburg, KY. Down the street from 1st United Methodist Church. Large two story garage house. Lawn furniture, computer desk, small furniture, adult clothing, children clothing, blinds and much more. April 30th - May 1st - and 2nd. 8:00-3:00 each day.

**YARD SALE**  
 Car port sale rain or shine. May 1,2,3 at 366 North Highland Prestonsburg.

**YARD SALE**  
 Rain or shine, May 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 from 9am to ? at Floyd-Magoffin line on 114 to 1427 come 1.6 miles to Holbrook Hollow Rd. Follow signs. Misc items, clothes, house hold items, furniture, and ceramics.

### Miscellaneous

**FOR SALE**  
 Laz-y Boy Sofa and love seat. \$200 886-8717

**ITEMS FOR SALE**  
 King size bed for sale with frame and head board! 100 CD Jute box. Full size Pin Ball Machine. Call 606-226-6010

**FOR SALE**  
 Great business opportunity! A 15x15 Ninja jump inflatable bounce house. Two years old. Can be rented all year round, used for personal use, or for church events (VBS). Comes with the electric blower and patch kit. \$1200!!!! If interested, call 874-5157, leave a

message.  
**ITEMS FOR SALE**  
 Shot Gun, 1925 asking \$500, free fire wood cut! Apartment size refrigerator for sale. \$100. Colonial rug for sale. \$20. Call 285-3704

**WOLFF TANNING BEDS NEW & USED.** Monthly payments, free delivery within 100 miles of London. Parts - Lamps - Services. 1-888-554-0058.

**FOR SALE**  
 Glass Antique show case and other antique items available. Call 259-8411 or 874-2421

**LOT FOR RENT**  
 Located at Old Allen Road. \$200 per month. City sewer available. 874-2421 and 259-1844.

### REAL ESTATE

#### Houses

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
 2 story house, new construction, all electric, central heat and air. 3 BR, living room with electric log fire place, big kitchen with cherry cabinets, stove, refrigerator, dish washer, Florida sunroom, utility room with W/D, office with computer hookup and desk. City water and garbage pick-up. Located on Rt. 23 (4-lane) Floyd County, level. Shown by appointment only. Call 606-437-6507 or 434-9008.

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
 Auxier, small house, excellent condition. Asking \$49,900. Call 886-1416 or 886-3680

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
 4 BR Brick house apx 1500 sq. ft. 2 baths, living room, family room, kitchen, utility room, large deck, double carport on nice corner lot. Hardwood floors in living room, kitchen, family room and one bedroom. New carpet in 3 bedrooms. Also has Gas log fire place, electric heat pump. Located 2 miles up Abbott Rd. on Frasure Hill Dr. Prestonsburg, KY. 606-886-6778. Shown by appointment. www.sharphome.com

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
 2,600 Sq. Ft. 4 BR brick 1/2 bath. ADT security system. Out of flood plane in Prestonsburg. 606-886-1624.

**PRICE REDUCED MUST SELL NOW!** Two houses!!! One is 4 BR, living room, dining room, kitchen, bath.

The other house is 2 BR, living, big kitchen, bath, built over garage work shop and laundry room, 2 outside storage building. Natural gas, paved parking, chain link fenced yard. 7/10 acre lot. Very livable move in condition. All for a very reasonable price of \$42,000. NO LAND CONTRACTS. Salyers Branch, Hueysville area. Call 606-358-9346

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
 3 BR brick home with detached 1 car garage. 2 bats, 12 acres of land in the Hueysville area up Salyers Branch, city water, blacktop

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
 3 BR 1 bonus room! 3 FULL bath! Decks all around with front awning, black top drive way, 5 acres more or less. Beautiful scenery with dog woods, red buds, large trees. Located at Stanville, KY. On Mare Creek. Call 606-424-9995 or 606-424-0722.

**HOME FOR SALE**  
 2 1/2 Miles on Abbott, at 111 Creekside. Maple Cabinetry, carpet, 2 BR, fireplace. Recently remodeled. Call 886-0893.

**Storage Units for rent**  
 10x10 \$40.00  
 10x20 \$60.00  
 10x30 \$80.00  
 Located on 1428 Old Allen Rd. Call 874-4511.

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road. Call 606-358-9498

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
 3 BR 2 bath house completely remodeled inside and out. South River view lane. Prestonsburg. 886-8991.

**YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!** 1 MONTH WITH A PICTURE INCLUDED JUST \$75.00. CALL LEIGHANN WILLIAMS TODAY TO SALE YOUR HOUSE FAST! 886-8506.

### 540-Sale/Lease

**FOR SALE**  
 2005 25 Foot Dutchman Travel Trailer. Complete kitchen bath,

queen bed, TV/satellite/Stereo MANY EXTRAS! Priced to pay off \$11,000. Call 606-478-9905 leave message.

**FOR SALE**  
 '92 Holly Park 14x70 2 BR 2 bath. Includes kitchen/dining room combo, living

**TOWNHOUSES FOR RENT!** 2 BR BATH AND 1/2. Living room, kitchen, utility room, 1 car garage. All electric, newly built. Appliances completely furnished. \$700 Per month \$700 deposit. Call 886-6186 or 886-8268.

**HELP WANTED**  
**Conventional CONTRACTOR MINER NEEDED 42 INCH NUMBER 3 Elkhorn.** Respond to the Floyd County Times. Bring in Resume or mail to po box 390 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**Jerry's RESTAUBANT**  
 Prestonsburg

**HELP WANTED:** Waitresses, dish-washers/busboys, cooks. Paid vacation, health insurance available. Uniforms furnished.  
 No phone calls, please!  
 Apply in person.

**APARTMENTS FOR RENT**  
 1, 2, 3, 4 Bedrooms  
 available for extremely low-income people at Highland Heights Apts. in Goble-Roberts Addn., and Cliffside Apts. on Cliff Road, Prestonsburg. Computerized learning centers offer social/educational programs for children and adults. All utilities included at Highland Hgts., utility allowance at Cliffside. Call (606) 886-0608, 886-1927, or 886-1819. TDD: 1-800-648-6056. Highland Heights and Cliffside Apartments do not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion and familial status.

**APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR 1-BEDROOM APARTMENTS FOR PERSONS 55 AND OLDER**  
 Located behind Wendy's and Pizza Hut in Prestonsburg. All utilities are included and the rent is based upon gross monthly income. Several activities, such as line dancing, crafts, bingo, movies, hair salon and church services. The apartments are furnished with a refrigerator, stove, emergency alarm system and air conditioner. For more information, please call Highland Terrace at 606-886-1925, TDD: 1-800-648-6056 or 711; or come by the office for an application. Highland Terrace does not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, age, familial status or disability.

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 Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
**PHONE:**  
 606-886-8318  
 or 1-800-686-4447

### AUTOMOTIVE

#### Boats

**FOR SALE**  
 Ranger Boat 390V, 200 H.P. Johnson, new 80lb. Minn Kota. Livewells, rod box, storage boxes, tandem trailer, with brakes, cover, hot foot, on board battery charger. 1989 model, great shape. Asking \$10,000. 889-0039.

#### Wheels/Misc

### HICKS AUTO SALES

**DAVID ROAD**  
 April Special!  
 '98 Cherokee Classic, Light damage \$2,600 4.0, automatic.  
 '99 Grand Cherokee Laredo \$4,995.  
 '96 Toyota Avalon, 140,000 miles. Extra sharp. \$4,200.  
 '02 Ranger 4 cylinder speed, \$4,295  
 '98 4x4 Nissan Frontier 5 speed air. \$4,500.  
 2001 Ford Tarus SES 80,000 miles. \$4,495. Moonroof.  
 92 Pathfinder, automatic, \$2,295  
 2001 Impala 75,000 miles LS \$5,395. 97' Camry, Moon roof, 4 cylinder. \$1,995.  
 '97 S-10 Automatic, 4.3. \$1,995.  
 886-2842  
 886-3451.

**FOR SALE**  
 1998 Toyota Tacoma 4x4 Ext. cab. V-6, automatic, A/C. 190,000 miles and new tires! Runs great, perfect work truck. \$5,800.00. Call 789-8747 or 367-1779 or 367-1551.

**FOR SALE**  
 Take over payment or pay off! 2006 Corolla Sports-S White in color and sunroof, new tires, new tint. 1,687 mile. Call 886-1460 work or 497-5118 cell.

**FOR SALE**  
 Submergible deep well Meyer pumps. Half 3 quarter and 1 horse power. Call 358-2000.

### EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope.



room, utility room. Electric heat, central air. Excellent condition. \$15,500. Call for appointment. 377-1044.

**FOR SALE**  
Lot with 0.174 acres with 12' & 15' block utility bldg. on Haywood Branch of Spurlock Creek 2 1/2 miles from Prestonsburg, KY \$10,000 serious inquires only. 606-886-8675.

**FOR SALE**  
2003 16x80 mobile home. Fire place, dishwasher, garden tub, walk in shower, shingle roof, gutters, used for short time. Good price. Central air. Located outside City limits. Call 886-2474

**FOR SALE**  
Commercial property 12 acres next to Walmart & McDonald's in Prestonsburg. 886-3023 after 5pm.

**FOR RENT**  
Beauty shop equipmt with 3 stations and tanning bed. Would consider renting for commercial use other than beauty shop. Rt. 122 1 mile South of Martin across from Garth Technical School. Must have references. 285-9112.

**FOR SALE**  
Property for sale between Prestonsburg and Paintsville. Also, double wide for rent. \$500 plus deposit. Call 606-789-6721 or 792-792-6721. No pets.

**RENTALS**

**APARTMENT**

**FOR RENT**  
2 BR Duplex, total electric. Central heat and air, newly built. Located on US 23 North of Prestonsburg. No pets, call 889-9747 or 886-8003.

**APT FOR RENT**  
Now Renting Park place Apartments. Rent starting at: 1BR - \$280, 2BR - \$304. All electric HUD accepted. Call 886-0039  
Equal Housing Opportunity

**FOR RENT**  
2 BR 1 BATH. Stove, refrigerator, W/D hook up. City limits at 23 and 80. \$485 per month, \$300 deposit. No pets. 1 year lease. 606-237-4758

**APT FOR RENT**  
2 BR apt. on Rt. 1210, five miles from Martin. Stove, refrigerator, W/D hookup. \$350 per month plus utilities and \$200 deposit. Call 285-3641 anytime

**FOR RENT**  
2 BR apt for rent. Unfurnished, nice, quiet neighborhood. Deposit and references required. Call 358-9123 Leave message.

**FOR RENT**  
Branham Heights Apartments - Now accepting applications for 1 and 2 BR apts. Rent based on 30% of income. Appliances furnished. very nice, central heat and air, water, garbage and sewer included. Please contact the manager 606-452-4777.  
Equal Opportunity housing.

**APT FOR RENT**  
1 BR APT on private lot. \$475 per month \$250 deposit. Includes TV cable, and utilities. Nice apartment partially furnished, located on 1428 between Allen and Prestonsburg. No HUD, serious inquires only. 859-402-2756.

**Furnished 1 bed room Apt.** Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

**HOUSES**

**FOR RENT**  
Lancer- 2 BR. App. furnished plus washer and dryer. Nice neighborhood. \$550 per month plus deposit and utilities. Must have references. 791-1790

**MobileHomes**

**FOR RENT**  
Newly remodeled MH. 3 BR 2 Bath. Central heat and air, 2 inch metal top for insulation. Water, sewage, and garbage furnished. Located 2 miles from the new Food City. No pets, no HUD. Must have 2 years of good rental records. \$475 per month, \$350 deposit. 874-2162

**FOR RENT**  
2 BR MH for rent, \$350 per month. Plus Security deposit and utilities. Located on Cow Creek. References required. Call 606-874-2802.

**LEGALS**

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0338 Amendment No. 1**  
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O. Box 990, Allen, Kentucky 41601 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.2 miles northeast of Handshoe in Floyd County. The amendment will add an additional 84.1 acres of surface disturbance and will add an additional 14.8 underground acres making the total area within the permit boundary 149.4 acres.

The amendment area is approximately 0.1 miles northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located on an unnamed tributary of Raccoon Branch. The proposed amendment is located on the Wayland, David and Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amendment will use the contour strip and highwall/auger methods of mining. The surface area is owned by Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., Delphia M. Hale and Carol S. Wireman, Betty Reed, Virgil Shepherd - Heirs, Eugene Shepherd, Carl D. Whitaker, Gorman Shepherd, Bobby & Lenore Slone, Clinton Handshoe, Marigold Warrix, Clayton Ramey, Craig Hicks, and Dallas Sparkman. The operation will underlie surface area owned by Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, CONSOL of Kentucky, LLC, Clinton Handshoe, Marigold Warrix, Clayton Ramey, and Craig Hicks.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0334 Amendment No. 2**  
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O. Box 990, 433 Daniels Creek Road, Allen, Kentucky 41601 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.9 miles northeast of Hueysville in Floyd County. The amendment will add an additional 242.1 acres of surface disturbance and add additional 4.9 acres of underground acres making the total area within the permit boundary will be 858.68 acres.

The amendment area is approximately 1.5 miles northwest from

41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0341, Amendment #1**  
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC., 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.2 miles northwest of Hippo in Floyd County. The amendment will add 192.92 acres of surface disturbance making a total area of 320.92 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is located approximately 0.2 mile northwest of KY 850 junction with CR 1288 and located on Prater Branch. The proposed operation is located on the David and Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the area method of surface mining. The surface area is owned by Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, Grady Stephens, Darrell Stephens, Sherri Allen, Abe Shepherd Heirs, William May, and Mysania Moore. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Coyote Den Inc., 2813 Ky. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, hereby declares intention(s) to apply for a retail beer license(s) no later than April 24, 2007. The business to be licensed will be located at 2813 Ky. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, doing business as Coyote Den Inc. The (owner(s); principal officers and directors; limited partners; or members are as follows:

President, Harold E. Meade, of 234 Robin Hill Rd., Paintsville, Ky. 41240. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

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Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Salyers Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek, and Mudlick Branch and Shepherd Branch of Brush Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the Martin and David U.S.G.S. 771/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amendment will use the area mining method of mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Nelson Prater, John Henry Hale, and Jerry Banks.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2007-01**

For every person within and throughout the City of Prestonsburg, and by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Prestonsburg, do hereby order as follows:

That henceforth, there shall be a work session held prior to each regularly scheduled City Council Meeting, wherein all Council Members may attend if they so desire. The time for the work session will be from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m. That no actions will be taken during said work sessions, and that these work sessions shall be utilized to review and discuss city business.

Signed Under My Hand on this the 19th day of April, 2007.

JERRY FANNIN, MAYOR  
City of Prestonsburg

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing will be held on May 10, 2007 at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, at the office of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY for the purpose of Cross Examination of witnesses of Kentucky Power in An Examination of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of American Electric Power Company from November 1, 2004 through October 31, 2006.

Errol K. Wagner, Director of Regulatory Services Kentucky Power Company

STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me by JERRY FANNIN, on this the 19th day of April, 2007.

My Commission expires August 19, 2007  
Sharon Schoolcraft Notary Public

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

To all natural gas customers of Cow Creek Gas Company, Inc. To recognize a gas pipeline emergency:

(a) Natural Gas has a distinct odor, if you smell or detect any gas odor

inside your home— immediately turn off all gas appliances— leave your home and call the gas company. Do not reenter your home until the gas company has made its inspection of all gas piping inside and outside your home.

(b) Any smell of natural gas or detection of leaks in any gas line, regardless of its location, should be reported immediately to the gas company.

(c) To all persons, firms and contractors: before you commence any excavation, digging, or related activities, in the areas of Cow Creek, Home Branch and Slick

Rock Road, call for the location of our gas mains and service lines. We will send a person to locate and mark our lines before you commence any work.

Telephone: 606-432-0526 or 606-1-888-748-8146.

**Cow Creek Gas Company, Inc. 134 Mims Branch Pikeville, KY 41501**

**INVITATION TO BID**

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, Prestonsburg, KY, is accepting bids to lease 2 copiers. The copier's minimum requirements are 80 pages per minute collate sta-

ple, digital printing system and network capable. The terms of the lease shall be for 36 months. The deadline for bids will be Wednesday, 4/25/07. Late bids will not be accepted. For more information, please contact Tracy Reichenbach at (606) 886-1037 ext. 131 or Thomas Rainey at (606) 886-1037 ext. 104 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. Bids may be faxed to (606) 886-6048. The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center reserves the right to reject any or all bids received. Equal opportunity employer M/F/V/D.

**NOTICE (OF FINAL SETTLEMENT)**

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 May 30, 2007, at 8:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	06-P-241	Larcie Blevins	Vincent Blevins	3-20-07
Final	03-P-428	Charles Blevins	Vincent Blevins	3-20-07
Final	06-P-215	Aline Crum	Teresa Cooley	3-28-07
Final	04-P-322	Effie Crager	Cletis Crager	3-12-07
Final	05-P-168	Otis Frasure	Margaret Frasure	3-15-07
Final	05-P-89	William W. Hall	Audrey Hall	3-30-07
Final	05-P-81	David Morgan Hall	Geneva Grace Hall	4-2-07
Final	06-P-139	Butler Hamilton	Cindy Hamilton	4-6-07
Final	06-P-279	Casey Samons	Mabel Samons	4-12-07
Final	05-P-68	Margie Collins	Copa Hansford	4-13-07
Final	06-P-340	Thomas Hackworth	Janis Hackworth	4-16-07
Final	05-P-306	Denver Stewart	Linda Stewart	4-16-07

**LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS**

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All persons 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
3-23-07	07-P-113	Hattie Jarrell	James Jarrell/Joann Goble	
3-26-07	07-P-116	Robert Scott Hall	Cora Hall/Stephen Martin	
3-26-07	07-P-117	Tameke Marie Castle	Rodney Lovem	
3-27-07	07-P-118	Maxie Hite James	William James	William Kendrick
3-28-07	07-P-121	Ralph Moore	Earnie Moore	
3-28-07	07-P-122	Eula M. Hurd	Gwyn E. Meade	
3-28-07	07-P-123	Julia Reffitt	Tom Reffitt	
3-29-07	07-P-124	Robert Lee	Judy Tackett	
4-2-07	07-P-49	James Otis Crisp	Tim Blankenship	
4-4-07	07-P-130	Denver Hall	Peggy Hall	
4-3-07	07-P-127	Burl Randall Conn	Patricia Faye Conn	
4-4-07	07-P-129	Ricky Lynn Tackett	Eula Ann Tackett	
4-9-07	07-P-135	Michael Ray Adkins	Bobby A. Adkins	David A. Barber
4-9-07	07-P-136	Phyllis Jean Pitts	Beulah Price	
4-11-07	07-P-139	Gordon Moore	Mary Sue Moore	
4-12-07	07-P-142	Palmer Humphrey	Jimmy Humphrey	
4-12-07	07-P-144	Icy Lee Jones	Paul Gene Jones	Keith Bartley
4-16-07	07-P-145	Nova Bradley	Edward Bradley	
4-16-07	07-P-146	Hubert G. Allen	Kim Allen	
4-16-07	07-P-147	Millis Hamilton	Verdie Hamilton	
4-16-07	07-P-148	Wanda Lee Symon	David Symon	
4-17-07	07-P-150	Henry Reffett	Ellen Reffett	

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**Council**

bers contact him by phone and in writing to request his presence in Prestonsburg for a discussion on the issue.

"We need our political leaders behind us," said property owner Floyd Skeans. "The leaders we, as citizens, voted for and put into office."

Mayor Jerry Fannin, each of the council members, and citizens will be contacting the governor's office to make the request.

A nearly 45-minute closed session followed discussion on the barrier wall and upon returning, council members heard some disturbing news from Archer Park's chairman of the board.

According to the park board, Archer Park is at a very high risk of being shut down due to budgetary concerns.

Recently, city council voted to turn over the Stonecrest facilities to the Archer Park Board, but the board says it cannot take care of what they have now, much less any additional facilities.

The park board did some research and found that in 1992, an ordinance was secured that would provide the park with one-third of a motel tax set forth through Prestonsburg Tourism, since

the park was seen as a tourist attraction. Now, the park board says they aren't receiving the money they should from the tourism office because tourism now says that the park does not bring in a sufficient amount of tourists to be considered an attraction.

Park Director David Baldrige noted that the tourism office had been provided numerous records documenting that the park does bring in tourists, with family reunions noted as an example. According to the city's finance officer, tourism budgeted \$184,000 to go to the park this year, but some say this amount is considerably less than the park should be receiving. A check of the budget tourism provided to city council revealed that tourism had a reserve fund balance of nearly \$100,000, leaving some council members wondering how they had so much reserve money when they weren't paying the park the full portion of the motel tax they were assigned in 1992. Council will be looking further into the issue to see what needs to be done to save the park from closure.

Further discussions on a topic brought up at the last

regular city council meeting yielded more questions on the legality of tax incentives for citizens who choose to be annexed into city limits.

"I'm not going to support selective tax incentives," said council member B.D. Nunnery.

The majority of council members agreed that a tax break for people who choose to be annexed is not fair, if not illegal. Mayor Jerry Fannin stood his ground and says that the incentives are legal and that council should shy away from revoking offers already given to some citizens.

"I don't think it's right to back out on a deal," Fannin said.

When votes were cast to notify residents that the city would no longer uphold these incentives, council member Kelly Moore voted against the measure, but not without being second-guessed. Council member Gorman Collins said he didn't think Moore should have been allowed to vote on this issue since Moore's property was part of the tax incentive project.

In other business, grass cutting bids were opened and the lowest bid came from B&D Lawn Care at \$540 per week

to cut all of the grass on city property. Council member Don Willis offered a suggestion that the landscaping crew cut the grass, but was eventually proven that the hiring of extra seasonal workers, insurance, and equipment would cost the city more money than simply paying someone else to do it.

Fannin brought a vote to the table which would allow the city to enter into a cooperative agreement with several other area cities, that would allow the city to purchase needed materials at a bulk discount rate. Fannin says he thinks it will save the city money, but if for some reason it doesn't, the agreement allows them to back out at any time. The council approved the measure.

A \$2,000 donation to the Floyd County Rescue Squad was approved along with a \$200 donation to Relay For Life's Kids Day in the Park. Council member Gorman Collins noted that the city should look more closely at who they donate to, saying that the Kids Day in the Park wasn't something that everyone in the city benefited from, unlike the services provided by the rescue squad.

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**Peter Pan**

first became ill on Feb. 7 this year, after consuming cookies that Patricia Ambrozich had made with the peanut butter in question. They both began to experience severe nausea, vomiting and diarrhea approximately five hours after consuming the cookies. Patricia Ambrozich had also consumed a peanut butter-and-pickle sandwich.

Two days later, on Feb. 9, Patricia Ambrozich, who had experienced previous gall bladder problems, thought that those problems may have been acting up again. Darren Ambrozich called an ambulance for her and she was transported to Paul B. Hall Medical Center, where she was found to be severely dehydrated.

The hospital sent her home the next day after conducting several tests to determine the

origination of her sickness and advised her to follow up with her family doctor. Although ill also, Darren Ambrozich improved to the point that he did not feel it was necessary to go to the doctor.

Four days later, Patricia Ambrozich alleges she was in constant pain and felt she was "near death". On Feb. 15, the couple received a phone call from Patricia Ambrozich's doctor, Ferdinand Chua, who received the test results and asked that she come in to see him. On Feb. 20, they went to Dr. Chua's office only to discover that Patricia Ambrozich had been suffering from food poisoning.

Dr. Chua asked the couple several questions about what

they had eaten when they first became ill. After the couple mentioned the peanut butter, Dr. Chua discovered that they had used Peter Pan peanut butter. He informed the couple of the recent outbreak of salmonella and asked them to check the serial number on the label to see if it read "2111," the serial number on the jars of peanut butter which were found to be contaminated. The couple did so and discovered that the serial numbers did indeed begin with the numbers "2111."

The charges contained within the complaint allege one count of negligence. The couple is requesting relief from the defendant in the form of compensation of any past,

present or future medical needs, pain and suffering, court costs, and any other future relief they may be entitled to.

In a letter from Kirk Law Firm regarding the complaints, lawyers say that more than 400 people have been poisoned this way and at least five have died.

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**Cleanup**

and out of their homes. "These are some of the hardest working and polite people you'll ever meet," said Magistrate Owens. "We really appreciate the work that they are doing."

Owens says the last time floodwaters swept through the

area, he had Army Reserve volunteers helping out, but with the war still going strong, there aren't a lot of extra reserves available. That's why he asked that the jailer assist with the cleanup.

"We're happy to come out here and help," Webb said.

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**ROTC**

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ship program. The program allows cadets to continue to serve in the reserves while earning their college degree.

"With this Army ROTC program, a student at Pikeville College could join the Guard and receive tuition assistance from both the state and federal government," said Storm. "This program can really help jump start a young person's life by developing leadership skills that will be with them forever."

The first Army ROTC classes will be offered in the fall semester. Anyone interested in more information about the program and scholarship opportunities can contact Maj. Darren Sundys at 606-783-5256, or 1st Lt. Shawn Roop at 606-218-5731. For more information about Army ROTC, please visit [www.goarmy.com/rotc/](http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/).

**Floyd County Schools  
Local Planning Committee  
Forum and Meeting**

The Floyd County Schools' Local Planning Committee will conduct a PUBLIC FORUM on May 3rd, 2007, at 6:00 p.m., at the May Valley Elementary School, 481 Stephens Branch, Martin, Kentucky 41649. This meeting is an informal gathering to encourage local participation through community suggestions relative to future utilization of existing school facilities and construction of new school facilities. These community suggestions or recommendations will be closely monitored by the Local Planning Committee in the Schools. This meeting will be immediately followed by a meeting of the Floyd County Schools Local Planning Committee.

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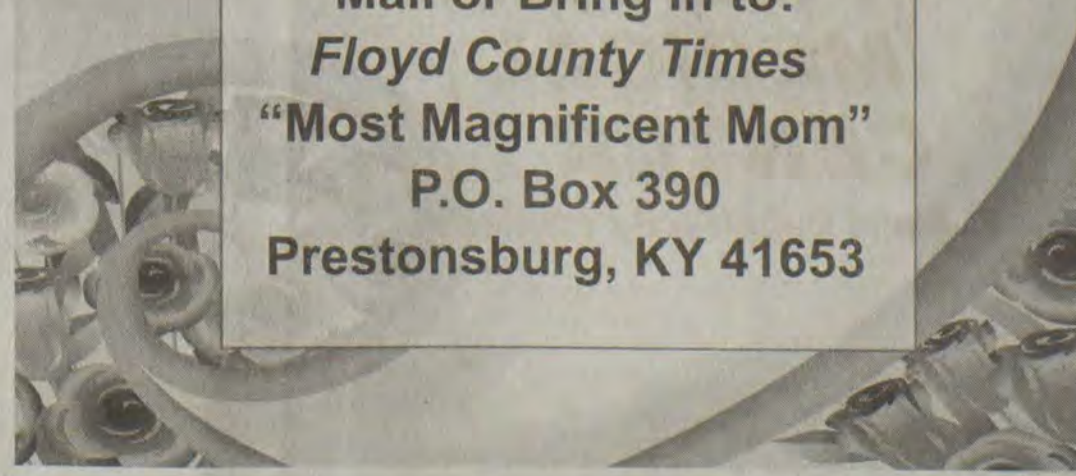
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# Don O'Neal takes Hoosier Dirt Classic

**Kinzer wins B Main No. 2, finishes 12th**

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BROWNSTOWN, Ind. - Don O'Neal came out victorious for the sixth time in his career in the 24th running of the Hoosier Dirt Classic presented by Bob Poynter Ford of Seymour, Ind. O'Neal passed Mike Marlar on lap 22 to pick up the win Saturday in the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass sanctioned event.

An outstanding field of 43 entries was trimmed down to 22 cars for the \$4,000-to-win Hoosier Dirt Classic. Among the field were Eastern Kentucky drivers Brandon Kinzer.

"We were really good tonight," O'Neal said in victory lane. "I knew I had to be patient and pick the right time to make a move. I'm thankful the track came around to our liking and we were able to get this win

against a really strong field of cars."

The rest of the 24th Annual Hoosier Dirt Classic presented by Bob Poynter Ford looked like this: 2. Greg Johnson; 3. Mike Marlar; 4. Jerry Rice; 5. Rick Aukland; 6. Bart Hartman; 7. Bryan Barber; 8. Patrick Sheltra; 9. Victor Lee; 10. Scott James; 11. Chris Combs; 12. Brandon Kinzer; 13. Freddy Smith; 14. Justin Ratliff; 15. Jason Keltner; 16. Marty

(See **DIRT CLASSIC**, page two)



Brandon Kinzer won a B-Main event and earned the right to race in Saturday's feature event.

photo courtesy of Carlson Race Photos

## OLW set to host hoops tourney

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MARTIN - Our Lady of the Way Hospital will host a men's basketball tournament Friday through Sunday at the Martin Community Center. The tournament will get underway on Friday at 7 p.m. Tournament play will continue on Saturday morning at 10 a.m. Sunday's schedule will be determined once the event gets underway.

Our Lady of the Way Hospital is a team sponsor of American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Relay for Life is a team event to fight cancer. Proceeds from the tournament will go towards the fight against cancer. The money raised through the tournament will assist the American Cancer Society to provide hope, progress and answers for cancer patients.

Registration for the tournament remains open. The tournament will be double-elimination. Standard men's basketball rules will be followed. The entry fee is a tax deductible donation to the American Cancer Society.

First-, second- and third-place prizes will be awarded. For more information on the tournament, call Debi Bentley at 285-6420 or Mary Martin at 285-6590.

## Slone shuts out Memphis

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - Senior righthander Jeremy Slone (Paintsville) posted the first shutout of his career to help lead Marshall to its first Conference USA series victory of 2007 with an 11-0, seven-inning win over Memphis on

(See **SLONE**, page two)

## BRANHAM'S BOBCATS



file photo by Steve LeMaster  
Coach Bobby Branham gave quarterback Brennan Case a play during a home game last season.

# Betsy Layne releases '07 football schedule

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - As Coach Bobby Branham gets set to enter his second season at the helm of the Betsy Layne High School football program, there's much excitement about the upcoming campaign which will feature the Bobcats resuming district play. After a 1-9 season, Betsy Layne is set to play in Class A, District 8 along with Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Phelps, Pikeville and South Floyd. Betsy Layne has

released its schedule for the upcoming season. The slate includes five home games and an open date the first week of October. In the week two weeks of the regular-season, Betsy Layne will be involved with two separate bowl games.

The Bobcats have spent a lot of time in the weightroom over the past few months.

"We chose to forego spring practice this year," said Branham. "I felt that it would be more beneficial for our program to get stronger. Our schedule is a pretty tough one. I tried

to play some better teams - in case we make the playoffs, then it will pay off."

Branham jumped right in with the Betsy Layne football program last fall. Under the leadership of Branham and his staff, Betsy Layne showed dramatic improvement.

"In the 2006-07 season, I started practice with the Bobcats on July 15, 2006 and we played our first game on August 18, 2006," Branham noted. "These young men came along way in

(See **FOOTBALL**, page two)

## Lady Bears' season ends at hands of Penn State

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WICHITA, Kan. - Too many open frames and some solid bowling by Penn State ended the season of the Pikeville College Lady Bears by a 4-2 score in the fourth round of the 2007 USBC Intercollegiate Bowling Championships Friday evening.

Penn State will advance to play Western Illinois for the right to advance to tomorrow morning's finals of the red bracket in the women's division, where McKendree (Ill.) College awaits the winner.

(See **BOWLING**, page two)

## BL Layne duo now a part of Cumberlands signing class

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIAMSBURG - The University of the Cumberlands football program has released its most current list of signees. Betsy Layne's Brandon (BC) Thornsberry and Jordan Jarrell signed with Cumberlands during a signing ceremony held Friday afternoon inside the Betsy Layne High School Library. Other in-state signees for the Cumberlands gridiron program include Logan Baker (London/South Laurel HS); Thomas Blumette (Crestwood/South Oldham HS);

(See **BL DUO**, page three)

## Blackcats sweep June Buchanan

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES - Prestonsburg continued its winning ways on Saturday, sweeping June Buchanan in a doubleheader at Alice Lloyd College. The Blackcats prevailed 3-2 in one game and 17-4 in five innings in another.

In the 17-4 victory, Chris Schoolcraft pitched 4 1/4 strong innings, striking out 11 batters.

Prestonsburg leadoff batter Bobby Hughes went four-for-four with four singles for the Blackcats. Hughes and second-place batter Tyler Hall each reached base five times, scoring on four separate occasions.

Josh Rodebaugh and Seth Setser each scored twice for visiting Prestonsburg.

The Blackcats jumped out in front 3-0 in the opening inning. Prestonsburg added four runs in the second inning, never trailing.

June Buchanan scored all of its runs in the second inning, but never led the Blackcats. Prestonsburg scored its 17 runs on 18 hits.

*Prestonsburg is scheduled to travel to Allen Central Friday for a 58th District/Floyd County Conference matchup.*

In the 3-2 win, Prestonsburg plated a pair of runs in the fifth inning. The Blackcats and host June Buchanan were tied at 1-1 at the end of the second frame. In the two-run inning, Hall singled and Rodebaugh ripped a triple. Prestonsburg scored its three runs on nine hits.

Rodebaugh - the pitcher who mowed down June Buchanan in the 3-2 decision - also had a double for the Blackcats.

The Blackcats, thanks to the doubleheader sweep, improved to 5-12. Prestonsburg is currently riding a four-game winning streak. After dropping the two games played as part of the doubleheader, June Buchanan fell to 3-8.

Prestonsburg is scheduled to travel to Allen Central Friday for a 58th District/Floyd County Conference matchup.



BASEBALL TALK: The Prestonsburg High baseball staff have witnessed a turnaround that consists of a four-game win streak. The Blackcats took a pair of games from June Buchanan on Saturday, sweeping the host Crusaders in a doubleheader.

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**Football**

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a short time," said Branham. "They have shown great dedication to the weights this year. I feel that we will make great improvements this season. I have approximately 33 lifting daily and about nine of these are eighth-graders. We already have six JV games scheduled and hopefully will get a freshmen schedule in place as soon

as we see that we have enough players to field a freshmen team." Betsy Layne will open the 2007 season on the road Aug. 24 against Prestonsburg in the Joe P. Tackett Gridiron Classic. The Bobcats will host Jackson County on Aug. 31 at 6 p.m. in a home opener as

part of a bowl game. Jenkins will take on Beth Haven in the second game of the bowl. The non-district matchup versus Jackson County will be the first of four straight home games for the Bobcats. Betsy Layne will host Pikeville (Sept. 7), South Floyd (Sept. 14) and Paintsville (Sept. 21) in back-to-back-back district

games. The Bobcats will travel to Allen Central on Sept. 28 for another district game before having an open date Oct. 5. The October portion of Betsy Layne's schedule will include away games versus Powell County (Oct. 12), Phelps (Oct. 19) and Jenkins (Oct. 26). In a non-district reg-

ular-season finale, Betsy Layne will play host to Beth Haven. Betsy Layne Football 2007 Schedule Aug. 24 at Prestonsburg Aug. 31 Jackson County, 6 p.m. (Jenkins vs. Beth Haven, 8 p.m.

Sept. 7 Pikeville Sept. 14 South Floyd Sept. 21 Paintsville Sept. 28 at Allen Central Oct. 5 Open Oct. 12 at Powell County Oct. 19 at Phelps Oct. 26 at Jenkins Nov. 2 Beth Haven

**Eagles**

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Sunday. After breaking a 16-game losing streak on Saturday, the Thundering Herd (16-21, 2-9) continued its hot play by winning the series against the Tigers (25-16, 9-6) - its first C-USA series win since sweeping UAB in Birmingham, Ala., last season. Sunday games in C-USA are dictated by a 10-run rule after the seventh inning. Slone (2-2) was masterful on the mound for Marshall, allowing only four hits with five strikeouts. It marked the first time MU shutout a league opponent since joining C-USA in 2006. Slone's performance was coupled with another huge day for Marshall at the plate. The Herd recorded 14 hits, led by a three-for-four, six RBI performance from shortstop Brandon Casamassima.

Redshirt freshman Garrett Hachtel, in his fifth start of the season, was not sharp on the mound for the Tigers. The right-hander walked the bases loaded to open the game before giving up a grand slam to Casamassima over the left field wall. Memphis Coach Daron Schoenrock promptly pulled his starter in favor of Will Hudgens, but he surrendered a double to right fielder Nate Lape in his first batter faced. Lape would find his way to the plate thanks to an error on Hudgens in his attempt to cover first base on a Josh Valle grounder. Valle's grounder was in the middle of the right side, forcing first baseman Adam Amar to commit to the ball but it proved to be too far outside of his reach.

Second baseman Bill Moss fielded the ball running to his left and made a good throw to Hudgens at first, but the sophomore muffed the throw to allow Lape to score to. Marshall took a 5-0 lead after the top of the first for the second straight game. Slone, in contrast, was sharp in his first inning on the mound, outside of a leadoff double by K.K. Chalmers that ricocheted off the base of the left centerfield wall. Slone recovered nicely, inducing a groundout before striking out the next two Tigers. The hot Marshall offense continued to roll in the second, putting Casamassima at the plate with the bases loaded for the second consecutive inning. The sophomore produced once again, picking up his

fifth and sixth RBI of the game with a single through the right side. Tommy Johnson added a sacrifice fly to give the Herd an 8-0 lead. Memphis finally slowed the Herd bats in the third, retiring Marshall in order after the visitors sent their one through nine hitters to the plate in each of the first two innings. Hudgens found his groove, sitting down seven straight Herd batters going into the fifth inning. Meanwhile, for the third time in five innings, Slone allowed a leadoff man to reach second base with no outs. His effective pitching got him out of situation each time unscathed. The Herd made it 9-0 in the sixth when designated hitter Brendan Murphy scored thanks to an errant pickoff attempt at first base from

catcher Chris Kirkland. Murphy and Casamassima posted a pair of two-out singles prior to the Tigers second error of the game. Johnson blasted the Herd's seventh home run of the series with a two-run shot in the seventh to straightaway centerfield. Johnson's second home run in two games gave Marshall the decisive 11-0 advantage. Murphy and Johnson both went 2-for-3 in the game, with Valle also putting up multiple hits (2-for-4). Johnson registered three RBI. Hachtel (0-2) did not register an out, surrendering one hit and four earned runs in the first inning. Four different Tigers registered a hit in the second straight Memphis loss on the heels of a six-game winning streak.

**Bowling**

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Early on it looked as if Pikeville would have no problem with Joe Paterno's favorite bowling team, cruising to a 180-139 win in the opener. Despite opening two of the first three frames, Pikeville rolled thanks to some shaky bowling by the Nittany Lions, who opened three of the first four and four of the first six frames. The second game saw Pikeville, for all intents and purposes, fall apart. Five open frames combined with some solid bowling from PSU resulted in a 174-134 loss. Game three was much the same, opening five more frames while Penn State compiled seven strikes, including four straight from frames eight

to 10, for a 197-128 win. The Nittany Lions moved Pikeville to the cusp of elimination in Game Four with a 212-181 win. Pikeville bowled better but Penn State had four straight strikes in the middle of the game to win. Not ready to leave the national tournament just yet, the Lady Bears showed some life in Game Five and won 193-162. Five strikes, including a pair by freshman Jaime Foster, propelled the Lady Bears to the win. It looked early on as if Pikeville would force a decisive game seven. A turkey by sophomore Ashley West and freshmen Sarah Germano and Foster in frames two-three-four built an 86-69 lead. The

edge was 132-117 after the seventh frame. But strikes in the eighth and ninth by Penn State moved it to within four at 150-146 after eight, and then the unthinkable happened. Foster, the nation's rookie of the year, left two pins standing in the ninth, while a spare in the 10th by Penn State put it ahead. With the Nittany Lions finished having posted a 185 final, it came down to Bowler of the Year Kayla Bandy, who needed two strikes and at least seven with the fill ball to tie. Her first ball left one pin standing, however, ending Pikeville's season with a 185-177 loss. Foster led Pikeville with six strikes in the loss, while

Bandy and freshmen Becky Sulligan and Sarah Germano had four apiece. After leaving only five frames open in a 4-1 win over Hudson Valley, the Lady Bears left 18 open in the six-game loss to Penn State.

**Dirt Classic**

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O'Neal; 17. David Webb; 18. Mark Frazier; 19. Brad Neat; 20. Mike Jewell; 21. John Gill; 22. Dan Deaton. Kinzer, racing out of his shop in Allen, finished first in the Design 500 B-Main No. 2. The next scheduled races for the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts will be this weekend. On Friday, the Series will roll

into the newly-resurfaced Ponderosa Speedway in Junction City. Then, on Saturday, the BoB drivers will make their first stop of the season at the Bluegrass Speedway in Bardstown. The 2nd Annual Kentucky Speedweek is just around the corner. The schedule for the Speedway has been set as follows: May 27, Portsmouth

Raceway Park, \$3,000-to-win; May 28, Bluegrass Speedway, \$3000-to-win; May 29, Richmond Raceway, \$3000-to-win; May 30, Rain Date; May 31, Lake Cumberland Speedway, \$3,000-to-win; June 1, Ponderosa Speedway, \$3,000-to-win; June 2, Florence Speedway, \$10,000-to-win (Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series).

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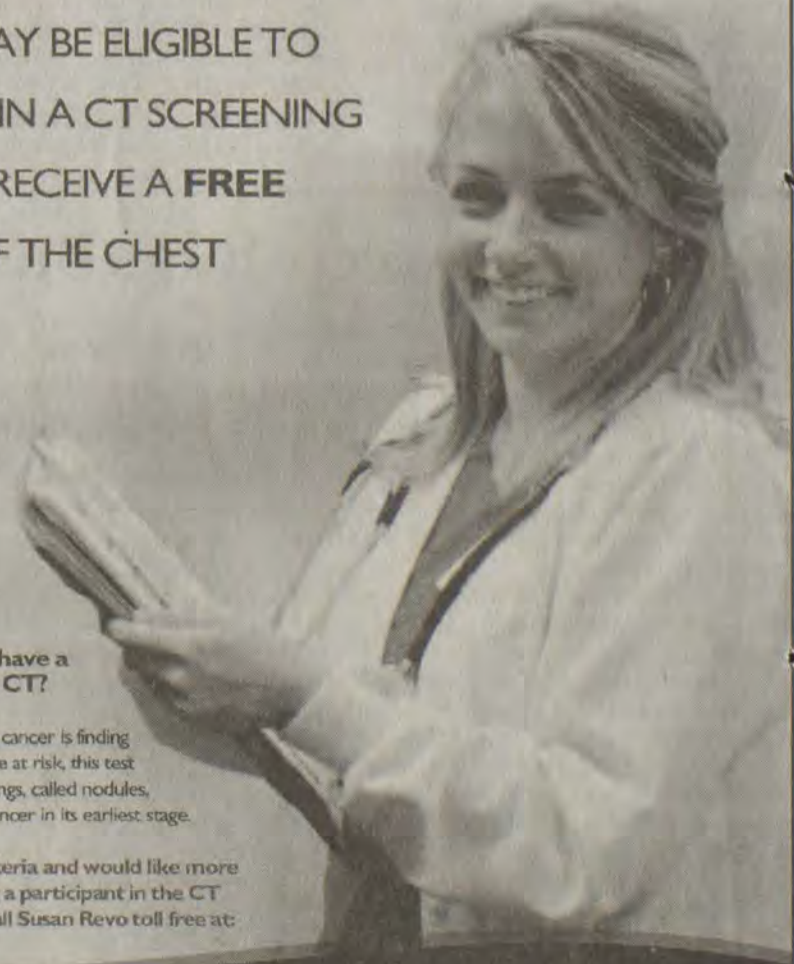
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# Agent Leigh Steinberg: Concussions 'a ticking time bomb'

by EDDIE PELLIS  
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MARINA DEL REY, Calif. — An estimated 350,000 athletes endure head injuries while playing sports every year in the United States, and that's only counting the ones who lose consciousness after impact.

Including the rest of the dings, pings and "rung bells" that don't knock people out but still result in concussions, the total could be adjusted as high as 3.8 million.

"A gross underestimation," is what concussion expert Gerry Gioia of the National Children's Medical Center in Washington called the 350,000 figure. "We don't know the true denomination of this problem."

That's what makes sports concussions, in the words of agent Leigh Steinberg, "a health epidemic, the consequences of which are a ticking time bomb that may not be seen in their totality for 10, 15 or 20 years."

Steinberg and NFL Hall of Fame quarterback Warren Moon, who suffered the first of his half-dozen concussions at age 11, headlined a summit Friday designed to draw attention to the growing problem of concussions in sports.

It's a problem most widely

recognized in the NFL, where the suicide of former defensive back Andre Waters and the story of former Patriots linebacker Ted Johnson's hurried return to the field made recent headlines.

Waters' niece, Kwanna Pittman, said the symposium was meaningful "because, no, it didn't help Andre, but it can help someone else."

Indeed, it's an issue that goes well beyond the NFL — to every sport, at almost every level.

Among the presenters Friday was Deborah Goldberger, whose 17-year-old daughter, Stephanie, has had four concussions as a soccer goalie. The last one forced her to give up the game. Seven months later, she's still tired, has headaches and has to go to sleep most nights at 8:30 p.m.

"It impacts everything you do on a daily basis," Goldberger said.

For every concussion identified in the NFL, Gioia said, another 56,500 occur among kids. Some are so hard to recognize — such as the basketball

player who falls and bumps his head on a teammate's knee but gets right back up — that it's difficult to know when they happen and what to do.

"We've got to manage it better and educate people about it better," Gioia said, "so we don't end up with pro athletes saying, 'After my 15th, I stopped counting.'"

Determining and differentiating the immediate and long-term effects of concussions is a constantly shifting science.

Steinberg touted numbers from a series of recent studies, hoping the seriousness of the new stats will intensify the debate and bring quicker change.

"What are the stakes?" Steinberg said. "It's one thing to go out and play football and understand that when you turn 40, you can bend over to pick up your child and have aches and pains. It's another thing to bend down and not be able to identify that child."

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fer a second concussion if they return within a week of the first one. A client of Steinberg's, former 49ers quarterback Steve Young, retired after precisely that kind of quick return and repeat injury.

Other studies showed that in cases where athletes had three or more concussions over their lifetimes, they were five times more at risk for early onset Alzheimer's disease, three times more at risk of significant memory loss and four times more likely to have severely elevated depression.

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Steinberg some day also would like to see neurologists present on every NFL sideline and more effective use of baseline tests that establish players'

capabilities before they get injured and can be used as markers for the tests they take after concussions.

Not as easily changed is the football-player mentality. From a young age, they're taught to play in pain, to sacrifice their bodies, to stay on the field and to make their coaches happy.

"Most athletes are in a state of denial," Steinberg said. "They're taught to ignore pain."

He hopes some of the most recent studies will lead NFL management to conclude rushing players back isn't in anyone's best interest. After all, is getting a player back for one week worth risking him for the rest of the season — or his career? It's a question that has gained more traction as salaries and signing bonuses have exploded over the past decade.

Almost as difficult as changing the mind-set is determining what is or isn't a concussion, which translates into the kind of medical attention paid to an injured player.

To illustrate this challenge,

one doctor showed two plays from a recent Oregon-Arizona college football game. One showed a player's helmet getting popped off after a particularly vicious hit made under his chin. Another showed one player knocking his teammate to the ground in a congratulatory body bump after a good defensive play.

The player in the first example walked away with a cut lip. The player in the second example had a concussion because his head banged against the turf as he received the congrats.

"It goes to show that we can be fooled by what we see," said Kevin Guskiewicz, a specialist from the University of North Carolina who studies the biomechanics of sports concussions. He's been more at risk for early onset Alzheimer's disease, three times more at risk of significant memory loss and four times more likely to have severely elevated depression.

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## Mitchell leaves MSU for UK

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Morehead State University has started a national search to replace women's head basketball coach Matthew Mitchell, who was introduced as the new University of Kentucky women's basketball coach Monday afternoon.

"Matthew Mitchell is one of the finest basketball coaches in the country," said MSU Director of Athletics Brian Hutchinson. "We will miss him both personally and professionally and wish him nothing but success in Lexington."

"However, we return an outstanding nucleus of players and have signed perhaps the best class in our pro-

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gram's history, so we expect his work to benefit us greatly next season."

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league tournament semifinals.

Last season, the Eagles set a school record with 13 conference wins, but the injury-riddled squad lost in the OVC Tournament first round.

Mitchell takes over for Mickie DeMoss, who left the program earlier in the month after posting a 71-56 record in four seasons.

## Belfry girls b'ball to host tourney

by STEVE LEMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BELFRY — The Belfry High School girls' basketball program will host a post-Christmas tournament Dec. 27-29. All participating teams will be guaranteed three games and receive T-shirts and a postgame meal. Traveling teams may receive a stipend or hotel rooms.

For more information on the Belfry tournament, contact Amanda Stiltner via

email Amanda.Collins@pike.kyschools.us or call 606/353-9688.

Pulaski County is in need of a game on either Feb. 18 or 19. The Pulaski County girls' basketball program is also in need of four teams for its Christmas Tournament Dec. 18-21. Each team will play four games as part of the Christmas tournament.

The tournament is alternated each year between Somerset and Pulaski County high schools. For more infor-

mation, contact Larry Hurt at Pulaski County or Chris Adkins at Somerset.

Jackson County is in need of three games to complete its schedule. The Lady General hoops program is looking for home games and is willing to sign into a home-and-home or a two year contract. Dates open are Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Jan. 25 (2007) and Feb. 22 (2007). For more information, call 606/287-7155.

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Priddy (Stanford/Lincoln County HS), Calvin Ratliff (Salyersville/Magoffin County HS), Aaron Root (Williamsburg/Williamsburg HS), Brian Slusher (Corbin/Lynn Camp HS) and Anthony Pennington (Viper/Perry County Central HS).

The Patriots finished last season 7-4. Cumberlands will start the 2007 season against Mid-South Conference rival Union College at Corbin in the annual Battle for the Brass

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# Going to the next level



Johnson Central High School senior basketball player Jamie McCarty signed with Berea College during a signing ceremony held Friday afternoon.

# Woodson, backups overcome struggles in UK scrimmage

by JEFFREY McMURRAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON – Fresh off a 31-touchdown season, Kentucky quarterback Andre Woodson gave a playful warning to teammate and friend Trevard Lindley before Saturday's Blue-White intrasquad scrimmage.

"We were talking junk before we started," said Lindley, a sophomore cornerback. "He said he was going to throw my way a lot, and I said, 'Well, bring it.'"

Woodson aired out his first pass of the game toward receiver Dicky Lyons Jr., who broke the wrong way, causing the ball to drop right into the hands of Lindley. Then, Lindley struck again on Woodson's third attempt, picking off another pass in the end zone.

The offense, wearing blue jerseys, defeated the defense, clad in white, 65-50, based on a system that awarded points for such things as interceptions, sacks and first downs in addition to touchdowns and field goals.

But Woodson's early misfires, and some inconsistent play out of freshman backups Will Fidler and Mike Hartline, left coach Rich Brooks heaping most of the praise on the secondary and offensive line.

"Our defense is a little more aggressive at this point, playing on their toes more than on their heels," Brooks said.

Woodson quickly corrected ship, completing 16 of 28 passes for 243 yards and two touchdowns. His longest pass was a 55-yard strike to familiar target Keenan Burton.

"Our biggest thing is we want to beat the defense every day, regardless of what the situation is," Burton said. "In practice, if the defense tries to embarrass us, we have to do the same thing to them."

Afterward, Woodson said he was just trying to work on his vertical passing game, which became a signature of the Wildcats Music City Bowl championship year last season.

"I could have put my head down," Woodson said. "I could have given up for the rest of the day. Instead, I kept fighting. I just kept playing my style of football. Eventually, we got going, and we all got on the same page and started clicking."

As spring practices draw to a close, Brooks said the battle to back up Woodson was too close to call and likely would linger into the fall. Hartline seemed to have the better day Saturday, as Fidler threw two interceptions.

"It was a pretty rough day for me," Fidler said. "Overall, I had a pretty good spring, but today I didn't show it at all."

Hartline, who completed 14 of 23 passes for 100 yards and a touchdown, said his performance could have been more consistent too.

"I felt like I did some bonehead plays," he said. "I wasn't managing the offense well enough in the huddle. When we get in the red zone, we can't stop like that all the time."

The defense, much-maligned last year, appeared far quicker in the spring scrimmage, even though eight of the same 11 starters return.

Senior linebacker Wesley Woodyard said new coordinator Steve Brown is calling more man-to-man plays and is encouraging him to blitz more.

# Brohm, offense less than perfect in Red-White game

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Barely three months on the job, Louisville coach Steve Kragthorpe wasn't expecting perfection during the annual Red-White Game on Friday at Papa John's Stadium.

Good thing, because he didn't get it.

With Kragthorpe watching intently from deep in the offensive backfield on every play, the Cardinals normally high-powered offense sputtered. The White team, representing the defense, dominated at times during Louisville's spring scrimmage.

"The thing we have to understand is that Steve Kragthorpe runs this show differently," Kragthorpe said. "This thing isn't orchestrated for this offense to have success like it has in the past. We were pretty vanilla on offense and we were pretty vanilla on defense."

Quarterback Brian Brohm, who decided to return for his senior year rather than enter the NFL Draft, struggled against the first-string defense. He completed 23 of 38 passes for 313 yards and three touchdowns, but also threw four interceptions.

"There were some good things, but there were some things we haven't been doing in practice, mistakes that we made," Brohm said. "The defense stepped their game up and we didn't."

Brohm came out looking as crisp as ever. He hit five straight passes on the game's opening drive, finding Gary Barnidge for a 24-yard touchdown pass.

It didn't last. Brohm's next pass was intercepted by Latarrius

Thomas, and he had trouble the rest of the way. His protection broke down several times while his receivers had trouble hanging onto the ball.

Still, Brohm collected himself in the second half, throwing a pair of late touchdown passes to Mario Urrutia.

"We were a little anxious because (this) was so the opposite of what the other scrimmages had been," Brohm said. "We'd been just going right up and down the field in the other scrimmages but the defense picked it up."

Brohm's final pass, however, was intercepted by Preston Smith, allowing the defense to score a 51-45 victory. The game featured a modified scoring system that gave the defense points for turnovers and stops in an effort by Kragthorpe to create a competitive situation.

Like Brohm, backup quarterback Hunter Cantwell looked erratic in the first half before collecting himself in the second. Cantwell, who finished in admirably when Brohm went down with a hand injury last season, finished 17-of-35 for 210 yards.

Harry Douglas led all receivers with eight receptions for 137 yards. The running game couldn't muster much of the night, though Anthony Allen did score two touchdowns.

The defending Big East champions were among the nation's top offenses last season under former coach Bobby Petrino. But the big plays that highlighted Petrino's tenure were few and far between during the scrimmage, with Brohm and Cantwell working underneath most of the time, finding their receivers on short and intermediate routes.

# Gordon gets historic victory

by MIKE HARRIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AVONDALE, Ariz. – A little luck helped Jeff Gordon to a historic win Saturday night at Phoenix International Raceway.

The four-time NASCAR champion tied the late Dale Earnhardt for sixth place on the career victory list with 76, winning for the first time since last July.

After ending the 26-race victory drought, Gordon stopped to pick up a flag bearing Earnhardt's famed No. 3 and black, red and white color scheme for his slow victory lap around the mile oval.

"It means the world," Gordon said. "Holding that 3 flag, it's certainly by no means saying we're as good as him. I learned so much from him. We wanted to honor him. We've been holding onto that flag for a long time."

One of the first drivers to congratulate Gordon in Victory Circle was Dale Earnhardt Jr.

Gordon started from the pole and led early, but he spent most of the 312-lap race following Tony Stewart, who appeared to be on the way to an easy victory.

As the leaders began a series of green-flag pit stops late in the race, Gordon drove onto pit road at the end of lap 283. As he drove slowly toward his pit at the end of pit road, a three-car crash brought out the yellow flag.

The timing was perfect for Gordon, who was able to finish his pit stop and head back

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toward the track before leader Stewart came back to the finish line, thereby keeping Gordon on the lead lap.

When all the other leaders pitted under the caution flag, Gordon stayed on track and took the lead.

Once the green flag came back out on lap 294, Stewart tried desperately to regain the top spot. As Gordon struggled to get by Martin Truex Jr., who had pitted before the yellow and was on the end of the lead lap, Stewart saw his chance.

On lap 299, Stewart squeezed his Chevrolet between Gordon and Truex and somehow drove to the lead. But Gordon wouldn't quit, staying on Stewart's rear bumper and then driving under him to regain the lead for good on lap 300.

Gordon pulled away to finish about six car-lengths ahead at the finish, earning his first win at Phoenix. That leaves only Homestead and Texas as active tracks where Gordon hasn't won.

"We didn't lead a ton, but we had a good car," said Gordon, who led 53 laps in the No. 24 Chevrolet. "It all did fall in our lap."

"I almost drove through the pit. (Crew chief) Steve (Letarte) made the call (to stop) and I love him. He's as sharp as can

be. He's so cool under pressure."

The disappointed Stewart, who led a race-high 132 laps, said, "I felt like the second half of the race we had a good car."

Denny Hamlin may have had the best car on the track Saturday. He led 70 laps and was still out ahead when he was caught speeding entering pit road on lap 99. Hamlin was penalized to the back of the longest line (30th) for the restart on lap 104.

That didn't slow him down much. Hamlin, Stewart's Joe Gibbs Racing teammate, charged back into contention and finished third.

It was the third race for NASCAR's new Car of Tomorrow and its first test on a track longer than a half mile. Hamlin wasn't impressed with the bigger, bulkier car.

"If that was the point of it, to make it more competitive for everyone, the mission failed, in my opinion," Hamlin said. "I don't know how we're going to run these cars on bigger tracks without further changes."

Reigning Nextel Cup champion Jimmie Johnson, Gordon's Hendrick Motorsports teammate, finished fourth, followed by Matt Kenseth, Jeff Green and Kyle Busch, in another Hendrick Chevrolet.

# Florida beats UK in bottom of the ninth

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAINESVILLE, Fla. – Chris Petrie snapped a tie with a bases-loaded single in the bottom of the ninth to push Florida past Kentucky 5-4 on Sunday.

Florida (23-20, 10-8 Southeastern Conference) took the lead early and maintained it with single runs in the first, third, fifth and eighth innings. Cole Figueroa, Brian Decker and Jon Townsend each had three hits

for the Gators. Kentucky (27-12-1, 7-10-1) did not score its first run until the sixth inning, but the Wildcats rallied to a 4-4 tie after scoring twice in the top of the ninth inning. The Gators out-hit the Wildcats 17-12, but both teams combined to strand 23 runners on base.

Patrick Keating (3-1) got the win for Florida, giving up five hits and one earned run. Dewayne Oxford (3-1) picked up the loss for Kentucky.

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### KIM'S KORNER

## Forgiveness

By: Kim Little Frasure

"forgiving for the well being of others we actually receive tremendous benefits in terms of physical and mental health." Everett L. Worthington Jr. - *The Power of Forgiving*

One would think forgiveness should be such a simple act especially when you are a Christian and have experienced the teachings of such over years and years of sitting under the Word and reading and studying scripture.

Then, some unfathomable incident will occur and your heart is broken, and "you know that you know" you have to forgive the unforgivable and you are so thrown in such a whirlwind of emotions that forgiveness seems impossible to muster.

Speaking from my own experience it's been easier over the years to forgive easily those whom have hurt me that aren't Christians yet!

When hurt has been thrown my way from a brother or sister in Christ, well, I have to tell you it hasn't only thrown me for a loop; it has downright sent me dead-center of a tornado with emotions, panic attacks and wounds so deep nothing but the good

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### POISON OAK

## The end of the tracks

By: Clyde Pack

I'd never given much thought to just how many miles of railroad tracks had been laid in an Eastern Kentucky coal camp, nor what significance they'd played in the lives of those who lived there, until I read in the paper a while back that another 30-mile stretch of them was being taken up, with their bed to be made into a walking trail.

Guess a walking trail is as appropriate as anything else because among their other expected uses, when I was a kid and a bunch of us would walk to town for those double-feature Saturday matinees, the railroad track is where we'd walk.

We'd set a pretty good pace as we stepped from crosstie to crosstie. Don't know the standard distance between them, but they were pretty much spaced the normal length of the stride of a growing boy. Of course, the gravel bed that ran next to the tracks made for pretty good walking, too.

On those occasions when we weren't in a particular hurry -- like on our way home after the show -- we'd see how far we could walk on the tops of the T-rails. Don't mean to brag, but when I was 10- or 12-years-old, I had pretty good balance and could give it a go for 40 or 50 yards at a time. Of course, so could the rest of my walking partners. By our standards, we

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# Pawpaw picking in Tackett Holler

By: Ralph Hall

Me and Mutt got up on a cold fall morning. Old Jack Frost had covered the ground last night. We both had pawpaws on our minds. They are the best when they lay on the ground after the frost hits them. Mutt said, "Ralph, I know how well you love them big old pawpaws over in the Tackett Holler. But you know how everything seems to happen to you -- them pawpaws may swell up your eyes or cause you to break out with a rash."

"Don't care," I said, when I get my mind on something I have got to have what I want and today it's pawpaws. One just cant have any fun if they go around worrying about grapevines breaking, falling down on the tracks, or getting thrown off a pony. May just as well stay in the house all day and hide under the bed. The fun is outside the house playing in the creek, and climbing the hills. Outside there is fun everywhere you look. Fun makes me happy and if I get hurt I just think about the fun I was having when I got hurt and the pain goes away.

Once me and Mutt did our chores, we got us a paper poke and took off to the pawpaw patch over in Tackett Holler. As we were walking up the tracks Mutt said, "Hey, Ralph! Don't holler at everyone you see today."

"Okay! I'll try," I said, "but trying ain't doing, because a man's got to do what a man's got to do," I said.

"Well," Mutt answered me back, "you ain't no man. All you are is a big blabbermouth."

"Mutt, if you say one more word about me we will fight."

Mutt never said a word, just reached down, picked up a big handful of the railroad rocks and put them in his pocket.

I knew not to say another word to Mutt because railroad rocks don't feel too good when you get cracked in the head with one of them. It was still cold outside, so we never saw anyone on the tracks or in the dusty road. Mutt don't like to fight much anyway, but he sure can throw them railroad rocks real straight, never misses my head a time. We walked the tracks until we came to the railroad crossing that turned off to the left taking one up Hen Pen, the three-room school set over in the bottom. We left the tracks, walked down into the dusty road. That would take us up to the Tackett Holler.

About everyone who lived in this section of Melvin was Tacketts. The road crossed Beaver Creek in this area. So we walked down to the creek and crossed the low water bridge that went over Beaver Creek. At the lower side of the bridge was a water hole, and it was full of them horny head fish. I love to catch them horny head fish but they are too bony to eat. Not after fish today, any-

way; just want me a big old pawpaw. Got pawpaws on the brain.

Just about that time I heard a dog barking behind me. Turning around to look I saw that it was Old Sooner, our dog. Running wasn't like Old Sooner; he usually walked real slow with his head turned off to the left. When he walked up to

the right so we could walk up the little dirt road into Tackett holler. About 200 feet into the road we made another turn to the left, because the pawpaws were up the lefthand holler. I knew everyone who lived up the holler. The person I knew best was the village barber, Cullin. He was a homemade barber, never went to school to learn how to cut hair. He his wife Lacy and a little girl they were raising named Joann lived in a little four-room house on the side of the hill.

Every boy and man in the village knew Cullin because they all got their hair cut at his house. If you were sick he would come to your house and cut your hair. Every time I ever went to his house for a haircut. His wife Lacy would set and talk with me while Cullin cut my hair. Lacy could smoke a cig, until she almost smoked it up before the ashes would fall in the floor.

I remember this one time when Cullin cut my hair. He just cut as long as he could find a hair. Then he peeled my head trying to see another hair. After cutting my hair he handed me a little mirror and said, "Ralph, how do you like your haircut?" For the first time in all my life, I was speechless couldn't say a word, just handed him 15 cents and took off for home.

When I got home, mother looked at me and said, "It will grow back in about three months, Ralph. Never seen so many gaps in all my life." I just went in my bedroom, lay down on my bed and cried myself to sleep. The next day when I got up I picked up daddy's baseball cap -- the one he bought over at the five and dime store over in Martin. Then I walked up the tracks to uncle Bruce's house to see Ted and Bob. When aunt Mellie saw me she said, "Ralph, why have you got on that baseball cap? You hate caps."

"Damn Cullin," I said.  
 "Take off that hat," she said.  
 "Do I have to?"  
 "Go on now."  
 So I took off the cap.  
 "It will grow back in about three months," she said.

"I sure hope so," I cried out. "In three months it will be December and my head will freeze off." Glad I was on my way to the pawpaw patch today and not to Cullin's for a haircut. As we passed by the barber's house, the little girl Joann was standing in the yard.

"Where are you going, Ralph?" she asked.  
 "To the pawpaw patch," I answered.  
 "Thought you and Mutt may be coming for a haircut."  
 "Not today," Mutt said.  
 "Give me some pawpaws on your way back," she asked.  
 "Okay!" I said, as we walked on up the road.  
 "We will."

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me in the middle of the low water bridge. I reached down and rubbed him on the head.

I said, "Old Sooner, why did you follow us? You don't even like pawpaws." He just wagged his head as we moved on across the low water bridge. Once we crossed the bridge we had to climb the little hill that would lead us to the Tackett Holler. On the right side of the hill was the Tackett graveyard. It had been there since about 1825, I was told. My grandpawpaw, preacher Harim Hall, was buried up there on the hill. Never played cowboys and Indians on this graveyard. But sometimes we would go up the preacher stand and sing, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder."

When someone died they would have church in the preacher's stand before they buried the person. The stand was an open building with a tin roof. It had about seven benches under the roof of the stand. They were made out of rough lumber, and church members sit on them. When they had church services we just stood out in the graveyard and listened to them sing and preach. The graveyard was never a scary place. It was quiet and a cool breeze always came around the hill even on a hot day.

Once we passed the graveyard we turned off to

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## Five Flea Control Myths To Flee From

There are more than 1,900 flea species in the world and almost as many myths on the best way to get rid of them.

Here are five of the most common flea control myths and the truth about how to get rid of them:

**Myth #1.** During cold weather, you don't have to worry about fleas. Unfortunately, it has to be pretty cold to rule out the threat of fleas and it never gets that cold in some parts of the country. Also, since most pets live indoors, the temperature is ideal for fleas year-round, even if you can't see them.

Humidity is an important factor in a flea's survival. Wormlike flea larvae prefer dark, moist locations, such as carpet fibers. Fleas can increase their numbers during warmer, wetter months and survive to pester



These 8 baby goats of 14 babies born the first two weeks of March belong to Ronnie Baldrige and family. He says, "Who needs a weed eater when you have these little fellas?"

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# School Happenings

**\*\*April 23 thru May 4 - CATS testing.** Please have your children attend school daily, be on time and well rested.

**\*\*\*Floyd County Schools 2007-2008 Kindergarten registration packets are available at local schools. Parents and guardians are invited to visit their schools and pick up a packet.\*\***

community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550.

■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

## Clark Elementary

■ Dairy Queen coupon cards for sale - \$10 each. Contact any Clark student or call Family Resource Center for information.

■ F.I.T. Club meets each Tuesday and Wednesday after school, 3:15-4:15 p.m. (Fitness activities for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students.) Focus on physical exercise and nutrition.

**\*\*Fridays are "School Spirit" days! (All year long!) Wear Clark colors (green and gold) or Clark t-shirts. Students, staff, parents - show your support for CES!\***

■ Nurse services: Floyd County Health Department nurses will be in the Resource Center on selected dates. Now taking appointments for 6th grade exams, WIC, and well-child exams for birth-18 years. Flu shots may also be scheduled. Call 886-0815 for an appointment.

■ Lost and Found located in Resource Center.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

## Duff Elementary

■ FRC is also in need of clothing, sizes 3T thru adult, for emergency clothing use and burnouts. If you have clothing to donate, please call the FRC.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is on site three days per month. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator.

## May Valley Elementary

■ April 23 thru May 4 - 3-5 CATS testing.

■ Tips for Parents: Encourage your child to take their time and do their very best during testing. Make sure children receive plenty of rest each night. Have your child eat breakfast each morning. Assure prompt arrival. Schedule outside appointments in the afternoon hours or beyond testing window.

■ May 10, 11 - Kindergarten registration. Requirements: physical, original immunization certificate, eye exam, birth certificate, social security card. May begin registration process without having all items completed

but items need to be complete before student's entry into school. Call 285-0883 to schedule a registration appointment if the above dates are not convenient.

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

## McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center the first three Mondays each month to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

■ Parent lending library available to all parents for video/book check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Family Resource Center is open weekdays, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Center is located upstairs in the old high school building, on the McDowell Elementary School campus. For further information, call Clara Johnson, director, at 377-2678. The McDowell FRC provides services to all MES students and their families, regardless of income.

## Mountain Christian Academy

■ Now accepting applications for enrollment for Preschool-8th grade for the 2007 fall semester. Tuition assistance and bus transportation is available. For more information or a tour of the school, call 285-5141 or 285-5142.

■ Call 285-5141, Mon. thru Fri., from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

■ MCA is an accredited non-denominational Christian school.

## Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

## Prestonsburg High

## School

■ May 4 - Honor Choir Concert, 7 p.m., Mountain Arts Center.

■ May 8 - National Honor Society Induction Ceremony/Banquet, 7 p.m., school gymnasium/cafe.

■ May 17 - Awards Night, 6 p.m., gymnasium.

■ May 20 - Baccalaureate (optional), 6 p.m., Community Methodist Church (Blackbottom).

■ May 21 - Senior Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., gymnasium. (Students only)

■ May 21 - Graduation, 7 p.m., gymnasium.

■ Note: All fees must be paid in full before a student can graduate/receive diploma!

**\*\*Principal Ted George invites everyone and looks forward to seeing all at our special senior activities!**

## South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Parents needing assistance with daycare may contact Mable Hall for information, or the "A Step Ahead" daycare center, at 452-1100.

■ SFMS parents with concerns about your child's grades, visit the STI Home! site at <http://iiod.ssts.com> and click on the STI program. Select state, county, school, child's pin number and password. You may view your child's attendance record, class average, schedule, grades, and discipline referrals. Questions? Call 452-9607.

■ Floyd County substance abuse counselor will be on the South Floyd campus half a day on Mondays and for a full day on Fridays. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Call center for: list of visiting speakers and presentations to be held throughout year; to make appointments to attend Parent Volunteer Training sessions; or for information in regard to Adult Education programs.

■ Walking track open to public (track closed during special events).

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 452-9607, ext. 243 or 153.

## Stumbo

## Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

■ The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium. Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett,

center coordinator at 587-2233.

## W.D. Osborne

## "Rainbow Junction"

## Family Resource Center

■ Monthly meetings: "Nutrition/Plan Healthy" - second Tuesday of each month, 10 a.m., in library; "OES Homemakers" - second Tuesday of each month, 11 a.m., in library.

■ Lost & Found located in the Family Resource Center. Items not claimed within 3 weeks become the property of the FRC.

■ The FRC accepts donations of children's clothing, shoes, belts, book bags, etc. May be used but need to be in good condition. Donated items will be appreciated and utilized by OES students.

■ The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. Those wishing more information about the center are welcome to visit, or call. Ask for Cissy (center coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

## Wesley Christian School

■ WCS Learning Center accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ For more information about Wesley Christian School, call 874-8328.

## Big Sandy Community & Technical College Adult Education and GED

■ Monday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC; Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC.

■ Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Dixie Apartments

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne FRYSC; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - BSCTC.

■ Thursday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Weeksbury CC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC; BSCTC.

6-9 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

■ Also, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays at Drug Court.

Kay Hale Ross - Manager of Adult Education, 886-7334

Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant

Ron Johnson, Stephania Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, and Wayne Combs - Adult Education teachers

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ Exercise class for adults now in session. Classes conducted by Floyd County Health Dept. staff. Those interested may contact the center for more information.

■ The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297. Please call for information on center programs and services.

## Allen Central High School

■ April 27 - Money due from seniors for graduation packages.

■ Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Sharon Collins, coordinator. Telephone 358-3048. Center provides services for all families regardless of income.

## Allen Central Middle School

■ Sign ups for Parent SBDM Council now going on.

■ May 8 - Parent SBDM Council Election, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Career Decisions and Job Development videos available in YSC lending library.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

## Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointments.

## Betsy Layne Elementary

■ Lost and Found items will be located in the center. Items not claimed within two weeks will become FRYSC property.

■ Center hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Center offers services to all families, regardless of income.

■ The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 7th and 8th grade wing. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the

# YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70 years ago.)

## Ten Years Ago

(April 30 and May 2, 1997)

A complaint was filed, Tuesday morning, in a Tennessee federal court against a judge who allegedly violated the civil rights of Natasha Wallen Cornett, one of the six suspects charged with the murders of the Lillieid family earlier this month. The complaint filed by Stanville attorney Eric Conn alleges that Cornett was deprived of her right to retain counsel of her choice...A hearing is scheduled, Friday morning, in Floyd District Court on a motion filed by the county attorney to dismiss theft charges against Debra Scutchfield, who is accused of picking two tulips in Prestonsburg...The Floyd County Solid Waste Commission postponed bid openings, Monday night, for the ground water monitoring services at the Garth landfill because of contradicting dates in the specifications...Four Floyd County Board of Education members apparently violated their oaths of office and state law, Monday night, by announcing a closed session to discuss the fate of an individual school employee...T.Y. Jervis, 19, and Dewey Hamilton, 19, both of Wayland, were arrested early Saturday morning, after Wayland police officers found them burglarizing the Estill Stop & Shop. Part of the crime was recorded by a security camera in the store. They were charged with felony theft by unlawful taking first degree criminal mischief, and third degree burglary...Kids from all over the region showed up for the Kids Day in the Park,

at Archer Park, Saturday. They competed in eight different events in a day of fun in the sun...At a special meeting, Saturday morning, the Floyd County school board voted to pay a debt of almost \$60,000 to Architect Paul Hoffman, to settle an arbitrator's award against the board for work on South Floyd High School...Monday night's closed session of the Floyd County Board of Education has drawn the attention of the state's education watchdog. Investigators with the state's Office of Education Accountability (OEA) are looking into the board members' apparent violations of their oaths of office, and the state's Open Meeting Laws...Frankie Raines, 34, of Williamsburg, was arrested in March and charged with fourth-offense DUI. He failed to appear for a preliminary hearing, Wednesday, in Floyd District court because he was in jail in another county for a sixth offense driving-under-the influence (DUI) charge...Floyd County has joined with three other Big Sandy area counties to apply for funding to help develop a 500-acre regional industrial park near the Big Sandy Regional Airport. County judge-executives from the four counties—Floyd, Johnson, Martin and Pike—submitted the application for Coal Severance Tax funds, Thursday, May 1, to the Kentucky Economic Development Cabinet in Frankfort...Prior to a preliminary hearing, Wednesday, in Floyd District Court, it was made apparent to the court, that attempted burglary charges against Larry D. Anderson, 25, and Chad McIntyre, 18, both of Hi Hat; and Jamie L. Garrett, 19, of Ligon, who allegedly attempted to break into a

Harold bar, were not felonies...South Floyd High School students, and the Left Beaver Rescue Squad, coordinated a mock fatal alcohol-related driving mishap, Thursday morning, to make students aware of the dangers of drinking and driving—even for those who don't drink...Becky Shipp, with the Kentucky Heritage Council, and representatives of the Christian Appalachian Project are bringing some of their business savvy to the Mountain Arts Center, next week, to conduct separate sessions that will deal with the issues of tourism and welfare reform...Traffic lights were installed Wednesday, at Rt. 23 and Rt. 1428 intersection, a site which has been the location of numerous fatal accidents, since new Route 23 opened in 1992...There died: Rev. Cohen Campbell, 72, of Betsy Layne, Saturday, April 26, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Robert Del Shelton, 17, of Fisty, Monday, April 28, on Ky. Rt. 721 at Fisty, following an automobile accident; Rev. William Wilson, 95, of East Point, Monday, April 28; Tamery Elliott Hill, 62, of Roanoke, Virginia, formerly of McDowell, Saturday, April 26; Stella Johnson, 75, of Arkansas Creek, Martin, Friday, April 25, at her residence; Ida Mae Osborne, 98, of Melvin, Monday, April 28, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Perry Conn, 49, of Martin, Sunday, April 27, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington; Virginia Eva Johnson, 67, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, April 27, at her residence; Susie Gayheart Branden, 88, of Wayland, Sunday, April 27, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Jeffery Neal Mitchell, infant son of Jeffery Michael and

Nancy Dawn Cornett Mitchell of Stanville, Tuesday, April 28, at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington; Thomas Jefferson "T.J." DeRossett, 82, of Prestonsburg, Friday, April 25; Ida Macel Roberts Conn, 78, of Printer, Tuesday, April 29, at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Mitchell Martin, 74, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, April 30, at the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; Chester W. Hale, 78, of West Prestonsburg, Friday, April 25; Zeb Ousley, 73, of Garrett, Tuesday, April 29, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; James Taylor "Buck" Endicott, 53, of Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, dead on arrival at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Curtis Elkins, 89, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, April 29, at his residence; Edna M. Prater Cooley, 77, of Hueysville, Thursday, May 1, at her residence.

## Twenty Years Ago

(May 6, 1987)

A school playground mishap, last fall, resulted in the filing, last week, of a damage suit in Floyd Circuit Court...The twenty-second annual commencement exercises at Prestonsburg Community College will graduate 181 students, Friday, at the First Baptist Church...A railroad employee, accused of selling, on the side, automotive supplies he had purchased on the railroad account, pleaded guilty, last week, to the

(See YESTERDAYS, page seven)



## Yesterdays

theft charges...Gus Kalos, director of the Prestonsburg Community Chorus, will conduct his last annual spring concert next Sunday, due to his retirement...During its second year of operation, the Floyd County Adult Literacy Council will deal with the dilemma of how to communicate with those who can't read...There died: Lee Derossett, 80, of Prestonsburg, Sunday...Amos Puckett, 77, of the Left Fork of Abbott, last Wednesday...Isadore Hatfield, 70, of Bevinville, Saturday...Lucy Jane Moore, 71, formerly of Eastern, March 25...Lillie Ethel Harrington, 70, formerly of Floyd County, April 28...Ruby Campbell Wallace, 76, of Garrett, last Wednesday...Hester Holly Singleton, 84, formerly of Melvin, Saturday...Roland J. Samons, 77, formerly of Floyd County, Tuesday.

## Thirty Years Ago

(May 4, 1977)

Seventy-one Floyd County road and bridge repair projects, which will cost an estimated \$115,516.49, have been approved by the U.S. Bureau of Roads, following the completion of a HUD survey of flood damage...A school bus driver, and the Floyd County Board of Education, were named last week, in a circuit court suit in which Don Keith Spurlock and Mabeth Keathley ask damages totalling \$81,100...The Left Beaver Coal Company, of this county, was one of the seven mining firms against which the state Department of Natural Resources filed complaints, last week, claiming they violated water pollution laws by permitting spills of "black water" into streams...Eleven projects under the HUD Community Development block-grant program worth \$2,921,600, were approved, last week, for the Seventh District, Congressman Carl D. Perkins and Senators Wendell Ford and Dee Huddleston announced...A dispute, last Saturday afternoon, over bulldozing work on a roadway on Little Paint Creek resulted in the shooting of

Larry Spencer, 26-year-old operator of the machinery, who is in a Lexington hospital with a .22-calibre bullet in his head...John L. Smith, secretary of the state Justice Department, says that organized crime has moved into the eastern Kentucky coal business...Efforts are currently being made to establish an overnight hostel, here, to provide lodging for bicyclists travelling the 498-mile-long Eric-Appalachian Bicycle Trail, scheduled to open to bicycle traffic this summer...Four Floyd County candidates are among the 400 or more in the state who are "delinquent" in filing their primary election campaign expense accounts, with the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance...The public libraries in Pineville and Pikeville received extensive damage from the recent spring floods, according to Barbara Williams, state librarian...There died: Clara Mollett Hall, 66, of Banner, April 28, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Dollie Hunter, 69, of Dema, April 30, at her home; Lillie Mae Owens Slusher, 52, of Hi Hat, April 27, at the Martin home of a daughter; Alta Hall, 68, of Dema, April 28, of an apparent heart attack at her home; Martin William Nairn, 65, of Pikeville, April 24, at the University Medical Center, Lexington; Curtis Jervis, 54, of Endicott, May 1, of an apparent heart attack at his home; Cap Inmon, 75, of Garrett, of an apparent heart attack at his home; George Tackett, 89, of Beaver, May 1, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; George Anthony Miller, 5-month-old son of Carol Miller, of Garrett, April 30, at his home; Johnny Johnson, 38, of Wheelwright, May 3, at his home.

## Forty Years Ago

(May 4, 1947)

With filing, Tuesday, of the Dry forces' brief, the Floyd County local option election passed into the hands of Special Judge Charles E. Lowe, of Pikeville...The board of directors of Princess Coals Inc., announced, last Friday, that Russell Harman has resigned his position as president, and that Ralph Huffman, executive

vice-president, has been elected to succeed...A second Floyd County community has applied for housing construction under the FHA rent-subsidy program, The Times learned last week...The Highlands Hospital Corporation, the non-profit organization which now operates the Prestonsburg General Hospital, is looking for a site on which to build a new hospital...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. David Herman Price, of Prestonsburg, a son, April 30, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, W.Va.; to Mr. and Mrs. Ishmael Salyers, a son, May 3, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. James David Campbell, of Milford, Mich., a daughter, Candace Loretha, May 2; to Mr. and Mrs. Yancy Horn Jr., a son, May 2, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ray Moore, of Maytown, a daughter, Karen Renee, April 9...There died: Sidney Reed, 56, Friday, at his home at Endicott; Isaac Thompson, 83, last Thursday, at his home at Melvin; Mrs. Dora Allen, 68, of Hippo, last Thursday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Cora B. Fraley, 58, of Printer, Sunday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Charles H. Hunter, 53, Friday, at his home at Martin; L. W. "Dock" Harmon, 65, of Stanville, Monday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Freddie Hamilton, 35, of Teaberry, last Thursday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville.

## Fifty Years Ago

(May 2, 1957)

The January flood caused the Big Sandy river basin a total of \$38,698,000 damage, with \$30,389,000 of that total being suffered by the Big Sandy Valley in eastern Kentucky...Civil Defense funds have enabled the City of Prestonsburg to begin repair of damage to the Second Street fill, which sagged badly, and became almost impassable after the January flood...A solution to the dispute over which route KY 7 will follow down Salt Lick Creek, in contact with KY 80 was seen, this week, as a spokesman for one of the two oppos-

ing groups agreed to a plan which would serve both...Floyd County's eighth annual post-war band festival will be held, here, Saturday, and a colorful parade of beautiful girls as candidates for Festival Queen is scheduled...The Prestonsburg Black Cats baseball team may have established a record baseball score, Monday, as they walloped, a good Fleming-Neon high school squad, 43-4...Married: Elizabeth Allen Collins, of Prestonsburg, and Mr. Thomas R. Cadenhead, of Wabasco, Fla., April 29, at Pikeville...There died: Cledis Turner, 46, of Garrett, Monday, at the McDowell Memorial Hospital; Orbie Osborne, 47, of McDowell, Saturday, at the home of a sister at Price; Morgan Newsome, 41, Sunday, at his home at Teaberry; Steve Sherman, 82, of Dema, formerly of this county, Wednesday, of last week, at the home of a daughter; Mrs. Vaney Frances Akers, 89, Saturday, at her home at Banner; Mrs. Matilda W. Branham, 91, of Water Gap, Saturday, at the home of a son; Virgil S. Wooley, 75, of Garrett, Saturday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital.

## Sixty Years Ago

(May 1, 1947)

Baseball in Floyd County drew the "color line," this week, when representatives of the six teams comprising the Eastern Kentucky Baseball League met at Allen, Monday night, and voted to bar Richard Mims, black Prestonsburg pitcher, from further play. (Probably couldn't hit him)...Fire of undetermined origin, and a resulting explosion, destroyed the main building of the Gilley Oil and Refining Company at Betsy Layne, last Saturday...The last murder trial of this term of circuit court—the shooting of Mrs. Sylvia Helen Parsons, near Betsy Layne, last April—has been continued till Sept. 24...Southern soft coal operators have balked at industry-wide bargaining with John L. Lewis, as the government sought to stave off the threat of a new coal strike, July 1...Prestonsburg's new Junior Chamber of Commerce received its state and national charters, Wednesday evening, last week...A

gas well said to be the biggest drilled in eastern Kentucky, was hit this week, on Oakley Creek, near Royalton...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. James Mullett of David, a son—Alvin—last Wednesday, at the Paintsville Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Miller of Betsy Layne, a daughter, April 27, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville...There died: Lewis Likens, 72, at home at Hunter, Sunday; Mrs. Grace Hamilton, 48, at home at Grethel, Sunday; Donald, 16-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Slone of Ligon, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Sunday; T. Bentley, 57, formerly of Allen, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, Friday; Elford, 13-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Cooper of Grethel, Saturday, at the Gearheart Hospital.

## Seventy Years Ago

(April 30, 1937)

Sid Kenney, 27 years old, of Weeksbury, was shot and killed, Tuesday afternoon, in a Weeksbury restaurant, while trying to persuade, a man to stop beating a woman, Johnny Beran, 26-year-old Allen man, was shot and killed, Wednesday noon, at Jimmy Patterson's restaurant at Allen...Circuit Judge John W. Caudill, this week, said that a special venire will be called, May 4, to investigate increasing lawlessness in Floyd County, at the same time, he scored the apparent flaunting by county liquor outlets and roadhouses of the 12 midnight closing hour set for them, and hinted at grand jury action in the matter...John Caldwell, 44, well-known Betsy Layne, trucking contractor, was found dead on the highway, near Betsy Layne, Sunday morning...The first Junior I.O.O.F. Lodge in the state was organized, Thursday night, at the Odd Fellows hall, here...The fire which destroyed the barn, and its contents, of Jonathan Hicks of Cliff, is believed to be a case of arson...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lee May, of Prestonsburg, a son—Frederick Theodore—Sunday, at home.

## Oak

were ready for the tightrope in some famous circus.

Sometimes a train would roar by pulling a string of loaded gons and we'd all stand back and just stay there until it passed. Somewhere along the way we'd heard the story about a nameless drunk man who had been walking alongside the tracks when the train was passing and he'd stumbled and fallen beneath the train. While I don't think any of us ever stumbled, and I know for sure none of us were drunk, we still stood back and waited it out.

Those people who lived in the actual vicinity of the mine or the tippie had tracks running right through their front yards. Trains didn't actually run on those tracks, at least not the speed they did on the main tracks where the passenger trains ran, but small pre-diesel, smoke-belching shifters would come every afternoon and push empty gons in and haul full

gons out. Residents could pretty much set their clocks by the rumble of the rails.

But if some housewife lost track of time and was visiting a neighbor on the other side of the tracks -- which may not have been more than 40 feet away -- her visit might have been extended for as long as it took the men on the train to get their job done. Many a big pot of soup beans were burned in the interim.

But now the days of the railroad tracks are over. And unless you know where they were, they can't even be seen as the rails, rust and weeds grow tall between the crossties. Spikes are being pulled by reverse John Henry's and those long rails are being hauled off, no doubt to be sold and used for other purposes. Railroad tracks have joined a host of other things reduced to nothing more than a memory for this senior citizen who was once a coal-camp kid.

## Critter

pets and humans during the cooler months.

**Myth #2.** Dogs get their fleas from wild animals. No, Rats, rabbits and squirrels carry their own species of fleas and even if they infest dogs, they are unable to reproduce. Raccoons and opossums may share fleas with dogs and cats, but as a general rule, if your pet has fleas, they are most likely in your home environment.

**Myth #3.** Fleas are just a harmless nuisance. Unfortunately, it's not true. Many pet owners do not know that a flea's bloodsucking habits can cause life-threatening conditions in pets. Fleas can cause allergic dermatitis, flea anemia, cat scratch fever and common tapeworm infection.

**Myth #4.** My dog or cat cannot have fleas because a) he lives indoors, b) if he had them, other family members would have bites, c) we have hardwood floors, d) I would see them, e) all of the above. All of the above are not true. Fleas thrive in the

well-regulated temperatures of a home. Humans are the last choice of fleas and will only be bitten more than once if the flea population is high. Fleas love the cracks between the boards of hardwood floors. It's not always easy to see fleas.

**Myth #5.** Garlic prevents fleas. There's no proof that garlic helps. Flea control products that kill only adult fleas are not the most effective way to treat the problem. Products that kill only adult fleas but not flea eggs and wormlike larvae allow more fleas to emerge. One of the most effective solutions is a convenient, oral preventive that targets flea eggs and larvae, and even works when dogs go outside. These once-a-month tabs protect against common intestinal parasites, including heartworms and fleas.

For more information, visit [www.growingupwithpets.com](http://www.growingupwithpets.com).



## Preparing for their futures

Scott Smith and Naomi Duff are enrolled in the Eastern Kentucky University Social Work bachelor degree program offered in Hazard through the University Center of the Mountains.

## Social Work degree attracting students to UCM

The desire to empower people to enhance the wellbeing of their families and communities has encouraged students to enroll in the popular Eastern Kentucky University Social Work bachelor degree program offered in Hazard.

Scott Smith, 36, of Happy in Perry County enrolled in the four-year degree program last fall after being in the workforce for 15 years. "I enjoyed working with people while in the grocery business and decided the social work program would be a good way for me to work with people while improving my professional and financial situation. The ECU program is a quality and affordable four-year degree available here locally with both day and evening classes."

Naomi Duff, a 26-year-old wife and mother and Leslie County native, says she is drawn to the social work profession because of her desire to help keep families together.

"I have been able to continue my education by staying home and not having to commute a long distance which costs money and would take time away from my husband and two children," said Duff. "I am very pleased with the instruction and like the fact that we have ECU faculty member Dr. Tony Goldson based here so he can teach and mentor us."

Both Scott and Naomi intend to advance their education and careers by enrolling in the University of Kentucky masters in social work program also offered in Hazard. They have followed a typical education track in the region by enrolling in the two-year associate degree program in human services at Hazard Community & Technical College, followed by the bachelor degree in social work from ECU and then culminating in the UK masters program also in Hazard.

Another advantage of the Hazard program is the availability of the Public Child Welfare Certification Program (PCWCP). PCWCP is a demanding selective admission program with high standards. Successful completion of the program guarantees job placement with the state of Kentucky. Naomi has been accepted in the PCWCP and Scott is hopeful his application will be approved. Both are very optimistic about job prospects. Various expanded social work and human services jobs are expected to be available because of the creation of new positions, growing human needs in the state, and vacancies caused by retirements in the state retirement system in 2008.

The ECU social work program is one of the 18 bachelor degrees offered by partners in the University Center of the Mountains. The UCM partners offer seven master degrees programs.

For more information concerning the social work program you are invited to contact Jeannie Trumbo, the ECU site coordinator at 606-487-3209 or by email [jeannie.trumbo@eku.edu](mailto:jeannie.trumbo@eku.edu). For information about the University Center of the Mountains contact director Ron Daley at 487-3158, [ron.daley@kctcs.edu](mailto:ron.daley@kctcs.edu) or visit the UCM web site at [www.ucmky.org](http://www.ucmky.org).



# Birthday



**Colt is 1!**

Nicholas Colt Shelton, son of Eddie and Charlotte Shelton, of Hi Hat, celebrated his 1st birthday on March 28, 2007, with a "Winnie The Pooh" theme party held at his home. Lots of family members and friends, including Colt's "Big Brother," Grant, and "Big Sister," Emily. Colt is the grandson of Omery and Juanita Compton of Hi Hat, and Donna Isaac of Mt. Orab, OH.

# Births



**WRMG**  
New Arrivals

April 5, 2007 A son, Jacob Thomas Mathew Billiter, to Amy & Jeremy Billiter, of Paintsville

April 5, 2007 A son, Lucas Nathaniel Patrick, to Cindy Lou & Jimmy Douglas Patrick, of Salyersville

April 5, 2007 A son, Ethan Gabriel Collins, to Amanda Marie Collins, of Prestonsburg

April 6, 2007 A son, Keagan Gage Prince, to Sonya & Graig Prince, of Prestonsburg

April 6, 2007 A daughter, Isabella Kaylena Rose Combs, to Mary Michelle Combs, of Vicco

April 6, 2007 A son, Eric Beaden Gibson, to Courtney Crace, of Prestonsburg

April 7, 2007 A son, Ashton Taylor Hudson, to Ashley McCutcheon, of Bulan

April 7, 2007 A daughter, Montana Paige Short, to Elizabeth Jean Stacy, of Topmost

April 8, 2007 A son, Ethan Lewis Ray Martin, to Melissa & Kenneth Martin, of Blaine

April 10, 2007 A son, Jon Carter Parson, to Ashley & Jonathan Parson, of Harold

April 10, 2007 A son, Shaden Cecil Dale Horn, to Melissa Blackburn, of Warfield

April 10, 2007 A daughter, Makayla Jane Perkins, to Helen & Brian Perkins, of Salyersville

# Korner

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Lord could heal them.

It is easy to forgive the words or actions of those we know that don't know any better than to deliberately set out to cause pain. For Christians most definitely know better than to do such a thing and then when they do - BAM, SLAM, CRASH - right up side your head and your heart aches so badly it's as if the sharpest knife on the planet has penetrated directly to the center of your heart and then this huge fist rips out your heart and every ounce of the muscle it possibly can.

Your head sends words to erupt from your mouth such as: "How could they?" "Why are they?" and you find yourself sitting in such disbelief of the incident trying to grasp some sort of sense from the ordeal and when you can't it becomes so overwhelming and frustrating and painful your entire body aches.

Forgiveness is easier however than forgetting.

Forgetting the words or actions that have brought forth such pain and sorrow is a whole other avenue and when we can't seem to erase those hurtful words or acts then we sometimes start to build in our

minds-eye brick by brick a wall of protection around our heart to try in some desperate attempt to keep those evil darts from penetrating and bleeding us with excruciating pain.

Thing is why we have to forget as well as forgive. God does and as Christians we have to also.

Thank God. He totally wipes our slates clean of sin never to be remembered again, and has such grace and such mercy and how awesome would it be to be able to forgive and forget like Him.

We can only aspire and pray fervently to be blessed with His grace, His love, His strength, His wisdom and "know that we know that we know" we are to treat one another in love, kindness, respect, forgiveness and honor.

And as Everett L. Worthington has said in his book, *The Power of Forgiving*, "forgiving for the well being of others we actually receive tremendous benefits in terms of physical and mental health."

Til Next Week,

Here's praying for hearts full of love and grace and the ability to forgive & forget ...

# 2007 Skills USA regional winners

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) was the site of the 2007 Skills USA Regional contests. Students from area high schools and area centers came together at the Mayo Campus to compete in skill areas and leadership contests. Winners advanced to state level competition.

## Winners included:

<p><b>Automotive Technology</b> Post-secondary 1st Place-Adam Martin, BSCTC 2nd Place-Dusty Taylor, BSCTC</p> <p>Secondary 1st Place-Brandon Welsh, Millard ATC 2nd Place-Heath Keathley, Floyd Co. ATC 3rd Place-Johnnie Coffey, Martin Co. ATC</p> <p><b>Carpentry I</b> 1st Place-Les McGinnis, Martin Co. ATC 2nd Place-Justin Keene, Millard ATC 3rd Place-Josh Collins, Martin Co. ATC</p> <p><b>Carpentry II</b> 1st Place-Samuel Newsome, Millard ATC 2nd Place-Jonathan New, Belfry ATC 3rd Place-Bobby Hall, Floyd ATC</p> <p><b>CNC Lathe</b> 1st Place-Joshua Smith, Floyd Co. ATC 2nd Place-Ben Martin, Floyd Co. ATC 3rd Place-Harrison Whitehead, Floyd Co. ATC</p>	<p><b>Diesel</b> 1st Place-Brandon Williamson, Belfry ATC</p> <p><b>HVAC</b> 1st Place-Greg Chaney, Millard ATC 2nd Place-Randall Morton, Millard ATC</p> <p><b>Industrial Electronics</b> 1st Place-Derrick Mills, Martin Co. ATC 2nd Place-Eric Musick, Martin Co. ATC 3rd Place-Brandon Jarrell, Martin Co. ATC</p> <p><b>Industrial Motor Controls</b> 1st Place-Cory Coleman, Millard ATC 2nd Place-Ricky I. Maynard, Martin Co. ATC</p> <p><b>Machine Tool Technology</b> 1st Place-Winslow Smith, Floyd Co. ATC</p> <p><b>Mechatronics</b> 1st Place-Cody Grizzle, Millard ATC 2nd Place-Benjamin Stone, Millard ATC 3rd Place-Michael Rowe, Millard ATC</p> <p><b>Residential Wiring</b> 1st Place-Ethan Mullins, Magoffin Co.</p>	<p>2nd Place-Acey Hale, Magoffin Co. 3rd Place-Joseph Blackburn, Millard ATC</p> <p><b>Welding</b> 1st Place-Daniel Russell, Magoffin Co. 2nd Place-Jeff Morton, Magoffin Co. 3rd Place-Evan Spears, Floyd Co.</p> <p><b>Leadership</b> Action Skills 1st Place-Millard Workman, Martin Co. ATC</p> <p><b>Creed</b> 1st Place-Wes Hall, Belfry ATC</p> <p><b>Job Interview</b> 1st Place-Belinda Ramey, Millard ATC 2nd Place-Tiffany Scott, Belfry ATC 3rd Place-Willie Orien Jude, Martin Co. ATC</p> <p><b>Job Demo A</b> 1st Place-Dustin Newsome, Martin Co. ATC 2nd Place-Charles Hinkle, Martin Co. ATC 3rd Place-Brandon Mullins, Magoffin Co.</p> <p><b>Prepared Speech</b> 1st Place-Mike Montgomery, Magoffin Co.</p>
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## HCTC's PR Department wins seven awards

The Public Relations Department at Hazard Community & Technical College walked away with seven awards from the Kentucky Community and Technical College Marketing Contest. The awards presented were:

Gold award - to Evelyn Wood for Fall Registration Radio Campaign on Make the Decision to Change Your Life

Gold award - to Misty Feltner for Logo Design for the new Kentucky School of Bluegrass and Traditional Music. Misty worked with School Director Dean Osborne on the project.

Silver award - to Evelyn Wood for Excellence in Feature Writing for "Fulfilling the Promise" fund raising campaign news stories

Silver award - to Misty Feltner for "What do I Want to be When I grow up" booklet distributed to kids by the Admissions Department. Idea conceived by Admissions Department Melissa Johnson with work by Germaine Shaffer.

Bronze Medallion - to Evelyn Wood for feature story on HCTC's Shirley Maggard success story.

Bronze Medallion - to Evelyn Wood for TV spots for fall registration.

Bronze Medallion - to Evelyn Wood, Misty Feltner and Linda Williams for brochure on three outstanding graduates from the Technical Campus.

HCTC Interim President Dr. R. Kathy Smoot praised the work of the Public Relations Department. "We appreciate the work of Evelyn Wood, Director; Linda Williams, Coordinator; and Misty Feltner, Graphic Designer," Dr. Smoot said. "Their professionalism and expertise are a tremendous asset to our College and we're extremely proud of the awards they've won."

## Big Sandy Community and Technical College honors student achievement

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) honored student achievement on Friday, March 30, 2007 in the Sixth Annual Honors Night ceremony, held at the Mayo Auditorium, on the Mayo Campus of BSCTC. The 6 P.M. program featured the achievements of students whose excellence was exemplified by the President's List, Dean's List, Who's Who in American Junior Colleges, Phi Theta Kappa and the Honors Program.

A total of 344 students had the distinction of being on the Dean's List which recognizes the academic excellence of full-time students who have earned an overall semester grade-point average of 3.5 or higher in courses numbered 100 or above. 136 students achieved the honor of being recognized on the President's List. This list recognizes the academic excellence of full-time students who have earned an over-all semester grade-point average of 4.0 in courses numbered 100 or above. Certificates of merit were awarded to students achieving the Dean's List and the President's List.

Each Fall, Big Sandy Community and Technical College submits a list of academically outstanding students for recognition by Who's Who in American Junior colleges. Who's Who recognizes the academic excellence of sophomore-status students. Selected students must have 33 degree credit hours completed. The credit hours and GPA are from the most recent term completed, Spring or Summer. 104 students achieved this distinction.

There were 40 Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) honorees for this year. Phi Theta Kappa is the Honor Society of the two-year community and junior colleges. Those individuals invited to join must have completed 12 credit hours, be currently enrolled, and have achieved a 3.5 grade point average. The four hallmarks of the society are scholarship, leadership, service, and fellowship. PTK provides members with a variety of opportunities for the development of leadership and service, an intellectual climate, lively fellowship, and the stimulation of an interest in continuing academic excellence. The BSCTC chapter of PTK is Alpha Nu Zeta.

Also receiving recognition at the Honors Ceremony were 14 Honors Program members. These students have met all requirements for admission, including a 3.25 PGA, have recommendations from both high school counselors and teachers, and have a minimum ACT score of 20 in all disciplines. Honors students have also submitted a written prospectus statement regarding the future they see for themselves and the way an education at BSCTC fits into that overall plan. Finally, Honors students have taken part in a timed, on-demand essay on a topic chosen by the Honors Program Committee.

Highlights of the Honors Night program included music by Clayton Case, Assistant Director of the BSCTC Music and Drama Program. He sang "Believe" and "Your Song." The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Zella Wells, Assistant Superintendent of Johnson County Schools. She spoke on "Achievements and Rewards: Now what?"

Special recognition was given to Tonya Hopper and Bobby Bevins, students at BSCTC.

Other speakers for the evening included Dr. Bill Loftus, PTK Advisor, Dr. George D. Edwards, BSCTC President, Georgetta Howard, PTK President and Dr. Nancy B. Johnson, BSCTC Provost.

## AARP Tax-Aide volunteers provide free tax assistance

Volunteers from the Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528 AARP in Prestonsburg, report of their having completed a very successful Tax-Aide season.

According to Burieta Gearhart, director of the program, they conducted 161 taxpayer interviews; they assisted in the preparation of 58 joint returns; 136 federal returns; 108 state/local returns; they conducted 25 federal and state quality reviews; they answered questions for 49 taxpayers; and they provided service to one shut-in.

Participating in the program were three volunteers and together they spent 181 hours assisting taxpayers.

Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528 AARP meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg.

For more information or to join the group, contact James E. Goble at 886-8452.

## Pawpaw

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When we got to the pawpaw patch they were just lying everywhere under them trees. I saw this one big old pawpaw lying off over in the weeds. I walked over and picked it up and found me a big rock to set on. Didn't worry about a snake being under it - too cold for snakes today. They had all crawled off to the big rock pile over on the other side of the hill to hide from the cold.

I took that pawpaw in my hands looking at it I saw that it was a deep yellow in color almost the color of rust. I rolled it around gently in my hands to clean it off, and making sure I didn't bruise the fruit inside. I took me a big bite of that big pawpaw, getting two seeds in my mouth. I just sat there for a while as I ate pawpaws, spitting seeds one way, then another. After me and Mutt ate all we wanted, we filled our paper pokes with them pawpaws and took off down the holler road for home. When we passed by the

barber's house Joann was still playing in the yard.

"Get me any pawpaws?" she asked.

"Come out to the road and I will give you two," I said.

"Can you give me four?" she asked.

"Okay, I guess I can."

She walked down to the road and I gave her four pawpaws. As she walked away I heard her say, "One for Cullin, one for Lacy and two for me."

As we walked down the holler I said, "It won't be long until you and I will have to come to Cullin's for a haircut."

"Don't even want to think about it," he answered me back. "Hate haircuts, you know, the ones Cullin gives."

"Hey Mutt, do you know why Cullin's hair always looks so good when everyone's hair he cuts looks so bad?"

"Got me," Mutt said.

"Hey, Mutt, someone told me the other day that Lacy cut Cullin's hair." Lacy was the best barber in the village but wouldn't cut anyone's hair but

old Cullin's.

One day mother came home from the company store over in Weeksbury with a new set of hair cutting tools. She cut mine, Mutt's and Daddy's hair until uncle L.A. learned to cut hair. Then he became the family barber.

By the time we made it down to the low water bridge I still had all my pawpaws. Mutt said, "It's a first."

"First what?" I asked.

"First time you ever walked this far with something in your hand and not spilling it. Most of the time you trip on a rock, step in a hole and drop everything you are carrying."

"Mutt, you little brat. You had better shut your mouth before I break your big nose."

Mutt never said a word, just reached into his pocket and came out with a big hand of them railroad rocks.

"Just joking, Mutt," I said. "We need to get home with all these pawpaws."

"Okay," Mutt said, "but better not call me a brat any-

more or I'll hit you with one of my rocks."

When we walked into the house, mother said, "Mutt's got more pawpaws than you, Ralph."

"I know. I gave four of mine to Joann."

Mother liked pawpaws more than me and Mutt, so she ate about five or six, not sure.

"What are you two going to do tomorrow?" mother asked.

"Go up Hen Pen and gather persimmons and possum grapes," we said.

"Some of these pawpaws are green. Take them out and lay them in the weeds so they get ripe."

Gathering is just away of life for me and Mutt and today we filled our paper pokes with big old pawpaws. And for that matter, our bellies, too.

"We've been picking up pawpaws and putting them in our pockets," me and Mutt sing the rest of the afternoon.