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### briefs

#### State attends energy summit

by LAWRENCE MESSINA  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ROANOKE, W.Va. — Governors from leading energy producing states got a chance to vent Tuesday about congressional inaction on America's energy future. At a daylong summit, officials from Kentucky and 10 other states called upon Capitol Hill to provide the detailed road map needed to guide U.S. energy policy away from a dependence on foreign oil.

Instead of honestly weighing the country's energy options, "the Congress has operated on its own prejudices," Wyoming Gov. Dave Freudenthal told reporters.

At the helm of the nation's top coal-producing state, Freudenthal echoed the summit's key theme: as long as coal remains this country's most abundant fossil fuel, it must play a central role in U.S. policy.

The meeting's title, "Advancing Domestic Resources in an Era of Carbon Challenges," hints at coal's status as the chief culprit in the greenhouse gas debate. Also under fire in Eastern states is mountaintop removal mining, where layers of earth are blasted away to expose coal seams and then dumped in the valleys below.

Cleaner and renewable sources must be part of the mix, the summit's speakers said. But they also argued such alternatives cannot replace coal as the fuel behind about half of the nation's electricity.

"The bottom line is, it will continue to produce a large share for many years," said Gov. Joe Manchin of West Virginia, the nation's second-largest source of coal and the summit's host.

Montana Gov. Brian Schweitzer and Gov.-elect Steve Beshear of Kentucky struck similar notes at the meeting. Officials from Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Utah also participated.

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## Lawmakers tour mountaintop removal site

by TONYA AMBURGEY  
HAZARD HERALD

HAZARD — Several members of the Kentucky House Appropriations Committee listened to testimony and were given a firsthand look at the burying of headwater streams and mountaintop removal mining Monday during a tour of an Eastern Kentucky coalfield hosted by the Kentuckians for the Commonwealth.

The group gathered at the Wendell H. Ford airport in Chavies, where they heard

from several members of the Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, a community action group opposing mountaintop removal.

Even though coal produces over 90 percent of Kentucky's electricity, State Chair of the KFTC Doug Doerrfield said, "It is not necessary to destroy the mountains and streams to get that coal."

He told the members of the Kentucky House Appropriations and Revenue

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A group was led on a tour of a mountaintop removal site on Montgomery Creek Monday in Perry County. The tour was hosted by a group with Kentuckians for the Commonwealth.

photo by Tonya Amburgey

### HOLIDAY HAPPENING



photo by Ralph B. Davis

Santa Claus was the star of Saturday evening's Christmas parade in downtown Prestonsburg, where he met local youngsters and lit the city's Christmas tree. A float that First Presbyterian Church entered into the parade won first place in a Christmas spirit contest.

## Back-to-work agreement deepens strike divide

by JACK LATTA  
STAFF WRITER

McDOWELL — The Appalachian Regional Healthcare nurses strike could go on for sometime after what KNA/WVNA calls a "vindicative attempt by ARH to punish nurses for standing up for patient care."

A four-page document provided by ARH outlined the hospital's 11 conditions for the

nurses to return to work. Among those conditions the Kentucky Nurses Association and West Virginia Nurses Association must publicly acknowledge that the strike was an economic strike.

"They want us to say it's (the strike) about money," said Kim Gayheart, a nurse on strike at McDowell ARH. "If it was about money, I would be in there making some, instead of standing out here in the cold."

According to KNA and WVNA, the ARH proposal makes no assurances that any of the striking nurses will be allowed to return to work. ARH also proposes that those striking nurses ARH feels to have engaged in "strike misconduct" during the strike will not be placed on the "preferential hiring list." Those names will be submitted to an arbitrator who

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## Free lunches offered during finals

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — You can't run brain power on an empty stomach, and with that in mind the members of St. James Episcopal Church are offering a free lunch to all local college students during this week of final exams.

"We figure finals week is stressful enough without worrying about what you're going to eat," said Erica Ash, a member of the St. James congregation that has been largely

responsible for coordinating the bi-annual event.

According to Kay Hale Ross, also a member of the St. James family, the finals week free lunches were first offered "about seven or eight years ago."

"Initially, the lunches were funded by the Lexington diocese, but now they're funded by donations from our church," Ross said.

Ross also said that the free lunches "started out as a way of helping out our students." Now, both students and faculty and

staff are invited to partake of the soup, sandwich, fruit, and dessert lunches, offered each semester during finals week.

"It's nice," said second-year elementary education major Olivia Hunter, who along with friend, Evan Coleman, a senior elementary education student, was enjoying lunch at the church on Tuesday afternoon. "It helps to not have to be out in the cold, too," she said.

"I like having the students in, getting to talk to people and

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## Johnson pleads guilty to murder

by JACK LATTA  
STAFF WRITER

WHITESBURG — The murder trial of Billy Joe Johnson, of Bevinsville, ended in a plea agreement in Whitesburg on Friday, according to Commonwealth's Attorney Arnold Brent Turner.

In a copy of the plea agreement provided by Turner's office, Johnson pleaded guilty to murder, assault, unlawful imprisonment and tampering with evidence. The recommended sentence is that Johnson serve 22 years in prison, without possibility of

parole.

Johnson, 56, who was indicted in 2005, was initially charged with an additional assault charge and two counts of first-degree kidnapping. As part of the agreement, those charges have been dismissed with prejudice.

The body of 27-year-old Michael Slone was found near an abandoned strip mine in Knott county on August 4, 2003.

Turner said that it was a little out of the ordinary for Johnson to accept the 22 years without parole.

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## Sheriff's office makes drug arrest

by JACK LATTA  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County Sheriff's Office investigation, with the cooperation of UNITE, resulted in the confiscation of a large number of prescription pills last Thursday.

A search warrant was executed Nov. 29 for the residence of Julian Irick Jr. on the Left Fork of Toler Creek where sheriff's deputies confiscated 270 Oxycontin pills, 48 hydrocodone pills, a small amount of marijuana and \$1,500 in cash. The pills confiscated have an esti-

mated street value of \$19,000.

According to a release from the Floyd County Sheriff's Office, the investigation is ongoing and all evidence will be submitted to a Floyd County Grand Jury in the immediate future. Sheriff John K. Blackburn believes the investigation will net more indictments for drug trafficking.

Blackburn encourages area residents to call in tips or any information pertaining to illegal drugs in Floyd County. The sheriff's office can be contacted 24 hours a day at 886-6171.



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Evidence seized in last week's drug bust has an estimated street value of \$19,000.

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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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— John Greenleaf Whittier

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## Guest View

anonymous@e-bully.net

By all accounts, 13-year-old Megan Meier of Dardenne Prairie, Mo., was a typical adolescent girl - self-conscious, a bit awkward, full of dreams about boys and best friends forever and her yet-to-unfold future. Just like a million others, right up until Oct. 16, 2006.

That day, Megan hanged herself with a cloth belt in her bedroom closet. She was, her mother says, driven to despair by a cascade of hurtful messages from a "boy" she liked and a group of supposed friends.

The kicker, as everyone knows by now, is that the "boy" wasn't real. He was a fiction created by neighbors Lori and Curtis Drew, parents of another girl whose friendship with Megan ended months earlier. The supposed friends were schoolmates, emboldened by anonymity to send instant messages that said things they probably never would have dared speak in person.

The incomprehensible details of Megan's suicide were reported last month by the Suburban Journals and the Post-Dispatch. Quick as hate speech through cyberspace, her story raced across the country and to every corner of the globe. Megan - yearning in life for the attentions of a cute boy - has become in death the face of an emerging threat called cyber bullying.

Her death hardly was unique. A 13-year-old Vermont boy hanged himself four years ago in a similar case. A 15-year-old boy in Florida did the same in 2005. These cases represent the extreme. But electronic harassment and intimidation are anything but rare. About one-third of middle school children have experienced it, according to research in a recent special issue of the Journal of Adolescent Health. An editorial in the journal calls it "an emerging public health problem."

Bullying has been around forever, of course. It makes life miserable for many students. Adolescents - their overpowering need for acceptance doing battle with strong desires for independence and individuality - always have been uniquely vulnerable.

But cyber bullying is something else again. The pervasiveness of technology, including cell phones, e-mail and instant messaging, coupled with the anonymity it bestows, makes electronic harassment less escapable and more effective. Bullies no longer lurk only in school hallways and playgrounds; now, they slip right into a child's bedroom, wreaking havoc even when school is out.

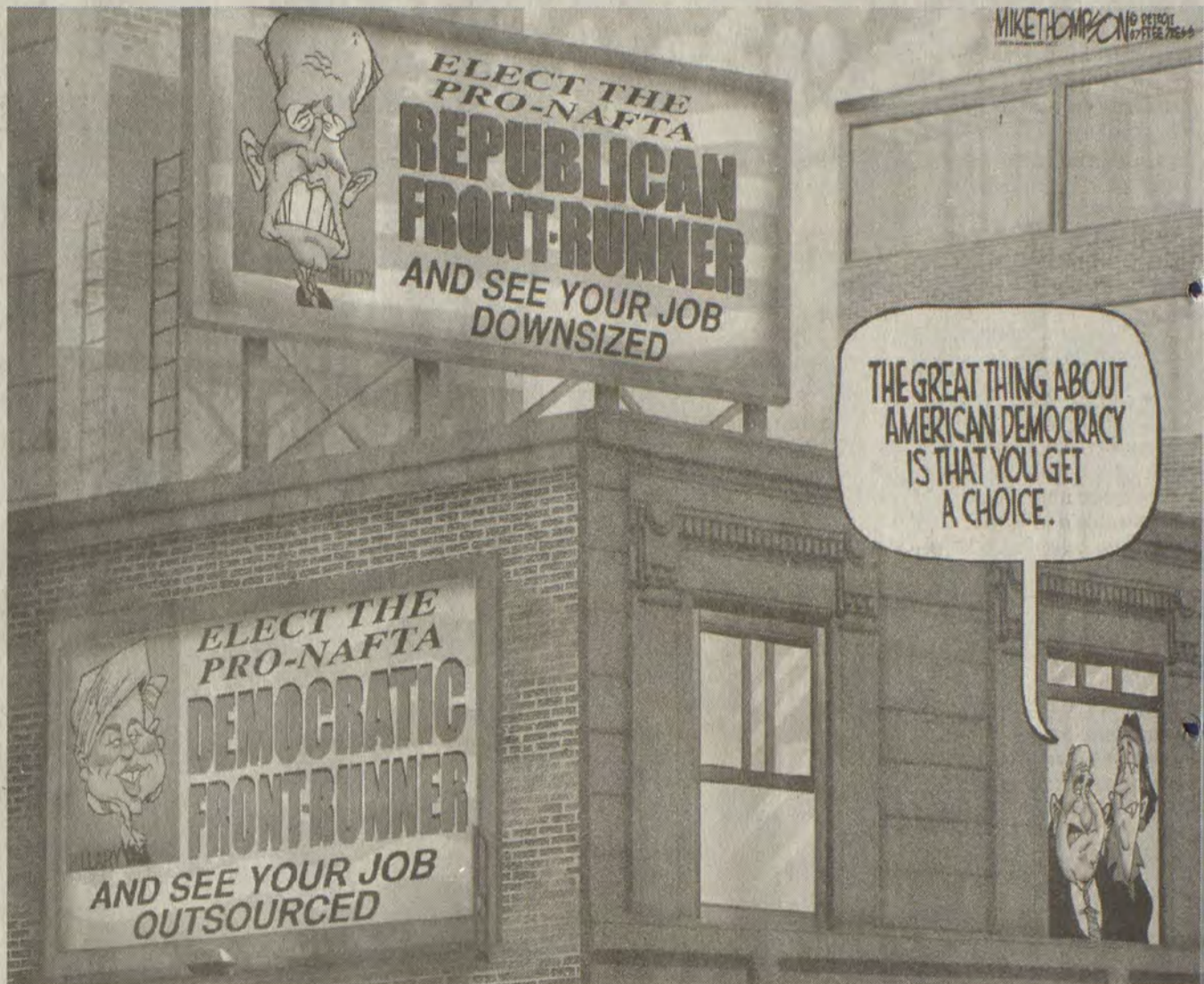
Few laws protect against it. Tina and Ron Meier, Megan's parents, are crusading to change that. Since the events surrounding Megan Meier's daughter's death have become public, Dardenne Prairie and Florissant, Mo., have passed ordinances banning Internet harassment. A similar bill was introduced Friday to the St. Louis Board of Aldermen, and another probably will appear in the Missouri Legislature. That's an understandable response, but impractical. Many victims never find out who's behind electronic threats or harassment. Free speech issues make prosecution difficult.

A more promising approach is to focus on school, where many harassers and victims first come into contact. School districts in Florida, South Carolina, Utah and Oregon have adopted policies on cyber bullying. Lawmakers in Washington state recently required school districts there to develop electronic harassment policies.

In the end, public outrage about Megan Meier's death may turn out to be the most effective deterrence. It's started people talking not just about the apparently unusual cases in which adults harass schoolchildren, but also the far more common problem of cyber bullying of kids by other kids.

Research shows that kids who know that their parents and peers disapprove of anonymous online harassment are less likely to engage in it. No single parent acting alone can insulate his child from cyber bullying. But groups of parents and their children, acting with school districts and educators, can.

— St. Louis Post-Dispatch



## Letters

### Office sends holiday greetings

During this holiday season, filled with the never-ending task of buying presents and fixing gingerbread cookies, the Floyd County Conservation District Board of Supervisors and staff would like to wish you and your families the best during this season.

We have appreciated the opportunity to serve, meet, and assist everyone that has worked with us this year and encourage those who did not get a chance, to take the time in the upcoming year to call 889-9800 or visit our office to find out about the many programs we offer.

Thank you for being involved in our programs and for taking the time to care about our lands and especially our people. We wish you the best in the upcoming year.

Tony Grubb, Office Manager  
Floyd County Conservation District

### True signs of Christmas

This Sunday is the beginning of Advent Season — four weeks of the preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ on Christmas.

Already there are signs of the Christmas spirit in Floyd County, signs beyond purchasing and decorating for the holiday.

We see churches and organizations running food drives to prepare gift baskets for those in need, volunteers braving the cold to collect money to buy toys for children who would otherwise be without, seamstresses fashioning quilts to protect the homeless from the cold, groups planning Christmas parties to mark the joyful celebration of Jesus' birth 2007 years ago, others hosting baby showers for pregnancy centers.

This rightful generosity and caring is a recognition of Christ in those whom He described as the "least" and

of whom He said, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for the least of these, you did for Me". (Matt 26:40)

Floyd County is to be commended for celebrating the Christmas season beyond the media-driven materialistic consumer-oriented culture. But the real work of Christmas begins when the angels have stopped singing, when the shepherds have gone back to their fields, when the Magi return to the East. What will we as individuals and as a community do in 2008 to heal the CAUSES of abortion, poverty, homelessness, substance abuse, etc.?

This will be the true reflection of Floyd County's "Christmas Spirit."

Marlyn Stefanski  
Louisiana

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**Mining**

Committee in attendance. "Mountaintop removal and valley fills are not the only way to mine. Mountaintop removal is a choice that you as state lawmakers make."

The grassroots citizens organization says that it also supports the Stream Saver Bill, which Rep. Don Pasley, of the 73rd House District, announced yesterday that he would sponsor again in 2008.

KFTC says that the Stream Saver Bill would protect the waterways by prohibiting the dumping of mine wastes into any intermittent, perennial or ephemeral stream or other water of the Commonwealth. Instead they say that as part of the reclamation process, the mine wastes would be put back on the mine site rather than being dumped over the side of the hill into the streams and valleys below.

"The language in the bill prohibits fills and streams. These ephemeral streams aren't streams with water, fish and minnows. The streams being impacted are dry ditches that only have water in them when it rains," president of the Kentucky Coal Association, Bill Caylor said. "You can't surface mine or underground mine without leftover material. Once we're finished, we reconstruct the stream so water still flows from point A to point B. They allege that the stream is buried forever. That is not true, water still flows."

If interpreted literally, the legislation would prohibit both surface and underground mining, Caylor said.

"It's [mountaintop removal] everything that is wrong with modern society," Kentucky author Silas House said. "Kentuckians are not sacrificial lambs any more. We have elected officials who will stand up and do the right thing."

House, who says that his family was able to rise out of poverty due to coal mining, has been actively involved in the fight against mountaintop removal for three years.

He said that he was raised

across the road from a sprawling strip mine and put up with the dust, blasting and overloaded coal trucks for three years.

"When the company pulled out they scattered some grass seed that never took and planted a few scrub pines and left. Twenty years later the land is still struggling. Some of it is still dead," he said.

Caylor admitted that the coal industry is not perfect, but said that he didn't know of any industry that was.

"When mining it could be considered a nuisance because of the noise and dust. Maybe we need to do more in terms of public relations and community activities at times," he said.

The group also traveled to Montgomery Creek in Vicco where they saw a valley fill and heard John Roark, a resident from the area, tell about some of his experiences and how he says he has been affected by mountaintop removal.

"They are taking advantage of Eastern Kentuckians. Everywhere they go they do damage. I have damage on my home," he said. "We have laws, but no enforcement."

Law enforcement was also a common theme among those who gave their testimonies of how they had been affected by strip mining and mountaintop removal during the final stop on the tour at the Kodak Church of God. Many told stories of how they had damage to their homes and had lost their water due to blasting from the mines. There were also stories about poisoned water and how young children were scared by the loud blasting or couldn't go outside to play because of the danger of being hit by a fly rock from one of the blasts.

"The problem is we don't have enforcement of the laws. We can't get help from the state. When they come out they are just there to prove that it's not mine related," Hueysville resident Ricky Handshoe said.

Representative Charles

Siler from the 82nd House District said that he had mixed feelings about the subject of mountaintop removal and the only way to solve the problem is with a compromise.

"A compromise has to be sought in order for Kentucky to move forward in the area of energy. We need to preserve those mountains that don't need to be bothered. We need to restore those mountains that can be restored properly and we have to contend with the fact that some mountains are going to have to come down," he said. "You couldn't have this airport here if somebody hadn't taken the top off of this ridge. There are practical points of view on both sides of this issue."

Caylor, who was discouraged by the fact that the other side's viewpoint wasn't afforded during Monday's tour, thinks that due to the flat land being provided today, Hazard is going to be the economic hub of Appalachia within the next 200 years.

"We're already starting to see economic diversity in the Hazard area because we're able to use the level land. The land is much more valuable after it is reclaimed than prior to mining," Caylor said.

He went on to say, "To shut down an entire industry on emotional allegations is reprehensible. To paint our industry with such a wide brush is not fair. The coal industry is the back bone of the economy around the Hazard area and we're starting to see the pay back from that."

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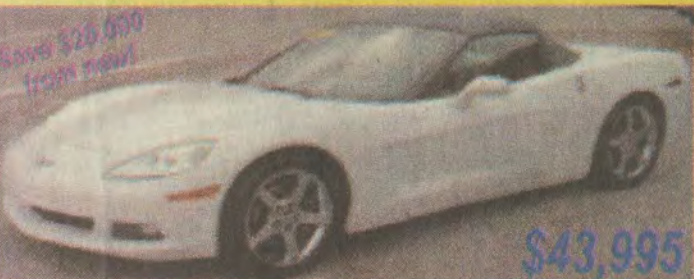
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# Strike

will determine if ARH had just cause to terminate the employees for misconduct. No definition for what misconduct may constitute was included in ARH's four-page outline.

The ARH proposal states that "time spent on strike or on the preferential recall list will not be considered as time worked for any purpose under the terms of the parties' collec-

work agreement." This clause makes it impossible for nurses to receive unemployment benefits while on the preferential list.

"This proposal is an outrageous insult to every nurse on the picket line fighting for safe patient care," said KNA lead negotiator Pat Tanner.

Jim Smith, an attorney for ARH has said that the "back to

work agreement" is not part of the comprehensive contract proposal ARH has asked the union to allow the ARH to vote on, and is not a precondition to the ratification of the proposed contract. Smith said the contract proposal addresses the specific needs of the nurses, which the union has identified to ARH as the reasons for the strike.

"This is the nurses' contract.

The national unions have made every effort to exert their influence over what should be a local issue. We believe the nurses out on the picket line should be the ones to say if the contract is satisfactory to them," said Smith.

Lynn Hall, a nurse on strike at McDowell ARH, said the back-to-work agreement secures the transition for the nurses to go back to work, and

she feels there is "no chance" of the nurses accepting ARH's proposal until an acceptable back-to-work agreement can be reached.

The nurses were set to vote on the contract proposal made by ARH on Tuesday. The results of that vote were not available at press time.

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photo by Jack Latta

Lynn Hall, Kim Gayheart, Trina Tackett and Stephanie Hall try to stay warm on the picket line in front of McDowell ARH.

## Guilty

Because the case was not a death penalty case, there was no chance of Johnson being sentenced to life without the possibility of parole.

"There is precedent for it, but it's not the norm," Turner said.

Johnson is currently serving a five-year sentence for fraud in the Big Sandy Regional Detention center. The two sentences will run

concurrently.

The others involved in Slone's death, Susan Moore, 37, of Langley, Mitzi Johnson, 50, of Martin, and Chad Conn, have already been sentenced.

Actual sentencing for Johnson will be held on Jan. 11.

Turner said he is happy with the plea because it "guaranteed a significant amount of jail time."

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Local college students and faculty members enjoyed a free lunch Tuesday afternoon, courtesy of St. James Episcopal Church. The lunches are offered as a means to alleviate the stress commonly experienced during college finals week and will be available through Thursday afternoon.

## Finals

all," Ash said. "And it's nice knowing that the students and faculty don't have to worry about a meal during test week."

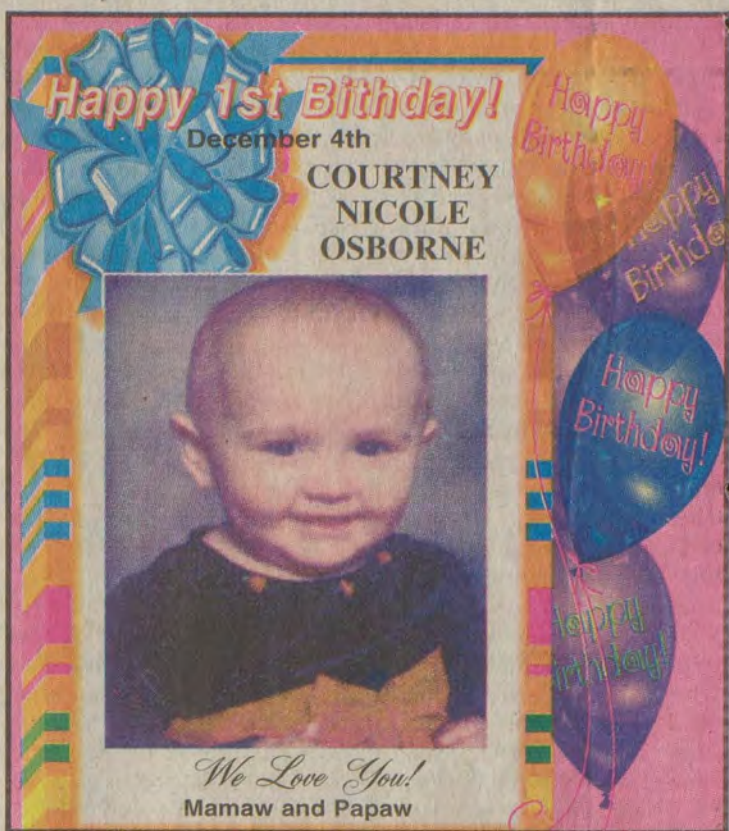
By noon on Tuesday, approximately 60 students and faculty members had been served lunch at the church. The finals week free lunches will continue to be served through Thursday, Dec. 6. Meals are available from the hours of 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Students can come in, eat, and take an apple or snack with them for a little 'pick-me-

up' later in the afternoon, too," Ash said.

St. James Episcopal Church is located adjacent to the Big Sandy Community and Technical College campus, along University Drive.

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## Card of Thanks

The family of Joe E. "Jody" Howard Jr., 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, and prayers. A special thanks to Clergyman Arnold Turner Jr., for his comforting words; the Martin City Police Department and the Floyd Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their professional and compassionate service. All your thoughtfulness and kindness will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF JOE E. "JODY" HOWARD JR.

## Card of Thanks

The family of Marna Belle Mitchell 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 Clergyman Harry Dean Irick for his comforting words; the Betsy Layne Church of Christ for all the love and support that was shown to our family; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the staff of Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All the many acts of kindness during this time will always be a comfort to our family.

THE FAMILY OF MARNA BELLE MITCHELL

## Card of Thanks

The family of Jean Spencer Johnson would like to take this opportunity to thank all those friends, relatives, and neighbors who helped to comfort, and were there for our family during this difficult time. We are especially grateful to Chester Varney for his 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.

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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.

### Christ United Methodist Church to sponsor Drive-thru Nativity December 15 and 16

A live, drive-thru Nativity will be at the Christ United Methodist Church, 105 Methodist Lane, in the Allen Church Parking lot, December 15-16, from 6-till 9 p.m. "Come, go back to the night when Jesus was born in Bethlehem. Experience the wonder of the Special night from the comfort of your own car." Also plan to attend December 24, 8 p.m., Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

### Christ United Methodist Church "Hanging of the Greens Service"

Christ United Methodist Church, 105 Methodist Lane, Allen, will present their annual "The Hanging of the Greens Service", Sunday, December 2, at 6 p.m. Kim Crisp, Coordinator.

### Highlands Regional Medical Center

Dec. 6, 7 - Uniform Sale Atrium; 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Dec. 8 - Childbirth Classes, meeting Place A & B; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Dec. 13, 27 - Kiwanis, meeting Place B; 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
Dec. 14 - Blood Drive, meeting Room A & B; 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
For more information concerning these support groups, contact Highlands Educational Services Department at 886-7424.

### Star of Bethlehem at EKSC

Astronomers have helped historians and archeologists for many years in determining

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Sundays 2:00 & 3:15 p.m.  
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For additional information, call (606) 889-0303 or visit the website <http://www.wedo-science.org>

Groups available by reservation.

### Small steps to health and wealth!

Where: BSCTC - Prestonsburg Campus  
When: December 6, 13, & 20

Time: 12-1 p.m., (Bring your brown bag lunch, if desired.)

Cost: \$6.00 (make check payable to Floyd County Extension)

Contact: Theresa Scott at 886-2668, or Kelly Adam at 886-3863, to register.

### MAC looking for military pics

The Mountain Arts Center is looking for pictures that have been sent home from loved ones who are currently serving overseas - military personnel in such places as Iraq, Afghanistan, and Korea - those serving our country in some capacity during the upcoming holiday season.

Photos may be emailed (jpeg) to [ann@macarts.com](mailto:ann@macarts.com), or mailed to: G. Ann Lafferty, Marketing Director, Mountain Arts Center, 50 Hal Rogers Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Send along a stamped, self addressed envelope and your photos will be returned. Pictures will be used as part of a slideshow during a special song presentation during the KY Opry Christmas show.

### Recipes are Wanted

### for PHS Cookbook

Prestonsburg High School Senior Class would like to invite alumni, parents, and community members to contribute favorite recipes for a cookbook.

We will gather recipes, print them with contributors' name, and create a cookbook for all to purchase and enjoy.

Please submit recipes to Karen DeRossett or Sharon Vaughan at 825 Blackcat Boulevard, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

### 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.

### 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

Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Made From Scratch Restaurant, 1566 North Lake Drive. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354, or Tommie Layne, 886-2321, ext. 1297.

### UNITE

The UNITE coalition of Floyd County will meet 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.

### 'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

### Senior employment program

Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

### External Diploma Program

Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in Thelma, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday. EDP classes are also held at the Mullins Learning Center, in Pikeville, on Tuesdays, from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Contact Andy Jones at 606-788-7080, or 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

GED classes are also available.

### 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.

Special interest groups:  
Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild: 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Extension Office.

Newbees Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office. (The Newbees do not meet during the months of January and February.)

### 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

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Cinema 2—Starts Fri., Dec. 7  
THE GOLDEN COMPASS (PG13). Mon.-Sat. 7:00-9:00; Sun. (1:30) 7:00-9:00.  
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Cinema 2—Held Over  
AUGUST RUSH (PG13). Mon.-Sun. 7:00-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:00-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:25) 7:00-9:25.  
Cinema 3—Held Over  
THE MIST (R). Mon.-Sun. 6:45-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 6:45-9:30; Sat.-Sun. (1:45-4:30) 6:45-9:30.  
Cinema 4—Held Over  
BEE MOVIE (PG). Mon.-Sun. 7:10-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 7:10-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (2:10-4:20) 7:10-9:20.  
Cinema 5—Held Over  
HITMAN (R). Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:15; Fri. 7:05-9:15; Sat.-Sun. 7:05-9:15.  
MR. MAGORIUM'S WONDER EMPORIUM (G). Fri. (4:25); Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:25).  
Cinema 6—Held Over  
FRED CLAUS (PG). Mon.-Sun. 7:00-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:00-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:25) 7:00-9:25.  
Cinema 7—Held Over  
AWAKE (PG13). Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:05-9:30; Sat.-Sun. (2:05-4:30) 7:05-9:30.  
Cinema 8—Starts Fri., Dec. 7  
THE GOLDEN COMPASS (PG13). Mon.-Sun. 6:50-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 6:50-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:50-4:20) 6:50-9:20.  
Cinema 9—Held Over  
ENCHANTED (PG). Mon.-Sun. 7:10-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 7:10-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (2:10-4:20) 7:10-9:20.  
Cinema 10—Held Over  
BEOWULF (PG13). Mon.-Sun. 6:55-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (1:55-4:15) 6:55-9:15.

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**December 20, 2007**

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**TAXPAYER'S NOTICE**

The 2007 Gas and Oil Taxes are now due and payable.  
The collection schedule is as follows:

2% Discount	12/1/07 - 12/31/07
Face Amount	01/1/08 - 01/31/08
5% Penalty	02/1/08 - 02/29/08
21% Penalty	Thereafter

The 2007 Omitted Gas Taxes are now due and payable.  
The collection schedule is as follows:

Face Amount	12/1/07 - 01/31/08
21% Penalty	Thereafter

Please be sure to bring or mail your tax bill when making payment. The tax bill is needed to give you faster service. When paying by mail, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want a receipt. If you have any questions concerning your taxes, you may call my office at 886-8965.

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Floyd County



# Snow plow trucks are computerized, state-of-the art equipment

The blade that moves the snow off the highway is probably the least complicated piece of equipment used in the process of snow and ice removal.

It's a metal scoop-shaped blade that acts as a shovel. It's mounted on a swivel base so it can be turned from side to side as well as up and down. It's also mounted to the front of a truck.

The truck is what makes the difference. Without a proper truck that is serviced regularly and checked every single time it leaves the garage, you may as well be standing in the middle of the road with three guys

using the blade as a manual shovel.

"I won't pull my truck off the lot without doing a complete check, inside and out," said Vince Williams of the Allen Maintenance Facility. "We use an Operator's Check Sheet so we don't miss anything. It's easy to take things for granted when you do this year after year. I walk around the outside to see if there is anything wrong, like a low tire or a broken chain. After I've gone through the checklist, I get someone to help me put the sprayer on the back of the truck. It takes two or three people. You do one side at a

time, fixing it in place with pins. You have to use pull chains to raise the pan and lock it in place. Then you get underneath the truck and connect all the hoses. It isn't until you've done all these things that you can load it up with salt and get out on the road."

The checklist each driver uses includes checks for the steering, brakes, wipers, lights, horn, coolant, exhaust, tires, and fuels - oil, antifreeze, windshield wiper fluid. The cab of the truck is checked, too, because there shouldn't be anything in it that is loose — everything has to be strapped in, even a lunch box. If there is

rust on a tire rim, it's changed. The fuel tank is checked with a flashlight to make sure there are not leaks. If there is rust on any of the truck's lug nuts, they are changed out for new ones.

There is a storage box on each truck that carries extra windshield wiper fluid, chains, oil, tools, whatever the driver thinks he might need.

"If you don't check everything, you're asking for trouble. What if you're out with snow flying everywhere at midnight and you have a windshield wiper break. If you don't have an extra one in your supply box, you just have to wait by the side of the road for somebody to bring one," Williams said. "That's why we're so careful to check everything before we leave the lot. Believe me, you don't want to face the superintendent if you've caused some mechanic to make a trip to deliver a windshield wiper blade. It's a waste of time and money, and there are records kept on all that kind of stuff. We're taxpayers just like everybody else, so we are real careful not to have any wasted time."

Lee Little of the Minnie Maintenance Facility said that the second most important thing besides knowing your truck and making sure it's in 100% shape is knowing your route. "We drive the same roads every year. We know our roads like the back of our hands, and if visibility is zero



Music fans in the Big Sandy probably know Garland Rogers as the lead singer of his own band. But his day job is as a Heavy Equipment Operator IV at Highway District 12's Allen Maintenance Garage. Here he adjusting the chains of the truck he uses during snow and ice season. A nine-year veteran at D-12, Rogers said, "Inspecting your truck is so important. Once you're out there running your route, you're on your own. You don't have anyone riding shotgun to help, and all you have is radio communication with the garage. So you better make sure everything is in order before you head out."

we can still maneuver and clear the roads. That makes a big difference in how long it takes to get the roads in good shape for people to drive. Some of these men have been driving the same snow and ice routes for 10, 15, even 20 years or more."

Over the past several decades, the trucks have changed. Matt Moore, who does the snow and ice training for District 12, explained that each truck has computerized hydraulic controls. "When you

put in the settings for how much rock salt you want to spread, the truck automatically adjusts the speed of the augers that control how much liquid calcium chloride squirts into the rock salt before it goes on the road. The controls also tell the driver what speed he must drive to keep that same amount of material covering the road. When the temperature is below 24 degrees, the trucks use seven gallons of liq-

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## Obituaries

### Sabrina-Lyn Blakeman

Sabrina Lyn Blakeman, age 41, of Allen, passed away Thursday, November 29, 2007, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington.

She was born December 8, 1965, in Lexington, the daughter of Ralph Blakeman Jr., of Lexington, and Carolyn Blakeman Layne, of Allen. She was a homemaker, and a member of the St. James Episcopal Church, in Prestonsburg.

Survivors include her parents; her stepmother, Jane Ann Blakeman, of Lexington; a son, Joshua Combs, of Allen; a daughter, Emily Conn, of Allen; and her twin brother, Thomas Blakeman, of Allen.

Graveside services for Sabrina Lyn Blakeman were conducted Monday, December 3, at 1:00 p.m., at the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, with Rev. Cannon Johnnie Ross officiating.

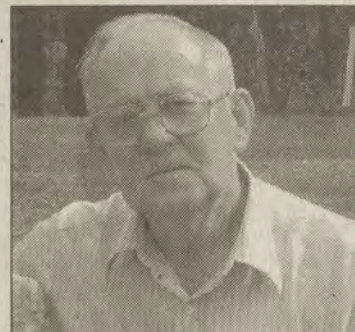
Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, was in care of those arrangements.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Thomas Blakeman, Joshua Combs, Chris Sparks, Mark Combs, Jay Campbell, James Layne, and Bill Johnson.

Honorary Pallbearers: Emily Conn, Ted Tackett, Skip Blakeman, and Sara Gridrod

(Paid obituary)



### Elinor Florence Martin

Elinor Florence Martin, age 81, of Miamisburg, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, passed away Thursday, November 29, 2007, at The Kingston of Miamisburg, Ohio.

She was born September 10, 1926, in Martin, the daughter of the late Harry S. Martin and Virginia Opal Hinkle Martin. She was a homemaker.

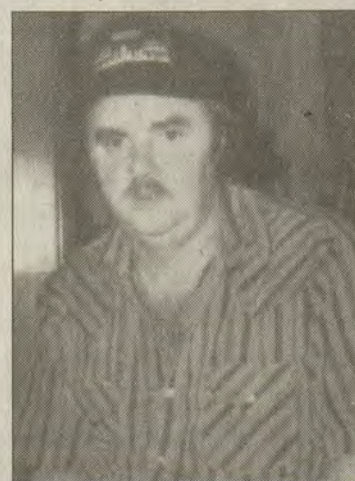
Survivors include a sister, Rose Marie Parson of Miamisburg, Ohio.

Graveside services for Elinor Florence Martin were conducted Monday, December 3, at 1:00 p.m., at the Martin Family Cemetery, in Allen.

Visitation was at Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Pallbearers: Ken Parson, Kevin Parson, Mark Parson, Josh Parson, Daniel Parson, and Andrew Parson.

(Paid obituary)



### Jeremiah "Jerry" Turner

Jeremiah "Jerry" Turner, age 43, of David, died Tuesday, November 27, 2007, at his home.

Born February 18, 1964, at David, he was the son of Dona Shepherd Turner, of David, and the late Rev. Roy Turner. He was a disabled land reclamation worker and a member of Garrett Freewill Baptist

Church.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Shepherd Turner.

In addition to his mother and wife, survivors include his brothers and sisters-in-law: Johnathan David Turner, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; Joseph Daniel and Diane Turner, of Miamisburg, Ohio; and Paul Thomas and Lisa Turner, of David; sisters and brothers-in-law Ruth and Jerry Burkett, of Monroe, Ohio; Jewell Turner, of David; Rebecca and Joe Hancock, of David; Lois Rachel Turner, of David; Anna Turner, of Blue River; Mary and Brad Hartman, of Roanoke, Virginia; and Hannah and Clifford Adams, of Prestonsburg.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by one brother, Phillip T. Turner.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 1, at 1 p.m. at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jerry Manns, Bethel Bolen and others officiating.

Visitation was held at the funeral home.

Burial was in the Turner Cemetery, at Pyramid, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: Johnny Miller, Ivan Turner Jr., Richard Turner, Paul Daniel Turner, Clifford Adams and Joe Hancock.

(Paid obituary)

### Theron Williamson

Theron Williamson, age 94, of Tipton, Iowa, formerly of Floyd County, husband of Jean N. Williamson, passed away Wednesday, November 28, 2007, in University Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City, Iowa.

He was born April 28, 1913, in Inez, the son of the late Winnie Williamson. He was a retired miner in Kentucky, retiring in 1972; he attended school in Inez; believed in the Baptist faith; and was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Kentucky.

In addition to his wife, Jean, survivors include a son Hugh, his wife, Phyllis Stumbo of Tipton, Iowa; four grandchildren: Mitchell, Lorelei, Circe and Andrew; eight great-grandchildren: Zachery, Stormi, Rebecca, Caitlin, Adriana, Abram, Jacob, and Taylor.

Funeral services for Theron Williamson were conducted Saturday, December 1, at 1:00 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Elder Jimmy Dye officiating.

Burial was in the Newman Cemetery, in Hi Hat, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Mitchell Stumbo, Andy Stumbo, Robert Rainey, Lorelei Stumbo, Daryl Luxmore, Mike Newsome, Circe Stumbo, Charles Luxmore, and Nevada Newsome.

(Paid obituary)

## Calendar

being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

•Domestic Violence Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

•Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

•A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

•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 can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

•East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S.

Homeschoolers - Will hold month-

ly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

•Narcotics Anonymous

(NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christopher-cook@hotmail.com

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**Card of Thanks**

The family of Raymond Ross "Shorty" Goble wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors, in the loss of their loved one. Thanks to all who came to the services and shared a memory with us. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, and prayers. A special thanks to Clergymen Bethel Bolen and Willie Collins for their comforting words; the DAV Chapter 163 at Betsy Layne for the military service they performed; Senator Johnny Ray Turner, along with grandson Representative James Brandon Spencer, for the delivery of the citation from the Kentucky Senate and the House of Representatives; Trans-Star Ambulance Service for their EMS care and participation in the funeral procession; the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for participating in traffic control and the funeral procession; Hall Funeral Home for their professional and compassionate service. And, last but not least, Dr. Jack Kendrick, Hospice of Big Sandy and Highlands Regional Hospital for the wonderful care provided to our father during his illness. All your thoughtfulness and kindness will never be forgotten.

**THE FAMILY OF RAYMOND ROSS "SHORTY" GOBLE**

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# Beshear looks for ways to balance budget

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Besides preparing a two-year spending plan for lawmakers to consider beginning in January, Gov.-elect Steve Beshear is trying to find a way to balance this year's budget.

Beshear told The (Louisville) Courier-Journal in a story published Tuesday that he is "very concerned about the financial outlook" for state

government.

In the weeks after the Nov. 6 election — in which Beshear, a Democrat, defeated Republican Gov. Ernie Fletcher — state agencies have made \$166 million in requests for additional state money this year.

The largest part was a request for \$112 million for Medicaid, which provides health insurance for the poor and disabled. He said it is too early to say if he would order spend-

ing cuts in the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, or impose a hiring freeze.

Beshear told the newspaper that he doesn't envision any layoffs.

ate Rep. Harry Moberly, D-Richmond, chairman of the House budget committee, said the state has a "rainy day" fund that could cover the imbalance. The fund has \$231.5 million in it. But Moberly said Beshear might want to preserve much of that

money and impose cuts.

The supplemental budget requests for this year follow a reduced forecast of state revenues. Underlying all that is the fact that the current budget spends more than \$400 million in one-time surplus funds — money not available next year.

Despite the outlook, Beshear said he has no plan to reverse his campaign promise to oppose an increase in the cigarette tax.

"I don't anticipate proposing any kinds of tax increases at this point," he said.

He also didn't criticize Fletcher for not drawing attention to the budget outlook before the election.

"I don't think it's beneficial to try to assess blame for our situation," he said. "I'm just trying to make sure I understand what our situation is ... and then figure out how to address it."

## Two BSCTC employees win NISOD awards

PRESTONSBURG — Two employees of Big Sandy Community and Technical College were recently honored with awards of excellence by the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development.

Carla Ann Reynolds, Professor of Business at BSCTC, was the recipient of the faculty NISOD award. Reynolds and her husband, Earnest Reynolds, reside in Paintsville. They are the parents of one daughter, Whitney Kay Reynolds, an education major at Eastern Kentucky University. Reynolds is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Tackett of Floyd County (deceased). She graduated from McDowell High School and earned a BA in Education with an Area of

Concentration in Business and a MA in Education from the University of Kentucky. She completed her Rank I in Vocational-Technical Education and Certification in Coordination, Supervision, and Administration of Vocational Programs at Morehead State University.

Honors include Kentucky-Tech Teacher of the Year State Finalist and Outstanding Vocational Education Teacher State Finalist. Reynolds has worked at the College for more than 30 years. She said, "We all work hard at Big Sandy to provide quality education to our community. It is truly a team effort on behalf of the staff, faculty, and administration. So to be selected among such dedicated individuals to be deserving of this

award is an honor, and I am very appreciative."

Denese Atkinson was the recipient of the staff NISOD award of excellence. Atkinson and her husband Mitchell Atkinson live with 6-year-old son, Pryce, at Betsy Layne. Denese is actively involved in the Pikeville Elementary PTO. She is the daughter of Joe (deceased) and Melba Stephens of Vansant, Virginia.

Atkinson currently serves as Interim Director of Institutional Effectiveness at BSCTC. She began her term of employment at the college in January 1995.

She is a graduate of Grundy Sr. High School and completed her Bachelor of Business Administration at Pikeville College in 1988. Denese is currently pursuing a Master of

Arts Degree in Adult and Higher Education from Morehead State University.

Other honors earned by Denese include currently serving as Staff Representative on the BSCTC Board of Directors, Leadership Eastern Kentucky 2006, Who's Who in American Education in 2006, appointment to Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority Student Aid Advisory Committee—Charter Member 2001, Commissioned Kentucky Colonel in 1997 and a published biography in Outstanding Young Women of America in 1997. She is currently participating in the 2008 Big Sandy Community and Technical College Leadership Institute.



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## Roadside Theater presents 15th annual 'Christmas in Appalachia'

WHITESBURG — Been wondering why it was beginning to look a lot like Christmas — way back in August? Been making your list, checking it twice, and wondering how you'll get it all done? Take a break from the modern holiday rush, and let Christmas in Appalachia take you back to a time when the holidays were more about the

things that really matter.

Roadside Theater will present its 15th annual "Christmas in Appalachia" on Friday, Dec. 21, at 7 p.m. in the Appalshop Theater at 91 Madison Avenue, in Whitesburg.

Admission is free, but seating is limited so arriving early is advised.

Christmas in Appalachia

features Roadside Theater performer Ron Short, local artists, children, parents, grandmas and grandpas, and aunts and uncles in a performance of holiday music, stories, sing-alongs, and remembrances. It's a meaningful community celebration of the holidays that recalls Christmas as a time of sharing and being with loved ones. Guests this year include

the Ridgewood Boys, Jim Stanley and family, the Rev. James Caudill, Aaron Davis, Scott Mullins, Maggie Stanley, and some surprise appearances.

"Christmas in Appalachia is a part of what Roadside Theater does year 'round — celebrate our mountain culture," says Roadside's Ron Short. "It's a bit like getting together with your extended family — something you enjoy and look forward to all year long!"

Donations of non-perishable food and personal items for the Letcher County Food Pantry will be accepted at the door. No reservations are necessary. For more information, contact Roadside Theater at (276) 679-3116.

## Snow

uid calcium chloride per ton of rock salt. When the temperature is above 24 degrees, you can use rock salt without the liquid calcium chloride. But rock salt by itself will not melt ice. You have to have some liquid to create a temperature and pressure that will actually melt the ice."

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forgot to get the batteries for whatever toy the grandkids want. Somebody else has to go get the batteries after you've been gone long enough to get the road cleared so it's safe for them to drive it. That's just the way it is. And even though most people don't know who we are or what we give up, like time with our families, to make the roads safe, it's a satisfying job to know that what you do actually makes a difference in people's lives. In fact, we know there would be more lives lost on our roads if we didn't do what we do."

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This is the second in a series of articles about how Highway District 12 prepares for winter in Floyd County. The next article deals with the level of experience among our maintenance crews, as well as how we communicate among ourselves and the public (through the media) during a weather event. For more information, as well as a map of the district, visit District 12's website at [www.kytc.state.ky.us/D12/default.asp](http://www.kytc.state.ky.us/D12/default.asp).

## Woman sent to jail for a year after forgetting child

The Associated Press

JACKSON — A Breathitt County woman was sentenced to nearly a year in jail for forgetting her infant daughter because she was high on drugs.

Stacey Johnson of Breathitt County pleaded guilty Friday to endangering the welfare of a child and public intoxication. A judge sentenced her to 360 days in jail.

The 22-year-old woman left

her 9-month-old daughter with a work release inmate on break at the Powell County courthouse last summer, even though the inmate said she could not watch the child, police said.

Johnson was found wandering outside the courthouse about 15 minutes later and was arrested.

She told police she was high on meth and Valium and couldn't remember where she left her child.

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### Lemon-Blueberry Sorbet

4 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes  
Brew Time: 5 minutes  
Chill Time: 2 hours

- 1-1/4 cups boiling water
- 6 Lipton Tuscan Lemon Flavored Black Pyramid Tea Bags
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3 cups frozen blueberries\*

Pour boiling water over Lipton tea bags; cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and squeeze. Stir in sugar until dissolved; cool.

In blender, process tea mixture with blueberries until almost smooth. Turn into 8- by 8-inch metal pan; freeze 1 hour. With fork, stir to break up ice. Freeze an additional hour or until firm. Stir with fork; serve immediately.

\*Also great with frozen peaches or a combination of blueberries and peaches.

### Hot Fruity Toddy

2 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes  
Brew Time: 5 minutes

- 1-1/2 cups boiling water
- 2 Lipton Blueberry & Pomegranate Flavor Pyramid Tea Bags
- 2 tablespoons almond liqueur
- 1 tablespoon pure maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon orange liqueur

Pour boiling water over tea bags; cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and squeeze. Stir in remaining ingredients. Serve hot.

This is also delicious cold. Serve over ice and top with flavored whipped topping.

### Blueberry Pomegranate Fruit Smoothie

2 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes  
Brew Time: 5 minutes  
Chill Time: 1 hour

- 1 cup boiling water
- 4 Lipton Blueberry & Pomegranate Flavor Pyramid Tea Bags
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup frozen strawberries
- 1 pint (2 cups) vanilla frozen yogurt

Pour boiling water over tea bags; cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and squeeze. Stir in sugar until dissolved; chill.

In blender, process tea mixture with remaining ingredients until smooth. Serve immediately.

### Hot Chocolate Tea

2 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes  
Cook Time: 2 minutes  
Brew Time: 5 minutes

- 1 cup water
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 Lipton Bedtime Story Caffeine-Free Herbal Pyramid Tea Bags
- 1 cup chocolate soy milk

In 1-quart saucepan, bring water and sugar to a boil over high heat. Remove from heat and add tea bags; cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and squeeze. Stir in soy milk and heat through.

Also makes a great cold drink. In blender, process chilled tea, remaining ingredients and 2 cups ice cubes until slushy. Serve immediately.



### Blueberry Pomegranate Tea-Soaked Pound Cake

16 servings

Prep Time: 30 minutes  
Cook Time: 50 minutes

#### Cake:

- 2/3 cup milk
- 4 Lipton Blueberry & Pomegranate Flavor Pyramid Tea Bags
- 2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1-1/4 cups (2-1/2 sticks) I Can't Believe It's Not Butter! Original spread
- 1-3/4 cups granulated sugar
- 4 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract\*

#### Glaze:

- 1/2 cup boiling water
- 4 Lipton Blueberry & Pomegranate Flavor Pyramid Tea Bags
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar

For cake, preheat oven to 350°F. Generously grease and flour 10-inch Bundt pan; set aside. In microwave-safe cup, microwave milk at HIGH 1-1/2 minutes or until very hot. Add tea bags; cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and squeeze; cool.

In medium bowl, combine flour and baking powder; set aside.

In large bowl, with electric mixer on medium speed beat spread with granulated sugar 3 minutes or until creamy. Add eggs, one at a time, scraping sides after each addition. Alternately add flour mixture and tea mixture; ending with flour mixture and mixing just until blended. Beat in vanilla. Pour into prepared pan.

Bake 50 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. On wire rack, cool 10 minutes; remove from pan and place on wire rack lined with waxed paper. With wooden skewer, poke warm cake on all sides.

For glaze, in small bowl, pour boiling water over remaining tea bags; cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and squeeze; then stir in confectioners' sugar until smooth. Brush cake with glaze until absorbed. Cool cake completely before serving.

\*Substitution: Try using 1 tablespoon lemon juice and omit vanilla extract.



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**Brick & Stone House for Sale.** Four bedrooms, two and a half baths. 2900 square feet. Desirable location in Trimble Branch. Reasonably priced. Call 886-2020

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
Located on Front Street at Wayland. Third house above Castels store on right on Front Street. Central heat and air. 5 BR 2 bath LR 30X18 and dining room & sunroom. Huge cobble stone chimney carport. 2 lots, fenced in. Asking \$65,000 call 606-358-4137 for appointment

**For Sale 1981 Schultz Mobile Home.** 2 Br 1 bath new laminate flooring in kitchen. Almost new berber carpet in living room and hallway. Electric box and pole included. Window air conditioner included. Must be moved. If interested call 285-3907 or 285-4814. 2 wk/10/26

**For Sale: 35 acres of land,** one story house with 1,600 sq.ft of living space, partial basement located at Hi Hat, Ky. Two acres of flat land with house, space for garden or two more residences. The home place of the late Cecil and Edna "Sweetie" Meade. Appraised value \$65,000. Price non-negotiable. Contact Mike Mullins at 606-785-5475 (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. weekdays) or 606-251-3414.

**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
Newly constructed house for sale located at Abbott Creek. Vaulted living room ceiling, 3 BR, bonus room, fireplace, with cherry hardwood floors and cabinets with spacious attached garage. Located 4 miles from us 23. Panoramic view located in new subdivisions. \$210,000 asking price Seller willing to help with closing costs! Call 606-285-0054 606-791-0719, evenings 606-377-6042

**Sale or Lease**

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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.

**FARM FOR SALE**  
Floyd county 75 acres more or less, rt. 1100 off US 23 East Point Upper Little Paint. Lum Derossett Branch. Call 606-325-4430 or 606-325-2809. Level- Sloping and timber. HUNTERS PARADISE!! Could be made into a subdivision.

**Rentals**

**2br 1 bath house for rent at Martin.** Lg yard \$350.mth. \$350 deposit. Call 789-3724 or 791 9331.

**APARTMENT**

**1 Br Furnished apt for rent.** 4 miles from martin on Rt 1210. Utilities included in rent. \$450.mth Plus \$200 deposit. Call 285-3641.

**Large Unicourt Apt for rent** located at Stanville on US 23. 2br, 2 bath walk in closet. 1yr Lease. No pets. Please call 606-478-8100.

**For Rent: 5m efficiency Apt. \$125. a week plus deposit.** All utilities paid. Call 886-7918.

**2br duplex for rent.** Central heat and air. In excellent condition. 3 miles north of prestonsburg. Call 886-9007 or 889-9747.

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**Townhouse 2 BR 1 Bath w/d hookup 2 car garage \$575 per month plus utilities plus deposit.** Call : 606-522-4122 or 606-477-2783

**1Br furnished apartment located** 3 miles from Prestonsburg. Call 358-9483 after 6:00 pm or 794-9484.

**Apt. For rent: 1 and 2 BR apartments on Rt. 321** near Porter school. Central heat and air, washer and dryer hookup. \$375 per month plus references and deposit. Seniors welcomed! Call 789-5973.

**2 Br 1/12 bath town house. NO PETS.** In city limits. Call 886-8991.

**QuikSilver**  
Townhouse coming available Dec 1st. 3 Br 2 baths hardwood floors. No pets & no smokers. \$850 mth. Call 285-9639 or 226 1925.

**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**

**House For Rent - 3 BR,** at Allen, Ky. \$800.00 per month + security deposit. Call 794-0249

**3-Bedroom house for rent,** with two full baths, living room, dining room, utility room, fully furnished kitchen w/ dishwasher and attached two-car garage on 1 acre flat lot. Located on Left Paint Rd. Rt 1100 off 4 lane near Highland Regional Intersection. Deposit of one month rent, background check may be required and references. \$550 monthly.

**For rent: 2 br House at Martin.** Available immediately. Call 791-8560 or 478-8139 after 7pm. \$500 month & \$500. deposit.

**For Rent: 2br newly remodeled townhouse.** Also 1 br apt. Both located 3 miles from Prestonsburg near World Wide Equipment. Call 358-9483 after 6pm or 794-9484.

**Mobile Homes**

**16x60 mobile home for rent.** Nice lot with storage building. 1 mile from walmart. \$500. mth plus utilities. Call 886-0226 after 5:00pm.

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**3 BR 2 bath MH for rent with large deck.** Located at 315 Adams Cemetery Road. Call 791-8617 or 791-4471. \$450 per month.

**2 Br Mobile Home for rent.** W / dryer hookup. Minutes from Prestonsburg. \$375. month plus deposit. No pets Don't Ask. call 889-0036.

**3 br mobile home for rent at Harold.** \$400 a month with \$200. security deposit. 2 car parking only. NO HUD Call 606-478-5335

**Mobile Home for rent.** Extra nice 3 br 2 full baths. Located on Cow Creek. \$450. mth plus utilities. References & security deposit required. Call 874-2802.

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**CONTROLS ENGINEER**  
Electrical Engineer with a minimum 3 years experience in automation equipment design & programming. BSEE or equivalent.

Qualified Applicants send Résumé to 485 Ponderosa Drive, Paintsville, KY 41240

Call 886-8724.

**Nice 2 Br mobile home for rent in Prestonsburg.** Call 874-0875 or 226-3207

**LEGALS**

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

Permit No. 836-0268 Increment Nos. 1 & 2 in accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Carbon Tech Fuels, Inc., Rt. 2, Box 445, Haysi, VA 24256, has applied for a Phase I bond release on Increment No. 1 & 2, on permit No. 836-0268, which was last issued on June 11th, 2007. The application covers an area of approximately 154.33 acres, located approximately 1.0 mile south of the community of Honaker in Floyd County, Kentucky. The permit area is approximately 0.40 mile southwest from the intersection of Ky. Rte. 2030's junction with Big Branch Road, and is located along the waters of Little Mud Creek. The latitude is 37d 31m 13s. The longitude is 82d 40m 37s. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 is \$29,300; Increment No. 2 is \$2,500; of which 60% of the total for each increment listed is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: Grading, seeding, and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed in April of 2002. Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, by January 16th, 2008. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., on January 17th, 2008, at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite No. 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 16th, 2008.

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Judgement and Order of Sale, referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 29th day of May, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$85,495.56, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 13th day of December, 2007, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Being Lots No. 20, 21, 44, and 45 of the River Plains Estates, as shown by map of same recorded in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk in Plat No. 1-1-8, and to which map or plat reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said property.

Being the same property in which an interest was conveyed to Glen Knox and Helen Knox, husband and wife, by Quitclaim Deed dated the 16th day of June, 2004, of record Deed Book 500, Page 221, in the Office of the Floyd County Court Clerk.

**Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee of Ameriquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass Through Certificates Series 2004-R8, Under The Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated As of August 1, 2004, Without Recourse Plaintiff V. Glen Knox and Helen M. Knox Defendants NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for sixty (60) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent city and county ad valorem taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Counsel:  
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& Associates, P.S.C.  
P.O. Box 817  
Frankfort, KY 40602  
William S. Kendrick  
Master Commissioner  
P.O. Box 268

**TERMS OF SALE:**

**REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 11:21 a.m. WEEKSBURY, FLOYD COUNTY**



We have been authorized to sell at public auction the house and lot described in Deed Book 235, page 125 of the records of the Floyd County Court Clerk in addition to the contents. The property is located at 2333 KY RT 466, Weeksbury, KY. The real estate consists of a 1-1/2-story frame home with aluminum siding, a storage building, and two tracts of land as described in the deed. The house has a living room, large kitchen, sun porch, utility room, two bedrooms, and two baths on the first floor, and two additional rooms on the second floor. The home has central heat and air. A portion of the lot has a chain link fence.

**CONTENTS**—Three-piece living room suite, coffee table and end tables, refrigerator, washer, dryer, chest-type freezer, two three-piece bedroom suites, twin beds, bar stools, metal porch furniture, and various household contents. Additional contents may be added to the sale.

**TERMS**—Property is being sold AS IS-WHERE IS with no warranties or guarantees either expressed or implied. All inspections, including those for lead based paint, must be made prior to the auction or a waiver of inspections signed. A 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to the high bid price to establish the sale price, and \$2500. cash or check must be deposited by the successful bidder. Closing must be within 30 days. Opening bid, \$12,000. Personal properties will also have a 10% Buyer's Premium plus 6% Kentucky sales tax.

**OPEN HOUSE & INSPECTIONS**  
Sunday, December 9th — 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**SALE CONDUCTED BY:**  
CENTURY 21 AMERICAN WAY REALTY AND AUCTION  
JIM GAMBILL, BROKER/AUCTIONEER  
PAINTSVILLE, KY 41240  
606-789-0021 / 606-793-2121

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for sixty (60) days.

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Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0350**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, affecting 202.01 surface acres, and will underlie 71.17 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 273.18 acres, located approximately 2.0 miles southeast of Printer, in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 0.45 mile east of Junction KY Route No. 2030, with County Route No. 1142. The latitude is 37°30'58". The longitude is 82°42'44".

The proposed operation is located on the Harold/Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the area, contour and auger/hi-wall mining methods of mining. The surface to be disturbed is owned by Appalachian Land Company, Locust Grove Inc., John H. and Janet L. Kidd, Jeffery & Judith Gayheart, Joe and Ruth Roberts, Sonny & Linda Gayheart, and The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. All underground areas to be disturbed are owned by the Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of County Road No. 1108. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written

comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 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.

The bond now in effect for the 836-5454 is a surety bond for the amount of \$14,500.00. The entire remainder of the original bond amount of 27,400.00 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling, grading, seeding, mulching and planting trees. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 25, 2008. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for January 28, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and

comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 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 BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Enterprise Mining Company, 5703 Crutchfield Drive, Norton, VA 24273, has applied for Phase III bond release on permit number 836-5454, which was last issued on 8/06/03. The application covers an area of approximately 12.90 surface acres, and 990.00 underground acres, located 1.5 mile north of McDowell, in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.80 mile south from Ky. 979's junction with Ky. 122, and located along Hays Branch.

The bond now in effect for the 836-5454 is a surety bond for the amount of \$14,500.00. The entire remainder of the original bond amount of 27,400.00 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling, grading, seeding, mulching and planting trees. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 25, 2008. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for January 28, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and

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**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5416 Increment No. 1**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that DS Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 2864, Pikeville, KY 41502, has applied for a Phase 1 bond release on Increment No. 1, on permit No. 836-5416, which was last issued on 9/12/07. The application covers an area of 1,037.41 acres, located 0.9 mile west of Woods, in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.25 mile east from KY 194's junction with KY 1428, and located adjacent to Cow Creek. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 is a Letter of Credit for \$23,200.00. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$23,200.00 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed, includes: backfilling, grading, fertilizing, seeding and mulching. The revegetation achieved is in accordance with

the approved plan as outlined in the permit application. Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 28, 2008.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for January 29, 2008, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 28, 2008.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0352**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Clarence Hayes, 156 Layne Hill Drive, P.O. Box 157, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605, has applied for a permit for surface area, contour and auger mining operation, affecting 10.06 acres, located at Betsy Layne, in Floyd County, Ky.

The proposed operation is located on Layne Hill Drive, 0.8 mile north of the intersection of US 23/460 & Ky. Rt. 80 and Ky. Rt. 979. Located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quad-

rangle map. The latitude is 37°32'56". The longitude is 82°37'59".

The operation will use the area, contour and auger methods of surface mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Clarence Hayes, Darvene Conn, Kenneth Layne, and Bufford Layne. There is no blasting proposed for this operation.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, at 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE Pursuant to Application 836-5332**

Major Rev. No. 1 In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given V & M Mining Co. of Paintsville, Inc., 1509 Napier St., Flatwoods, KY 41139, has applied for a revision to a surface and underground mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 1.2 mile north of Honaker, in Floyd County. The operation will disturb 4.94 surface acres, and will underlie 121.76 acres, and the total permit boundary will be 126.70 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.8 mile south of the junction of CR

1426 and the Justice Branch Road, and is approximately 0.3 mile south of Justice Branch. This revision is for a land use change, and to leave a road and pond as permanent. The proposed operation is located on the Harold 7 1/2 U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected is owned by Michael Coleman and Charlie Akers. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, at 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit confer-

ence must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

**CITY OF PRESTONSBURG ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

The City of Prestonsburg will be accepting bids on (21) OSHA approved Air Packs for the Prestonsburg Fire Department. For specifications, please contact the City Clerk at (606) 886-2335. Bids will be due no later than 4:00 p.m., on Monday, December 10, 2007. The City of Prestonsburg has the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids.

**CITY OF PRESTONSBURG ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

The City of Prestonsburg will be accepting bids on financing in the amount of \$76,158.00. For specifications concerning the loan, please contact Yvette Stephens at (606) 886-2335, ext. 18. Bids will be due no later than 4:00 p.m., on Monday, December 10, 2007. The City of Prestonsburg has the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids.



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Concerning the KY 1428 Bridge Replacement At Cow Creek in **Floyd County**, Item No. 12-1071

**Public Information Meeting**  
**Thursday, December 13, 2007**  
**5:30 – 7:30 PM**  
**Allen Elementary School**  
**Located on KY 1428**

Informal Format (stop by anytime between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.)

This meeting is to present to the public the latest plans that have been developed for the project. Handouts, containing information about the project, comment sheets, and displays will be available at the meeting. Representatives from the KY Transportation Cabinet will be available to answer questions. Written and oral comments will be accepted during the meeting. Written comments will be accepted, and information made available, up to 15 days after the meeting at the District Twelve Office address listed below.

Written and oral comments from this meeting will become a part of the official record for the project. Once compiled, the meeting record will be made available for review and copying only after an Open Records Request has been received and approved. All Open Records Requests must be submitted to the Office of Legal Services, Transportation Cabinet Office Building, 200 Mero Street, Frankfort, Kentucky 40622.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if anyone has a disability and requires assistance, please notify **Diana Elswick**, no later than December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Please call **(606-433-7791 ext 285)** or mail your request to the address listed below.

Please address any questions regarding this meeting or project to:

**KY Dept of Highways**  
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**109 Loraine Street, Pikeville, KY 41501**  
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## Wildcats headed back to Nashville, Music City Bowl

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The University of Kentucky football team will be going to back-to-back bowl games for only the fourth time in school history as the Wildcats have accepted an invitation to return to the Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl and will play the Florida State Seminoles.

The game will be Monday, Dec. 31, at 4 p.m. EST (3 p.m. CDT in Nashville) at LP Field, home of the NFL's Tennessee Titans, and the game will be televised live on ESPN.

"We are honored to be selected to participate in the Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl for 2007," said Mitch Barnhart, UK Director of Athletics. "Our experience in bringing 50,000 people to Nashville for the 2006 game brings back great memories and this year is a

new opportunity for our fans to enjoy Kentucky football in the post-season.

"The city and staff treated us in first-class fashion and we're privileged to be their guests. As an institution, we'll do all we can to put on a good show. I also congratulate Coach Rich Brooks, our seniors, and all of the Wildcats as we try for our first back-to-back bowl wins in over half a century."

This marks only the fourth time in Kentucky history that the Wildcats have played in bowl games in consecutive years, joining the 1949-50-51 seasons (Orange/Sugar/Cotton respectively), 1983-84 (Hall of Fame Bowl both years), and 1998-99 (Outback/Music City).

Last season, Kentucky played in the Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl and defeated Clemson, 28-20, before the largest crowd

(68,024) in bowl history. Kentucky has back-to-back bowl wins only one time in school history, winning the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 1, 1951, and the Cotton Bowl on Jan. 1, 1952.

Kentucky has a 7-5 record this season, UK's first back-to-back seven-win campaigns in 30 years. The Wildcats also notched a pair of wins over top-10 teams, then-No. 9 Louisville and then-No. 1 LSU, for the first time in 30 years. The victory over the Tigers was UK's first triumph over a top-ranked opponent in 43 years.

This will be the 12th post-season appearance in school history, with the Wildcats carrying a 6-5 record in bowl games. Kentucky is 1-1 in the Music City Bowl, losing to Syracuse in '99 and defeating Clemson last year.

UK leads the series vs. Florida State, 3-1-1, as the teams played in 1960-61-62-64-65. The

Wildcats and Seminoles have never tangled in a bowl clash. UK has a 2-1 slate in bowl games vs. Atlantic Coast Conference teams, winning the 1976 Peach Bowl, 21-0, over North Carolina; losing the 1993 Peach Bowl to Clemson, 14-13; and winning last year vs. Clemson.

Like Kentucky, Florida State also has a 7-5 record this season, including a 4-4 mark in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Another similarity with the Wildcats is that FSU has a win over a highly ranked opponent this season, as the Seminoles defeated then-No. 2 and undefeated Boston College, 27-17, on the road on Oct. 25.

Kentucky fans already have indicated their eagerness to return to Nashville for this year's event. A pre-sale of Music City Bowl tickets to UK season-ticket holders has generated approximately 27,000 requests.

## Miners survive Kenny Anderson-coached Atlanta team, 117-114

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – Playing without its top two point guards – Bryant Northern and Jason McLeish – following suspensions handed down as a result of an altercation in the Thursday, Nov. 30 game versus Butte, East Kentucky remained focus and took care of business on the hardwood Sunday when the Atlanta Krunk visited for the first of two straight American Conference games. The Miners outscored the Kenny Anderson-coached Atlanta team 36-24 in the third quarter on their way to a hard-fought 117-114 win.

"Atlanta is a well-coached basketball team," said East Kentucky Coach Kevin Keathley. "Both teams played exceptionally hard. It was a key conference win for us."

Boo Jackson led East Kentucky in scoring with a game-high 39 points. Jackson had 14 rebounds for a double-double.

Josh Pace helped to lead East Kentucky (4-4) with a triple-double that consisted of 26 points, 14 rebounds and 10 assists. The reigning CBA American Conference Player of the Week, Pace played all 48 minutes for the Miners. Ed Horton scored 14 points and Mike Crain added nine in East Kentucky's winning effort.

Local product Daniel Price, a Pikeville College graduate who was made active for Sunday's game, aided the Miners with nine points, three rebounds and a steal.

Starting center Reo Logan also had nine points for host East Kentucky.

The Miners were 23-of-33 from the free throw line.

The Krunk led 27-24 at the end of the first quarter. Atlanta carried a 57-48 lead into half-time.

Atlanta (3-5) enjoyed a balanced scoring effort that featured seven players in double figures. Miguel Millian led Atlanta with a team-best 28 points. Zach Marbury followed with 16 points for the Krunk.

East Kentucky won the quarter points 4.5-2.5.

The Miners outrebounded Atlanta 50-42.



Betsy Layne freshman Dylan Maldonado worked against a Buckhorn defender during Saturday's game played as part of the Wildcat Shootout at Shelby Valley High School.

photo by Tony McGuire

## Bobcats beat buzzer, Buckhorn

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ROBINSON CREEK – On Saturday, the Betsy Layne Bobcats traveled to Shelby Valley to participate in the Wildcat Shootout. The Bobcats took on the Buckhorn Wildcats in the final game of the evening. Betsy Layne, under the guidance of first-year head coach Brian Hall, pulled out a 64-63 victory.

Betsy Layne opened the game on fire, hitting from all over the court. The Bobcats quickly established a comfortable lead, or so they thought, as Buckhorn came storming back. At the end of the first period, Betsy Layne held a 20-15 advantage.

The Wildcats were able to turn the tables in the second quarter, and shaved several points off the lead. The Bobcats refused to relinquish the lead, and limped into the locker room still clinging to a 30-28 lead.

The Bobcats returned to their first period form in the third quarter, running the margin back up. However, a late rally by the Wildcats cut the advantage to just five (49-44) as the game entered its final eight minutes.

The Buckhorn momentum carried over to the fourth quarter as the Wildcats eventually grabbed the lead late in the game. Betsy Layne battled back and got the ball back with a handful of ticks left on the clock. Bobcat senior guard Brennan Case was able to get off a shot, and when the ball fell through the rim, the buzzer sounded giving the Bobcats the come-from-behind win.

Samuel Keathley paced Betsy Layne with 16 points. Case added 15 points as the Bobcats prevailed. Nathan Martin aided the Betsy Layne effort with 10 points.

BETSY LAYNE 64, BUCKHORN 63.  
BETSY LAYNE (64) – Keathley 16; Case 15; Martin 10; Head 8; Tackett 8; Tibbs 3; Lafferty 2; Maldonado 2.

BUCKHORN (63) – Gay 22; Blank 15; Hyden 11; Deaton 5; Mullins 3; Lambert 3; Davis 2; A. Gay 2.

### Betsy Layne Boys' Basketball Early 2007-08 Schedule/Results

Coach: Brian Hall  
Region: 15  
District: 58

Nov. 27 at June Buchanan, 48-95 (L)

Nov. 30 Magoffin County, 43-59 (L)

Dec. 1 Buckhorn, 64-63 (W)  
(Wildcat Tip-Off Classic at Shelby Valley)

Dec. 4 at Paintsville, N/A

Dec. 7 Allen Central, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 10 Riverside Christian, 7:45 p.m.

Dec. 11 at Phelps, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 13 at Piarist School, 7 p.m.

Dec. 18 Prestonsburg, 6 p.m.

### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD Friday, Nov. 30

CLASS A  
Beechwood 49, Frankfort 17  
Lexington Christian 45, Hazard 21

CLASS 2A  
Fort Campbell 24, Metcalfe County 15  
Newport Central Catholic 31, DeSales 3

CLASS 3A  
Belfry 62, Breathitt County 28  
Central 17, Paducah Tilghman 14

CLASS 4A  
Lexington Catholic 34, Harrison County 0  
Lone Oak 38, Warren East 35

CLASS 5A  
Bowling Green 35, Owensboro 13  
Highlands 49, Lincoln County 21

CLASS 6A  
St. Xavier 31, Meade County 3  
Trinity (Louisville) 56, Boone County 21



photo courtesy of Dusty Layne/East Kentucky Miners

EAST KENTUCKY MINERS CENTER REO LOGAN threw down a dunk in a game earlier in the season. Logan played at Miami (Fla.) before finishing his college career at Georgia State.

The Miners have already hosted CBA foes Pittsburgh, Rio Grande Valley, Butte and Atlanta. The Minot Skyrockets are scheduled to visit the Miners at the East Kentucky Expo Center Monday night.

East Kentucky is one of four expansion teams in the CBA. Other expansion teams are Rio Grande Valley, Atlanta and Oklahoma. The Miners play out of the American Conference. The official website of the Miners is www.ekminers.com.

### Lady Lions Tip-Off Tournament At Cordia High School

Nov. 28  
Sheldon Clark 69, Prestonsburg 44  
Knox Central 64, South Floyd 56  
Johnson Cent. 52, North Laurel 44  
Nov. 29  
Johnson Cent. 57, Prestonsburg 22  
Knox Central 55, Cordia 44  
Nov. 30  
South Floyd 73, Cordia 56  
Sheldon Clark 45, North Laurel 42  
CA-Louisville 70, Knox Central 15  
Dec. 1  
North Laurel 70, South Floyd 34  
Sheldon Clark 55, Knox Central 48  
Johnson Cent. 46, CA-Louisville 38  
(Championship Game)

### Bears sweep games in Bethel Classic

TIMES STAFF REPORT

McKENZIE, Tenn. – Pikeville College held off a scrappy team from Central Baptist College and pulled out a 90-69 win in the Roy N. Baker Classic on the campus of Bethel College.

The win is Pikeville's fifth straight and seventh in eight games, raising its record to 8-2 one-third of the way through the season. Central Baptist lost its eighth straight and fell to 3-8 on the season.

Pikeville led 43-30 at the half and withstood a storm that saw the Mustangs pull back within one. But from there the Bears pull away, leading by 22 late before settling for the 21-point margin.

The Mustangs stayed in the game thanks to some fierce shooting from the arc, hitting a blistering 56 percent on 14-of-25 shooting.

Five Bears scored in double figures, led by junior William Harris with 20. The Winchester product also had six rebounds and six assists. Two Bears carded double-doubles in the win, with senior Jeff Ferguson having 19 points and 11 rebounds – to go with four assists – and junior Ewan Linton scoring 15 with 12 boards, six of them offensive.

Freshman Justin Hicks came off the bench to hit four three-point shots and finish with 14, while junior Haakim Johnson tossed in 12.

Central Baptist was led by its two fine three-point shooters. Ryan Barnes tossed in 21 thanks to going 5-of-7 from the arc, while Trad Williams hit five threes as well to finish with 18.

Michael Holder added 11 for the Mustangs.

The Bears are under the guidance of second-year head coach Kelly Wells. The athletic Bears have already played a very challenging schedule.

Pikeville will be back in action on Saturday, Dec. 8 when it visits Owensboro to play Brescia University. Tip time is 4 p.m.



# Cassity, Stubbs let go as Cardinals begin offseason facelift

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Louisville coach Steve Kragthorpe didn't waste any time revamping the coaching staff following a nightmarish first season at the helm of one of the nation's most disappointing programs.

Kragthorpe released defensive coordinator Mike Cassity on Sunday, and offensive coordinator Charlie Stubbs resigned days after the Cardinals stumbled to a 6-6 finish.

Jeff Brohm, a former Louisville star whose brother Brian just finished his career with the Cardinals, was promoted to offensive coordinator. Jeff Brohm served as assistant head coach, quarterbacks coach and passing game coordinator this season.

"I think Jeff and I are on the same

wavelength and I also want to keep some continuity," Kragthorpe said. "I thought we did some very good things offensively (but) certainly we fell short in some situations."

Cassity was released after spending four seasons with the Cardinals, three of them as defensive coordinator. Louisville struggled stopping opponents all year, finishing 84th in the country in total defense and 93rd in scoring defense, allowing 416.50 yards and 31.4 points per game.

"I just didn't feel like we were productive on defense, or as productive as we should have been or needed to be," Kragthorpe said.

Though Louisville finished eighth in the country in total offense, averaging 488 yards per game, the Cardinals couldn't seem to generate a consistent running game and had trouble protecting Brian Brohm.

"The biggest change is that Jeff

will call the plays on game day," Kragthorpe said. "I thought we did a good job as an offensive staff of developing game plans together, then Charlie took the lead on game day. Now Jeff takes the lead."

Louisville began the season ranked in the Top 10 after winning the Big East and the Orange Bowl last year under former coach Bobby Petrino, but plummeted after consecutive losses to Kentucky and Syracuse.

Louisville's problems weren't limited to the field. Several players ran into trouble off the field, most notably linebacker Willie Williams, who was kicked off the team in September after being arrested on drug charges. Williams ended up pleading guilty to possession of marijuana.

"We have had some challenges," Kragthorpe said. "From an accountability standpoint, I think the guys

are starting to understand that the way I operate is if you follow the rules and do the things you're supposed to do and you're a good person then you're going to get a chance to play."

The Cardinals never factored in the Big East race, and needed an 18-point rally in the season finale against Rutgers on Thursday to avoid their first losing season since 1997.

Brohm, Barlowe earn Academic All-America honors: University of Louisville quarterback Brian Brohm, who became the BIG EAST Conference's career passing leader this season, was named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America football teams, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Brohm a first-team academic all-America selections, while Louisville offensive guard Danny

Barlowe was chosen to the second team. The teams are chosen by the CoSIDA Academic All-America committee from players who were earlier named to their respective Academic All-District first teams.

Brohm, a finalist for the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award as the nation's top senior quarterback, earns Academic All-America honors for the second consecutive year. Brohm finished his brilliant four-year career with 10,824 yards and is the BIG EAST's all-time passing leader. He carries a 3.50 grade-point average as a finance major.

Barlowe started at left guard for Louisville and is part of a Cardinal unit that ranks seventh nationally in total offense (488.0 yards per game). He has started in each of the last 21 games and is an exercise science and sports medicine major. He carries a 3.90 grade-point average.



BOO JACKSON (LEFT) AND MIKE CRAIN (RIGHT) rank as two of East Kentucky's top players. Jackson is a product of Eastern Michigan University. Crain played at Valdosta State University in Georgia.

## Morehead State handles Alice Lloyd, 83-60

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Morehead State shook off a slow start and got several outstanding individual efforts as the Eagles' women's basketball team defeated Alice Lloyd College, 83-60, Saturday at Johnson Arena. Freshman forward Chynna Bozeman tied a career high in points, senior guard Anitha Smith Smith-Williams had her first career double-double, including coming within two of tying a school single game assist record, and senior Afton Perry also produced a double-double to move the Eagles' record to 2-5. Alice Lloyd fell to 5-3.

Despite beginning the game shooting just 4-of-21 in the first 10 minutes, the Eagles hit 23-of-48 from the floor the rest of the game and held the visiting ALC Eagles to just 31 percent for the game. Smith-Williams netted a career high 14 assists, coming within two of tying Irene Moore's school-record 16 handed out in 1981 against Northern Kentucky. Smith-Williams also tallied 16 points and hit a perfect 9-of-9 from the foul line.

Bozeman went 5-of-6 from beyond the arc and led all players with 21 points to tie her career high. She also completed a nice all-around floor game with four rebounds and three steals. Perry hit a perfect 5-of-5 from the charity stripe and netted a career high 17

points while pulling down a team high 10 rebounds. Senior guard Tarah Combs also hit four three-pointers for 14 points. Sophomore Brittany Pittman blocked five of the Eagles' 10 total rejections. Pittman, who ranks third in the nation in blocks, also had five points, six rebounds and a career high four steals. Sophomore Brandi Rayburn produced a season high seven rebounds.

The Eagles, while struggling inside the three-point line, hit 11 three-pointers, were 18-of-22 from the free throw line, had 22 assists and totaled 13 steals along with the 10 blocks. In their first seven games, the Eagles have had no less than five team blocks in each outing and have recorded double-digit block numbers twice.

"I thought we played better this afternoon, especially in about the last eight minutes or so," said head coach Mike Bradbury. "We finally hit some shots. We are working hard everyday and are improving each day."

Alice Lloyd, an NAIA school from Pippa Passes, was selected to win the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference this season. The Eagles got a team high 20 points, including six treys, by Kaylan Richardson. Camille Cook had 13 points and nine rebounds, while Whitney Frazier notched a team best

eight assists. Taran Cody, a former manager with the MSU women's program and who transferred to ALC, had 12 rebounds. MSU forced 27 Alice Lloyd turnovers and turned that into 38 points.

Alice Lloyd pulled out to 10-8 lead at the 16:02 mark of the first half but the hosts would respond with a 10-0 run during the next four minutes. Perry's layup capped the run at 12:18, and MSU led 18-10. The visitors kept it close however and eventually had the MSU lead down to one, 23-22, with 4:57 left in the first half. But, MSU responded again with a 9-2 run, including two Bozeman three-pointers, to lead 32-24 with 2:39 left. Another Bozeman trey gave MSU its largest first half lead, 37-26. ALC scored the final bucket for a 37-28 MSU halftime advantage.

Alice Lloyd never trimmed the MSU lead below seven in the last 20 minutes. MSU held a 47-40 lead with 13:38 left but ballooned the advantage to as much as 25 (80-55) late in the game with 2:14 left. Between the 11:55 mark and the 7:50 mark, the Eagles ran off a 12-0 run, pushing a nine-point lead (54-45) out to 21 (66-45).

Morehead State will opens Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) play on the road at Austin Peay at 6:15 p.m. Thursday.

## Men's Basketball: Marshall turns back Morehead State, 69-56

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Markel Humphrey had 16 points and 10 rebounds and Mark Dorris added 13 points and eight rebounds to lead Marshall to a 69-56 win over Morehead State Saturday evening.

Morehead State, now 2-4 on the season, got 13 points from Leor Buchanan and 11 points each from Jamyron Steward and Maze Stallworth. Kenneth Faried pulled down 10 rebounds and Nikola Stojakovic had a game-high five assists.

"I like to judge things on defense and rebounding," said

MSU Coach Donnie Tyndall. "Marshall out-rebounded us by 13 and held us to 34.5 percent shooting. You've got to give them credit. Their size probably wore us down some late in the game.

"It was a great environment for a game. I appreciate our alumni that came out to their reception and to the game to support us. And, I appreciate the many fans from the community and region that made the trip up for the game."

Marshall, now 4-1 in 2007-08, led 34-27 at halftime. The Herd scored the final eight points of the first half, holding the Eagles scoreless after a Buchanan breakaway dunk at

the 5:45 mark.

Next up for the Eagles will be a two-game Ohio Valley Conference road trip. MSU will play at Austin Peay on Thursday (Dec. 1). Tip off at Dave Aaron Arena in Clarksville, Tenn., is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. CST (8:30 p.m. EST). The trip will conclude at Murray State Saturday, Dec. 8.

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## Carolina overpowers Kentucky

by JEFFREY McMURRAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Every time Tyler Hansbrough caught the ball in the post, Kentucky's players swarmed around him, swatting at the ball.

The North Carolina big man did not retaliate to the bruising. He responded at the free throw line.

Hansbrough made 10 of 12 free throws as the top-ranked Tar Heels capitalized on Kentucky's 25 fouls and beat the Wildcats 86-77 on Saturday, their fourth straight win in the annual matchup between college basketball's winningest programs.

"I've never coached a player who takes as much physical abuse as he does," North Carolina coach Roy Williams said of his star. "He's a bull in the china shop, and all those pieces of china like to hit back."

The Tar Heels are off to a 7-0 start for the first time under Williams and the first time since the 1998-99 squad began the season 8-0. Kentucky is now 4-2 under new coach Billy Gillispie.

With Hansbrough closely guarded, reserve Danny Green lead the Tar Heels with a career-high 20 points.

"There's tradition and history on both sides, so it's a great rivalry, even though we're not in the same league," Green said.

The plan to crowd Hansbrough backfired on the Wildcats, who struggled to generate much rhythm against North Carolina's physical and quick attack.

For the third straight year, Kentucky used a swarm defense to largely limit Hansbrough from the field. Unlike the past two years, in which he scored a combined 13 points, Hansbrough was a force at the line.

He finished with 14 points

and a game-high 11 rebounds, his third double-double of the season.

Gillispie suggested that Hansbrough wasn't the innocent victim on all those fouls.

"I think sometimes the offensive player may initiate more contact than the casual fan may think," Gillispie said.

Patrick Patterson, Kentucky's blue-chip freshman power forward, held his own against North Carolina's tough frontcourt but got little help from his teammates. Top shot-blocker Perry Stevenson picked up his fourth foul with 8 minutes left in the first half, and fouled out early in the second.

"Coach wanted a nasty game instead of a pretty game," Patterson said.

Gillispie said he was pleased with the effort. He surprisingly even labeled Stevenson's performance the best of the year, despite scoring only two points and playing just 8 minutes.

Hansbrough said Patterson did provide a challenge.

"He's a solid big man," Hansbrough said. "He's very physical and he can get you into weird positions because they run so many things to him."

Up 44-39 early in the second half, the Tar Heels went on a 13-0 run to put the game out of reach. Bobby Frasor finished the streak with two 3-pointers, the last one silencing the Rupp Arena crowd as he pumped his fist.

"They're going to play 40 minutes," Kentucky guard Michael Porter said of North Carolina. "If we don't play for 10 seconds, 20 seconds, one minute, whatever it is, they're going to keep at us."

Patterson ended the Kentucky drought by drawing a foul and hitting one of two free throws, but that was Kentucky's first trip to the line. By then, North Carolina had taken 14 free throws, making

13.

Kentucky's defense helped the Wildcats play with North Carolina early, but every time the Wildcats made a big basket, Green, a junior swingman, seemed to have an answer.

He scored North Carolina's last 10 points of the first half, eight of them in a span of just over a minute, using 3-pointers to answer a 3 by Joe Crawford, and a dunk by A.J. Stewart, then a layup to answer Crawford's layup.

It was Green's sixth straight game scoring in double digits, all as a reserve. His previous career high was 17 points on Nov. 19, 2005, against Gardner-Webb.

"I didn't make everything I took, but at one point I was in a rhythm, took some open shots and made some big plays for my team," Green said.

On Friday, Williams doubted that Ty Lawson, the sophomore point guard who missed the Ohio State game with a sprained ankle, would be available against the Wildcats. He did play, providing his usual spark, including a steal and fastbreak layup that generated energy for the Tar Heels midway through their second half run.

While Lawson started, Kentucky's regular point guard, Ramel Bradley, was not in the lineup for the tipoff. Bradley entered less than 2 minutes in, but had only two assists. He did score 19 points, as did Patterson. Crawford led the team with 21.

The Tar Heels led 37-32 at halftime. Patterson scored the first bucket of the second half to cut the deficit to three points, but the Wildcats would get no closer.

Kentucky leads all Division I programs with 1,952 wins, while North Carolina is second at 1,921. The teams have played 30 times, with North Carolina winning 20 of them.

## Bears cruise past Southeastern Bible

TIMES STAFF REPORT

McKENZIE, Tenn. — Five players reached double figures and three established new career highs as the Pikeville College Bears rolled past Southeastern Bible (Ala.) College 112-58 Friday afternoon in the Roy N. Baker Classic at Bethel College.

It was the second time this season the Bears reached the century mark, having opened the regular season doing the same against Johnson Bible College.

Pikeville (7-2) also improved the nation's second-best shooting percentage in the win. Entering at 55.3 percent from the field, the Bears shot 59.3 percent thanks to a blistering 69.2 percent (27-of-39) after recess.

All 13 Bears on the trip played and 12 scored, with everyone getting at least

eight and no more than 24 minutes in the second consecutive easy win. Pikeville knocked off its biggest rival, Alice Lloyd College, 90-47 Wednesday night.

The win was Pikeville's fourth straight and sixth in seven games, and came by the second largest margin of the season.

SBC (5-5) started off strong, holding a lead on a couple of early occasions. But once Pikeville took over, it never looked back, ending the first half on a 9-0 run to take a 47-24 lead to the locker room.

The second half was all Pikeville, as the Bears outscored the Sabers 65-34 in a second half that saw the bench players dominate. Pikeville got 60 of its 112 off the bench for the easy win.

Junior Ewan Linton led the way with his second straight and fourth double-double on the early season.

The Kingston, Jamaica, product had 19 points and 11 rebounds. Junior Haakim Johnson followed with 13 points, four assists, four rebounds and three steals, while classmate William Harris followed with 11 on 5-of-6 shooting from the field.

Two other Bears came off the bench to reach double digits. Junior Anthony Ighodaro had 17 points and six rebounds, while freshman Jarrod Litzinger had career bests with 14 points and six rebounds.

Freshman Sam Stephens also had a career bests with seven points and five rebounds.

Southeastern Bible, which shot 41.8 percent for the game and turned it over 33 times, had two players in double figures in scoring, as John Maul had 17 points and six rebounds while Michael Mullins came off the bench to fire in 15.

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# OLD RIVALS REUNITE: Ward, Steelers top Bengals 24-10

by ALAN ROBINSON  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Steelers' offense and defense held up and, how's this for a change, so did their swampland of a playing field. The Cincinnati Bengals couldn't stand up, and that likely means another quiet January for a team that almost never plays past December.

Hines Ward caught two touchdown passes from Ben Roethlisberger to break the Steelers' record for career scoring catches, and Pittsburgh ended a seven-game winning streak by road teams in their AFC North rivalry with the Bengals by winning 24-10 Sunday night.

Getting their offense back after being held to one touchdown in two games by the losing-record Jets and winless Dolphins, the Steelers (9-3) shook off an early 7-0 deficit to open a two-game division lead over the Cleveland Browns (7-5). And they all but eliminated the Bengals (4-8) for a third successive season.

"Hey, that's our job," Steelers linebacker Larry Foote said.

Two seasons ago, the Steelers won a wild-card playoff game in Cincinnati and, last season, kept the Bengals out of the postseason by winning there on the final day of the regular season. Now, the Bengals can't win the division, or finish any better than 8-8 during a 16th non-winning season in their last 17 — and even a four-game winning streak probably won't get them into the playoffs as a wild card.

"It's a loss that doesn't sit well with us," coach Marvin Lewis said. "We just didn't get things done. We had some chances. We didn't make some third downs. ... We missed some throws, and that ended up being the difference."

The home-field win was the first in the series since the Steelers beat the Bengals in Pittsburgh 28-17 in 2004. Cincinnati couldn't become the first team to win in Pittsburgh for three consecutive seasons since Heinz Field opened in 2001. The road team had won nine of the last 10 in the series.

Roethlisberger, who also scrambled 6 yards for a touchdown, ended a 66-yard drive immediately before halftime with a 2-yard TD flip to Ward that

made it 17-7. Roethlisberger also hit Ward on an 8-yard scoring pass late in the third quarter that expanded the lead to 14 points and gave Ward 64 career TD catches, one more than Hall of Famer John Stallworth.

"It's something I never expected to be up there with a great player like him," Ward said.

Heinz Field was an offense-stopping marshland Monday after more than an inch of rain fell atop a layer of sod installed only hours before. But the field dried up with some good weather last week and, despite more rain Sunday night, seemed to hold up well. An NFL operations official stayed in town all week to monitor the field.

"It wasn't a mire like it was Monday night, or a rice paddy field," Steelers left tackle Max Starks said. "It was a lot more substantial and stable, a little bit better footing."

The Bengals couldn't blame the field for this as they managed only a field goal the rest of the way after Rudi Johnson scored on a 1-yard run on their opening drive, even though they had three possessions that began inside the Steelers' 30-yard line.

"The defense gave us plenty of opportunities out there," guard Bobbie Williams said. "It's just that we didn't capitalize. We had ample opportunity but didn't execute."

The rain appeared to cause both Roethlisberger and the Bengals' Carson Palmer to begin sailing throws over the heads of receivers. One such pass tipped off Ward's fingers directly to Madiou Williams for an interception midway through the first quarter that gave Cincinnati a chance to build on its 7-0 lead.

But the Bengals couldn't sustain any drives the rest of the half, with Shayne Graham missing a 43-yard field goal that would have made it 10-0.

"The first drive was great. We executed and played well, and we really never got anything going after that," Palmer said. "We kept getting good field position ... and we couldn't do anything with it."

After that successful opening drive, Palmer was only 11-of-37 to finish 17-of-44 for 183 yards. Roethlisberger was 21-of-32 for 184 yards and two interceptions.

"He (Palmer) was getting frustrated, we gave him a lot of differ-

ent looks," defensive end Aaron Smith said. "You give him an opportunity, he'll pick you apart. You could see Chad (Johnson) and T.J. (Houshmandzadeh) getting frustrated out there."

Johnson, who has only one career 100-yard game against Pittsburgh, had six catches for 86 yards but didn't do much damage. Houshmandzadeh, who was leading the league with 83 catches, ended with five catches for 42 yards.

The Steelers, held without a touchdown for seven quarters dating to the second quarter of their 19-16 overtime loss to the Jets on Nov. 18, responded by putting together TD drives of 66 and 67 yards in the first half. They also turned Glenn Holt's fumble on a kickoff return into Jeff Reed's 21-yard field goal.

Roethlisberger was 8-of-12 for all 66 yards on the 12-play drive that ended with his 2-yard pass to Ward and wasn't sacked once after being dropped 16 times in his previous three games.

Notes: The Steelers are 5-0 in the division with one game to play, Dec. 30 at Baltimore, and 7-0 at home. ... Steelers coach Mike Tomlin won a challenge for the first time this season when Willie Parker's fumble on the second play of the third quarter that was apparently returned for a touchdown, was overturned on review. ... Parker did lose two fumbles later in the half, one that was unsuccessfully challenged by Tomlin, but ran 28 times for 87 yards. ... Ward's 13 TDS against Cincinnati are the most against any opponent.

Notebook: Ward goes in the Steelers' record book — again: Hines Ward was a third-round draft pick after not being a full-time wide receiver at Georgia.

Ten seasons later, he is the Pittsburgh Steelers' career leader in receptions and touchdown catches, passing a pair of Hall of Famers while doing so.

The touchdowns mark fell in the rain and mud at Heinz Field during the Steelers' 24-10 win over the Cincinnati Bengals Sunday night. Ward's two scoring catches gave him 64 for his career, one more than John Stallworth.

Ward broke that record on a night he caught a season-high 11 passes for 90 yards. Thirteen of his 64 career touchdown recep-

tions are against the Bengals, including four this season.

Many of his catches Sunday were over the middle and with defenders near him or about to hit him.

"He is a tough guy. He is a football player first and a receiver second," coach Mike Tomlin said. "He makes plays when he doesn't have the ball in his hands; he makes plays when he does have the ball in his hands. He is a legitimate tough guy."

Ward already held the Steelers records for career receptions, most receptions in a season (he has four of the top five seasons) and most consecutive games with at least one catch (143). He is 112 yards shy of breaking Stallworth's career yardage mark.

"It's just hard work," Ward said. "For most people, I wasn't even supposed to make it in the pros. When I got here, nobody expected anything from me. There was an article written that said, 'Jack of all trades, master of

none.' It's just me working my tail off and learning from the guys."

Five of Ward's catches resulted in third-down conversions.

"I told Hines we wanted to get (the record) at home," quarterback Ben Roethlisberger said. "It means more. ... I feel privileged to be the guy to get him the ball when he does that. I'm privileged to play with such a great wide receiver, person, athlete, football player, everything."

**QUICK START, THEN A STALL:** Carson Palmer and the Bengals' offense had to be feeling pretty good after driving 75 yards in 12 plays for a 1-yard Rudi Johnson touchdown run that made it 7-0 after their opening drive.

The rest of the game, Cincinnati never sustained a drive longer than 30 yards.

"We feel terrible about it because the defense kept putting us in good positions and we couldn't take advantage of it," Palmer said.

Palmer was 11-for-37 for 126 yards after that first drive. Johnson was held to 28 yards on 11 carries the remainder of the game. T.J. Houshmandzadeh caught only two passes after making three catches on that first drive.

"We just didn't get things done," Cincinnati coach Marvin Lewis said. "We had some chances. We didn't make some third downs. We had a penalty that took us out of the one, we had some balls that were thrown a little high. We just didn't get some conversions made."

Tomlin said the Steelers didn't make any adjustments after that opening drive.

"They executed early on and sometimes that's what happens when people have scripts and they are ready to go," Tomlin said. "They have great players. They have a great scheme. They did a nice job, but defensively, our guys did not blink."



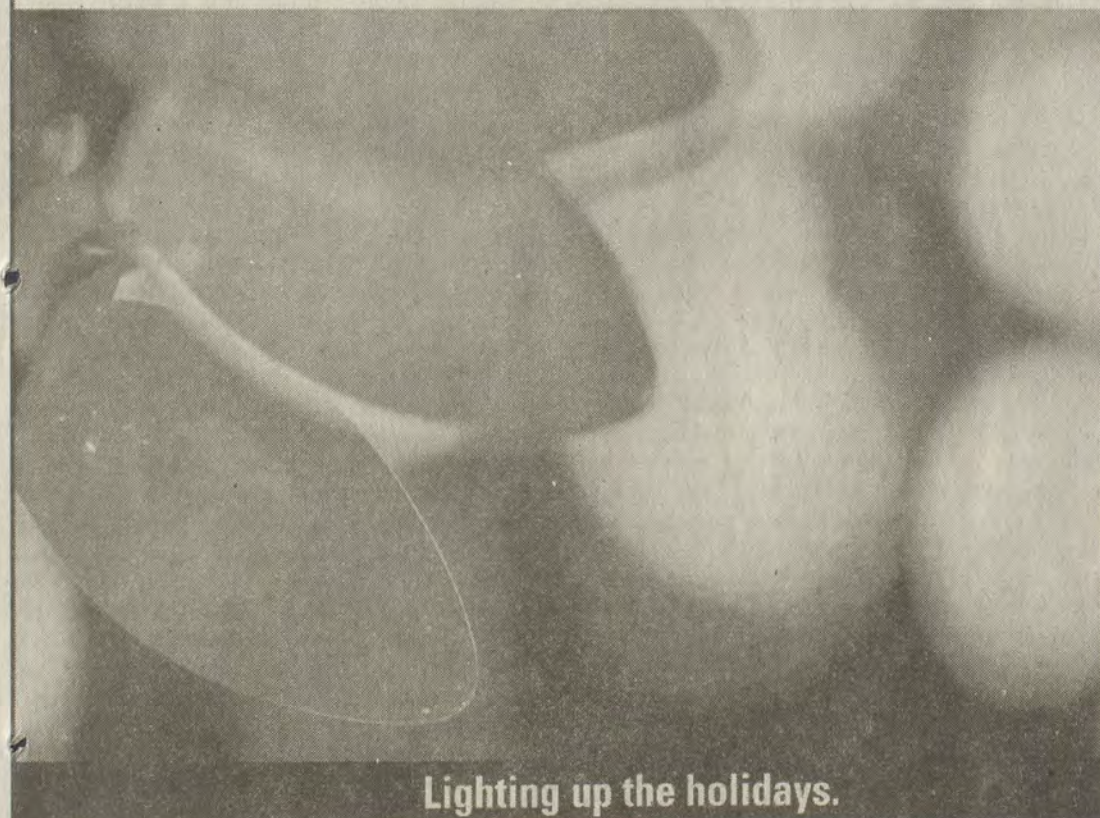
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### POISON OAK

## It's all about children

With Christmas less than three weeks away, I'm reminded that practically everybody I know agrees that this is indeed the season for children. And,

I might add, that's the way it ought to be. Of course, all this leads to everybody spending a bit too much for toys and stuff, but hey, it's Christmas, right?



Clyde Pack

But what about the rest of the year? As adults, just

how do we rate in the category of really understanding the tiny folk that make our Christmases so much fun?

What got me to thinking about this, in the first place, was a paper that one of my colleagues left in my mailbox at work. It was signed by "Author Unknown," and that's really too bad, because whomever came up with these thought-provoking truisms should—at least in my opinion—get some credit.

The paper consists of a list of a dozen or so statements about terminology we adults use when comparing our actions to those of kids'... when we're both doing exactly the same things.

For example, one item states, "If an adult writes in a book, we call it doodling. If a child writes in a book, we call it destroying property." Or, how about this one. "If an adult tells his side of the story, we call it clarification. If a child tells his side of a story, we call it talking back."

See what I mean? isn't that how it goes?

I'm afraid that these things really do reflect how too many adults perceive children? Does this mean we're advocating some sort of double standard?

This list goes on.

"If an adult sticks to something, we

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### KIM'S KORNER

## Bah, humbug on being politically correct

There is probably not a soul on this planet who has a computer and email that hasn't received relentless emails concerning the politically correct way to say Merry Christmas these days.

Or the umpteen emails that list how our society has turned from the use of the phrase Merry Christmas, or to display Merry Christmas, and the latest, which really got my crawl, Christmas trees now are being referred to as Holiday Trees. Give me a break!



Kim Little Frasure

While searching recently for Christmas cards for our advertising staff to send out to our clients, and yes, you just read correctly

I used the word Christmas cards, I was determined to find ones that read Merry Christmas as opposed to Happy Holidays and I don't mind telling you it wasn't that easy of a task.

There were thousands upon thousands of the most beautiful cards this year, yet they all were plastered with Happy Holidays or Season's Greetings.

Finally, my eyes gazed across a few boxes with Merry Christmas on them and I grabbed them as if they were covered in chocolate and going to be devoured by my taste buds.

Writing this column since December of 1989 and going back

(See KORNER, page seven)



photo by Kathy J. Prater

From top: Gordon Scott, Charlie Schaffer, and Dave Gerth check out a few of the many computers given to local families this past Friday at the Auxier Lifetime Learning Center. Schaffer estimates that over 6,000 computers have been given away through the center since 2000.

## Helping students explore the world

### Auxier Center operates computer giveaway program

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

"My name is Chris. I think a computer will help me with my school work. And I can look up things on it to get more information to better explain them to me...My grade point average isn't very good and I think a computer can help me bring it up." So writes a young, local student in a heartfelt letter addressed to the directors of the Auxier Lifetime Learning Center explaining his request to be chosen to receive a free computer through the center's giveaway program.

"We've given away a little over 6,000 computers since 2000," said Charlie Schaffer, who, along with wife, Sue, directs the many programs and daily activities at the center. "We've estimated that those 6,000 computers have had the potential to affect the lives of as many as 20,000 people when you count the number of family members in the homes the computers have gone to."

Schaffer said that soon after he and his wife came to Auxier to begin working at the community learning center that he began to take note of the many families who not only did not own a com-

puter, but lacked understanding of the operation of one, as well. As a result, he came up with the idea to take in and rebuild damaged computers, install new software and give them away as an incentive to get local residents to sign up for beginning computer classes at the center. Those completing the courses would be given one of the refurbished computers to take home.

"We are living in the information age," Schaffer said. "Computers have become a necessity and it's important, especially, that our young people have access to them."

With the assistance of local school family resource centers, Schaffer has been able to target students that do not already have computers in their home and whose families meet the guidelines for receipt of a free computer from the Auxier center. Most recently, several students penned letters of request that school administrators forwarded to Schaffer and his staff. "The letters were, for the most part, well written and very heartfelt," Schaffer said. "Some really touch your heart in a special way."

One young student writes: "I have wanted a computer all of my life. A computer would make

my life and my siblings life a whole lot better. It would make our school work a whole lot easier to do...I would love to have a computer because someday I plan on working at a nurse's station, where you have to have computer skills to manage your job."

Thirty computers were given away, completely free of charge, to local elementary and middle school students this past Friday at the center. "We want to give these kids the same opportunities that others have," Schaffer said. "They can come through here, receive a working computer and take it home. And we hope it will help them in their studies and in their lives."

"Thank you for your kindness...in giving me a computer," young Chris writes, "I have always wanted one. But on our income my family could not afford one. Thank you and may God bless you."

To learn more about how to receive a free working computer for your home, contact the Auxier Lifetime Learning Center at 886-0709. The Auxier Center does not repair computers, offer exchanges or supply internet modems.

### CRITTER CORNER

## Spreading the holiday spirit to our wildlife

The most appreciated holiday gifts are the ones that make life a little easier. That holds true for wildlife, reports The Humane Society of the United States. Raccoons, squirrels, skunks and others are grateful recipients of any goodwill that humans show them this season.

According to Laura Simon, field director of urban wildlife for The HSUS, "Although wild animals are able to adapt to survive cold winter temperatures and food limitations, there are small things that people can do to help them this time of year. We suggest several 'gifts of the season' that can give our backyard neighbors a warm boost during the holidays."



This beautiful creature is "Muffy." Muffy is a 4-year-old, long-haired, female calico who was adopted from the Pike County Animal Shelter, along with her sister, "Puffy," by Patricia Martin, of Langley (Turkey Creek). Muffy, according to her owner, is primarily an outside cat but she does spend some time indoors, especially during cold weather. "During the summertime," Patricia writes, she likes to spend a lot of time in our garden in the shade of the cornstalks, tomato plants, and sweet potato vines. She is a very loving cat but also very independent. She likes to hide behind bushes, flowers, flowerpots, and such and then jump out at the other cats and the family dog. Muffy doesn't jump with intent to attack them for a fight but more as a scare and a bluff. It is a game with her. She sleeps quite a bit and she gets lots of eats. She and all of our family cats, as well as our dog, are indulged. They do not lack for love or food. And all have been spayed or neutered." Thank you, Patricia, for sharing your family pet with us!

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WEDDINGS



**Stevens-Bauder**

Misty Lynn Stevens, the daughter of Leonard Stevens, of Harold, and Glenda Little, of Regina, and Jarrett Lewis Bauder, the son of Richard and Janet Bauder, of Plain City, Ohio, were united in marriage on August 25, 2007, in a ceremony that was performed at Heritage Park, in Westerville, Ohio.

Glistina Adams Gullett served as the bride's maid of honor. Melanie Cable Stevens, Ashley Mowl, Suzanne Jones and Paula Hubbard served as bridesmaids.

Justin Bauder served as the groom's best man. Dwayne Stevens, Trenton Katter, Adam Katter, and Keith McKinnis, served as groomsmen.

Grant and Stella Young, cousins of the groom, served as ringbearer and flowergirl.

Rikki and Jessi Branham, cousins of the bride, served as hostesses.

The bride is a 2002 graduate of Pikeville College. She holds a degree in optometry from Indiana University, and is employed as an optometrist in Delaware, Ohio.

The groom holds a degree in pharmacy from Ohio Northern University. He works as a pharmacist in Westerville.

Following a honeymoon cruise to the Western Caribbean, the newlyweds returned to reside in Westerville.



**Hicks-Gilbert**

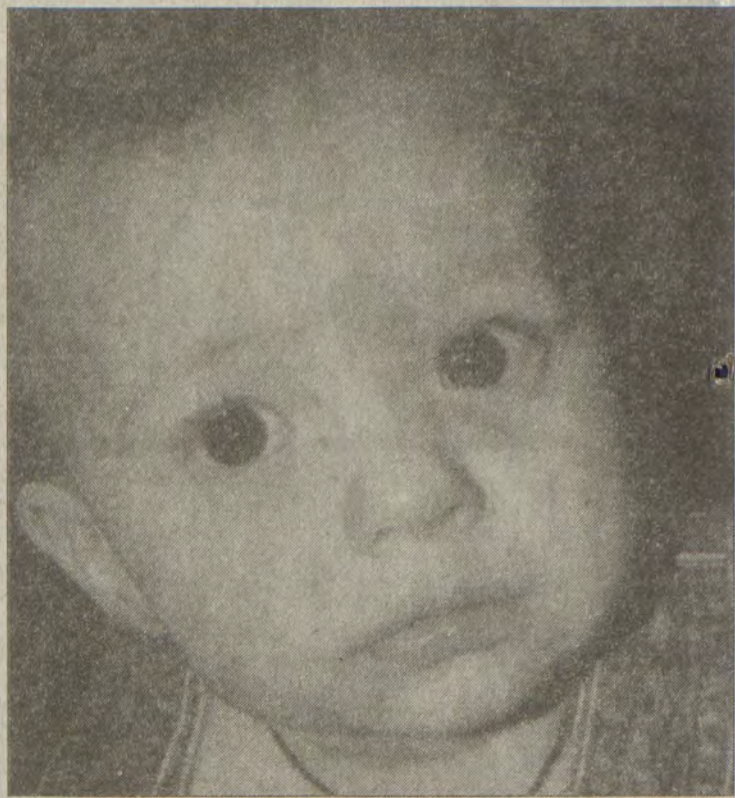
Derek and Deborah Hicks, of Prestonsburg, announce the engagement of their daughter, Greta Davidson Hicks, to George Edward Ryan Gilbert, the son of George and Connie Gilbert, of Lawrenceburg.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Roberta Davidson and the late Marshall Davidson, of Prestonsburg, and Donald and Delphia Hicks, also of Prestonsburg. She is a 2004 graduate of Transylvania University from which she holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Applied Vocal Music and Music Education. She completed coursework for the Master of Arts degree in Musicology from the University of Kentucky. She is currently employed as Director of Music at Prestonsburg High School.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Jessie Rae Herzog and the late Edward Herzog, of Lancaster, and Linda Gilbert and the late Dr. George Gilbert, of Lawrenceburg. He is also a 2004 graduate of Transylvania University, from which he holds a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in English. He will complete his Masters in Divinity in June, 2008, from the University of Chicago.

The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, December 22, 2007, at half past the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Prestonsburg First United Methodist Church.

A private reception will follow at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, in Prestonsburg.



**Look who's 1!**

Peyton Bryce Newsome will turn one year old on December 12, 2007. He will celebrate his special day on December 8, with friends and family with a "Mickey Mouse Clubhouse" theme party. Peyton is the son of Shannon and Kristi (Martin) Newsome, of Wheelwright.



**BSA Troop 839 recognizes volunteers**

Gary Perry and Artlou Baca were recently recognized by Boy Scout Troop No. 839 for their continued hard work and effort in coordinating the troop's annual auction and spaghetti dinner. Proceeds from the event help send local scouts to summer camp. The Scouts and their leaders appreciate and thank Mr. Perry and Mrs. Baca for all they do.

**Oak**

call it perseverance. If a child sticks to something, we call it stubbornness." Another one, "If an adult raises his voice in anger, we call it maintaining control. If a child raises his voice in anger, we call it a tem-

per tantrum." Are these statements true, or what? But in this day and time when "anything goes," and when their role models are far away, super-star athletes and

belly-button-displaying rock singers, kids deserve better from members of the ordinary adult population with whom they share their day-to-day lives.

One last question, if, say in a month or so after the Christmas fun has ended, we adults were arrested and charged with being kind, compassionate, and understanding toward young people, would there be enough evidence to convict us?

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# School Happenings

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

**\*\*Special Notice:** Those interested in sponsoring a child for Christmas, please call the YSC at 886-1297.\*\*

•Dec. 6 - 4-H Project Club meeting. Hosted by the YSC for those students interested in completing a 4-H project this year.

•Dec. 11 - Magic Me will meet at Riverview nursing home from 3:15-4:30, weather permitting.

•Dec. 14 - All Christmas sponsor gifts are due in to YSC office.

•Dec. 19 - YSC regular Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m.

•Those students interested in learning about fun ways to exercise and about good nutrition are invited to sign up for "Get Moving AMS." Call 886-1297 for more info. Program will be conducted by the Floyd County Extension Office.

•Lending Library available for student/parent use. Pamphlets, videos, books and more on a variety of topics available.

•A nurse from the FCHD is currently available at the school to provide services,

including: School physicals, immunizations, WIC, well-child exams, etc. Call 886-1297 to schedule an appointment. Child does not have to be a student at AMS to receive services. HPV vaccines and flu shots currently available.

•The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Services offered to students and families regardless of income. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297.

## Allen Central High School

•Dec. 10 - National Beta Club Scholarship due.

•Dec. 12 - Board meeting, May Valley.

•Dec. 12 - Beta Club fruit delivered to school.

•Dec. 14 - Governor's Scholars applications due.

•Dec. 15 - AXA Achievement Scholarship due.

•Dec. 15 - Burger King Scholarship due.

•Dec. 15 - Winter Ball.

•Dec. 17 - Semester exams, 1st, 3rd, and 5th.

•Dec. 17 - Board meeting, McDowell Elementary.

•Dec. 19 - Semester exams, 2nd, 4th, and 6th.

•Dec. 19 - Last day of school before Christmas break!

•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

•Dec. 5 - Scoliosis screenings, 8th grade.

•Dec. 6 - Picture retakes.

•Dec. 12 - Parent meeting.

•Dec. 14 - Holiday celebration.

\*Please have your Food City Valu Card scanned for ACMS! Points help purchase school merchandise.

•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, immu-

nizations, and WIC appointments.

## Baptist Learning Center

•Now accepting applications for new students, Toddler I class thru Pre-K class. Located in the First Baptist Church, S. Front Ave., downtown Prestonsburg. Call 886-8681.

## Betsy Layne Elementary

•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 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.

## Duff Elementary

\*Those wishing to sponsor a needy child for Christmas, may contact Judy Handshoe, in the FRC, at 358-9878. The center is also in need of gently used clothing, shoes, belts and backpacks.

•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 area where the old main office used to be. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator.

## May Valley Elementary

•Dec. 11 - Monthly parent support program (V.I.P.'s), 1:30-2:30 p.m., in library. Please check in at office.

•Dec. 12 - Free clothing giveaway at Graceway Methodist Church from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

•Dec. 13 - Eddy Eagle safety program for 1st grade.

•Dec. 15 - Free coat giveaway at Garrett First Baptist Church, 3-4 p.m. and 6-7 p.m.

•Dec. 17 - Nutrition program.

•Dec. 17 - Christmas play, grades K-2, 6 p.m.

•Dec. 18 - Christmas play, grades 3-5, 6 p.m.

\*Special Announcement: May Valley Elem. has been nominated as a Blue Ribbon School by the Commissioner of Education. Only 5 schools in the state have received nominations.

•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

•Parents of 5th grade students are urged to call the FRC and make an appointment for their child's 6th grade physical exam!

•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 checkouts. 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

•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

•Dec. 11 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 3:30 p.m., conference room.

•REMINDER: The Floyd Co. Health Dept. services previously provided by Clark FRC are still available through the AMS Youth Services Center. Call 886-1297 to schedule appointments for WIC, HeadStart, Kindergarten, 6th grade exams, and well-child exams (age: birth to 18 years).

•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.

•After-School Child Care: 3-6 p.m.

•Call 886-7088 for information and referrals regarding GED classes, preschool child care, and other programs or services offered to the community.

## 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.

•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

\*Yearbooks are \$22 and will be on sale January 1, in school office.

•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

•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; Martin Comm. Ctr.

1:30 - 5 p.m. - Wheelwright Baptist Church.

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

9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. - David Craft Center.

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

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC; Mud Creek Clinic; Floyd County Jail.

6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.; Martin Community Ctr.

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

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

6-8 p.m. - BSCTC.

Thursday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - BSCTC.

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Weeksby CC.

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC.

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

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

Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant, 886-7397

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

## Yesterdays

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Lackey, a son, Gary Elbert, December 4, at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital

There died: Mrs. Eunice Hampton, 28, last Thursday, at her home at Weeksbury; Mrs. Rosina Collins, 49, of Buckingham, last Thursday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Frank McGuire, native of Floyd County, November 13, at LaGrande, Oregon.

## Seventy Years Ago (December 16, 1937)

Mrs. Hazel Minerva Tackett, 40, of Prestonsburg, wife of State Senator Joe P. Tackett, is the newly-appointed Floyd County Judge

Prestonsburg High School was suspended from the Kentucky Athletic Association, this week, for the use of an ineligible football player, it was announced

At the statewide meeting of school superintendents in Frankfort, last week, Floyd Superintendent Town Hall was named president of the group

## Korner

through archives reading a few over the years, it was interesting how many mentioned the commercialization of Christmas and how it had taken on an entirely different reason for the season if you will.

The economy and lack thereof has been blasted over the years for all time low spending during the shopping season. There are projections on national news stations and articles galore on how folks just aren't spending like they did in years past or even last year to be exact.

Ah, ya think?

When Christ is trying to be taken out of Christmas and He is what Christmas is all about and WE as His creations are refusing to acknowledge Him, how then do you suppose any of us is suppose to prosper?

Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ first and foremost. He came so that we may have life and have it more abundantly. He died on the cross for our sins, and rose on the 3rd day and when we as a

nation are more concerned about how we address one another during this very special time of year and remove Him from it, then it only makes sense to me we will suffer the consequences greatly.

Blessed is the man that walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stand in the way of sinners, nor sit in the seat of the scornful. 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law shall he meditate day and night. 3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he does shall prosper. 4 The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind drives away. 5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish. (Psalm 1: 1-6)

Doesn't get any plainer than that folks.

## It's time for Faith and Family

Tomorrow, Thursday December 6, The Floyd County Times will host a luncheon for our area Pastor's at the Heritage House Hotel (formerly Holiday Inn) at 11:30. This luncheon is to introduce our new Faith and Family magazine that will be printed once a year as well as a new weekly section to be included in the Times.

At our very first meeting on the Faith and Family project a God Squad was formed of local Pastors and all of us are so excited to begin this new addition and share testimonies and feature articles about our Lord and Savior and all he is doing in and around our county.

If there are any Pastors out there who may have missed the ad we've been running to make reservations to attend, please feel free to come join us tomorrow. We would love to have you come be apart of this extraordinary project.

Til Next Week,  
God's Blessings and a very Merry Christmas.

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## Critter

Keep bird feeders full in the winter since food availability is very limited for non-migratory birds.

Fill large pinecones with peanut butter and roll them in sunflower seeds. Attach a string to the top and hang from trees for birds.

Invest in a heated birdbath and keep it filled all winter long. Birds need the water at this time of year when most natural sources may be frozen.

Put decorative snowflakes 4" apart on any windows where birds might hit, or have hit in the past.

Put a cover over any window wells around your house to prevent animals from becoming stuck. Animals, such as skunks,

who have poor climbing abilities commonly fall into window wells.

Use only environmentally-friendly sidewalk salt for melting ice such as Safe Paws Ice Melter. Regular sidewalk salts pollute the environment and can irritate cats' and dogs' paws.

Get to know your backyard wild neighbors by going on an adventure around your own yard in the snow. Try to identify different species by looking at tracks and other signs they leave behind, such as partial remains of food like cracked nuts or twigs. Buy a good wildlife tracking guide - or give one as a gift - to learn more and to better appreciate these animals.

The HSUS Wild Neighbors Program promotes non-lethal means for resolving conflicts between people and wildlife and cultivates understanding and appreciation for wild animals commonly found in cities and towns ([www.humanesociety.org/wildneighbors](http://www.humanesociety.org/wildneighbors)).

The Humane Society of the United States is the nation's largest animal protection organization - backed by 10 million Americans, or one of every 30. For more than a half-century, The HSUS has been fighting for the protection of all animals through advocacy, education and hands-on programs. Celebrating animals and confronting cruelty - On the web at [humanesociety.org](http://humanesociety.org).

The public is invited to our annual

# Christmas Sing

Thursday, December 6th  
7:00 p.m.

at  
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