

#### briefs

#### **House OKs** funds for **AP** tests

#### **The Associated Press**

The state would pay for high school students taking advanced placement tests that could earn them early college credit, under a plan the Kentucky House approved on Monday.

High schools would receive money to help pay for advanced math and science courses through a special fund created by the legislation. Meanwhile, middle schools would be eligible for grants to develop rigorous math and science programs, under the plan

Among other things, the proposal would also increase use of the Kentucky Virtual High School, which offers courses online.

The House approved the proposal on a 98-0 vote, and it heads back to the Senate for consideration

When the bill was approved by the Senate, it included bonuses for math and science teachers based on pupils' advanced placement test scores. That provision was removed from the House version, however, after opposition by the Kentucky Education Association.

Late Monday, however, the original Senate proposal, and a related measure, were tacked onto a House energy proposal. The Senate approved the measure and sent it back to the House for consideration



#### by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — With only three items scheduled to be discussed at Monday's regular Prestonsburg City Council meeting, items not included on the agenda took up the bulk of the nearly twohour meeting.

Mayor Jerry Fannin began the meeting by proclaiming April 9 through April 20 as Citywide Pride in Prestonsburg. According to the city's economic development director, Brent Graden, PRIDE will be holding numerous cleanup efforts during this period, including areas in West Prestonsburg.

Also, surplus bids for city vehicles were opened at the meeting for two Jeeps, a van and a dump truck which the city is no longer using.

Graden also updated the council on the status of the proposed wireless internet system he is working to get in Prestonsburg, prompting speculation on the cost of the upkeep of the project.

"It sounds like you're trying to open a small internet company", said council member Gorman Collins, commenting on Graden's efforts.

Graden said he would love for the wireless internet service to be free of charge to citizens, but Collins disagreed, saving that if the city would charge a small usage fee, then competition would force other internet

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**Council members question city practices** 



Prestonsburg **Mayor Jerry** Fannin, left, opened several bids received for surplus vehicles, one of several items discussed at Monday's City Council meeting. The vehicles will be sold to the highest bidder.

> photo by Jessica Hale

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# Pike miner killed in year's first mine fatal

#### by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE - A surface miner in Pike County was killed Monday in an accident

According to the Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet, the office of Mine Safety and Licensing is investigating the fatal accident that killed 48-year-old Charles I. Griffith, of Pikeville.

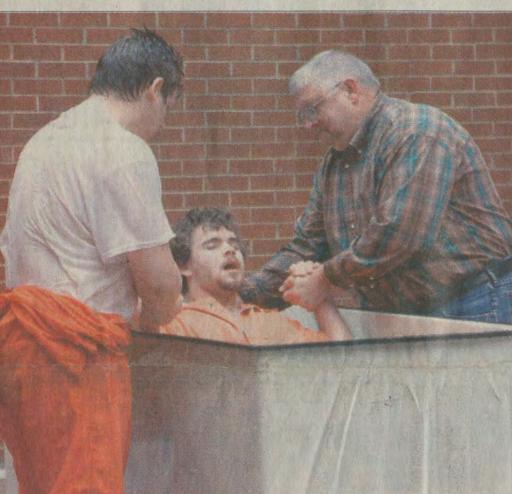
Griffith, who was working at the Double F. Augering mine no. 2 at Steele, was operating an excavator when it overturned while he was positioning it. The mine has been closed for further investigation.

"I want to express my sympathy to Mr. Griffith's family and friends," Gov. Fletcher Ernie said. "Mining is an occupation with many hazards, but we are determined to keep working to improve mine safety.

Monday's accident was the first mining-related death in the state in 2007.

Sixteen miners in Kentucky were killed on the job in 2006. Five of the deaths were from a single methane gas explosion in Harlan County in May.

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photo by Jessica Hale

Preacher Tommy Nelson conducted a baptism Monday at the Floyd County Detention Center. Each prisoner was given the opportunity to participate. Those who chose to do so were Jeff Stanley, Jeff Damron, Shawn Sexton, James Holland, Wornaid Slone, Brent Holbrook, Curtis Newsome, Brandon Combs, Kevin Hutchinson and Adam Curtis.

#### **Mine safety bill** approved

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Melissa Lee burst into tears when she learned that Kentucky lawmakers had given final approval to legislation aimed at making coal mines safer places to work.

"This will save lives," said Lee, whose husband Jimmy Lee, was killed in an underground mine explosion in Harlan County last year.

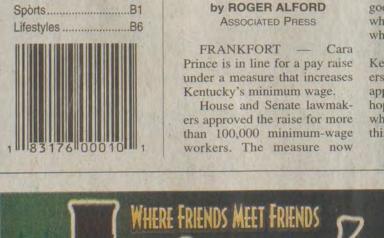
State inspectors would double their visits to underground coal mines under the measure that got final approval Monday by House and Senate lawmakers and now goes to Gov. Ernie Fletcher to be signed into law.

"This is a good bill, and I appreciate the bipartisan support that went into its passage," Fletcher said. "I look forward to signing this legislation into law.

The legislation follows one of the deadliest years in recent history for coal miners in Kentucky. In all, 16 miners were killed on the job in 2006. Five of the deaths were from a single methane gas explosion in Harlan County in May.

The legislation calls for at least one member of every crew working underground to have access to methane gas detectors

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## Minimum-wage hike heads to governor goes to Gov. Ernie Fletcher,

who said he hasn't yet decided whether he will sign it into law.

Prince, one of a group of Kentucky's lowest paid workers who lobbied lawmakers to approve the raise, said she's hopeful the governor will do what she believes is the right thing.

"It would help people like

me get a start out of poverty," Prince said Monday. "It's not the best, but it's a start."

The measure was approved 93-5 in the House on Monday. The Senate had passed the measure on a 33-1 vote last week.

Currently, the minimum wage in Kentucky is \$5.15 an

(See WAGE, page 14)

# Citizens. National to merge with Kentucky National

#### by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE Citizens National Bank has announced plans to merge with Kentucky National Bank of Pikeville in order to expand products and services throughout east and northeast Kentucky.

The announcement was made on Monday and the terms of the merger have not yet been made clear to the public, but according to CNB, the merger will provide greater customer convenience to many.

Bill Claude Burchett, president and CEO of KNB, said, "We're very excited about this new partnership with Citizens National Bank. This is an excellent fit for both companies, and will enhance the combined presence in Pike County."

Currently, CNB has 14 locations throughout Floyd, Boyd, Carter, Greenup, Johnson, Magoffin and Pike counties and employs 179 people. KNB's main

office location is in downtown Pikeville, with an additional office in Belcher. The merger is expected to add two new locations in Pike County.

In commenting on the merger, Dennis Dorton, president and CEO of CNB, noted, "The addition of Kentucky National Bank branches expands our market reach and continues fulfillment of our long-term strategic goals of providing greater customer convenience and service to all our customers, especially in the Pike County market.

"Kentucky National Bank and Citizens National Bank share a similar commitment to customers, employees and the communities we serve. This merger will also preserve the tradition of community banking and local loan decision making."

The merger is expected to bring CNB's anticipated total assets after purchase to \$526 million. The transaction is expected to close this summer.



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# Obituaries

#### Kathy Angela Brown Allen

Kathy Angela Brown Allen, 42, of Garrett, died Saturday, March 10, 2007, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin.

Born August 6, 1964, in Kansas City, Kansas, she was the daughter of the late Edgel and Glenna Daniels Brown. She was a homemaker and a member of the Rock Fork Old Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Joshua Allen of Bypro; four daughters: Kari Brown of Martin, Ashley Allen of Garrett, Kiley Allen of Bypro, and Lakole Shepherd of Garrett; a brother, Christopher Brown of Garrett; a sister, Heather Collins of Mousie; a son of the heart, Devan Brown of Garrett; and her boyfriend, Holly Shepherd.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Guy Brown.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 13, at noon, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Brown Cemetery, Stone Coal Road, in Garrett, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home. Visitation was at the funeral

home. www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

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#### Edna H. Franklin

Edna H. Franklin, 83, of McDowell, died Monday, March 12, 2007, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Born July 30, 1923, in Dunbar, Virginia, she was the

daughter of the late John and Polly Blair Williams. She was preceded in death by

her husband, George E. Franklin.

Survivors include: a son and daughter-in-law: Larry Dean and Carol Hobbs of Shanks, West Virginia; two daughters and sons-in-law: Brenda and Terry Shelton of McDowell, and Patricia and Ted Meade of Louisville; two sisters: Jeanette Hooper of Martin, and Thelma Woodward of Benton; four grandchildren: Joel Hobbs, Nathanial Meade, Todd Meade, and Jennifer Mezzanotte; and great-grandchildren: five Berkleigh Morgan Mezzanotte, Nikola Mezzanotte, Ryan Hobbs, Tyler Lindsey, and Allyson Nicole Meade. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, Eulas Williams; and a sister, Ruth Ferry.

#### Henry Harvey

Henry Harvey, 56, of Martin, died Thursday, March 8, 2007, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

Born March 5, 1951, in Martin, he was the son of the late Nelson and Hattie Layne Harvey. He was a general laborer.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law: Henry Jay and Misty Harvey of Martin; a daughter and son-in-law: Hattie Ann Marie (Annie) and Darren Keith Shepherd of Hueysville; a brother, Cecil Layne of Paintsville; four sisters: Flo Blair and Joy Blair, both of Paintsville, Golda Harvey of Colorado, and Goldie Harvey of Ohio; four grandchildren: McKeal Keith, Samantha, Lexia Danelle, and Elizabeth Nicole.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 11, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Mitchell Shepherd, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Shepherd Cemetery, at Salyers Branch, in Hueysville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home

Visitation was at the funeral home.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)

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#### William B. Maynard Jr.

William B. Maynard Jr., 59, of Endicott, died Sunday, March 11, 2007, at his residence.

Born January 11, 1948, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late William B. Maynard Sr., and Margie Collins Maynard. He was a retired shop foreman for R&S Truck Body Co., and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include two brothers: David Maynard of Prestonsburg, and Gerald Ray Maynard of Endicott; six sisters: Polly Ann Stephens of Pierceton, Indiana, and Anna Lou Blackburn, Emma Lee Hunt, Della Faye Hackworth, Inez Estilene Maynard, and Virginia Jervis, all of Prestonsburg; and eight

#### Margaret Gayheart

#### Meade

Margaret Gayheart Meade, age 93, of McDowell, the wife of the late Bart T. Meade, passed away Saturday, March 10, 2007, in the McDowell Regional Appalachian Hospital.

She was born September 13, 1913, in Hindman, the daughter of the late Brown Gayheart and Dora Pridemore Gayheart. She was a member of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, in McDowell, and a homemk-

She is survived by a son, Ted (Pat) Meade of Louisville; five daughters: Velma Ward and Dora Ward, both of Chillicothe, Ohio, Ann Hasch and Vivian (Drexel) Hall, both of Louisville, and Pat (Russell) Newman of McDowell; a sonin-law, Eddie Howell of McDowell; a brother, Harry Gayheart of Saint Louisville, Ohio; two sisters: Hazel Nelson of Newark, Ohio, and Danna Wright of Lavenia, Georgia; 17 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, and eight

great-great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two daughters: Sally Junella and Geraldine Howell.

services for Funeral Margaret Gayheart Meade were conducted Tuesday, March 13, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

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

Pallbearers: Mike Newman, Darrell Newman, Steve Ward, Anthony Ward, John Deddens, Todd Meade, Nathinal Meade and David Howell.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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**Toby Sergent** Sergent, 64, of Toby native of Ashland, a Hueysville, died Sunday, March 11, 2007, at the Community Hospice Center in Ashland.

Born March 11, 1943, in Hueysville, she was the daughter of Alma Hughes Castle of Hueysville, and the late Lester Hoover. She was a waitress.

Survivors include a daughter

brothers:

and son-in-law: Kimberly Kay

and Tony Seagraves of

of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Active pallbearers: Tony Seagraves, Anthony G. Castle, James Ray Hughes, Mark Shepherd, Anthony (Harpo) Castle, Stacy Goble, Jim Riddle, Matthew Castle, Nick Shepherd, Zack Shepherd and Chris Shepherd.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)

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William C. Stumbo Sr.

William C. Stumbo Sr., 87, of Cookeville, Tennessee, passed away on Wednesday, 28, 2007, February Cookeville Regional Medical Center.

He was born in Floyd County, on February 1, 1920, the son of the late John M. and Della Hopkins Stumbo.

He was a loving and devoted husband, father and popaw and great-popaw to his family. He loved playing golf, especially with his grandsons. He was a member of First United Church Methodist of Cookeville. He was an employee for thirty-three years with Columbia Gas Company before retiring. He attended Pikeville College and the University of Kentucky.

He is survived by his daughter, Sandy Martin and husband, Ken, of Cookeville, Tennessee; sons: Bill C. Stumbo Jr., and wife, Pam, of Birmingham, Alabama, and Gary Stumbo of Grayson; grandsons: Jamie Martin and wife, Shannon, of Henderson, Scott Martin and wife, Stacie, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Todd Martin of Cookeville, Tennessee; granddaughters: Stephanie Stumbo of Lexington, Laura Stumbo of Birmingham, Alabama. Belinda Castle of Lexington, and Christi Reynolds and husband, Chris, of Lexington; great-granddaughter, Brittany Castle of Lexington; greatgrandsons: Brandon Castle,

Caden Reynolds and Colten Reynolds, all of Lexington, and Ian Martin of Henderson; brother, E. H. "Ted" Stumbo and wife, Marlena, of Tavanes, Florida; and a sister, Mildred Kendrick of Prestonsburg. He was preceded in death by

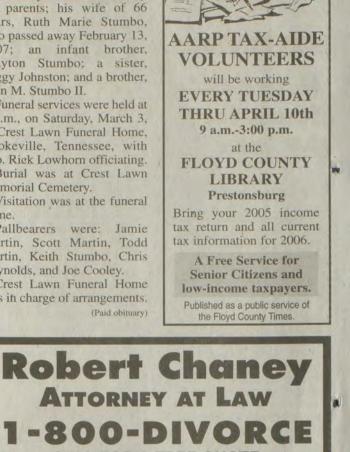
his parents; his wife of 66 years, Ruth Marie Stumbo, who passed away February 13, 2007; an infant brother, Clayton Stumbo; a sister, Peggy Johnston; and a brother, John M. Stumbo II.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., on Saturday, March 3, at Crest Lawn Funeral Home, Cookeville, Tennessee, with Bro. Rick Lowhorn officiating. Burial was at Crest Lawn

Memorial Cemetery. Visitation was at the funeral

home. Pallbearers were: Jamie Martin, Scott Martin, Todd Martin, Keith Stumbo, Chris Reynolds, and Joe Cooley.

Crest Lawn Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)



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Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 14, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial will be in the Powell Valley Memorial Gardens, in Big Stone Gap, Virginia.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary) www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

nephews, and seven nieces.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 14, at 1 Nelson-Frazier p.m., at Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jim Smith and B. J. Crider officiating.

Burial will be in the Maynard Cemetery, Wolfe Branch, in Endicott, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral (Paid obituary) home.

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Ashland; two Anthony (Harpo) Castle of Martin, and Banner Castle of Chapman; and a special companion, Jim Riddle. Funeral services were held

Tuesday, March 13, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jerry Manns and Chester Varney officiating.

Burial was in the Castle-Cemetery, Hughes in Hueysville, under the direction

## Much left unanswered in General Assembly

#### by JOE BIESK ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT - A \$28 million appropriation for improvements to the Kentucky Horse Park was left in the lurch Monday when lawmakers adjourned without reaching an agreement on a number of major construction projects.

The money was to be used to build an outdoor stadium in preparation for the 2010 World Equestrian Games. A proposal to dole out about \$25 million in grants to help southern Kentucky communities deal with the effects of lowering Lake Cumberland also was not settled when the legislature adjourned for a two-week break.

"It's a precarious situation," said House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green.

Both the House and Senate were busy amid a flurry of activity Monday, the last day before a scheduled two-week break. The General Assembly was scheduled to return for two days on March 26 to consider any of



Gov. Ernie Fletcher's vetoes or uncertain what lawmakers deal with other legislative mat-

By law, the legislature may not work beyond March 30; however, Fletcher has threatened to call lawmakers back for a special session later this year. Fletcher wants legislators to act on a Senate plan to overhaul the state's pension system and a variety of other spending proposals.

While a bill raising the state's minimum wage was headed to Fletcher for consideration, the fate of a number of legislative proposals was still undecided.

For example, it was still



would do about a possible runoff election following the May 22 gubernatorial primary. Without a change in law, there would be a runoff election after

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#### Card of Thanks

The family of Ruby Jewell Howell would like to take this opportunity to thank our relatives, friends, and neighbors, who helped in any way during the illness and loss of our beloved mother, wife, daughter and grandmother.

A special thank-you to the Pilgrims Rest Old Regular Baptist Church, Old Regular Baptist ministers, staff of McDowell ARH, Pikeville Medical Center, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, and the Floyd County Sheriff's office.

Also a special thank-you to our employers and co-workers for their consideration and kindness that allowed us the opportunity to be with our mother as much as possible during her brief illness. The kindness and love shown by all in honor of our mother will never be forgotten.

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# **Community Calendar**

#### Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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#### Jenny Wiley Chapter AARP plans first meeting of year

Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, will hold its first meeting of the year on Tuesday, March 20, in the First Presbyterian Church. Prestonsburg. Don Rose, AARP Chapter Specialist from Win-chester, will present a program on AARP activities and membersip services. The meeting begins at 6 p.m., and John M. Rosenberg, president, encourages all members and friends to attend.

#### **Victorious Women**

hosts 2007 spring retreat Christian recording artist. Damaris Carbaugh joins Women Victorious Incorporated for its spring retreat, to be held March 30-April 1, at the Ramada Inn, in Paintsville. Ladies age 16 and older are welcome. Pre-registration is necessary for lodging, meals, and full service. Brochures are available at local Christian bookstores or by calling (606) 666-2359 (Bev); (606) 251-3513 (Carol), or Carol Ann, 606-789-6982

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

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

#### **BLHS** planning 'Decades' reunion

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

#### WHS Classes of '87 and '88

The Wheelwright High School Classes of 1987 and 1988 will have a combined class reunion on Saturday June 23, 2007. A family picnic will be held at Dewey Lake Dam, Shelter #2, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. An evening event is planned at 7 p.m., at the Best Western, in Prestonsburg. Those wishing to attend should contact Reunion Coordinators Steve Cole and Jami Campbell Cole at (859) 986-1883.

#### SS Representative to visit Mud Creek Clinic

A Social Security representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel, to assist people in filing claims for Social Security retirement, disability and survivors benefits. People can also apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Black Lung (BL), and a Social Security Number (SSN).

The representative will also assist in filing appeals and

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The representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic on the following dates for the next quarter:

Tuesday, March 27.

#### **Hillbilly Travel Club**

Now scheduling trip for the upcoming year to: Niagara Falls, Canada, Labor Day weekend. Trip includes roundtrip motorcoach, lodging, selected meals. A \$100.00 deposit must be made no later than March 25, 2007. Also, guided tour, entry to area attractions (Maid of Mist boat ride, IMAX theater, and more). Please call Ed or Linda for more information at 452-4149.

#### ACHS Class of '96

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

#### PHS Class of '97

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

phone number, occupation, spouse, children, and pets. All teachers from 1993 to

1997 also welcome to attend. Send all information to: phs97@bellsouth.net, or mail to: Mark McKinney, 69 Hospital St., Martin, KY 41649.

Please visit us at www.myspace.com/phsblackcats97 for further information.

#### Hope in the Mountains

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

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society. Call 874-2008 or 788-1006

for more information.

#### **Prestonsburg Rotary Club** Invites interested profes-

sionals and businesses to join them for lunch each Thursday,

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## **General Assignment** Reporter

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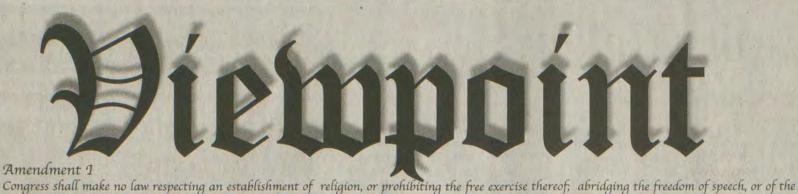


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press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

#### Worth Repeating ...

"Speak out in acts; the time for words has passed, and only deeds will suffice."

- John Greenleaf Whittier

# Guest View Libby's guilty ... Now what?

The trial of I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby was like the fancy, five-star restaurant you walk away from not quite full, wishing you'd ordered the main entree instead of multiple appetizers. In the end, you didn't get what you came for.

Libby, the 56-year-old former chief of staff to Vice President Dick Cheney, was convicted Tuesday on four of five counts of lying under oath and obstructing justice in regards to his role in the leak of an undercover CIA agent's name to the media, in supposed retaliation for her husband's criticism of the White House's reasons for going to war in Iraq. The charges were ancillary to the fundamental crime — who actually outed the CIA's Valerie Plame? — in a case that reached deep into the halls of power of government, media and law.

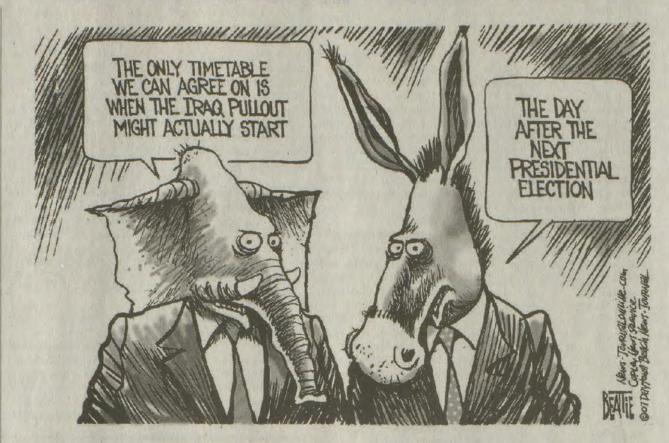
When the smoke cleared, about the only person still standing tall and proud was special prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald, who notched his belt one tighter with yet another high-profile conviction.

Ultimately this trial produced more uncomfortable questions than answers, succeeding mostly in pulling back the curtain on how things are done in Washington, D.C. What has been exposed to sunlight is not pretty.

Indeed, doubts have been generated about whether the Bush White House manipulated intelligence to justify the war, and about what lengths it would go to — or depths it would sink to — in order to discredit its critics. Americans can be forgiven for wondering about a leadership that would seem so preoccupied with Joe Wilson — Valerie Plame's husband — while Osama bin Laden remained alive and at large.

Coming off badly was Cheney, over whom "a cloud" has formed, said Fitzgerald in his closing, regarding whether he and others scapegoated Libby. Americans were deprived of his testimony, which would have been especially fascinating under cross-examination by Fitzgerald. This is another embarrassment in a string of them for this White House.

The national media didn't come away unscathed,



## Letters Our Lady of the Way is special

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Betsy Layne Elementary

## Am I surprised that Our Lady of the Way Hospital won another good award? Absolutely not!

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There have been many special doctors and nurses, but Dr. Lowell D. Martin will always hold a special place in our hearts.

Congratulations to everyone associated with this special hospital,

Lou Ann Hutchinson Georgetown

# School thanks tournament sponsors

The staff of Betsy Layne Elementary would like to extend our deepest appreciation for those who contributed to the success of the Floyd County Boys' Basketball Tournament. Time, effort and donations were so graciously given by staff, parents and community businesses.

#### Red Chinese and yellow American leaders

I wish to speak out against the 'trade' with Red China being promoted in Congress and local governments after these public officials have, of course, abandoned their posts and public trusts to be wined and dined on paid junkets to Communist China only to come back extolling the virtues of aid and trade to that evil regime whose government still refers to America as "the main enemy" and whose military continues to threaten us with their missiles built with Western technology supplied by our own treasonous leaders (remember "Chinagate"?).

Red China's products have been shown to be produced extensively by forced labor from death camps, worse than those of Nazi Germany, implementing production through starvation, torture and execution for failure to meet production quotas, not to mention Red China's reported forced abortions, traffic in human organs from political or religious prisoners killed to order, and the kidnapping of thousands of American prisoners of war from Korea and Vietnam for forced labor and unspeakably inhuman live "medical" experiments covered up by our leaders. The truth is that Communist Chinas' so-called industrial boom has been subsidized by our tax dollars through the U.S. Export-Import Bank and other agencies to the tune of untold billions of dollars over the years. We must stop our treasonous leaders from continuing to finance our deadly enemies and instead get off the backs of American business so we can re-establish American supremacy and force the barbarians of Red China's government into oblivion and China will truly be free. I wish to urge all concerned citizens to see The John Birch Society at www.JBS.org (search: China trade) and protest aid or trade with Communist China locally and in . Congress.

either, as a parade of celebrity journalists — Tim Russert, Bob Woodward, Robert Novak, etc. — made their way to the witness stand to reveal the all-too-cozy relationship between them and those they cover, and in some cases how eager they are to be pawns for the powerful. Certainly this trial has raised questions about the ability of the press to do its job using confidential sources. Former New York Times reporter Judith Miller went to jail for 85 days for refusing to out Libby; clearly that First Amendment ground is not as solid as many a journalist thought it was.

All in all, Libby seems a bit player in a much grander drama, yet he's the one who will go to jail unless he prevails on appeal or is pardoned by the president. Again, we're not satisfied that we've gotten to the bottom of all this, or that we will anytime soon, while a very real and controversial war rages on.

— The Peoria Journal Star

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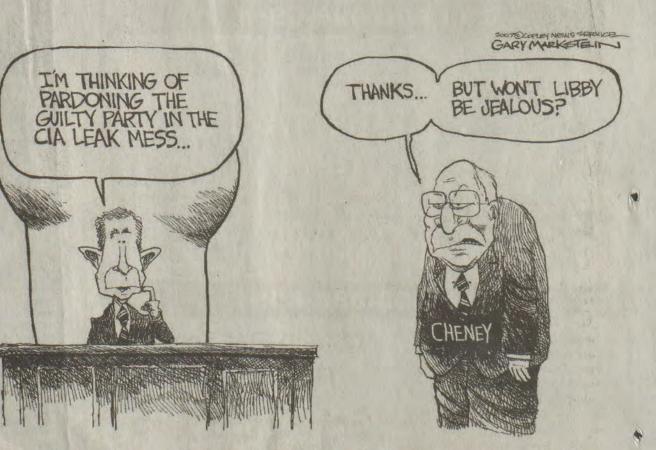
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# Student excels in Hindman summer program

HINDMAN John Wesley Slone is 6-foot, 1-inch tall and a freshman at Knott County Central High School. Despite his stature, Wesley was not assured of making it into high school. Thanks to the foresight of a Knott County principal, Wesley has tasted academic success.

A quiet and well-mannered student, Wesley was accustomed to making D's and F's in school. He thought that was the best he could do. His teachers said he wouldn't listen or turn in homework. At the end of the 8th grade, Hindman Elementary principal, Carol Combs, gave Wesley a choice: Attend summer school at Hindman Settlement School or remain another year in the 8th grade.

Wesley's family applied for a scholarship to the James Still Learning Center's Summer Tutorial Program for children with dyslexic characteristics and he was accepted. Viewing it as a punishment for not doing better in the 8th grade,



Carol Combs, presenting Wesley Slone with his diploma

Wesley says he dreaded the next six weeks.

"Sometime during the second week, I saw a light come on. I don't know what the tutors did," his mom, Bobbie Slone, said. Wesley came home and said, "Mom, I think I'm getting it. I understand how to do it. It's easy." He was talking about understanding fractions.

"I can tell a difference in his confidence. In the past, he didn't show an enthusiasm for learning. He knows now he has the potential to learn at higher levels, if he has the right people to teach him. He has had an attitude adjustment! He is so proud of himself. He's never had anything like this, as far as academic achievement," said Bobbie Slone.

Wesley would tell his mom what he was learning every week and she got a weekly report about his progress, but she said she didn't really understand how well he was doing until the end of the program.

At the closing ceremony, when the awards were being handed out, over 40 children had been recognized, but not Wesley. Bobbie Slone leaned over to her husband and said, "I don't think Wesley is going to win anything.'

The last award was the "Tom Cruise Award" for Outstanding Student, the highest award given at the Summer Tutorial Program awards day. It went to Wesley Slone. His mom says, "It didn't dawn on me he had won the highest award. I knew he was learning, but I didn't know it was as good as it was!"

At the time of his initial evaluation, Wesley said, "Math is a problem." Remarkably, he demonstrated a five-year gain in mathematics computational skills. Wesley also demonstrated a seven and a half-year gain in his ability to "sound out" words and almost a two-year gain in reading comprehension.

Wesley is now attending classes at Knott County Central and says his goal is to some day come back and serve as a tutor in the Settlement School's summer school program.

The James Still Learning Center will offer its 26th annual Summer Tutorial Program for children with dyslexic characteristics, starting June 18. For more information, call 606-785-4044.

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## Senate passes Turner's education bill

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"Schools cannot afford these unnecessary and burden-some payments," said Turner, D-Drift. "This is money that should go towards adding teachers, raising salaries or putting computers in the classroom.

The bill will exempt public sector self-insured employers, such as schools, from costly bond payments. The bill applies to public employers who have the authority to raise taxes or tuition, issue bonds, raise fees, or have other authority to generate funds.

"This is important legislation for our schools," said Turner. "This will save Floyd, Pike and Harlan County Schools millions of dollars for years to come.'

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Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, testified in favor of Senate Bill 203 during the House Economic Development Committee meeting.

Senate Bill 203 now moves House to the of Representatives for further consideration. For more information regarding Senate Bill

203 may be obtained by accessing the Legislative Research Commission website: www.lrc.ky.gov.

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MLS #14762-Beautiful family home with 3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Home has spacious rooms, nice hardwood floors in kitchen, and nice yard! Located one mile from U.S. 23 in between Pikeville and Paintsville.

As a life long resident of Prestonsburg, I initiated my career goals by obtaining my real estate education at **Big Sandy and Community** Technical College this past year. Since affiliating with Redd, Brown, and Williams as a full time agent, I have acquired several listings and currently have the above property pending with a closing date in the near future. I will work hard to assist you with any real estate needs you may have.

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#### Calendar

at 12 p.m., in the Student Grille Conference Room, onthe BSCTC campus.

Each weekly program is devoted to community service and its application to the Rotary Motto: "Service Above Self.'

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

#### UNITE

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

•March 12 - KASPER drug monitoring program.

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

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

#### Free Body Recall classes

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

#### '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 fixed income struggling with

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 Dixie Community p.m., 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 10:30 Tuesday, 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 regularat Riverview Manor ly 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

for Children - Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

•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

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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 christophercook@hotmail.com.

#### **Special Thanks from the Maytown Volunteer Fire Department**

Thursday, March 1, 2007, Maytown Volunteer Fire Department had one less fire fighter. Freddie Shepherd was killed in a tragic accident while performing his regular day job. He had been a volunteer fire fighter for the past 12 years. Maytown Volunteer Fire Department wants to take this opportunity to thank those who helped us celebrate his life, and give him the funeral he so deserved.

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and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

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

•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."

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# No-Sweat Guide to Hosting

#### HAMLY HEATURES

ports fans know that the best game-watch gatherings ofter a winning combination of camaraderie and great food. Celebrity chef Sandra Lee says the role of a host is a bit like that of the coach. When strategizing for the big showdown, it's a fine balance of preparation, discipline and spirit that ultimately yields a successful gathering. Start with a playbook that's heavy on convenient, makeahead dishes.

"My secret to winning game-time entertaining is semi-homemade cooking. Take a nosweat approach by combining convenient store-bought or ready-made ingredients with fresh and creative personal touches. It's my secret for delivering easy, delicious dishes that spectators love," Lee says.

Although the game-time menu may not call for a sit-down meal, the spread should still provide the fuel spectators need to survive into overtime. Smaller, handheld servings of protein-packed favorites, such as Home on the Ranch Pork Sliders and Show-Stopping Barbecue Shrinip Skewers will help satisfy big appetites. Lee's a recipe for Benchwarmer Artichoke

Ranch Dip offers a creative twist on a classic baked dip with extra tangy zip thanks to a packet of ranch salad dressing and seasoning mix.

For a game day gathering that's easy on the host while still delivering all the good food and fun guests expect. Lee suggests a few easy tips:

- No Interference. In the heat of the action, spectators need free hands for clapping and high-fiving, so nix any recipes that call for flatware and focus on handheld foods.
- Defend the Viewing Zone. Keep die-hard fans in good spirits by setting up multiple viewing and seating areas for guests. Dedicated game watchers will appreciate a conversation-free zone around the TV during regularly scheduled play, while casual spectators



- may prefer an area where non-sports chatter is welcome.
- Assemble a Starting Line-Up Near the TV. For spectators who don't want to miss a moment of the action, be sure to stock essentials such as extra napkins, condiments and beverage refills — within viewing distance of the game.
- Pre-Game Warm Up. Novice fans don't have to feel intimidated. Hosts can
  provide fodder for game-time banter by providing the day's sports section and printing online game proviews so that everyone has access to team trivia and key stats on
  star players.

#### Benchwarmer Artichoke Ranch Dip

Makes: 10 servings

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 1-onnee packet Hidden Valley Original Ranch Salad Dressing & Seasoning Mix
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice, or more if desired
- 2 15-ounce cans artichoke quarters in water, drained and chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped roasted red bell peppers
- 1 1/2 cnps shredded Swiss cheese
- 1 1/2 cups french fried onions, divided Tortilla chips

Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray 1-quart baking dish with olive oil cooking spray; set aside.

In medium mixing bowl, whick together mayonnaise, sour cream, seasoning mix and lemon junce until smooth. Stir in artichokes, peppers, cheese and 1/2 cup irench fried onions. Transfer to prepared baking dish and top with remaining irench fried onions. Bake 40 to 45 minutes, until set and top is golden brown. Serve with tortilla chips.

Recipe created by Sandra Lee on behalf of the makers of Hidden Valley Original Ranch dressings

#### Home on the Ranch Pork Sliders

Makes: 4 to 5 servings

- 1/4 cnp mayonnaise
  - 2 tablespoons sour cream
  - 2 1-ounce packets Hidden Valley Original Ranch Salad Dressing
  - & Seasoning Mix, divided 1/2 cup cracker meal
  - 2 eggs
  - pound pork tenderloin, trimmed, sliced 1 inch thick
  - 1/4 cup canola oil, for frying
  - 8 to 10 Hawaiian sweet rolls or dinner rolls

In small howl, whisk together mayonnaise, soureream, and 2 tesspoons seasoning mix. Refrigerate ranch mayonnaise until ready to serve.

In shallow howl, combine cracker meal and 1 tablespoon seasoning mix; set aside. Lightly beat eggs in shallow bowl; set aside.

Between two pieces of plastic wrap, pound pork tenderloin slices to 1/4 inch thick; set aside. Heat canola oil in large frying pan over medium-high heat. Empty remaining seasoning mix packets onto large plate. Dredge each pork paty into seasoning mix to coat both sides. Dip each into egg mixture then press into seasoned cracker meal. When oil is shiny, place pork patties in frying pan. Cook 3 to 4 minutes per side. Remove and place on a paper towel-lined plate. Serve on desired rolls with ranch mayonnaise, lettuce, tomato and condiments of your choice.

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#### Polenta Crostini With Sausage Topping

Serves: 12

- 1/2 pound Italian sausage, removed from casing
- 1/2 cup onion, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup tomatoes, chopped and seeded
- 1/3 cup KC Masterpiece Original Barbecue Sauce
- 1 package (1 pound) prepared polenta
- 3 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese

Cook sausage in skillet over medium heat 7 minutes or until nicely browned, stirring often. Remove sausage to a cutting board and coarsely chop. Drain fat and return sausage to skillet; add onions and cook over medium heat 5 minutes, stirring often. Stir in tomatces and barbecue sauce. Heat until bubbling; set aside.

Preheat oven to 400°F. Slice polenta into 12 1/2-inch-thick rounds and place in single layer on baking sheet. Top each round with 1 tablespoon sausage mixture, sprinkle with cheese and bake 10 minutes or until hot. Serve warm or at room temperature.

#### Show-Stopping Barbecue Shrimp Skewers Serves: 6

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- 1/2 pound bacon slices
   1 pound large shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1/2 cup KC Masterpiece Original Barbecue Sauce
- 1/4 pound snow peas, optional

Preheat broiler and line broiler pan with foil; set aside. Partially cook bacon in a large skillet over medium heat about 5 minutes, without crisping. Drain on paper towels and cut bacon strips in half.

In small bowl, toss shrimp with barbecuc sance until coated. Wrap bacon strip around shrimp with one snow pea, if desired. Secure with toothpick, Broil wrapped shrimp 3 to 4 minutes turning once or until bacon is crisp and browned. For more tips, recipes and a downloadable guide to hosting winning game-time gatherings, visit HiddenValley.com and kcmasterpiece.com.

Show Your Team Spirit. To help rev up fans, show spirit by decorating with learn colors. Lee also suggests creating an unexpected tabletop twist by securing rolled up napkins with teny cloth sweathands in team colors.



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# Show serves as impetus for Spencer's sex predator bill

FRANKFORT — Rep. James Brandon Spencer, (D-Prestonsburg), last week passed legislation making it easier to catch and prosecute child internet predators.

House Bill 438 would allow covert groups such as Perverted Justice to serve as decoys in catching these predators as well as allowing these predators to be charged with a more serious crime even if a meeting did not occur.

"Our law enforcement officials and prosecutors need all the tools they can get to help capture and prosecute these predators," says Rep. Spencer. We owe it to the parents in whis state to help ensure the safety of their children when participating in chat rooms."

One provision of the bill would clarify that the crime of unlawful use of computers or electronic communication devices to induce a minor to engage in sexual activity applies when the predator has solicited anyone they have reason to believe is a minor. Currently, the statute only lists actual minors or peace officers posing as a minor.

Another part of the bill allows a person to be charged even if an actual meeting does not occur. In a recent sting conducted in Louisville, during which more than 50 adults solicited a meeting with a minor over the Internet, only eight showed up to the meeting and subsequently were arrested and charged with a felony offense. This bill would

allow all of those who solicited a meeting to be charged with the felony offense.

House Bill 438 also clarifies that the offenses under this law apply to electronic communications that originate within Kentucky or are received in this state.

Recently, NBC's Dateline ogram "To Catch a program Predator" has been conducting undercover operations with Perverted Justice to catch adults who use the Internet to solicit sexual favors from children. This series, the impetus for House Bill 438, has brought much-needed attention to the issue, which is expected to continue growing in importance as access to the Internet proliferates.



Rep. James Brandon Spencer answered a question from Rep. Kathy Stein about HB 438 on the floor last week. The bill passed out of the House by a vote of 100-0 and will now go to the Senate for consideration.

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# Stumbo appointed to board of KSBA insurance programs

FRANKFORT — At its Saturday, meeting the School Boards Kentucky Association Board of Director approved the appointment of Floyd County school board member Jeff A. Stumbo to a seat on the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust.

Stumbo, who began his school board service in 2000, is a retired law enforcement officer and recently completed two terms as a director-at-large on the KSBA Board of

Directors. A graduate of Ashland Independent board McDowell High School and Eastern Kentucky University's Department of Criminal Justice, he has been a school council member and has volunteered as an athletic and reading coach in the Floyd County system.

Stumbo will complete an unexpired term on the KSBIT Board of Trustees through July 1, when he will become eligible for reappointment to a new term. He replaces former member James Keeton III.

The KSBIT Board of Trustees oversees KSBA's various risk-management services for Kentucky schools and colleges. The nine-member board includes local school board members, a superintendent representing the Kentucky School Association of Superintendents and a district finance officer representing the Kentucky Association of School Business Officials.

#### Session

the primary if one candidate does not win at least 40 percent of the vote.

President David Senate Williams, the top-ranking Republican in the GOP-controlled Senate, said he did not support the state paying for a runoff election. The Senate later approved a measure that would repeal the runoff and sent it back to the House for consideration. ' In a separate proposal, the

legislature cleared a variety of ax breaks for projects throughout the state, including the proposed \$465 million Museum Plaza project along the

"They did it last time because some of their members wanted to go to Disney World and they did it this time because their leadership lives at Disney World," Williams said.

Still, a plan to reinstate about \$370 million in projects, including millions at state universities and colleges, that Fletcher slashed from the budget last year remained in legislative limbo.

Whether that would be approved likely depended on the fate of the Senate pension plan, Williams said.

Democrats and Republicans

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Richards said he thinks the bill to restore funding for the university projects was being used as a bargaining chip by the Senate. Richards said he doesn't know whether the measure will pass this session, even though House and Senate leaders had an agreement.

taken during the session.

"We don't feel like we should have to deal on it a second time," Richards said.

Another high-profile proposal that remained unresolved was legislation aimed at better protecting state social workers from on-the-iob dangers. House and Senate lawmakers were trying to resolve differences in the versions passed by each chamber.

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Fletcher said he was "very pleased" by the tax incentive bill and expected to sign it into law.

A plan to spend \$9 million at Lexington's Blue Grass Airport so it could capture a matching federal grant to relocate the runway involved in the failed takeoff and crash of Comair Flight 5191 last summer, in which 49 people were killed, also cleared the Senate. A similar proposal had already cleared the House.

Williams said the Senate inserted the extra spending in hopes of avoiding a special legislative session that Fletcher has warned he might convene. "If we don't pass these things, the governor is going to call us back," Williams said.

It was the second consecutive year lawmakers would leave spending matters vulnerable to Gov. Ernie Fletcher's veto. Williams, R-Burkesville, blamed the Democrat-led House.

in the Senate approved a plan last week in which the state would sell more than \$800 million in bonds to help out the financially troubled state pension system. Without legislative intervention, Williams has said, the plan would likely go broke by 2022 - leaving the state with a \$2 billion annual pension obligation.

Current employees and retirees would not face any changes in their pension benefits, but a key provision of the Senate plan would limit future employees' benefits. Instead of receiving traditional pensions, future employees would have a "hybrid" plan that includes a mixture of defined benefits and investments.

Richards has said he favors the bond issue but does not support changes in employee benefits. Fletcher, however, has said he would call lawmakers into a special session to deal with the pension situation if no action is

The move stems from last year's death of Henderson social worker Boni Frederick who was stabbed and beaten when she took an infant to his mother's house for a visit last October.

One sticking point appeared to be House language to create neutral locations for supervised visits between birth parents and their abused or neglected children.

Williams said such visitation centers would simply "create more targets" among workers.

Richards said lawmakers would to try to hammer out a deal on the so-called "Boni Bill."

Nevertheless, Fletcher said he thought there was enough time on the legislative clock for further agreement.

"I think it's not over till it's over," Fletcher said.

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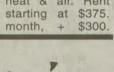
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HOUSE FOR RENT Newly build 9 room 3 BR house at 98 Cardinal Ivel, KY for \$750 rent. per month plus utilities and \$500 deposit. No HUD, NO pets Quiet and safe neighborhood Large yard References required. Great fishing on river! Call 437-6507 or 434-9008.

HOUSE FOR RENT 2 BR house on Martin. \$500 per month. Call 606-794-0249 or 606-437-0910.

HOUSE FOR RENT located at Banner, 1 mile off US 23. Central heat and air. city utilities. \$375 per month plus security deposit plus utilities. No pets. No HUD. 285-3252 days. 874-6030 evenings.

Mobile Home

FOR RENT 3 BR 2 bath double wide, city water, nice yard at Hippo. \$400 per month. HUD approved. References and deposit required. 358-3392 after 5pm.

#### FOR RENT

2 BR trailer for rent W/D, refrigerastove. \$325, tor, and \$325 deposit. Newly carpeted. NO DRUGS. 478-9529 after 7:00pm.

#### FOR RENT Trailer for rent. Call 874-2805

LOTS FOR RENT New MH park. Allen/Dwale area. Restrictions apply. paved streets, lighted area. All sizes. 606-377-2357.

MH FOR RENT 2 BR, At Garrett HUD approved. Call 285-3504 or 432-9110.

**Old Floyd County** Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue.

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Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd **County Justice** Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 28th day of March. 2007, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County,

Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows Beginning at a stake on a line midbetween way

House No. 1029 and House No. 1030, witness North 31 degrees 44 minutes East 33.54 feet to the Southwest corner of House No. 1030; thence with midway line between House No 1029 and House No. 1030, North 5 degrees 10 minutes East 125 feet to a stake; thence South 84 degrees 50 minutes East 65 feet to a stake on a line midway between House No. 1030; and House No 1031; thence with the line midway between House No. 1031 and House No. 1030, South 5 degrees 10 minutes West 125 feet to a stake; thence North 84 degrees 50 minutes West 65 feet to the beginning and containing 0.19 acres, m/l. Being the same property conveyed to Chad Lovely, a single person, from Glenda Lovely, a

single person, by Quitclaim Deed July 29 2005, Floyd County Clerk's Records and known as 90 Railroad Wayland, Street. Kentucky 41666. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff. either pay

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Howard Mary Beth Hon. Keeling Reinsfeld Associates 2035 Reading Road Cincinnati. Ohio 45202 William S. Kendrick Maste Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 COMMON-WEALTH **OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT** COURT **DIVISION I** C.A. No. 99-CI-693 Commonwealth of Kentucky **County of Floyd** By and on **Relation of** Sarah Jane Schaaf, Secretary, Revenue Cabinet Plaintiffs Vs. **Daniel Houston** Stephens **Minnie Grace** Sutherland and **Alice Harris** Defendants NOTICE OF **COMMISSION-**ER'S SALE **BY VIRTUE OF** a **Default Judgment** and Order of Sale, referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 10th day of October, 2006, in the Floyd Circut Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$23,054.96, together with interest. costs and fees. I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, cash or 10% of pur-South Central chase price, with

Avenue. Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd **County Justice** Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 29th day of March, 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: The subject property is two tracts of approxiproperty, mately 25 acres located on Middle Creek, Floyd County. Kentucky. described in the from W.C deed Allen, widower, to Daniel Houston Stephens. single dated April 9, 1984, recorded in Deed Book 283, Page 232, Floyd County Clerk's Office. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, either pay shall cash or 10% of purchase price, with balance on credit for thirty (30) 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 from the annum, 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

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assessed Clerk's Office, and right the real such 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 Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate 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 anv real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. announce-Any ments made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein. Plaintiff's Counsel: E. Hon. Dwight S. Marshall Floyd Assistant **County Attorney** P.O. Box 1000 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 William S. Kendrick Maste Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 COMMON-WEALTH **OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT** COURT **DIVISION I** C.A. No. 06-CI-

> 00285 Manufactures and Traders Trust Company, as Trustee, on Behalf of the Holders of the **Home Equity**

> > Loan Pass-

in Map File 348A, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk Tract No. 2 Lot No. 57 shown on a plat of the City of Wheelwright, prepared by Richard E. Martin and recorded in Map File 348A, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk There is excepted from the above described property,

and not hereby conveyed, that portion of same which was previously conveyed by Deed from predecessors in title, Hesia Bates Vince Bates, and her husband, to City

of Wheelwright Kentucky, dated May 23, 1986, of record in Deed Page Book 300. 558, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk, and being a certain tract or parcel of land, lving in Floyd County,

Kentucky, which is particularly more described as follows: Beginning at a nail

in pavement located in the west side of Main Street at the intersection with the north side of Street Branham thence N 56º00' W 35.78 feet to a nail in pavement on the north side of Street: Branham thence S 61º37'45' 28.33 feet to a point; thence S 44º12'32" E, 7.52

feet to a point in the west edge of Main Street; thence S 23º 53' W, 1.26 feet to the point of beginning, containing 54 square feet. Being a part of Lot

No. 59 as shown on a plat of the City of Wheelwright, prepared by Richard E. Martin, and recorded in Map File 348A in the office of the Floyd County Court

Clerk. the same Being property conveyed to Randal Holbrook and Gina Holbrook. his wife, by Bill Hall and Sandra Hall, his wife, by deed dated September 18, 1996, and filed September 23, 1996, in Deed Book 398. Page 692. in

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(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.

announce Anv ments made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Counsel: Hon. Jerry R Howard Beth Hon. Mary

Keeling Reisenfeld & LPA-Associates, LLC

2035 Reading Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

William S. Kendrick Maste Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**PUBLIC NOTICE** Bizzack

Construction LLC would like to serve Notification 0 Blasting, to the resi dents and commercial interest located in the City of Martin Kentucky. Please be advised, Blasting for the above refer enced project will begin on Monday March 19th Blasting may take place between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m Monday thru Saturday. No blasting will be done on Sundays. The duration of project blasting activity will be approximately weeks. The site is located at the intersection of KY 1428 and the KY 80 Connector Bridge. All blasts will be preceded by a loud Warning audible Signal from an elec-

tric siren. The Warning Signal will

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tion is approximately 0.5 mile southwest of the junction the Upper Wolfpen Branch Road and the Little Mud Creek Road. and located 0.05 In accordance with mile north KRS 8:010, notice Upper south of is hereby given that Wolfpen Branch. LWF Leasing, LLC, The operation is US located on the 23 McDowell U.S.G.S. KY 7 1/2 minute quad-41129, intends to rangle map. revise permit num-The application has ber 836-5407 to been filed for public change the operainspection at the tor. The operator Department currently approved Mining Surface permit is Reclamation Coal Enforcement's Inc. Prestonsburg 2328 KY Rt. 1750, Office. Regional KY 3140 South Lake 41216. The new D V е operator will be Prestonsburg, M.R.I. Mining, Inc. Written 41653. 18639 Rt. 122, Hi comments or objections must be filed The operation is with the Director, located 2.5 miles Division of Permits, of Hudson No. 2 McDowell, in Floyd Complex, Hollow County. The opera-

US 127 South Frankfort, 40601. All com ments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's

and PUBLIC NOTICE AN ORDINANCE relating to the annual budget and amendment there-Whereas the County of Floyd will be receiving unbudgeted receipts for the School Bus for Transportation fund from the KY State and Treasurer. So Therefore, the Court needs to increase the receipts and expenditure accounts that KY pertain to these funds in 2006-2007 Budget.

Be it ordained by the Fiscal Court of the County of Floyd, Commonwealth of Kentucky:

NOTICE TO PUBLIC **OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS** Kentucky Housing Corporation 1231 Louisville Rd. Frankfort, KY 40601 Mark Offerman, Chief Officer March 14, 2007 TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about March 30, 2007, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Federal funds for the following project.

Project: Housing Oriented Ministries Established for Service, Inc., - HOMES, Inc., 2007 Homebuyer Program

Purpose: Housing Oriented Ministries Established for Service, Inc. (HOMES), intends to provide 10 newly constructed single-family homes affordable to low income families. The homes will be located on scattered sites throughout Knott, Letcher, southern Floyd and western Pike counties in southeastern Appalachian Kentucky. Additional units may be completed in the next five years if the initial project goes smoothly. The project could also, under certain conditions, assist up to three families to rehabilitate their current dilapidated housing.

Location: Unspecified locations in Knott, Letcher, Floyd and Pike Counties, Kentucky,

Approximate HOME Funds in Project: \$295,000 of HOME funds

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has made by KHC which documents the environmental review of the project. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request during normal business hours

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by KHC to the Chief Officer, Attention: Crystal Harrod. Such written comments should be received at the above address on or before March 29, 2007. All such comments so received will be considered, and KHC will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

KHC will undertake the project described above with HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and I Development (HUD) under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. KHC is certifying that KHC as State Participating Jurisdiction consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, KHC may use the HOME funds and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases, (a) That the certification was not in fact executed by KHC's Certifying Officer, or (b) that KHC has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58 Sec. 58.40 or to make the written determination required by Secs. 58.35, 58.47 or 58.53, for the project, as applicable, or (c) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Assessment; or (d) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part 58 for the conduct, preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Impact Statement, if applicable, or (c) KHC has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification by HUD; or (f) A Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to: Ms. Virginia Pack, Director, Office of Community Planning & Development, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, 601 West Broadway, Room 110, Louisville, KY 40202. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. No objection received after April 14, 2007, will be considered by HUD

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LEGALS

COMMON-WEALTH **OF KENTUCKY** FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT **DIVISION I** C.A. No. 06-CI-00884 **HSBC Mortgage** Services, Inc. Plaintiff VS. Chad Lovely, Unknown Defendant, Spouse of Chad Lovely, **Glenda Lovely**, Unknown Defendant, Spouse of **Glenda Lovely** on July 29, 2005, **County of Floyd** Defendants NOTICE OF COMMISSION-ER'S SALE **BY VIRTUE OF** a Default Judgment and Order of Sale, referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 5th day of December, 2006, in the Floyd Circuit

Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$49,701.54, together with interest, costs and fees. I shall proceed to offer for sale at the

credit for thirty (30) (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. 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 Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinthe quent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its

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Through Certificates, Series 1998-4 Plaintiff Vs. Randal Holbrook **Gina Holbrook County of Floyd** City of Wheelwright Defendants NOTICE OF COMMISSION-ER'S SALE **BY VIRTUE OF** Amended Final Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 1st day of December. 2006, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$36,288.64, 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 29th day of March, 2007, at the hour of

9:30 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly

described as follows: Tract No. 1 Lot No. 59 shown on a plat of the City of Wheelwright, prepared by Richard E. Martin and recorded the Office of the using the following Court Clerk of Floyd procedures: County, Kentucky, WARNING SIGNAL

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audible signal following the inspection of the blast area

Access to the blasting area is strictly prohibited, warning signs will be posted and flag persons will be used at all access to danger-Only ous areas. authorized personnel will have access to the blasting area. These procedures are in place for the protection of everyone involved and your cooperation is vital to safeguard against injury and or property damage

# PART-TIME **MAILROOM POSITION AVAILABLE**

Apply in Person at -**Floyd County Times** 263 S. Central Ave. Prestonsburg, KY (across from Ray Howard Furniture) 886-8506

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Regional Office,

3140 South Lake

Drive, Suite 6,

Prestonsburg, KY

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Director, Division of

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All comments or

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NOTICE OF

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SECTION ONE: The Budget for the fiscal year 2006-2007 is amended to: Increase the receipts of the School Bus Transportation fund by 60,000.00 to include under budgeted receipts from **General Fund:** Account Code Description Amount 1 - 4 5 1 0

**KY State Treasurer** Bus Transportation 60,000.00 Increase the

expenditures of Federal Grants account: Account Code Description Amount 01-6301-595

School Bus Transportation 60,000.00

SECTION TWO: The amounts added to the revenue and expenditure accounts in Section One are for Recreation. Approved by the Fiscal Court of County, Floyd Kentucky this the 20th day of March 2007.

Motion by: Seconded by:

**Robert D Marshal** County Floyd Judge / Executive Approved as to Form and **Classification** this the \_20th\_ day of \_March\_\_, 0 2 0 7

State Local **Finance Officer** This Budget Ordinance amendment was duly adopted by the Court of Fiscal Floyd County, Kentucky, this the 20th\_\_\_ day of March\_ 2007. Motion by: Seconded

added to the revgiven that Ram enue and expendi-Processing. ture accounts in 544 South Section One are for Driv Recreation. Approved by the Court of County, Kentucky this the 20th day of March ing/tipple affecting by: Floyd County. Seconded by: 1.00 north of Branch Robert D Marshall (3)County /Executive the U.S.G.S. Approved as to 7 and **Classification** this the \_20th\_ day of Corporation. Surface Local **Finance Officer Budget** Regional Ordinance amend-Mining, ment was duly adopted by the Court of Suite County, Kentucky, this the 41653. day of March\_\_ ence filed with by: Permits, Seconded by: Hudson BOND Robert D. Marshall NOTICE OF KAR INTENTION TO MINE **Pursuant to** Application Box Number 836-5467 Operator Change In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, is hereby

Inc., Lake е Prestonspurg, KY 41653 has applied for a renewal of a permit for an existing coal processfacility 2.66 acres located at East McDowell in (2) The proposed operation is located miles east from KY 680's junction with KY 1929 and located just Hall The proposed facility is located on McDowell 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area is owned by The Elk Horn Coal (4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Office. Dept. for Surface 3140 South Lake Drive, #6 Prestonsburg, KY Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit confermust be the Director, Division of #2 Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. **NOTICE OF** RELEASE In accordance with the provisions of 350.093 notice is hereby given that AEP KENTUCKY

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#### FLOYD COUNTY CLERK—CHRIS WAUGH STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS YEAR 2006 ACCOUNT

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**Expenditures** 

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**Delinquent Taxes** 

**Deputies Salaries** 

Social Security

Medicare

Advertising

Beer & Liquor

**Delinquent Tax** 

Legal Process Tax

Licenses & Transfers

Tangible Personal Property

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Tangible Personal Property

Official Expense Allowance

Life & Health Insurance

Unemployment Insurance

Train Fringe Benefits (HB 810)

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Tax Bill Preperation (PVA)

Fees, Dues & Subscriptions

Audit & Accounting

Office Utilities

Office Supplies

Office Expenses

Postage

Rental Fees

Lease Fees

Vehicle

**Election Expenses** 

Office Equipment

**Excess Fees** 

Conventions & Travel

Errors & Omissions Ins.

**Total Expenditures** 

Official Maximum Compensation

Affordable Housing Trust Fee

Receipts Tax Bill Preparation \$ Election Personnel Reimb. **Registration of Voters** Tax Bill Preperation Calculation of Taxes Board of Assessement Board of Elections Commissioner Election Cost Reimb. 1,238,540.74 Licenses & Transfers License & Transfers Refund Usage Tax 4,305,596.77 Usage Tax Refund **Tangible Personal Property** 3,267,238.53 **Tangible Personal Property Refunds** Fish & Game Marriage Occupational Beer & Liquor Beer & Liquor Refunds **Deed Transfer Tax Delinquent Taxes Delinquent Taxes Refunds Fixture Filings** Releases (Mrtgs / Deeds) Deeds, Easements, Contracts Real Estate Mortgages Chattel Mortgages/Financial Statements Chattlel Financial Statements Power of Attorney Notary Bonds Property Bail Bonds Wills Leases Articles of Incorporation Mechanics Liens & LIS Pending All Other Recordings Copy Work Postage **Candidate Filing Fees** Miscellaneous **Bank Interest Income** Overage / Shortage

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#### **Total Receipts**

COAL, L.L.C., P.O. 270, Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase III release on Permit Number 898-0657 Increment #13. The last issue date is 4/14/2004. The approximate acres covered by Increment 13 is 27.57. The operation is located 1.6 miles

east of Gulnare in Pike County. The



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James Chaffins606-205-0780 (Cell) Rhonda Chaffins606-205-1421 (Cell)

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PUBLIC NOTICE AN ORDINANCE relating to the annual budget and amendment there-Whereas the of: County of Floyd has received unbudgeted receipts for the Litter Abatement Project from the KY State Treasurer. So Therefore, the Court needs to increase the receipts and expenditure accounts that pertain to these funds 2006-2007 in Budget. Be it ordained by the Fiscal Court of the County of F I o y d , Commonwealth of Kentucky: SECTION ONE: The Budget for the fiscal year 2006-2007 is amended to: Increase the receipts of LGEA fund by 62,868.66 to include under budgeted receipts Account from: 0 d e Description Amount 04-4510 **KY State Treasurer** Litter Abatement 62,868.66 Increase the expenditures of Federal Grants account Account Code Description Amount 04-5212-366 Garbage Clean-Up

62.868.66 SECTION TWO: amounts The

presently permit is approxiapproved in the mately 1.7 miles permit is the perwest of Routes mittee. The new 194's junction with operator will be Route 2061 and is rater located on Walker Construction, Inc., Branch of Johns 7617 Upper Johns Creek. The opera-Creek, Phelps, KY tion is located on Broad permit is U.S.G.S. approximately 1.86 mile northeast from map. KY Route 1428's junction with KY

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release **Reclamation** work performed includes, grading and seeding completed on 3/15/2002

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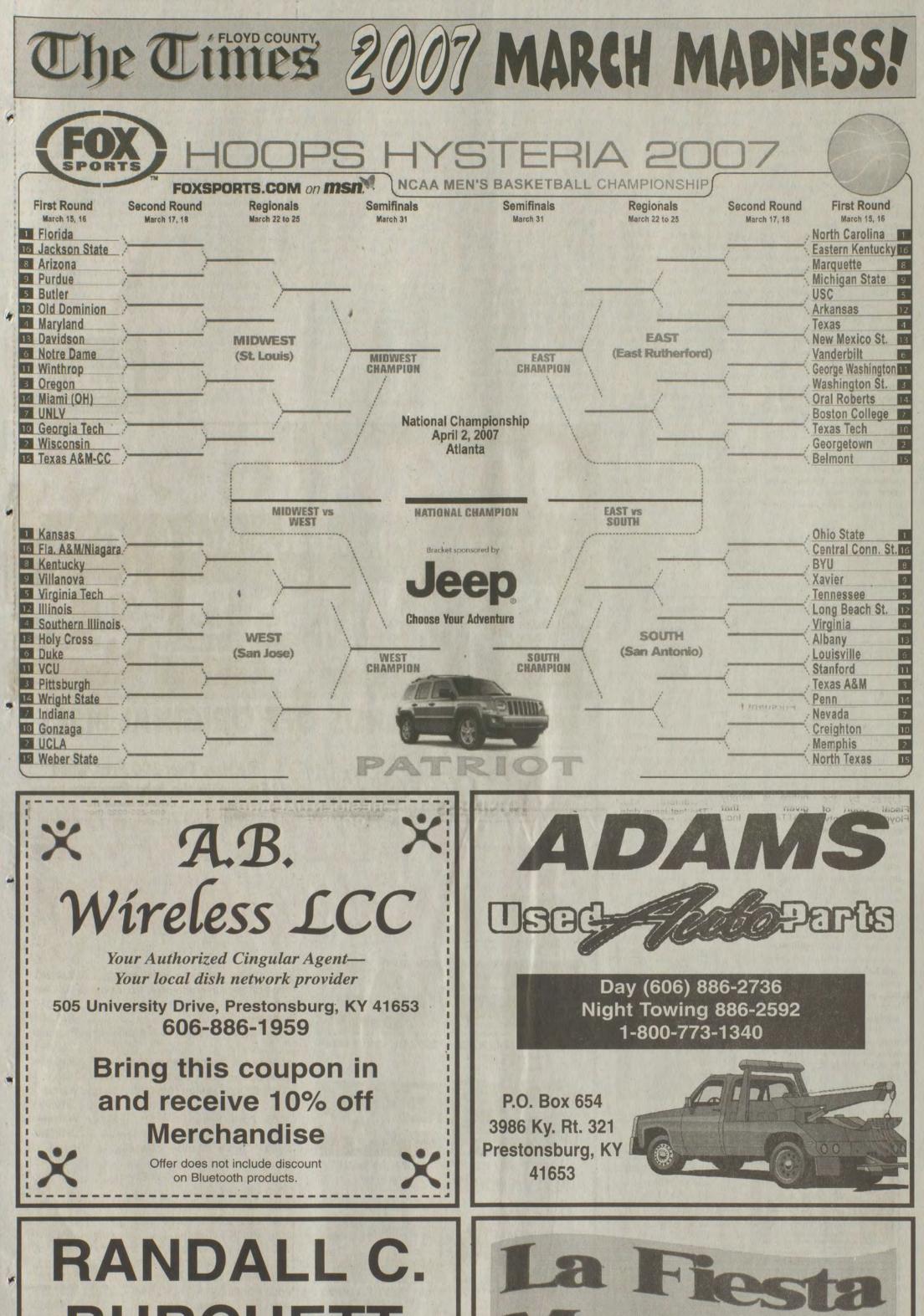
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#### Safety

to monitor for the explosive gas. Miners who are working alone would also have a detector.

The bill cleared its final hurdle by passing the House on a 96-0 vote.

The measure was stalled in the House for several weeks and passed out of the House Natural Resources and Environment Committee only after several provisions were deleted. State Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, fought to get most of the deleted provisions restored and was able to do so after Lee and other coal mine widows came to the Capitol to offer tearful testimony of why the bill should pass.

Lee said she took up the fight to protect other miners, including her brother and uncle, who work in the same conditions that her late husband did.

"I think he would be proud of me," Lee said of her husband. "I think he would say, 'You've done good.""

Other key provisions of the legislation would require two medics to be on duty at underground mines. Ventilation fans

hour. Under the proposal, it

would increase to \$5.85 when

the legislation takes effect,

which would be three months

after lawmakers adjourn, \$6.55 an hour in July 2008 and \$7.25

Bill Londrigan, head of the

Kentucky AFL-CIO, said if

Fletcher signs the measure,

Kentucky's minimum-wage

workers would get their first

"We are extremely gratified that the House and Senate approved the long-overdue increase," Londrigan said. "It is the right thing to do, the

Fletcher said he was unsure

raise in more than a decade.

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Committee member suggestions were also made at

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times unless they were under-

going maintenance, and a vehi-

cle would have to be kept near

working crews to get injured

London, chairman of the

Agriculture and Natural

Resources Committee, said a

bipartisan group of lawmakers

hammered out a final compro-

mise on the bill, which has sup-

port from the United Mine

Workers of America union and

good piece of legislation,"

inspections per year. The new

number to six, two of which

focus on electrical works inside

mines would have to be

approved by the U.S. Mine

and

Administration. Investigators believe that last year's methane

explosion at Darby Mine No. 1

"It's not perfect, but it's a

the coal industry.

Jensen said.

mines.

Safety

State Sen. Tom Jensen, R-

miners to the surface quickly.

Monday's meeting for members who will serve on the board that oversees the horse park at Stonecrest. Archer Park board members submitted a list of five names, some of which did not seem to sit well with some council members. Collins

in Harlan County was caused

safety analysts to the Kentucky

Office of Mine Safety and

Licensing. Their focus would

be on showing miners and mine

operators safer methods of

Kentucky Coal Association had

pushed for, said Bill Caylor,

president of the industry group.

responsible piece of legislation

coming out today," Caylor said.

"We're seeing a pretty

The legislation is House Bill

That's a measure that the

The measure would also add

by a faulty seal.

doing their work.

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made several suggestions as to who he thought would be more suitable for the positions. Other arguments were that not all horse divisions were represented with the five chosen.

Archer Park Director David Baldridge made clear to the council that he and other members of the Archer Park Board felt comfortable with the names submitted.

"When we considered those names, we chose people who we knew could work together,' said Baldridge. "I have concerns with the council making decisions that the park will have to deal with."

Council members agreed to add additional members later if needed.

The decision was also made to turn over the direction of the horse park and sports park facilities at Stonecrest to Archer Park.

A motion was approved to amend the city's budget for \$7,500 to be spent on completing a portion of the sports park.

insurance policy adopted last week will cover the cost.

Council members Collins and B.D. Nunnery also brought up the subject of overspending in the area of fuel for city vehicles, saying that the amount budgeted for the year had almost been spent already and they wanted an explanation as to how the vehicles were being used, particularly ones provided for the landscaping crew.

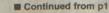
Fannin said that there is a policy in the city handbook that regulates how often and where the vehicles are driven.

The council plans to look over fuel costs and and determine if there is any way they may be able to save money.

"I think there are things we can cut," said Nunnery.

Council member Chris Slone said, "We're not trying to be hatchet men here," while explaining that this year was going to be tough for the city in regard to finances.

Another issue that has been



Savings from the new health a concern for the new council since their terms began is the city's bills. Council member Shag Branham said he does not see why council members cannot review the bills coming in to the city as they come in instead of after the fact.

"We'd like to see the bills before they're paid, not two months after," Branham said.

Mayor Fannin said it would be far too much work for his office clerks to manage to make copies available to every council member for every single bill that comes in on a daily basis.

The issue continues to be a problem for which the council must overcome, with some members saying they suspect the city is paying for things they no longer have or use.





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Health

lar move.

through a temporary employment agency, said some lawmakers had been too concerned about how the measure would affect businesses.

cerned about how it affects employers than how it affects employees," she said.

The legislation is House Bill

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minimum wage comes as Congress is pondering a simi-

Prince, who takes jobs

"They seem more con-

whether he would sign the legislation, because he and his March 14, 1959-Sept. 29, 2005 general counsel hadn't yet reviewed the plan. Fletcher said he wanted to consider the economic impact increasing the minimum wage would have, and how it would affect jobs and small businesses. "It was supported in a bipartisan way, and I think it's likely, as we look at that, that we'll be able to sign that," Fletcher said. The measure's approval comes after the House concurred with a technical change made in the Senate. Kentucky's plan to raise its 886-9100 American Way Realty www.century21.com 412 N. Arnold Ave., Pre www.realtor.com ned And Or REALTOR ASSOCIATES: AFTER 5:00 P.M. **ELLEN HARRIS** ..874-9558 PAM KIDD GARY FRAZIEF



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# Valley outlasts Pikeville, takes 15th Region title

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - Shelby Valley freshman Elisha Justice is already making some 15th Region history. Justice scored 16 points and led Shelby Valley to a 55-48 win over Pikeville Saturday night at the East Kentucky Center in the 15th Region

Tournament championship game. Justice was a floorleader for the Wildcats throughout the tournament. He and the rest of the Shelby Valley starting five - all of whom are underclassmen - stepped up and rose above when the big stage called. Every Valley player who stepped foot on the Expo Center hardwood played an unselfish brand of basketball.

"This is a very unselfish team," said Shelby Valley Coach Jason Booher. "These young kids have handled pressure extremely well. Enough can't be said about Elisha (Justice). We've had different players step up and lead us in scoring throughout the season."

(See VALLEY, page three)



**Shelby Valley** freshman **Elisha Justice** worked the basketball up the court against **Pikeville's** Jordan Bell. **Justice claimed** the regional tournament's most valuable player award.

SECTION

photo by Jamie Howell

# Lady Hawks flock to region's top spot

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - Eventual MVP Haley Ratliff scored a game-high 22 points as Pike County Central pulled away and defeated 60th District counterpart Belfry 61-48 Saturday night in the 15th Region Tournament championship game. Saturday night's win was Pike County Central's fourth of the season over Belfry. The victory gave Pike County Central head coach Stephen Butcher and his team a muchdeserved regional title.



# Ratliff, Justice claim MVP honors

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - Pike County Central's Haley Ratliff and Shelby Valley's Elisha Justice each claimed Most Valuable Player honors after leading their teams to 15th Region titles Saturday night. Ratliff, a senior who has scored over 2,000 points during her career as a Lady Hawk, paced Pike Central in a 61-48 title game victory over

(See MVPS, page three)

"All the credit goes to these 14 young ladies," said Butcher. "They have worked hard all season long. After losing to Magoffin County in the championship game last season, they were hungry and wanted to get back here to play for the title."

In another big game, Ratliff turned in another big perfor-

#### (See HAWKS, page two)



photo by Jamie Howel Pike County Central senior Haley Ratliff was named the 15th Region Tournament MVP.

## **Bears** above .500 with win over Rivier

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

COCOA BEACH, Fla. - The Pikeville College baseball team may move all of its home games to Florida.

The warm weather seemed to heat up the Bears' batsmen, who dropped New Hampshire's Rivier College 11-0, and then took a scrimmage from the Ontario Blue Jays 15-13 at the Cocoa Expo on Saturday.

For the first time this season the Bears stand above the .500 mark at 8-7-1.

The Bears picked up right where they left off on Friday, scoring in the first inning on an RBI groundout by freshman Maverick Barnhill (Grayson), which drove home senior Donald

(See BEARS, page two)



Allen Central's Josh Martin (34) eyed a rebound while working for position against Pikeville's Deven Adams. Alex Hammonds (25) and Josh Prater (23) are also pictured for Allen Central.

# Rebs fall to Pikeville in region semis

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - Playing in its backyard at the East Kentucky Expo Center, Pikeville won the right to play for a 15th Region championship with a 62-53 overtime win over Allen Central Friday night.

Pikeville outscored Allen Central 16-7 in the overtime period. Before the game went into an extra session, Pikeville reserve Jordan Bell entered the contest in off of the Panther bench and made an immediate impact. Bell helped direct the Pikeville offense and finished with 16 points. Daniel Harmon led Pikeville with 17 points. Matt Clevenger scored 15

points and Jacob Sword added 10 for the Panthers. Tim Honaker rounded out the Pikeville scoring with four points.

Six-foot-10 sophomore center Deven Adams got into foul trouble early and eventually fouled out of the game for the Panthers. Adams exited the game with no points to his credit.

Allen Central outscored Pikeville 15-9 in the opening quarter. The two teams were deadlocked at 25-25 at halftime and jockeyed for the game's lead throughout the second half. Pikeville (18-11) took a

38-36 lead into the final quarter.

Allen Central had the final possession in regulation, but found a good look at the basket tough to come by versus a tough Pikeville defense. Allen Central senior Josh Martin was short on a field goal attempt just before the buzzer.

The Rebels went cold on offense in the extra session.

Ryan Collins led Allen Central with 14 points. Martin added 13 points for the Rebels. Tyler Slone finished with 12 points for Allen Central. Collins, Martin and Slone were three senior starters for the Rebels.

Josh Prater pushed in seven points, Alex Hammonds scored four and JR Robinson added three for

(See REBELS, page two)

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THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

## Fish and Wildlife Commission proposes '07-08 deer, elk seasons

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission proposed the 2007-2008 deer and elk seasons and recommended deer

Tardy (Ellenwood, Ga.), who had led off

The run was plenty for Pikeville starter

But the Bears decided to give their

Tony Preston (Louisville), who did not

give up a hit until the top of the fourth

southpaw starter a little insurance, scoring

a pair in the bottom of the second and

adding two more in the bottom of the

Bears put together their biggest inning,

scoring four runs thanks to back-to-back-

to-back RBI-singles by freshman Kory

Darby (Worthington), sophomore Obed

Quiles (Naranjito, Puerto Rico), and

bottom of the sixth on a leadoff triple by

freshman Jeff Grieme (Villa Hills), fol-

lowed by another run-scoring single by

The Bears would add two more in the

junior John Williamson (Canada).

Up 5-0 in the bottom of the fourth, the

Bears

with a single.

inning.

third.

zone changes at its quarterly meeting Friday (March 9).

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission recommends all hunting, fishing and regulations for boating approval by the General

Assembly and approves all September 1, 2007 – January expenditures by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

The 2007-2008 Deer Seasons, Statewide All Zones: Archery (either sex) -

Williamson, who would come around four

batters later on a run-scoring double by

who went the whole seven innings, sur-

rounding a mere two hits, while striking

out a season-high 10 batters en route to

Williamson, who had a career day: 4-4,

four RBI, two runs scored, and a stolen

base. Tardy, Darby, and sophomore sec-

ond baseman Nathan Free (Kingsport,

Tenn.) each had a pair of runs scored in

Ontario Blue Jays, one of the most promi-

nent traveling baseball teams in North

America, in a scrimmage, which saw a

the fifth and held a 15-6 going into the

The Bears scored in every inning but

combined 28 runs and 25 hits.

In the nightcap the Bears took on the ,

The Bears were led offensively by

The large lead helped back Preston,

Tardy, which pushed the lead to 11-0.

improving to 2-1 on the season.

21, 2008 ; Crossbow (either sex) - Oct. 1-21 and Nov. 10 -Dec. 31, 2007; Early Youth Weekend (either sex) - Oct. 13 -14, 2007; Early Muzzleloader (Zones 1, 2, 3 either sex, Zone

4 antlered deer only) - Oct. 20-21, 2007; Late Muzzleloader (either sex) - Dec. 8-16, 2007; Late Youth Weekend (either sex) - Dec. 29-30, 2007.

Zones 1 & 2: Modern Firearms (either sex) - Nov.

Zones 3 & 4: Modern Firearms (Zone 3 either sex, Zone 4 antlered deer only) -

Bag limits remain the same

changing Martin, Jackson and Rockcastle counties from Zone 3 to Zone 4 and Hardin County from Zone 2 to Zone 1. The Commission also recommended requiring hunters to telecheck their harvest prior to

(See HUNTING, page five)



#### Hawks

mance.

"Haley Ratliff has played in every kind of big game imaginable," Butcher added. "I'm proud of these girls.'

Pike County Central fended off more than one late Belfry rally. The Lady Hawks outscored Belfry 16-9 in the first quarter, but found themselves on the losing end of a 27-23 score at halftime.

Kayla Lowe scored 15 points and A.D. Slone added 10 for the Lady Hawks. Holly

Rebels

Central

Harriss had seven points and Haley Thompson tossed in five for Pike Central. Kayla Ratliff flipped in two points for Pike Central in the regional championship game.

the win.

The win was Pike Central's eighth straight.

Pike Central finished strong, outscoring Belfry 38-21 in the second half. The Lady Hawks held a 21-10 scoring advantage over the last eight minutes.

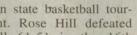
Shae Deskins led Belfry

(19-11) with 14 points. Paige Thacker followed with 12 points for the Lady Pirates. Merissa Pruitt ended the game just one shot short of double figures, adding eight points. Amanda Moon and Nikki Robinette each had seven points for the Lady Pirates.

Pike Central will take on 16th Region champion Rose Hill Thursday at 1 p.m. at Western University's . E.A. Diddle Arena in the opening round of the Girls' Sweet Sixteen state basketball tournament. Rose Hill defeated Russell 61-51 in the 16th

Pike Central 61, Belfry 48 PIKE CENTRAL (20-10) - H. Ratliff 22, Lowe 15, Slone 10, Thompson 5, Harriss 7, K. Ratliff 2. BELFRY (19-11) - Moon 7, Robinette 7,

Pike Central.....16 7 17 21-61 



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58th District champion Allen Jacob Bryant followed with 11 With the loss, Allen Central

ended its season 23-8. The Rebels had won four straight games before suffering the season-ending setback. Under the tutelage of veteran head coach John Martin, Allen Central put together a great run during the 2006-07 season, Coca-Cola anturing the

points for the Wildcats. Logan Bryant and Ashley Hatfield each had seven points for Shelby Valley, the 15th Region runner-up from one year ago. Senior Jamie Case led Belfry with a game-high 17

points. Dustin Steele, Dustin May and Brodie Reed each had eight points for the Pirates.

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Pikeville 62, Allen Central 53 PIKEVILLE - Harmon 17, Honaker 4, Sword 10, Clevenger 15, Bell 16 ALLEN CENTRAL - Collins 14, Slone 12, Prater 7, Hammonds 4, Martin 13, Robinson 3. ....9 16 13 8 16-62 Pikeville.....

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Shelby Valley 53, Belfry 41 SHELBY VALLEY - E. Justice 14, L. Bryant 7, Hatfield 7, Newsome 6, J. BELFRY - Steele 8, May 8, Case 17, Reed 8. Shelby Valley ..... 14 11 14 14-53 Belfry..... 



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bottom of the seventh, but the Blue Jays pounded out seven runs on four hits to cut the lead to 15-13 before the Bears finally induced a flyout to end the game.

Freshman Kevin Fleming (Logan, W.Va.), sophomore Josh Adams (Pikeville), Williamson, and Darby all had three runs scored for the Bears, while senior starting pitcher Rene Alicea (Barceloneta, Puerto Rico) went six innings, striking out 10.

"This was a big day for us," said Pikeville head coach Don Ashby. "We really wanted to get over the .500 mark, and it was great seeing our guys continue to hit the ball well. And even though that second game was just a scrimmage, we can take pride in beating one of the best traveling teams out there and use that to fuel us in the upcoming conference games.'

10-25, 2007.

Nov. 10-19, 2007

as last year. The Commission proposed

Hoops Classic title, Floyd County Conference crown and 58th District championship.

Shelby Valley 53, Belfry 41: In the other 15th Region boys' basketball tournament semifinal, Shelby Valley defeated Belfry.

The Pirates faltered in the second half after taking a 27-25 lead into halftime.

Shelby Valley outscored Pikeville 14-4 in the third quarter.

Shelby Valley with 14 points.

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#### Valley

Pikeville for a fourth time this season Saturday night. The three previous meetings featured the Wildcats posting double-digit wins.

In the regional championship game, Jacob Bryant added 14 points in a balanced Shelby Valley scoring effort. Jonah Justice scored eight points while Ashley Hatfield and Taylor Newsome netted six apiece. Logan Bryant rounded out the Shelby Valley scoring with five points.

Shelby Valley (29-3) stayed at least one step ahead of Pikeville the entire game.

Shelby Valley defeated The Wildcats outscored while Jacob Sword and Pikeville 12-11 in the first quarter and clung to a 23-22 lead at halftime.

Shelby Valley entered the third quarter ahead 37-32 and prevailed, despite allowing Pikeville to can a trio of fourth quarter three-pointers.

Shelby Valley hit free throws - particularly down the stretch. The Wildcats were 19-for-24 from the charity stripe.

Tim Honaker led Pikeville with a team-high 12 points. Daniel Harmon added 10 points for the Panthers. Matt Clevenger scored eight points Jordan Bell chipped in seven apiece.

Pikeville ended the season 18-12.

Shelby Valley will face the 16th Region champion next week in the Boys' Sweet Sixteen state basketball tournament at Rupp Arena.

#### Shelby Valley 55,

Pikeville 48 PIKEVILLE (18-12) - Harmon 10, Honaker 12, Bell 7, Sword 7, Clevenger 8, Adams 4. SHELBY VALLEY (29-3) - E. Justice 16, L. Bryant 5, Hatfield 6, Newsome 6, J. Justice 8, J. Bryant 14. Shelby Valley ..... 12 11 14 18-55 Pikeville......11 11 10 16-48



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**Shelby Valley** players and cheerleaders celebrated after Saturday night's **15th Region** championship victory.

photo by Steve LeMaster

# **UK earns 16th straight NCAA Tournament bid**

#### SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON The University of Kentucky men's basketball program earned its 16th-consecutive bid to the NCAA Tournament, earning the No. 8 seed in the West Region, when the tournament bracket was announced Sunday evening.

The Wildcats (21-11) face a relatively unfamiliar foe in the first round when they square with ninth-seeded off Villanova (22-10) on Friday at the United Center in Chicago. The two teams have five official meetings in their history, with UK winning all five, including one en route to the 1949 national championship.

In the first round of the 1949 NCAA Tournament, Kentucky and Villanova met in New York with the Bluegrass Cats taking an 85-72 victory. Kentucky would go on to beat Illinois and Oklahoma State to successfully defend its previous season's national title.

The teams also squared off 1988 NCAA in the

Tournament in the sweet 16, a game Villanova won, 80-74 in Birmingham, Ala. However, UK's appearance in that tournament was later vacated by the NCAA.

The last time the two teams met was in February 1998 when UK scored a 79-63 win. The Wildcats went on to win the national championship that year as well, the first under current head coach Tubby Smith.

The bid is the third straight for Villanova, which earned a No. 1 seed last year before bowing out of the tournament to eventual national champion Florida in the regional final. The Wildcats are making their 27th overall appearance - 11th most all time - and have the 1985 national championship to their credit. The Cinderella 1985 squad remains the lowest seed (eighth) to ever win a national title.

Thursday's match up is one of three in the first round that pits former national champions against each other. The other two are Michigan State Marquette versus and

Louisville versus Stanford.

Opposite UK in the pod is top-seeded Kansas (30-4), with the No. 16 seed being decided by the opening round game between Florida A&M (21-13) and Niagara (22-11). That game is slated for Tuesday night in Dayton, Ohio.

The winners of the two first-round games meet on Sunday with a trip to the Sweet 16 at the HP Pavilion in San Jose, Calif. on the line. Kansas, the Big 12 regular season and tournament champion, won national championships in 1952 and 1988. Florida A&M is making its third appearance in the NCAA Tournament, all coming since 1999, after winning the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Tournament. Niagara enters the tournament for the second time in three years and third time ever by virtue of its Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Tournament title.

The other first round match-ups in Chicago are out of the Midwest Region. Wisconsin Second-seeded

meets No. 15 Texas A&M-Corpus Christi and No. 7-seed UNLV faces 10th-seeded Georgia Tech.

UK has played four NCAA Tournament games in the Chicago area, all at McGaw Northwestern's Memorial Hall in Evanston. The Wildcats have played at the United Center four times previously going 3-1, all in Great Eight events from 1995-98. The last game UK played in Chicago was a 63-45 win

over then-No. 7 Kansas in December 1998.

Sunday's bid is the 48th all time for Kentucky, which is an NCAA record. The 16-straight appearance is the third longest active streak in the nation and fifth all time. Arizona has the longest current run with 23 consecutive trips and Kansas is second at 18 straight. North Carolina's 27 straight bids from 1975-2001 mark the alltime record.

Kentucky has won seven

national championships, been to 13 Final Fours and 28 Elite Eights, including two in the past four years. Last year, the Wildcats earned an eight seed in the tournament and beat UAB in the first round before falling in the second round to UConn.

Kentucky head coach Tubby Smith is making his 14th-consecutive appearance in the tournament and has the

(See UK, page five)

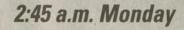






photo by Jamie Howell

HONORED: The All-15th Region Tournament girls' basketball team was announced at the conclusion of Saturday night's championship game.

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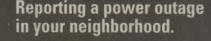
Belfry. Justice, a freshman, led Case (Belfry); Dustin May Shelby Valley to a hard-fought 55-48 regional championship win over 59th District rival Pikeville.

A breakdown of the boys' and girls' all-tournament teams follows. The 15th Region Boys' All-Tournament JD VanHoose Team: (Paintsville); Brennan Case (Betsy Layne); Charlie Hunt Devin Rice (Phelps); (Magoffin County); Jamie

(Belfry); Josh Martin (Allen Central); Ryan Collins (Allen Jordan Central); Bell (Pikeville); Matt Clevenger (Pikeville); Daniel Harmon (Pikeville); Jacob Bryant Valley); (Shelby Taylor Newsome (Shelby Valley); Jonah Justice (Shelby Valley) and Ashley Hatfield (Shelby Valley). The 15th Region Girls' All-Tournament Team: Kayla Lowe (Pike Central);

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A.D. Slone (Pike Central); Holly Harriss (Pike Central); Kayla Ratliff (PIke Central); Merissa Pruitt (Belfry); Shae Deskins (Belfry); Kendra Carroll (Paintsville); Ashley J. Howard (Paintsville); Brittany Manns (Magoffin County); Esther Fleming (Shelby Valley); Sally Roberts (Shelby Valley); Kaitlin Lawson (Betsy Layne); Amber Whitaker(Prestonsburg) and Hollie McCarty (East Ridge).



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# Kentucky AD: 'Tubby's our basketball coach'

#### by JEFFREY MCMURRAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON – Tubby Smith has good reason to believe Kentucky wants him to return next season.

"Tubby's our basketball coach," athletic director Mitch Barnhart told The Associated Press on Monday. "He's done a great job of representing the platform of Kentucky basketball. We'll always look to make adjustments to the things we've got to do to get better. Tubby and I will do that collectively."

Amid weeks of speculation that Smith was on his way out, Barnhart stopped short of saying the coach would remain in charge of the Wildcats. The AD acknowledged, however, that fans had misinterpreted a statement by him as meaning a

coaching change was near.

"They were reading way too much into that," Barnhart said, referring to the statement that urged fans to wait until the postseason before making judgments on the state of the team.

The Wildcats (21-11) are a No. 8 seed in the NCAA tournament for the second straight year. Kentucky plays Villanova in the first round on Friday.

Barnhart pointed to Smith's credentials and said the two would sit down at the end of the season to discuss changes. He declined to say whether any assistants might be replaced.

"His winning percentage is .700plus," Barnhart said. "Since I've been here, we've won a couple conference championships, been to two Elite Eights, we've been the number one seed twice. We've had a couple years here that have been a little un-Kentuckylike, but I don't think that's a reason to panic or put ourselves in a position where we're not making objective calls in terms of the things we need to do to be better."

Barnhart said that high school recruits looking at Kentucky should have no reason to believe Smith won't be their coach. Recruiting stability was part of the reason he extended football coach Rich Brooks' contract after last season, when the Wildcats won the Music City Bowl.

Kentucky is the winningest college basketball team of all time and the winner of seven national championships – the latest in 1998 in Smith's first year on the job. The team hasn't been back to the Final Four since and has amassed double-digit losses two straight years and five times under Smith. Some fans critical of Smith have nicknamed him "Ten-loss Tubby."

Even after Barnhart released his statement last month when the Wildcats were in the midst of losing four out of five games, Smith said he felt he had the support of the administration.

"I'm not going to defend my record or anything else," Smith said at the time. "But I guess Mitch felt like he needed to make a comment, from what I understand. I'm sure he gets calls just like everybody else."

Barnhart explained Monday that he released the statement as an answer to media requests and didn't intend for it to suggest Smith was on the hot seat if the Wildcats didn't finish strong.

"I just globally wanted people to

understand, look, we're paying attention," Barnhart said. "We'll make the adjustments at the end of the year we need to make and we'll get on with it. By not saying something, everybody, I think, would have thought we didn't care or we weren't paying attention to the things that were going on in our program."

Barnhart said he understands fan criticism of coaches but that often, it gets a little too personal.

"What bothers me most is people can be very disrespectful to people as human beings," he said. "I feel bad for coaches when they're not treated as human beings. ... I hope that Tubby knows there's a large number of people out there that love him, that think highly of him and his family – the way they have represented Kentucky."

# It's a trip back to Rupp for Rick and the Louisville Cardinals

#### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Coach Rick Pitino is back in the NCAA Tournament after a year's absence and he's bound to have serious deja Vu as a result of the draw.

Pitino will lead his Louisville Cardinals against Stanford in the South Regional at Rupp Arena Thursday. Louisville is 23-9, while Stanford is 18-12.

Pitino's Louisville squad is the No. 6 seed in the South Regional and Stanford is 11thseeded.

The Louisville coach had said he hoped his team would not have to travel far and the selection committee must have been listening.

"We just didn't want to go

out west," he said. "We were hoping Chicago, Columbus or Lexington, somewhere close for our fans. I don't think it's an advantage or disadvantage for us as a team. I do think it's good for the fans and media."

The Cardinals made the big dance with major improvement as the season reached the stretch. With U of L at 5-4 after losses to Dayton, Massachusetts and Kentucky, the Cardinals enjoyed gradually improved health to its key veterans and the rapid growth of its talented freshman class.

They were one of the most successful teams in the nation late in the year and rose to 12th in the Associated Press poll.

"I'm as pleased as I've ever been with a basketball team," Pitino said. "To perform like they have the last few weeks in overcoming obstacles and injuries with an extremely young basketball team – it's way beyond what I anticipated."

Based on the rankings and how well Louisville finished, Pitino said he thought his team would get a No. 5 seed but added, "It really doesn't matter. I think the No. 1 seeds have an advantage, but take away the one seed and it really doesn't matter."

Stanford has definitely had a seesaw season, but a strong finish attests to the grit they showed after getting blown out by Air Force and Santa Clara. The Cardinal showed promise with victories over NCAA tourney teams Texas Tech and Virginia. They dropped three out of their last four Pac-10 regular-season games and bowed out to Southern California in the first round of

the conference tournament. But they also have wins

over No. 2 seed UCLA and No. 3 seeds Washington State and Oregon. Stanford is led by 6-foot-8 sophomore forward Lawrence Hill (15.9 ppg) and also have two of the country's top freshmen in 7-foot twins Robin and Brook Lopez.



#### . UK

seventh best winning percentage in the tournament among active coaches with a 28-12 mark. His 14 straight trips is the third longest streak among active coaches and tied for fifth all time. He led UK to the 1998 national championship in his first year with the Wildcats.

The No. 8 seed marks the second-straight season the Wildcats have earned an eighth seed. Prior to that, UK had not been seeded as low since 1987, which marked the only other time Kentucky has been seeded eighth. In 1987, Ohio State pulled off a firstround upset in Atlanta, marking the only time UK has lost in the first round in its last 21 appearances (including vacated 1988 appearance).

The Southeastern Conference garnered five bids overall, including No. 1 overall seed Florida, the defending national champion. Tennessee Continued from p3

earned the No. 5-seed in the South Region while Vanderbilt and Arkansas earned the No. 6 and No. 12 seeds, respectively, in the East Region.

Florida is joined by the Jayhawks, North Carolina and Ohio State as the four number one seeds.

The tournament culminates with the Final Four, which will be held at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, Ga.

#### Hunting

removing the cape or head.

The Commission also proposed increasing the number of tags drawn for the quota elk hunts to 300. Seventy-five bull elk tags will be drawn, along with 225 cow elk tags. The Commission also recommended a statewide bag limit of one elk that applies to both in-zone and out-of-zone hunters.

In other elk-related business, the Commission recommended to the General Assembly to open antlerless (cow) archery and crossbow seasons on the second Saturday in October (October 13, 2007) and run concurrently with the remainder of the archery and crossbow deer seasons. Archery and crossbow use for bull elk will be legal during the regular bull elk gun season and run concurrently with the remainder of the archery and crossbow deer seasons. Elk hunters will be required to display a tag provided by Kentucky Fish and Wildlife in the windshield of their vehicle while hunting elk.

In fisheries-related business, the Commission recommended to remove the 9-inch minimum size limit on crappie at Cedar Creek Lake in Lincoln County. On Lake Blythe in Christian County, they proposed a 12- to 15-inch protective slot limit on largemouth bass. All largemouth bass caught between 12 and 15 inches long must be immediately released on Lake Blythe. Both of these fisheries regulations, if approved, go into Continued from p2

effect on March 1, 2008. The next Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8 a.m., Friday, June 8, 2007 at #1 Sportsman's Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Persons interested in addressing the Commission must notify the KDFWR Commissioner's office in writing at least 30 days in advance to be considered for placement on the meeting agenda. People who are hearing impaired and plan to attend the meeting should contact the KDFWR at least 10 days in advance and the agency will provide a translator. To request to address the commission, write to KDFWR, Commissioner Dr. Jon Gassett, 1 Sportsman's Lane, Frankfort, Ky., 40601.

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If you or a group would like to participate in a Clean Up in the county, Please contact Marie Martin-Holbrook, Floyd County PRIDE Coodinator at 886-9193

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#### **KIM'S KORNER**

The following tidbit of information was shared with me this past Monday morning. And seeing how a few of these remarks were very recent subjects of conversation, thought it would be fitting to share with you guys.

Hope you can relate and enjoy.

## Things only people in Kentucky know!

Possums sleep in the middle of the road with their feet in the air.



5,000 types of snakes and 4,998 of them live in Kentucky.

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There are 10,000 types of spiders. All 10,000 live in Kentucky plus a couple no one's seen

before.

**Kim Little Frasure** 

If it grows, it sticks; if it crawls, it bites

Onced and twiced are words. It is not a shopping cart; it is a

buggy. People actually grow and eat okra. Fixinto is one word.

There is no such thing as "lunch." There is only dinner and then there is supper.

Iced tea is appropriate for all meals and you start drinking it when you're. two. We do like a little tea with our sugar! Backards and forwards means "I

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#### **POISON OAK**

# Rainbow, The Big Sour Apple

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(Items taken from The Floyd County Times,

10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70 years ago.) page B7

"The BEST source for local and regional society news"

#### by RALPH HALL

Ralph the boy woke up early and jumped out of bed. He put on a red and black flannel shirt, a pair of overalls, and found himself a clean pair of white socks. Next, he pulled his brogan shoes out

from under his bed. He took a real good look at them to see if they shined, he had polished them last night with a big chunk of pig skin. "They look just great," he thought to himself. Once he had dressed he called to Mutt, his little brother, "You get out of that bed, now!"

Mutt jumped up and asked, "Whats wrong? Is the house on fire?"

"No," Ralph said, "It's the big day, is all!"

"It is," Mutt asked. "What's so big about it?" "Today we're going

over to the big rainbow apple trees over on the farm," Ralph explained.

"Oh, okay," Mutt said. "Just give me a little time to get ready."

And that's the way a particular morning of my life began many years ago. I will tell you more about that morning and that day in this little story.

After I left Mutt to get ready, I went on into my mother's kitchen, picked up the big water dipper, put it into the water bucket, poured some of the cold water into a wash pan and washed my hands and face. Now I was ready for the day.

After a bit, Mutt came into the kitchen, as well. He threw the water I had left in the pan out in the backyard, got himself some clean water and washed his own hands and face. The cold water from the bucket made us both feel better. We ate some oats that our mother had cooked and then I got up from the table, opened the kitchen door, and poked my head out to feel the weather. It had the feeling of a cool, fall day. Just right to go off into the woods to the apple trees. I cried out, them beechnuts open - the seed inside it was green. I took a bite of the nut but it was bitter so I spit it out right away.

Me and Mutt laid down on the rock for a little while and took a short rest. The sun was shining down on us. Soon, it became too hot and lying

> there was not much fun, so we got up and took off again, up the holler toward Grandmaw's house.

> "It won't be long until we get to Grandmaw's, if you will just come on, Ralph," Mutt said.

"I'll hurry," I told him.

"Sure you will," Mutt said. "I can see it all now," he continued with sarcasm in his voice. I have to admit, I liked to take my time. I wanted to see all the things around me and, I must say, there are only a few things that I ever missed seeing.

As Grandmaw's house came onto view, I noticed

that some of the flowers that had grown in and around her yard had faded along the fence line near her house. The colors had faded from the cool fall weather we had been having. Others, though, were still standing and were still of a deeper color. Soon, when the big frost would come, the leaves on the trees would turn many different colors, making the world I lived in a thing of beauty for the next few weeks. It seemed that God had made everything beautiful for his own purpose. As much as I loved flowers, though, on this day, I had apples on my mind. All I could think about were rainbow apples. One of them big old rainbows would fill the stomach of any boy. We called them rainbow apples because they had stripes that ran from the stem to the bottom of the apple and they were large like a rainbow.

As we walked on toward Grandmaw's house, I found an empty cream can laying off in the weeds beside the dirt road. Picking it up, I thought to myself, "I will play kick the can." So I picked it up, threw it down and began to kick it with first one foot, then the other. The road was usually always dusty except for when it rained and then it turned to mud. But today it was just right for kick the can. I could hear the katydids as they made their strange sounds from flapping their wings in the wind. Mother always called these insects "jar flies." A cool gentle wind blew on my back as I walked up the dusty road. I could almost hear my tongue saying to my mind, "rainbow apple." When we got to Grandmaw's house, we rested for a little while. It had been a three-mile walk from our house at Melvin and it had taken us about thirty minutes to get to Grandmaw's. It would have probably taken about three hours if I had come by myself but Mutt always rushed me up. I believe that Mutt was the glue that held me together back then. It is amazing how things around us always seem to break, but a family sticks together.

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from, unless birds carried the seeds and dropped them down, or maybe it was a Johnny Appleseed that planted them, because they are an old type of apple. Anyway, on up the hill we began to climb, toward the apple trees that set over on a flat where large popular trees also grew. It was a good walk - straight up a hill. We both slipped a time or two.

A jackrabbit jumped out of a holler log and ran in front of our path. Mutt said, "I sure wish I had my slingshot, we would have rabbit for supper.'

You can't hit no rabbit with a slingshot, Mutt. You can't hit nothing. Shut your mouth," I said. "I can, too," Mutt cried.

So I got off the slingshot subject real quick, because I didn't want to get hit by a big rock. Even if Mutt couldn't shoot a slingshot. I knew all too well that he could throw them rocks real good.

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When the apple trees came into view, I noticed that their leaves had turned to a pale yellow, and many of them had fallen to the ground. There were apples everywhere. I picked up one of them and it was larger than a grapefruit - no lie. I laid down on the grass on my side and polished that apple up real good. After looking at it and admiring it for a long while, it was time to take my first bite. It being so big, I rolled it around in my hand looking for just the right place to sink my teeth into it. After a while, I found the very spot and sunk my teeth in and took a real good bite, pulling a large plug from the apple. It was as sour as that beechnut had been! It was bitter and I ended up spitting it out. I heard Mutt spit his out, also. Then I heard him say, "Ralph, why do you always make everything sound so good? I'm a fool to ever listen to you! You knew all along that these old rainbow apples weren't no good to eat!"

Mutt was right,I did know that. I really knew that them rainbow apples were only just good for making apple butter. But, they were so big and so pretty, that every year, I guess I tried to convince myself that this time they would be good for eating, too.

Anyway, I threw that big old apple as far down the hill as I could get it to go and me and Mutt started to make our way back down the hill. Mutt griped at me all the way back to Grandmaw's house: "You and them old rainbow apple's," he kept saying all the way to the house. When we finally walked through Grandma's back kitchen door, she looked up and said, "Well, how was them apples, boys?"



A quest for tasty apples takes Ralph and Mutt on an autumn adventure today.

## Need more coffee, Sweetie?

#### by Clyde Pack

I don't remember exactly how long it's been since it all started to change, but I suspect it started happening about the time the hair around my ears



started turning white, and liver spots began replacing freckles on my face hands. and I'm What speaking of is sudden the (or maybe it's been gradual) use of certain "terms of affection" by

which Wilma

**Clyde Pack** 

Jean and I are now addressed.

"Do you need more coffee, Sweetie?" the waitress asked her as we finished our meal.

Will there be anything else, Baby?" the girl asked me as I paid for my gas. Sweetie? Baby?

It took a while for us to figure out why perfect strangers would address us with the same technology we used to address each other nearly half a century ago when we were courting. But with the help of the bathroom mirror, we finally realized it must have something to do with the aging process. I haven't discussed this with any of my peers, but I'd bet a nickel against the hole in a doughnut that the same thing is happening to them. Next time we go out to eat, if we're seated near someone our age. I think I'll do a little eavesdropping.

Anyway, I'm sure we act more like teenagers when we exchange a quick glance and attempt to stifle a giggle when the clerk asks one of us, "Can I help you. Sweetheart?"

'd like to think it all has something to do with folks having respect for their elders, and while it has become a source of humor for us, now that we feel we understand the reason for it

(See OAK, page eight)

'Hey, Mother, can we go over to the rainbow apple trees today?"

Mother answered back, "Okay, I guess, but don't you get into no fight with any of them holler boys!"

"We won't," I called back, and then me and Mutt took off out the front door. I set out up the railroad tracks, walking on a rail, but Mutt went up the dirt road - said he wanted to "kick up some dust." Me and Mutt would do just about anything. By now, this you must surely know. Me, I liked to talk but Mutt, he was just mostly out for adventure and was eager to go to the apple trees.

As we walked, I just had to holler at all the people we saw along the road. Mutt would chide me, "Shut up, you crazy fool!" He didn't want to waste time on talk, he wanted to get along the road to the apple orchard. He didn't stop me, though. I just couldn't help myself, it's just the way I was, and the way I still am to this day.

Finally, we made our way up to the Beech Bottom where we saw some squirrels as they played with one another in one of the larger beech trees. Some of the beechnuts fell to the ground as the squirrels hopped along the big tree's branches, so we stopped for a bit to pick them up. We picked up the nuts, went over to the creek bank, and sat down on a large flat rock. I cracked one of

It was soon time to move on to the big apples that were off up in the timber. So Mutt and I told our grandmother that we were going the rainbow apple trees. Grandmaw told us that was okay but added, "don't climb them trees, you might break a limb (she was talking about the tree limbs, not ours). I don't know where them trees ever came

"Sour!," we said. "We threw 'em down the hill!"

Grandmaw just laughed and said to us, "They're good to fry or for makin' apple butter, but they're just too sour for most people to eat."

"I know!," Mutt said. "I'll never put a bite of one of them in my mouth again! Can't hardly bite into them, anyway, they're so big and hard!'

"And when you do get a bite, they're so sour they turn your lips sideways," I added.

Later, before we left out for home, Grandmaw said, "Do you boys want a piece of apple pie to eat on the way home?"

"Not today!," we both cried as we all laughed at ourselves. We took off down the dusty road for home. We stopped at the drawbars and pulled a stalk of rhubarb. We stripped the outside from the stalk and took a big bite. It was sour, too, but not like the rainbow apple! So we went down the holler biting off rhubarb and spitting out the juice.

Mutt found the cream can I had left lying on the side of the road and begin to kick it as I had on the trip up to the apple trees. He just kept say-

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## March - tough month for wildlife

March is the most difficult month of the year for birds to find adequate food to survive winter in most of North America. That's because the supplies of natural food....last year's seeds, fruits, berries and insect eggs and larvae...are at their lowest levels after months of having the many birds feeding on them.

March is too early for a new crop of seeds, fruits, berries, and insects to be available. Therefore, birds have to work harder to find sufficient food during a month when it is still very wintry in much of the country.

That's why March is the best time of the year to feed birds in the backyard.

They will respond more readily to feed-

# er foods offered in March than at any other

This is "Boomer" and "Gracie," two budgies owned by Gailanne Upton, of Banner. Gailanne got this picture of the birds while they were having a bit of fun playing with all the toys in their cage. Boomer and Gracie want to remind us all that now is the best season of all to begin feeding their wild bird cousins in our backyards.

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time of the year. Isn't it curious that in fall - October and November - when natural foods are most abundant, people take the greatest interest in feeding birds? It is in the fall when there are the greatest number of bird seed sales, bird feeding seminars, bird store sales, and start-up backyard bird feeding efforts. By March, the interest in bird feeding has waned, at a time when the birds

need it most. Though birds are not dependent on feeders for their survival (studies have shown that birds glean 75 percent of their daily food from the wild, even when feeder foods are available), feeding them in March will make life a little easier for them, and under severe conditions, may even save them from starvation.

Here is a wonderful book to look up the birds at your feeders.

"National Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Birds: Eastern Region'

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School Happenings

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

\*\*Please turn in your Food City receipts to your local school by March 16! Thank you!\*\*

#### **Adams Middle School Youth Services Center**

Get Moving AMS," an exerclise/nutrition program for students will meet on Wednesdays, during the month of March. Heather Nelson, Floyd County 4-H Agent, will facilitate. Interested students may sign up in the YSC.

March 14 - YSC Advisory Council will meet at 4 p.m., in the center. All are invited.

March 19 thru 23 - Spring Book Fair. Parent volunteers who wish to assist may call 886-1297.

March 22 - Parent Support Group meeting for AMS and Clark parent/guardians, 8:30 a.m., in YSC office. Refreshments and door prizes.

March 27 - "Magic Me," weather permitting.

II To learn about Smarty Camp scholarships, contact the center. Smarty Camp will instruct students in art, music, drama and science, as well as providing recreational activities.

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

Exercise class for students also being offered. Those interested may contact the center to sign-up.

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

#### **Allen Central High** School

March 14 - TAG art trip to MSU. March 16 - ROTC Spot Team trip.

March 17 - Pre-season baseball and Knott Central.

March 21 - Youth leadership at BSCTC

March 24 - ACT workshop.

- March 24 Military Ball.
- March 27 TAG trip.
- March 28 Sophomores order

class rings. March 29 - Internet safety at ACMS, 6 p.m.

Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3:30 .m., Mon. thru Fri. Sharon Collins, coordinator. Telephone 358-3048. Center provides services for all famimeeting, 1:30 p.m. Topic: "Discipline/Managing Behaviors." March 22 - Respect class, 2 p.m.,

7th grade girls.

March 26, 27, 28 - Genetics presentation, 7th and 8th grades.

March 29 - Parent support group meeting, 6 p.m. Topic: "Internet Safety," presented by Trooper Scott Hopkins. Everyone welcome!

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

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

#### **Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth** Service Center

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

#### **Betsy Layne** Elementary

March 19 - Kindergarten registration; 8:30-11:30 a.m. For information, contact Teresa Frazier, counselor, at 478-9751, ext. 2809.

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

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

The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 7th and 8th grade wing. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550.

Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

#### **Clark Elementary**

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

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

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

Nurse services: Floyd County Health Department nurses will be in uled. Call 886-0815 for an appointment.

Lost and Found located in Resource Center.

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

#### **Duff Elementary**

Yearbooks on sale - \$22

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

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

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

#### **May Valley Elementary**

March 19, 20, 21 - Program on personal hygiene.

March 27 - V.I.P. Parent Support Group meeting; 1-2 p.m., in library.

March 29 - Presentation on weather by the Jackson Weather Station

March 30 - Big Sandy Singers. 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

County

Floyd 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

FRC provides services to all MES students and their families, regardless of income.

#### **Mountain Christian** Academy

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

MCA is an accredited nondenominational Christian school.

#### Prestonsburg **Elementary and Family Resource Center**

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

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

#### South Floyd Youth **Services Center**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### Stumbo

#### **Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource &**

**Youth Service Center** 

lies, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

#### W.D. Osborne "Rainbow Junction" **Family Resource Center**

March 15 - "Louie, Louie," 8:30 and 9:00 a.m.

19 - Family March Read/Activity Night, 6 p.m., OES library. Please make plans to attend!

March 20 - "Read Together, Talk Together," parent meetings, 9:30 a.m., in Family Resource Center. Presenter: Stephania Conn, BSCTC.

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

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

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

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

#### Wesley Christian School

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

#### **BSCTC Adult Education & GED**

Mondays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. -McDowell FRC, Martin Comm. Ctr., Auxier Learning Ctr., and BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House, BSCTC; 4:30-9 p.m., Auxier Learning Ctr.

Tuesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Dixie Apts., Betsy Layne FRYSC, BSCTC; 6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

Wednesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. -Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - David Craft Center, BSCTC; 6-9 p.m. -BSCTC

Thursdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. -BSCTC, Mud Creek Clinic, Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 1-4:30 p.m. -BSCTC, Betsy Layne YSC., Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 4:30-9 p.m. -Martin Comm. Ctr.

Adult Education teachers are:

lies regardless of income.

**Allen Central Middle** School March 21 - Parent support group

the Resource Center on selected dates (March 8, 16, and 22). Now taking appointments for 6th grade exams, WIC, and well-child exams for birth-18 years. Flu shots may also be sched-

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

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 fami-

Ron Johnson, Stephania Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, Vanessa Adkins and Susan Stephens.

Program manager: Kay Hale Ross (886-7334).

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# (Items taken from YESTERDAYS The Floyd County 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60,

#### **Ten Years Ago** (March 19 and March 21, 1997)

By this evening (Wednesday), the Floyd Gounty school system may have a new superintendent of schools, but by June, he or she could be out of a job. State Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody said, last month, that if the Floyd County district ends the school year with a budget deficit, he will oust the entire board of education and its new superintendent...A Prestonsburg man accused of armed robbery, kidnapping and car theft ,was indicted, Tuesday, on those charges and more. Ervin Printice Ginther, 31, was indicted for the January 14 armed holdup of the Lakeview Mart at Lancer...Prestonsburg residents may have thought they heard a loud gunshot, Wednesday afternoon, but they didn't. They heard a grenade, which was detonated by the Prestonsburg Fire Department. The grenade was brought to the fire department by a Floyd County deputy after it was found in an Allen dumpster...A Floyd County jury decided, last week, that Charles Greg Berger, a former city park employee, was fired because he filed a workers' compensation claim against the city of Prestonsburg and its parks board...Carmel Hall Jr., 26, of Weeksbury, one of Indiana's top five "dead beat dads" was taken into custody, Friday evening, in Floyd County...The Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad assisted the Breathitt County Rescue Squad, Friday morning, in a search for a victim who may have drowned in the Kentucky River,...Floyd Countians will get their chance to quiz Rick Johnson, the state's new Alcoholic

Beverage Commissioner, Monday, when he holds a town meeting at Allen Central High School...Nora Lee Mastin, 40, a Knott County school teacher, and her brother, Charles Ray Moore, 38, both of Flax Patch Road in Amburgey, have been arrested by federal authorities, and charged with the July 1996, armed robbery of the Garrett branch of the Bank Josephine...Prater Elementary principal Gene Davis was named, Wednesday, as the new superintendent of the Floyd County School System. Davis, will receive a three-year plus contract, with a starting salary of \$75,000 per year...Beverly Carroll and her husband, Alex, of Grethel, have won their fight to adopt Beverley's grandson, Devan...Governor Paul Patton's plan for reforming post-secondary education, apparently has many faculty and administators at Prestonsburg Community College in distress. During a meeting Thursday afternoon, State Representative Greg Stumbo spoke with the community college students and staff to discuss potential problems with the governor's plan...Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin presented the Future's Group with a \$250 check from Highlands Regional Medical Center. The money will be deposited into an account set up for the youth. The money will be used for sponsorship of events...A high speed pursuit through four counties ended in Floyd County for a West Virginia sixth-grade driver and his 14-year-old passenger, Wednesday morning. The Kentucky State Police began pursuing a suspected stolen vehicle in Catlettsburg at 12:42 a.m. The pursuit ended in Stanville when the driver lost control of the vehicle and struck a guardrail. They were not injured in the accident...Paintsville businessman Henry E. Lyon, who once owned two supermarkets in Floyd County, was indicted, Wednesday,

by a federal grand jury on tax-evasion charges...There died: Robert Randel Vance, 44, of McDowell, Monday, March 17, at his residence; Mae B. Newberry, 80, of Betsy Layne, Friday, March 14, in Barboursville, West Virginia; Joe Allen Johnson, 23, of Stanville, Friday, March 14, at his residence; Eloise Salisbury, 60, of Harold, Thursday, March 13, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Henry Spradlin, 83, of Blacksburg, Virginia, Friday, March 14, at Montgomery Regional Hospital; Paul Tackett, 67, of Beaver, Thursday, March 13, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Rebbecca V. Trausch, 73, of Carey, Ohio, a native of West Prestonsburg, Sunday, March 16, at her residence; Ella Marie Miller Ousley, 89, of Martin, Thursday, March 13, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Bill Jack Lee, 61, of Pikeville, Friday, March 14, at Pikeville Mehtodist Hospital; Mabel Irene Hubbard Wells, 83, of Auxier, Monday, March 17, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Tom Keathley, 83, of Betsy Layne, Friday, March 14, at Central Baptist Hospital, at Lexington; Ira Amburgey, 53, of Mallie, March 11, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center; Juanita Caudill, 60, of Cleveland, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Sunday, March 9; Walter "Uncle Watt" Boyd, 99, of Estill, Tuesday, March 11, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; James Edward Johnson, 50, of Melvin, Saturday, March 15, at his residence; Laura Slone, 84, of Lackey, March 11, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Eliza Mullins Newsome, 85, of Agoura, California, formerly of Melvin, Wednesday, March 12, in Agoura; William Lee Roberts, 80, of Pikeville, Friday, March 14, at his residence; Ethel "Snookie" Cross Meade, 72, of Hager Hill, formerly of Prestonsburg, Friday,

March 14, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg; Lora Joyce Caudill, 58, of Melvin, Wednesday, March 19, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Betty Jane Moore, 71, of McDowell, Wednesday, March 19, at her residence; Aline Little, 68, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, March 18, at her residence.

#### **Twenty Years Ago** (March 25, 1987)

H.D. "Buddy" Fitzpatrick Jr., was ousted by the Bank Josephine board, Friday, in the wake of recent speculation that a major management shake-up was looming at the bank ... The Floyd County Board of Education proceeded with its plan to reduce the workday by 75 minutes for 334 employees...Conflicting interests of coal companies and neighboring residents were at issue in Floyd Fiscal Court last week, when citizens in sections appealed to the court to take their side in disputes with nearby operators ... A roofbolter, 35-year-old Jackie E. Hughes was killed last Tuesday when a "horseback" measuring about eight feet long, five foot wide, and two-and-a-half feet thick, crushed him in the Maple Ridge Mining Company's No. 3 mine, on Frog Branch of Little Mud Creek...Rodney Brown, 18, of Langley, has been charged with murder, and a warrant for his arrest has been issued, following a one-vehicle accident, last week, in which Jefferson Slone, 24, also of Langley, a passenger in the car, was killed ... A Floyd Circuit Court jury deliberated for less than

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#### Yesterdays

an hour, Tuesday, before awarding \$41,372.58 to two Floyd women for injuries received in an auto accident...There died: John Hammons, 74, of Water Gap, last Wednesday...Hazel Martin, 61, of Eastern, last Thursday...Mike Smith, 68, of Betsy Layne, last Thursday...Lona Blackburn, 85, Drift, of Monday...Raymond Music, 73, formerly of Floyd County, March 18...and Cody Wells, 77, formerly of Floyd County, Sunday.

## **Thirty Years** Ago (March 23, 1977)

Floyd County's sheltering hills failed to ward off two separate windstorms, last Friday morning, and the result was heavy property damage, persons six with slightly injured...Eddie Jones won, last Saturday, his long fight for acquittal of the murder charge lodged against him in this county, for the shotgun slaying, at Garrett, of Deputy Sheriff Lawrence Conley...The Prestonsburg City Council, last week, accepted the claim of the Kentucky Department of Labor, that the city owes four of its employees a total of \$4,057.40 back pay ... The Prestonsburg Utilities Commission has awarded a contract for extension of its water line to connect with the Allen water system, and afford New Allen and vicinity, better service, but work can't begin until the money promised from Governor Carroll's contingency fund is received...That American Indians lived among the hills of Floyd County for at least 10,000 years, was among the findings of two Kentucky Heritage Commission archaeologists who recently concluded a three-week

Inc., announced today, that it has been notified by the United Steelworkers of America, that the union intends to strike the hospital system April 1, because agreement on a new contract has not been reached ... Winter wasn't officially over till last Sunday, but Jenny Wiley State Park was acting like spring before that...There died: Zebrum Slusher (Unle Dick) Dickerson Sr., 95, of Prestonsburg, March 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Sandy Boyd Jr., the day-old son of Sandy and Olivia Wiley Boyd, of Dana, March 18, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Clyde Evans, Jr., 54, formerly of Wayland, February 14, at King's Daughters Hospital, Ashland; Arizona Bryant Estep, 82, of Price, March 15, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mintie Huff Conley, 86, formerly of Hueysville, March 17, at Pike County Hospital in Waverly, O.; Charley Jesse, 61, formerly of Floyd County, March 17, at Community Hospital in Wooten, O.; Martha Hale Layne, 78, of Manton, March 20, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

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ty...Appalachian Regional Hospitals

#### **Forty Years Ago** (March 23, 1967)

Approval by the University of Kentucky's board of trustees, last Friday, of long-range development plans for Prestonsburg Community College, apparently clears the way to construction of two additional buildings on the campus here, this year...Construction work on the Sandy Valley Water District's \$1,283,000 project to provide water service to several hundred residents of southern Floyd County, and the adjoining northern section of Pike, is expected to begin in May, it was said here this

week...The Stephens Elkhorn Fuel Corporation, last week, ended 35 years of operation in this county...An investigation was underway, this week, into the fire which caused heavy damage, last Friday night, to the princpal's office and a supply room of the Harold Elementary School. Arson is suspected...Wind damage, which received little attention two weeks ago, as it was followed by a more destructive. flood, was heavy in spots in the county...Born: to Mr. and Mrs.Joe H. Garrett, of Endicott, a daughter, Teresa Jo, March 17, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Bryan Osborne, 67, of Weeksbury, Sunday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Willie F. Smith, 82, of Banner, Saturday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Jack Slone, 79, of David, Friday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Reba O. Hale, 80, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at the home of a daughter; Mrs. Bertha Kendrick Mullins, 73, of Lancer, March 9, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital.

#### **Fifty Years Ago** (March 28, 1957)

During the 49 days the disaster organization had operated here, the Red Cross spent \$453,103.58 toward the emergency relief and rehabilitation of flood-stricken families in this county...Eastern Kentucky's 20,000 library books loss was believed well on the road to replacement, this week, when it was noted that Fort Wayne and Allen County, Indiana, had collected 25,000 volumes for the area...A five-year-old Floyd County boy, Garnie V. Hunter, died Saturday night, the delayed action victim of a fist fight between two men on Little Mud Creek...Eugene Stephens, 35, formerly of Betsy Layne, burned to death early last Saturday, in a trailer fire, at Columbus, Ohio...Elmer Bentley, 34, East McDowell miner, was killed in a mine accident at Orkney, Thursday, of last week...Assurance was given County Superintendent V. O. Turner, this week, by Akers & Akers contractors, the work will be resumed, next Monday, on the new gymnasium here, after long idleness on the project...Married: Miss Esther Mae Millikan, of Seattle, Wash., and Mr. Graham Porter, of Charles Prestonsburg, February 22, at Seattle; Miss Mary M. Harris and Mr. James E. Goble, March 16, at Ft. Wayne, Indiana...There died: Granville Caudill, 69, of Prestonsburg, last Monday, in a Norton, Va., hospital; Mrs. Elizabeth Slone, 84, Sunday, at her home at Goodloe; Mrs. Peggy H. Shepherd, 69, of David, Friday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Henry Clay Amburgey, 67, of Hueysville, last Wednesday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

#### **Sixty Years Ago** March 20, 1947)

A Junior Chamber of Commerce is in the process of being organized here, with Marvin Music, temporary chairman, and Kilmer Combs, temporary secretary... The Floyd County Fish & Game Club, this week, announced plans for building a fish-rearing pond, and a colony quail brooder...April court will be heavy with 11 murder cases listed for hearing, with the first case concerning the mystery slaying of Allen Osborne, Prestonsburg men...The Supreme Court has told John L. Lewis, a strike will not be tolerated...High school faculty pay raises will be necessary, here, to maintain proper standing with the Southern

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Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges...Wayland is representing Floyd County in the state tournament, this week...\$12,000 has been raised for the promotion of night baseball here...Jewel Elswick, 12, of the Clear Creek school, has won the county spelling bee...Dr. Edward B. Leslie, recent graduate of the Louisville Dental College, is locating his office in the Layne building here...Prestonsburg's Key Club expects to receive its charter, this week. Its first officers are Charles Tackett, president, Paul Hall, vicepresident, and Malcolm Garber, secretary...There died: Mrs. Lenna Isaacs, 32, of Hi Hat, at the Gearheart Hospital, Martin; S. B. Begley, 58, at his home at Maytown, an extended illness; F. M. Stumbo, 62, of Harold.

## **Seventy Years** Ago (March 19, 1937)

More than the 90,000 acres in Floyd County, held by Elkhorn Coal, is to be involved in new and modern means of mining, and Elkhorn will henceforth be called Elkhorn Coal Corporation...Inez defeated College High in the first round of the state at Lexington. tournament recently...Action is expected Monday, March 22, in the matter of the proposed re-districting of the county ... A total of 3,269 students are now enrolled at the University of Kentucky...There died: Thomas Stanley, 65, a member of one of Floyd County's pioneer families, at his home near Bonanza, R.B. Sloane, 45, Garrett, a victim of a mine slatefall; Mrs. Dave Perry, at her home here, recently.

#### Oak

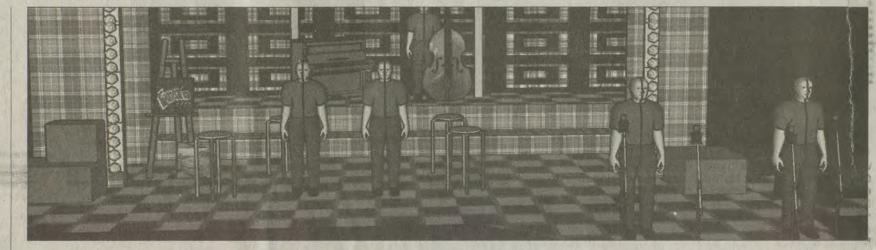
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all, we really don't mind.

I mean, considering everything, it's a lot better to be addressed in this manner than to be treated like some people treat our older citizens.

For instance, I read in the paper just this past weekend how some oldtime country singers-those who literally built the Grand Ole Opry-are now, being pushed off the longest running radio show in history, in favor of today's young hit makers. One performer has even filed an agediscrimination suit against the show. We wish him luck.

Or course, you see this kind of thing everywhere. It's always been at, I suppose. Never mind you did, or who you used to be, what have you done for me lately? Anyway, Wilma Jean and I have made a little game of it, and when one of us is called "Sugar" or "Darlin" or "Honey" by someone who has no idea who we really are, we'll call each other by that name the rest of the day...or until someone else calls one of us "Honey Bun" or something. I guess that just like "senior discounts" and the Medicare card, those little "terms of endearment" are just another perk associated with getting older.



Pictured is Paul Denayer's (one of JWT's two scenic designers) preliminary design for Jenny Wiley Theatre's production of Forever Plaid, Opening 🏾 June 15, 2007.



#### Elliott to compete in Lexington

DeShea Elliott, the 11 year old daughter of Michelle and David Elliott, of Martin, competed in the Kentucky State Open Cheer and Dance competition event this past Saturday, March 10, in Lexington's Rupp Arena. DeShea competed with the May Valley Elementary School Dance Team, as well as in the individual (solo) dance category. DeShea, a fifth grader at May Valley, has been a member of the school's dance team for the past six years.



#### by Martin Childers

(Martin Childers is Executive Director of Jenny Wiley Theatre at Prestonsburg. His column about theatre happenings and back stage activities appears weekly.)

Producing a great summer theatre season is not just about actors, dancers and singers. They're important and crucial to presenting outstanding shows, but backstage, there are dozens of folks we couldn't do without.

In addition to all the auditions we attend for cast members each year, we also interview for technical positions. Master Carpenter, Master

**Amanda Keathley** 

Electrician, Costume Designer, Props Master and fessional quality of our stage designs. We were in Stage Managers, plus assistants to each department head, general techs, and carpenters are among the positions we fill.

Add to these scenic artists, box office staff, House Manager, Gift Shop Manager, and concessions staff, and Jenny Wiley Theatre becomes a substantial summertime employer.

David Berry from Louisville, who's returning this year as our Technical Director, and Yousif Mohammed, from Chicago, another returnee who is Production Manager, traveled with me to the South Eastern Theatre Conference in Atlanta, to hire technical staff.

The professionals in lighting, sound, carpentry, and management hired in Atlanta will supplement all the local folks in technical positions to make the productions of three musicals and one play run smoothly and professionally.

Building sets for each show is an enormous task, and we get many compliments on the pro-

# Floyd student excels at MSU

Amanda Keathley, the daughter of Brent and Wanda Keathley, of Prestonsburg, has earned a nomination to serve as a collegiate scholar in the 2007 International Scholar Laureate Program Delegation on Music in central and eastern Europe. Amanda was chosen due to her exemplary leadership skills and exceptional academic performance at Morehead State University, where she is a sophomore. Amanda is majoring in art education.

Amanda is currently on the MSU Dean's List, the National Dean's List, and is attending the university on a Presidential Scholarship. She is a member of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority and serves as the 2006-2007 Sunshine Chair. She was also named Most Outstanding Freshman in Art for the 2005-2006 academic year, for which she received a monetary award.

Amanda served as editorial cartoonist for the Morehead Trailblazers newspaper for three semesters. Her artwork has been displayed in the Juried Student Exhibition at the Montgomery County Council for the Arts Gallery, in Mount Sterling. Her work is also currently being displayed in the MSU Strider Art Gallery.

She has also served as the 2005-2006 secretary for the Visual Art Guild (VAG), as well as participating in the 2006 VAG trip to Chicago, Illinois. Amanda is currently serving as president of the guild and will be attending the

contact as early as January with designers for costumes, sets and props.

This summer we are collaborating with Morehead State University, which has an outstanding drama department, to build two of our shows and ship them to the Theatre. The other two productions will be built by our in-house team.

Four great shows are in our line-up this year: Disney's High School Musical, West Side Story, The Princess and The Pea and Forever Plaid., Information on them and early bird ticket specials, can be found at our web site: jwtheatre.com.

\*Jenny Wiley Theatre is a non-profit organization and receives funding from individuals, corporations, Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau, Paintsville Tourism, the Kentucky Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Kentucky Department of Travel.

National Art Education Association Conference in New York City later this year.

Amanda is a member of Students for Progressive Change and is currently serving as the editor of the Progressive Press newspaper. She also works with Habitat for Humanity.

Amanda is the granddaughter of Henry and Lydia McGlone, of Prestonsburg, and Barbara and the late Jimmy Keathley, of Harold.



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Birth

Wedding



#### **New Arrival**

Bryson Trent Chandler was born on January 6, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He weighed 6 lbs., 3 oz., and was 20 and one-half inches in length. He is the son of proud parents Thomas and Renee Keathley Chandler, of Prestonsburg. He is the grandson of Brent and Wanda Keathley, of Prestonsburg, Tom and Paula Chandler, of Dwale, and Jean Rollins, of Paintsville.



#### **Dernier-Bellamy wedding**

Elizabeth Jennifer Dernier and Brennan Kyle Bellamy exchanged wedding vows on Wednesday, August 9, 2006, at six o'clock in the evening. The sunset wedding, witnessed by family and friends, was held on the beach at Paradisus Palma Real Resort in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic.

The bride is the daughter of David and Linda Dernier, of Campbellsville, and the granddaughter of Cliff and Opal Burgess, of Royal Oak, Michigan and the late Arby and Gladys Dernier, of Toledo, Ohio.

She wore a silk shantung, strapless gown with pleated bodice and bustled back skirt and a single-tiered ballerina length veil. She carried a cascading bouquet of yellow, white and pink lilies.

The groom is the son of Jerry and Saundra Bellamy, of Prestonsburg. He is the grandson of Margaret Bellamy and the late Earl Bellamy of Meta, and William Clay and Marie Bevins, also of Meta.

He wore a cream colored, Irish linen wedding suit with a lily boutonniere.

Miranda Thompson, of Lexington, served as maid of honor. Roger Akers, also of Lexington, served as best man. Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the private dining room of Passions Restaurant at the Paradisus Palma Real Resort.

The couple is making their home in Lexington.

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#### Food City donates fresh flowers to Prestonsburg Healthcare Center

The residents and staff of Prestonsburg Healthcare Center would like to extend a huge "Thank You" to the new Food City floral department for their most recent donation to our facility. The staff of the floral department arranged for staff from the healthcare facility to pick up a large donation of fresh flowers earlier this month for the residents to use for a floral arranging activity that helped to beautify the facility. Many beautiful fresh flower arrangements were made that helped decorate each lady resident's room. The Quality of Life team at Prestonsburg Healthcare works hard to establish individual quality of life programs with a vision that ensures a lifetime journey of active aging for all the residents in the facility. The team, along with the restorative nursing and therapy departments, enjoyed assisting the residents as they sorted and arranged their flowers. What a difference a few fresh flowers can make in the lives of our aging population! Thank you, Food City!



of appreciation and a rose.

Floyd County Head Start 'Parent of the Year'

The Floyd County Head Start program presented their 'Parent of the Year" awards at their recent policy committee meeting, held March 12, at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The winners Lori Rogers, named were: who received the "Parent of the Year" award. Lori has a child that attends Betsy Layne Head Start; Amanda Calhoun, first runner-up, whose child attends Clark Elementary Head Start; and Kirk Ramsey, second runner-up, with a child that attends the May Valley Head Start. Vivian McGarey, Floyd County Head Start/Pre-School director, presented each parent with a certificate

nts Lori Rogers plans to attend the annual Kentucky Head Start Association Parent Conference that will take place at the Galt

#### KY Forest and Entomology Leadership Program

If you are a high school student entering your junior or senior year, consider being a part of the Kentucky Forest Leadership Program. For more than 50 years, students have

attended this week long event dedicated to exploring the many facets of forestry and related fields. If you're interested in hands-on learning about forestry and natural resource management while developing your leadership skills, this is the program for you. It will be the one week of your summer break you won't forget.

You can expect to be busy during the leadership program.

The full schedule of activities for the week includes:

- activities relating to forest measurements
- entomology
- fire management
- identification of plants thru development of a keying process
- surveying
- soil science
- wildlife habitat assessment
- water quality evaluation and
- wood products

On way you will develop your leadership skills is by working cooperatively with one another to resolve an environmental issue. Your major project for the week is a group presentation of an environmental management plan for a designated forested area. You will use the skills you learned during the course for your presentation.

You will be trained by professional forestry and natural resource managers from the University of Kentucky's Department of Forestry, Kentucky Division of Conservation, Kentucky Division of Forestry, Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife, and private forest industry leaders. These professionals will serve as your instructors and advisors and will meet with you to develop and discuss your environmental resource projects as they take shape throughout the week.

#### ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, a Floyd County student must:

-Be entering their junior or senior year of high school. -Must have at least a 2.5 GPA average overall.

have letter of recommendation from their guidance counselor or principal.

-Must submit a one page double spaced typed essay with the following title: "Why I want to go to the Leadership Program"

-Student will be responsible for their own transportation and materials needed for the program.

Application deadline is: March 30, 2007. Please contact the Floyd County Conservation District for further details and application at 889-9800.

House, in Louisville, during April 24-26. The Floyd County Head Start staff congratulates each of the finalists and all the parents who took part in the Parent of the Year competition.

#### Apple

ing over and over, "rainbow apples" and muttering something about "that old Ralph." I never said a word - too many rocks on the side of the road and I didn't want to feel one hitting the backside of my head. As we passed by Uncle Johnny's house, i tried to cheer Mutt up. I said, "Hey, Mutt, tomorrow we will go over into Tackett Holler and gather us some papaws. Mutt said, "SURE! Tomorrow we will go over to Tackett Holler and get us

some papaws! Sure sounds good to me! Ralph, you go get them papaws all by yourself," he said. I guess Mutt wasn't trusting me to lead him to another good thing to eat for awhile yet,

Well, I pushed them old rainbow apples right out of my mind before long. I knew I would never try to eat one of them again. Anyway, I was a thinking about them big old papaws over there in Tackett Holler by then. And I continued to still

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love them apple pies in Grandmaw's old ice box, but I never had no taste for a rainbow apple at all, ever again. The only rainbow I ever wanted to see from that point on was the one God put in the sky. One thing I had learned that day - it sure paid to know your apples. For no matter how good they might look, it is only the taste that mattered.

#### Korner

know everything about you."

DJeet? is actually a phrase meaning "Did you eat?"

You don't have to wear a watch because it doesn't matter what time it is. You work until you're done or it's too

dark to see.

You don't PUSH buttons, you MASH them.

#### AND, YOU KNOW YOU'RE FROM

#### **KENTUCKY IF:**

You measure distance in minutes.

You've ever had to switch from "heat" to "A/C" in the same day.

You use "fix" as a verb. Example: "I'm fixing to go to the store."

All the festivals across the state are named after a fruit, vegetable, grain, insect or animal.

You install security lights on your house and garage and leave both unlocked.

You know what a "DAWG" is.

You carry jumper cables in your car.

You only own four spices: salt, pepper, Tabasco and ketchup.

The local papers cover national and international news on one page, but require 6 pages for local gossip and sports.

You think that the first day of deer season is a national holiday.

You find 100 degrees Fahrenheit "a little warm."

You know all four seasons: Almost Summer, Summer, still Summer and Christmas.

Going to Wal-mart is a favorite past time known as "goin' Wal-martin" or off to "Wally World."

You describe the first cool snap (below 70 degrees) as good soup-bean weather.

A carbonated soft drink isn't a soda, cola or coke . . . it's a Pop, regardless of brand or flavor. Example: "What kinda

pop you want?"
 Fried catfish is the other white meat.

We don't need no stinking driver's ed .

. . if our mama says we can drive, we can drive.

You understand these jokes and share them with your friends from Kentucky (and those who just wish they were). Not EVERYONE can be a Kentuckian, it's an art form and a gift from GOD!

Til Next Week..

Blessings to you and yours

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