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**Times plans faith-based coverage**

Times Staff Report

Recognizing the impact matters of faith have on our community, the Floyd County Times will be expanding its commitment to coverage of spiritual issues and events. Beginning in early 2008, FCT readers will notice a new weekly section called "Faith and Family."

"We recently had a focus group meeting with area pastors and the response was overwhelming," said Joshua Byers, publisher. "The meeting was uplifting, encouraging and much more than we imagined."

This new section will include both print and online components including a weekly children's Bible story coloring page, a data-base of all area churches by zip code, maps to the local churches and "the source" — a complete listing of local "helps" ministries for those in need.

Churches and their congregations are welcome to supply content for the pages, such as accounts of missionary work and other subjects of interest.

In addition, an annual full-color glossy outreach magazine, Faith and Family, is planned for use by the Chamber, Realtors and other outlets touching. Add all of that to heartland-churches.com — a one-of-a-kind interactive web portal with hot links to local churches from the world-wide web and your prayers will likely reach millions.

A free luncheon is being offered to area pastors to further the Faith and Family project and its impact on the community on Thursday, Dec. 6, from 11:30-1:30 p.m. at the Heritage House in Prestonsburg. Those planning on attending are asked to RSVP no later than Friday, Nov. 30 by contacting Sarah Clontz, Faith and Family coordinator, toll free at 1-866-288-4901.

### 2 DAY FORECAST

#### Today



High: 57 • Low: 37

#### Tomorrow



High: 48 • Low: 25

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

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# 100-point schools get rewards

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

EASTERN — Education pays. That's what we keep hearing, and at Monday evening's meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education, that's exactly what happened.

Three Floyd County elementary schools — May Valley Elementary, Duff Elementary, and McDowell Elementary — were granted monetary

awards of \$5,000 each in recognition of their achievement of scoring over 100 on the most recent round of CATS assessments.

May Valley Elementary scored 121.4 on the assessments; Duff Elementary scored 103.1; and McDowell Elementary scored 100.4.

Accepting the awards from board chair Jeff Stumbo were principals Tonya Williams, of May Valley; Elizabeth Allen, of Duff; and Jerri

Turner, of McDowell.

"This award is considered a one-time help to the schools," said interim Supt. Ronald "Sonny" Fentress, who also praised the school administrators and students of each school for their hard work. "Other schools will be included, also, when they reach that 'over 100' standard," he said.

But, in discussing the possibility of continuing the award as other schools in the county work toward achieving

that standard, financial director Matt Wireman suggested the board "get more criteria in line before promising to give away money."

Wireman stressed that he was not opposed to the awards, but that he felt board members should hold further discussions on the matter first, which prompted the members to decide to table the issue.

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## READY TO SHINE



photo by Jennifer Lawson

Archer Park employees have worked hard preparing the park's entry in the upcoming Christmas parade.

# First Christmas parade to be held this Saturday

by JENNIFER LAWSON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg Renaissance is looking forward to the Christmas Parade, which will take place in coordination with downtown Prestonsburg's Holiday Open House this weekend.

The parade will be on Saturday, Dec. 1, at 6 p.m., and each float is to be decorated with a variety of lights.

The parade route will begin at Prestonsburg High School and will end at S-curve. The parade will feature an appearance by Santa Claus, who will then gather at the fountain square to light the city Christmas tree.

The parade will also coordinate with the downtown Holiday Open House, which will allow people to do late holiday shopping. Businesses will be ready to spread holiday

cheer, according to Brent Graden, city economic director, and will have holiday music, hot apple cider and cookies at many of the locations.

"The more, the merrier," joked Graden, who urges every organization and business to enter a float.

The Holiday Open House will take place among businesses in the downtown area on

(See PARADE, page nine)

# Students won't be punished for self-defense

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

Physical altercations are strictly prohibited in Floyd County schools, but fights among students do sometimes break out and, in some cases, some students are victims of unprovoked attacks.

In the past, students who fought back, even though they themselves did not strike first, were subject to the same disciplinary actions as the student who initiated the altercation.

Members of the Floyd County Board of Education moved to right this wrong on Monday evening when they voted to approve an amendment of a policy dealing with physical assault and threats of violence among students.

Recognizing that in "rare and limited cases, legitimate acts of self-defense do occur," the board approved a policy amendment that will ensure that students who strike

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# Shop With A Cop seeks donations

by JENNIFER LAWSON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Entering into its ninth year, the Shop With a Cop program will take place on Dec. 15 at the Mountain Arts Center, and is designed to bring a little Christmas to those in need.

While the program began nine years ago with only 10 kids and \$1,000, it now now hosts 18 children and \$10,000.

Having been with the program since its inception, current director Steve Little explained its purpose: "You look at these kids. They

don't have a lot. And yet when we raise funds and give them money to shop with at the local Wal-Mart, they just spend it on their own family. So of course we had to include their brothers and sisters too."

Community involvement is also something that increases during the program.

"We even have one donor that helps buy bikes for all the participating kids each year," said Little. "He was watching the program one night on local access TV and saw that one of the

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# New commissioner to carry on reform efforts

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's new education commissioner, unlike predecessors who were chasing distant goals, will face the looming task of leading the state closer toward completing its education reform movement started nearly 20 years ago.

The Kentucky Education Reform Act, which the General Assembly passed in 1990, called for sweeping changes and accountability within the state's system of educating its youngsters. Its goal of having all Kentucky

students reach the level of proficiency is targeted for 2014.

To reach those goals, the next commissioner needs to help re-energize an education system that still has many schools consistently lagging behind, Bob Sexton, executive director of the Prichard Committee.

"The biggest one (duty) is kind of energizing the movement that we've had here for many years, giving it a big boost of forward motion — particularly aimed at reaching the goals that have been established for 2014," Sexton said. "The commissioner will be challenged to find ways to help move forward

the schools that are chronically not moving forward — the ones that are not making progress that will get them to or very close to their goal."

The Kentucky Board of Education named state Rep. Jon Draud (R-Edgewood) as the new commissioner on Sunday.

Kentucky, a state that has been known nationally for its school reform efforts, has been without a commissioner since Gene Wilhoit left last year for a job with an education organization in Washington. Wilhoit's departure sparked a year of upheaval.

First the board, with the help of a

search firm, hired Illinois educator Barbara Erwin. She accepted the job, but bailed out shortly before she was supposed to start because of "noise by the media" concerning her work background.

Shortly later, the 11-member board appointed by Republican Gov. Ernie Fletcher installed Wilburn Joe Brothers as chairman over Keith Travis who remains on the board.

Most recently, the panel ignored Gov.-elect Steve Beshear's request to reopen its search so that more candi-

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# Obituaries

## Mary Magelene "Maggie" Allen

Mary Magelene "Maggie" Allen, age 66, of Allen, died Thursday, November 22, 2007, at Riverview Health Care, in Prestonsburg.

Born March 3, 1941, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Starlin and Mary Goodman Sweeney. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee Edward Allen.

Survivors include her sons and daughters-in-law: Rick (Renee) Carr of Bevinville; and Bobby (Connie) Carr of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Julia Hall of Prestonsburg; a brother, Frank Sweeney of Plant City, Florida; 10 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by five brothers: George Sweeney, Eddie Sweeney, Russell Sweeney, Cecil Sweeney, and Fred Sweeney; and four sisters: Stella Sweeney, Julia Sweeney, Christine Sweeney, and Pauline Sweeney.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 25, at 11 a.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, in Bypro, with Louis Ferrari and John Allen officiating.

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

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

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## Elbert Boyd

Elbert Boyd, age 75, of Dana, died Thursday, November 22, 2007, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin.

Born August 17, 1932, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Henry and Nicie Conn Boyd. He was a retired coal miner.

He is survived by his wife, Eula Boyd.

Other survivors include two sons: Cletis Boyd and Timothy Boyd, both of Dana; four daughters: Etha Watson, Lisa Kidd, Holly Meade, and Haley Akers, all of Dana; six brothers: Roland Boyd of Dayton, Ohio; Elliott (Bob) Boyd, Roger Boyd, and Ben Boyd, all of Verilion, Ohio; Edsel C. Boyd of Wakeman, Ohio; and Howard Boyd of Dana; four sisters: Hester Boyd of Ashland, Thelma Gilbert of Harvest, Alabama, Dorothy Akers of Shreve, Ohio, and Edith Hall of Dana; 11 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, November 25, at 11 a.m., at the Little Salem Old Regular Baptist Church, in Dana, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Boyd Family Cemetery, in Dana, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was Friday, at the church.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)

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## Minta Nunnery

### Burke

Minta Nunnery Burke, passed away Tuesday, November 20, 2007, in Shelbyville, Tennessee. She was a daughter of the late James H. Nunnery and Octavia Brown Nunnery. Formerly of Prestonsburg, she was a resident of Sayre Christian Village in Lexington, Kentucky.

Services at a later date in Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

## Christine LaMartz Campbell

Christine LaMartz Campbell, age 44, of Minnie, died Saturday, November 17, 2007, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born June 1, 1963, in Martin, she was the daughter of Sonny and the late Rendy Meade LaMartz. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hershel Jr., Campbell.

Survivors include two daughters: Misty LaMartz and Amanda Hall, both of Teaberry; her boyfriend, Eugene Sturgill; four brothers: Trell Meade of Warsaw, Indiana, Danny Spears and Adrian LaMartz, both of Minnie, and Jesse LaMartz of Avilla, Indiana; two half brothers: Kenny Wells of Columbus, Ohio, and Shane LaMartz of Indianapolis, Indiana; four sisters: Yvonne Gayheart of McDowell, Ann Compton of Ligon, Avenell Compton of Albion, Michigan, and Rose Mary Risner of Royalton; a half sister, Chrissy Cannady of Columbus, Ohio; and four grandchildren: Marissa, Braxton, Charles Jr., and Brandon K.

In addition to her mother and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, Larry Spears; and a sister, Janice Cox.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 21, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ralph Hall officiating.

Burial was in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, in McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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## Rebecca "Becky" Justice Dye

Rebecca "Becky" Justice Dye, age 66, of McDowell, widow of Woodrow Dye, passed away Thursday, November 22, 2007, at her residence.

She was born July 23, 1941, in McDowell, the daughter of the late Henry Justice and Ettie Thacker Justice. She was a homemaker and a member of the Pilgrim Rest Old Regular Baptist Church, in Price, for 46 years.

Survivors include four sons: Timothy (Donna) Dye of Minnie; Kennel (Keesha) Dye of McDowell; Benny Dye of Spewing Camp; and Jeff (Teresa) Dye of Martin; four daughters: Rita (Kent) Dye of Spewing Camp; Nedra (Todd) Ward of Martin; Mary (Mike) Tackett of Weeksbury; and Valerie (Wilburn) Page of McDowell; a brother, Nathaniel Justice of Clyde, Ohio; a sister, Dorothy Moore of McDowell; 22 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and a special friend, Orbin.

In addition to her husband, and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Woody Dye Jr.; two brothers: Noah Justice and James Justice; and two sisters: Mary "Mag" Moore and Kizzie Halbert.

Funeral services for Rebecca "Becky" Justice Dye were conducted Sunday, November 25, at 11:00 a.m., at the Pilgrim Rest Old Regular Baptist Church, in Price, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Greenbury Hall Cemetery, in McDowell, under the professional care of

Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church.

Pallbearers: Timothy Dye, Kennel Dye, Benny Dye, Jeff Dye, Kent Dye, Todd Ward, Wilburn Page, Richie Crum, Jeremy Spilman, Seth Wallace, Kent Dye Jr., and Joshua Dye.

Honorary Pallbearers: Jay Dye, Cleveland Dye, and Mike Tackett. (Paid obituary)

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## Howard D. Goins

Howard D. Goins, age 80, of Weeksbury, died Friday, November 25, 2007, at his residence.

Born April 25, 1927, in Stonega, Virginia, he was the son of the late Robert Lee and Ruby Jewell Miller Goins. He was a retired general machinist; a veteran of WW II; a member of Burton Pentecostal Church; a member of the Masonic Lodge, and the American Legion; a Kentucky Colonel; and a minister and former chaplain at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Pearl Higgins Goins.

Other survivors include his sons: Dwight Goins of Lucasville, Ohio, Lester D. Goins and Robert Goins, both of Dearborne Heights, Michigan, Jeffrey Goins of Keys, Florida, and Eddie Goins of Redford Township, Michigan; daughters: Linda Simon of Boyington Beach, Florida, Cassie Stander of Redford Township, Michigan, and Margo Milavec of North Field, Michigan; sisters: Lola Anderson of Indiana, and Alberta Woods of Weeksbury; 28 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Leslie Wheeler and Lester Goins, and a sister, Corraine Mullet.

Funeral services will be held Friday, November 30, at 11 a.m., at the Burton Pentecostal Church, in Bypro, with Louis Sandlin, David Pike, and Charlie Sandlin officiating.

Burial will be in the Holbrook Cemetery, in

Cromona, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the church.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)

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## Retta (Akers) Hall

Retta (Akers) Hall, 93, of Banner, died Friday, November 23, 2007, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

Born February 14, 1914, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Marion and Gertrude Akers. She was a housewife and mother, and a member of Peters Creek Primitive Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Hall.

Survivors include her sons: Frankie Hall and Darrell Hall; and a daughter, Janice Caudill, all of Banner; two brothers: Bill Akers and Earl Akers, both of Bardstown; three sisters: Florida Smith of California, Nora Burnette of Bardstown, and Pat Greenwell of Florida; seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Lacey Akers, Carl Akers, and Fred Akers; and a sister, Eva Jean Hall.

Funeral services were held Sunday, November 25, at 2 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral

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## John W. Hall Lodge CHRISTMAS DINNER

will be held  
December 2nd  
at 4 p.m.  
at the Lodge  
Martin, Ky.  
All members  
are urged to attend.

## Card of Thanks

The family of Alma Reffett Lowe wishes to thank all of our friends and relatives for all your support upon the passing of our Mom. The flowers, food, prayers, notes, and other expressions of sympathy were very comforting during this time of loss. We are especially grateful to our ministers, Dennis Love and Bobby Isaac, for their comforting words; the Aldersgate Methodist Church and Vogel Day Methodist Church, for all the love and compassion expressed of our family; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Staff of Hall Funeral Home, for their kind and professional service. All the love and compassion shown to our family will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF ALMA LOWE

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The family of Keith Campbell would like to thank all those who were so kind and gracious during the difficult times surrounding the illness and death of our beloved. We so appreciate the presence of those who came, the many phone calls, cards, flowers, and food. Most of all, we appreciate the prayers and support of our church families. A special thank-you to Pastor Dave Garrett, Rev. Clifford Austin, Rev. Paul Coleman, and Rev. Bill Campbell for their services above and beyond the call of duty; the singers of Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist Church; also a special thank-you to Jim and Mary Carter, of Carter Funeral Home.

THE FAMILY OF KEITH CAMPBELL

## Card of Thanks

The family of Michael Keith Bailey would like to thank each and everyone for your prayers and words of comfort, during the loss of our loved one. A special thanks to Gary Mitchell and the Martin Church of Christ and Choir, for their comforting words and songs; to the special singers for the beautiful songs; to all who sent food and flowers, or helped in any way. We will always be grateful, and you will always be remembered. We are very appreciative to Hall Funeral Home for their efficient service; and to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their service. May God bless all of you.

THE FAMILY OF MICHAEL KEITH BAILEY

## Card of Thanks

On behalf of the family of Berton "Bill" Martin we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who did anything for us during Dad's illness and the days after. Your love, prayers, and kindness is very much appreciated. Your kindness will never be forgotten. We have several people that we would like to say a special Thank-you to: the Administration and Staff of Our Lady of the Way Hospital, The wonderful staff from Med-Surg, ER, Lab, Cardiopulmonary, PT, and Diagnostic Imaging, you gave our Dad excellent care. A special Thank-you to Waneta Newsome and Judy Parsons for all your visits and prayers. Words can't express how thankful and blessed we were to have Dr. Triplett as his physician. You were our God-sent Angel. Thank you, Dr. Boby, Dr. Hager, and Dr. Webb, Randy Osborne, Larry Adams, and Blaine Depoy. Words can't express how thankful we are for all the visits and prayers, Danny Braggs, Cheryl Little, Fred Amburgey, Gloria Marcum and Wings of Praise for the beautiful songs. We will never forget the Chesapeake Midas group, Steve Reed, Larry Justice, Banner Vanderpool, Fred Amburgey, Craig Hicks and Diana Watts for being there for us and being pallbearers. Last but not least our wonderful family Jenny, Tammy, Patty, Mike, Libby, Crystal, Kelly, Lanny, Wendy, David, Jane, Randy, Della, Justin, Denny, Peggy, Charlene and Birchell, you stood with us in our darkness hours. Also, we would like to thank our blessed Garrett First Baptist Church family for everything they did, and Hall Funeral Home personnel for the compassion and beautiful service. May God Bless all of you.

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# Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

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

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

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

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

**Highlands Regional Medical Center**

Dec. 1 - Ky. Mountain Dental Society, meeting Place A & B; 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Dec. 6, 7 - Uniform Sale Atrium; 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dec. 8 - Childbirth Classes, meeting Place A & B; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dec. 13, 27 - Kiwanis, meeting Place B; 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Dec. 14 - Blood Drive, meeting Room A & B; 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information concerning these support groups, contact Highlands Educational Services Department at 886-7424.

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Groups available by reservation.

**Let SNOOP wrap your holiday gifts**

Members of SNOOP (Spay and Neuter Organization of Prestonsburg) will be wrapping Christmas gifts at the Prestonsburg Food City on

Saturday, December 1, from noon until 6 p.m. For a less stressful holiday, drop off your gifts, do your shopping and then pick up your wrapped packages! The cost is a donation to SNOOP which will be used to provide spay and neuter certificates to local low income families.

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

**Christmas Bazaar**

The City of Martin will host a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 1, from 9

a.m. to 5 p.m., in the gymnasium at the Opportunities Unlimited School. The bazaar will feature arts/crafts, baskets, candles, purses, and baked goods. For more information contact Martin City Hall at 285-9335.

**MAC looking for military pics**

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

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

presentation during the KY Opry Christmas show.

**(NASW) Kentucky Chapter to hold meeting, November 26**

The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Kentucky Chapter recently revised the Eastern Kentucky Chapter and has begun to work in the area to stimulate membership and networking. Further, the NASW State Board Chair, Dr. Ed Wunsch, recently announced the Eastern Kentucky Initiative, designed to re-energize the Eastern Kentucky Chapter. Whether you are an active NASW member or not, you are invited to attend the next East Kentucky Chapter meeting. It will be held on Monday, November 26, at 6 p.m. (with refreshments served as 5:30 p.m.) in the Post Secondary Education Building on the campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical

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**Cinema 2—Held Over**  
AUGUST RUSH (PG13). Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:05-9:30; Sat.-Sun. (2:05-4:30) 7:05-9:30.

**Cinema 3—Held Over**  
BEOWULF (PG13). Mon.-Sun. 6:55-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (1:55-4:15) 6:55-9:15.

**Cinema 4—Held Over**  
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## Guest View

# EPA drops the ball

The mission of the Environmental Protection Agency, as the agency says on its own Web site, could hardly be more direct: "To protect human health and the environment."

Yet an extensive Milwaukee Journal Sentinel investigation has revealed an inexcusable lapse by that agency when it comes to the safety of chemicals known as endocrine disruptors, commonly used in products ubiquitous in today's society. They're in everything from baby bottles and teething rings to dental sealants, nail polish, clothing, carpeting and some foods.

Although a growing number of scientists have come to believe that the chemicals pose significant dangers, especially to fetuses and young children because they interfere with the way hormones work inside the body, the EPA has failed to regulate the chemicals despite promises stretching back over a decade to do just that. And while the EPA has been seemingly stuck in neutral on this critical matter of public safety, hundreds of products that use those same chemicals have been banned by countries around the world. Not only are the products still available in the United States, but they don't even contain warning labels.

Hundreds of studies examined by reporters Susanne Rust, Meg Kissinger and Cary Spivak show that these chemicals have caused myriad problems in lab animals, including cancers of the breast, brain and testicles; miscarriages and other reproductive defects; lowered sperm counts; diabetes; hyperactivity and asthma. Equally troubling, all of these problems have spiked in the decades in which these chemicals have been in the marketplace.

The companies that make the chemicals steadfastly maintain that they are safe, pointing to the millions of dollars they have spent on their own research. But when it comes to public safety, industries shouldn't police themselves. That's a job for regulators. Despite congressional mandates in 1996 to screen the chemicals, ambitious public pledges to fast-track this obviously important work and tens of millions of dollars spent, not a single screen has been done, the Journal Sentinel found.

Some disillusioned scientists say the effort lacked sufficient political muscle. Others blame bureaucracy and undue influence from the chemical industry. The bottom line was the EPA dropped the ball, and it's time for Congress to step in again and make sure the agency picks it up.

— The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

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## Letters

### Trails a community asset

This past Thursday, I had the privilege of attending a public meeting at the Paintsville Recreation Center regarding the proposed Dawkins Rails to Trails project. I would like to thank the Big Sandy Area Development District for their presentation and for the opportunity to allow members of our community to speak out in favor of this project.

The proposed trail would be 36 miles in length and wind through Johnson, Magoffin and Breathitt counties on a rail banked section owned by R.J. Corman. The trail would be non-motorized and open only to walkers/hikers, cyclists, runners and horseback riders.

I listened attentively as several property owners adjacent to or near the railway expressed concerns about the trail — crime, privacy issues, disorder, noise, trespassing, illegal use of motorized vehicles, etc. I would like to invite individuals opposed to the project to not just take the presenters at their word regarding the benefits of this trail. Do some research. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community. Study after study on similar projects around the country support the presenters in key points, including the potential for economic development, tourism, improved quality of life in terms of health and physical fitness, multiple environmental benefits, and preservation of the railway corridor and historically valuable areas.

There is no evidence that similar Rails to Trails projects present any danger, increase crime, or cause any

physical or economic harm whatsoever. Trails are not attractive to criminal activity — they are frequented by families, nature lovers, bird watchers, and people devoted to improving their health and well-being.

Nearly every Rail to Trail project that has been completed has faced serious opposition in the planning stages, by property owners voicing concerns similar to the ones listed above. Again, research shows that once the trail is established, former protesters utilize the trail on a regular basis — and in several cases, they remove fencing or fabricate a gate to allow them easier access to the trail system.

Throughout the country, trails are seen as an incredible community asset that can boost property values, make adjacent properties easier to sell, and attract visitors from near and far — visitors who stay in local hotels, eat at local restaurants and support businesses related to travel, equipment, clothing, convenience foods and souvenirs.

Delving into the data, evidence, research, and studies that have been completed and basing our opinions on facts could allow us, as a community, to embrace this opportunity, see it through to completion, and reap the many benefits that will undoubtedly follow.

Susan Miller  
Paintsville

### 'The Imposition'

What kind of nation are we becoming when corporations are allowed to charge us out the wazoo on gas prices,

thus driving us even poorer, and we are not allowed to smoke in public? Or hug in public? Oh, yes, schools are getting ludicrous in not letting children hug in public. Somebody is sad and needs a consoling hug by a friend? Better sneak off to the bathroom or an alley and put an arm around them there.

The ban wagon is just now getting started. Who knows what will be publicly outlawed next month, or next year? Maybe by this time next year we won't even be able to go out in public. We as a majority of American citizens are being shoved into the poor house all the more and now told we can't do "this" or "that."

Back in the dark ages it was called the Inquisition. We could call this new existence of the Great American Condition the "Imposition," because we are being imposed upon.

Anybody out there seen the movie "Escape from L.A." or "The Running Man"? How about "Freejack" or a four-hour miniseries called "The Fire Next Time"? Watch those films and how society eeks out a living in them. Watch how the super-rich and powerful don't eek out an existence. It sure looks like we're slowly heading in that same direction in reality.

Perhaps soon our jails, already filled with drug abusers and alcoholics arrested for driving under the influence, will be joined by those that were caught smoking or hugging in public. Public intoxication will be added with public smoking or public hugging. Maybe even later with public smiling at somebody.

Shades of Orwell.

Thomas W. Elam  
Pikeville

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**Calendar**

College, Prestonsburg, Room 135. Please contact Deirdra Robinson, East Kentucky Chapter Chair, at 606-233-3400 for more details.

**Recipes are wanted for PHS Cookbook**

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

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

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

**Democratic Woman's Club meets at Floyd Co. Library**

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

**Hope in the Mountains**

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

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

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

**Prestonsburg Rotary Club**

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

**UNITE**

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

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

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

**"Earn While You Learn"**

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

**Senior employment program**

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

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

**External Diploma Program**

Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in Thelma, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday. EDP classes are also held at the Mullins Learning Center, in

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Pikeville, on Tuesdays, from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Contact Andy Jones at 606-788-7080, or 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

GED classes are also available.

**Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Special interest groups:**

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

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

**Looking for a Support Group?**

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

Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Wednesday from 5:30 to

(See CALENDAR, page eight)

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# Hall attends circuit court clerks fall college

FRANKFORT — Douglas Hall, circuit court clerk for Floyd County, participated in the 2007 Circuit Clerks Fall College in Lexington Oct. 24-26. The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) hosted the college, which offered sessions on how to efficiently handle District Court criminal procedures and how to better supervise personnel.

"This conference focused on an interesting mix of issues that affect how circuit clerks carry out their daily operations," said Nelson County Circuit Clerk Diane Thompson, who is president of the Kentucky Association of Circuit Court Clerks. "Circuit

clerks must be prepared to adapt to new technology and new legislation while overseeing case management and maintaining staff morale."

The college also offered sessions on the Judicial Branch budget request for the 2008 Kentucky General Assembly, the new centralized jury management service being offered by the Administrative Office of the Courts, and new technology and legislative issues that may affect the Office of Circuit Court Clerk.

The AOC hosted a banquet during the conference to honor the circuit clerks and deputy clerks who were instrumental in implementing changes to

Kentucky's new unified court system, which was formed as a result of the 1976 Judicial Article. Beginning in 1978, the Office of Circuit Court Clerk played a key role in the business operation of the new state court system.

The Office for Judicial Branch Education of the Administrative Office of the Courts provides training conferences twice each year for circuit clerks, who are responsible for managing the records of Kentucky's Circuit and District courts. The AOC supports the activities of more than 3,500 Court of Justice employees, including the elected offices of justices, judges and circuit court clerks.

# Pence: Fletcher needed stronger advisors in administration

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher needed better advice from within his administration to avoid the missteps that led to his defeat in the Nov. 6 election, one official said.

Lt. Gov. Steve Pence said Fletcher, who lost to Democrat Steve Beshear, was damaged by having too many people tell him what he wanted to hear instead of what he needed to hear.

Pence, a critic of Fletcher's handling of a criminal investigation into the administration's hiring practices, chose not to run for re-election on the governor's ticket. In an interview with the Kentucky Enquirer earlier this week, Pence said Fletcher failed to heed the concerns and criticism he raised.

Fletcher and members of his administration were indicted on charges of using political connections to fill jobs. The governor, against Pence's advice, pardoned the members of his administration who were indicted. Fletcher later cut a deal with prosecutors to have the charges against him dropped.

Pence, a former federal prosecutor who had prosecuted high-profile state government corruption cases, rocked the Kentucky political landscape in June 2006 when he announced he would not run for re-election with Fletcher.

"If people knew what I knew, and had gone to the meetings I sat through, seen the decision-making I sat through, they would not disagree with what I did," he told the newspaper.

After Pence refused to be Fletcher's running mate a second time, Fletcher asked

Pence to resign as lieutenant governor. Pence refused.

The governor stripped Pence of his duties overseeing the Justice Cabinet, but Pence said he continued with his other duties and obligations, including overseeing homeland security, chairing a task force working on a location for a downtown arena in Louisville and working on a cervical cancer public-awareness campaign.

"I would have liked to have done more," Pence said. "But that governor decided to bench me. That was his call. He has the ability to do that. I found ways to keep busy. It was a very tough situation, but I knew it was temporary. I knew quitting was not the right thing to do, and I wasn't going to do that."

Pence, who will become a partner at the law firm of Dinsmore and Shohl, said the gubernatorial election was not a reflection on the GOP but a repudiation of Fletcher.

As evidence of his theory, he points to the re-election of Republican Secretary of State Trey Grayson of Boone County.

"The election was clearly a referendum on the governor's performance," Pence said. "You can't run on the issue of bringing change to Frankfort and then fall into a situation where it is just business as usual."

Despite their differences, Pence said he voted for Fletcher.

"I supported our party from top to bottom," he said.

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# Regional Entrepreneur Center graduates sixth FastTrac New Venture Business Planning class



The Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, in Paintsville, recently graduated its sixth New Venture Business Planning class.

Business Development Center (SBDC) and the Big Sandy Community & Technical College (BSCTC) held their sixth FastTrac New Venture Business Planning class, which began on Oct. 16.

The FastTrac Program features the complete process of determining whether students want to be an entrepreneur and if the idea is feasible by testing the market, pricing, costs and funding options available to small businesses in the region. Entrepreneurs also obtain valuable tools to research and completing their business plan. FastTrac is an entrepreneurial program supported by the Ewing Koffman Foundation, which located in Kansas City focuses their efforts on improving entrepreneurial education.

The program is administrated by KHEC, facilitated by MACED and supported by the SBDC and the BSCTC, which represents the centers partnership at work. The 10-session program was held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. each week. Facilitated instruction was a joint partnership between MACED and the SBDC and included guest speakers and work study. The program

included dinner, which allows students an opportunity to learn in a relaxing atmosphere, as well as, to network and learn from one another.

The KHEC and MACED will be offering the next FastTrac New Venture Program for any business type in April. The class will be held two nights per week from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday through May. In addition, the center will be featuring a FastTrac Program for Developing your Family Child Care Business starting Jan. 10, and being held as a Thursday day class from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All FastTrac programs offer scholarship opportunities for students in Floyd, Johnson, Lawrence, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties. Call today to register as seating is limited to 15 per class.

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# State jobless rates increase in 94 counties

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A state agency reports that unemployment rates increased in 94 Kentucky counties between October 2006 and October 2007.

The Kentucky Office of Employment and Training reports that unemployment rates dropped in 18 counties and remained the same in eight counties.

The state office says the highest jobless rate is 10.2 per-

cent in Jackson County. Fayette and Warren counties recorded the lowest jobless rate in the commonwealth at 3.7 percent each.

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**Obituaries**

Home, in Martin, with Tommy Spears officiating.

Burial was in the Hall Cemetery, in Banner, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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(Paid obituary)

**Dick Hatfield**

Dick Hatfield, age 90, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, November 18, 2007, at his residence.

Born July 27, 1917, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Martin and Mary Sellards Hatfield. He was a contract laborer, and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Eva Sester Hatfield.

Other survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Geraldine and William E. Burchett of Prestonsburg; a grandchild, Shondella Burchett; and a sister, Julie Shortage of Prestonsburg.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a half brother, Roland Scalf; and two half sisters: Lucille Looney and Lenora Thompson.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 21, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Dave Garrett, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Burchett & Hatfield Family Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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**Mary C. Jefferson**

Mary C. Jefferson, 86, of Old Main Street in Maysville, died Saturday, November 24, 2007, at the UK Medical Center in

Lexington, following a stroke.

She was the daughter of the late Joseph and Arminda Guy Follmer, and was born in Sardis, on October 27, 1921. She was a member of the Washington United Methodist Church, and had been employed by the G. C. Murphy Co. and Harold's Quick Shop in Washington, until her retirement.

She was the widow of Henry F. Jefferson, who died on July 12, 2007. Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson had been married almost 70 years at his death.

She is survived by three sons: Bob Jefferson of Dry Ridge, Winston Jefferson of Auxier, and Henry F. Jefferson Jr., of Maysville; and a granddaughter whom they raised, Pam Jefferson Gillespie of Maysville. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were three brothers: Robert, Andrew and Joseph Follmer; three sisters: Florence Adkins, Dora Wheeler, and Alberta Follmer; and a great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services for Mary Jefferson were held Tuesday, at 2:00 p.m., at the Knox and Brothers Funeral Home, with Rev. Mike Canada officiating.

Burial was in the Washington Baptist Cemetery.

Visitation was from 6 until 8:00 p.m., Monday, at the funeral home.

Serving as pallbearers were Adam Rankin, Tim Spencer, Kelly Jefferson, David Merrill, Steve Gillespie, Jason Butler, Mark Jefferson, and Mikie Jefferson.

Guestbook at: knoxbrothersfuneralhome.com

(Paid obituary)

**Helen S. Kendrick**

Helen S. Kendrick, age 76, of Melvin, wife of Edward Kendrick, passed away Thursday, November 22, 2007,

at Saint Joseph Hospital, in Lexington.

She was born February 16, 1931, in Coal Run, a daughter of the late Beverly Blankenship and Bertha Williams Blankenship. She was a retired licensed practical nurse; a member of the Wheewright Freewill Baptist Church; and a former member of the Eastern Star.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, Edward, include, two sons: Michael Frazier of Dayton, Ohio, and Rick Frazier of Columbus, Ohio; a daughter, Claudette Reaume of Ypsilanti, Michigan; a brother, Marvin Blankenship of Belleville, Michigan; a sister, Betty Jo Maichele of Ypsilanti, Michigan; and two grandchildren: Renee Newsome and Chad Tackett.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Ocie Sturgill.

Funeral service for Helen S. Kendrick were conducted Monday, November 26, at 1:00 p.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Clergyman Louis Ferrari officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was after 5:00 p.m., Saturday, at the funeral home, and after 4:00 p.m., Sunday, at the Church.

(Paid obituary)

**Lucy Jane Ousley**

Lucy Jane Ousley, age 79, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, November 25, 2007, at King's Daughters Medical Center.

Born November 21, 1928, in Dock, she was the daughter of the late Willie and Mary Jane Givens Frazier. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Free United Baptist Church in West Prestonsburg.

She was preceded in death by

her husband, Estil Ousley.

Survivors include a son, Roy Ousley of Prestonsburg; four daughters: Mary Jane Goble, Ada Combs and Kay Ousley, all of Prestonsburg, and JoAnn Reynolds of Martin; a brother and sister, Bill Frazier and Velma Rose, both of Prestonsburg; seven grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Chester Frazier, Johnny Frazier and Hager Lee Frazier; and a sister, Kathryn Frazier.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 28, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jim Smith and Robert Ousley officiating.

Burial will be in the Goble-Ousley Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

**Malta S. Porter**

Malta S. Porter, 87, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, November 24, 2007, at the Prestonsburg Health Care.

Born March 30, 1920, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Caleb Sherman and Martha Louise Music May. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bert N. Porter.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law: Madelyn and Stanley Ray Burchett of Prestonsburg; four grandchildren: Kim, Lisa, Chrystal, and Robert; seven great-grandchildren: Shawnda, Arthur N., Shalena, Lisa Suzanne, Robert Donald, Michael Dustin, and Ashley Chante; 12 great-great-grandchildren; and a great-great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by eight brothers: Edwin, Dewey, Hager, John, Grant, Lonnie, and Lee May, and an infant brother; and seven sisters: Alta, Oma, Viola, Cona, Stella, Vertie, and Ella.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 27, at 2 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Nathan Lafferty officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel,

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**Calendar**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Special interest groups:

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

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

Looking for a Support Group?

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

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

•Overeater's Anonymous - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red light. Call 889-9620 for more info.

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

•Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For

more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to any-

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**Rewards**

"We'll look at it, then," said board chair Jeff Stumbo. "If we're going to give away money, let's make sure we do it right."

Also in regard to board financial affairs, Don Wallen,

of Wallen & Cornett, PSC, CPAs, was present at the meeting to report on a recent audit conducted by his firm of the board's financial records.

"The system is working ... and the numbers reported are

correct," Wallen said. Wallen said that no discrepancies had been found among the various fiscal activities and that Matt Wireman, finance director, and his staff had been of great assistance to him in his study.

The board voted to accept the audit report.

In other news, also receiving special recognition from the board were Osborne Elementary, Allen Central Middle School and South Floyd High School. Each was recognized for being named winners of the Fall Classic Attendance Awards.

In regard to attendance, however, Kristina Springer, director of pupil personnel, reported at the meeting that attendance numbers are currently lower than they were at this same time last year.

Springer attributed the lower numbers, in part, to "media coverage of staph and MRSA" during October, though numbers were also lower during August and September.

In regard to those families residing in the Floyd school district who have decided to enroll their children in outside districts, Supt. Fentress suggested that the board contact those families to inquire why the decision was made to attend outside schools. Fentress said that gathering such information from families could be beneficial to the

district in regard to luring students back to Floyd County schools.

"Sometimes it's a matter of what's most convenient," he said, "but if it has to do with the education process, then it would do well to find out why." Fentress said his office would begin the process of contacting the parents of students who are attending schools outside the district.

Monday evening's meeting was held at Duff Elementary/Allen Central Middle School.

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**Board**

back in self-defense against "unprovoked attacks" will no longer be "automatically considered in violation" of board policy.

In other business, the board received reports from the superintendent that contact has been made with the state highway department in regard to traffic concerns at Prestonsburg Elementary School and near Betsy Layne High School.

"We are still exploring the possibility of accessing the use of a county road located behind Prestonsburg

Elementary," Supt. Ronald "Sonny" Fentress said.

Pavement markings, quick curbs and modified lane restriping along Route 114, near the school entrance, are also safety improvements being considered.

Near Betsy Layne High School, plans to mark a portion of the roadway leading from the school as a "right turn only" onto U.S. 23 was also approved by the board.

"This is, I think, really the safest way," said board chair Jeff Stumbo. Due to a high volume of traffic in the area,

left hand turns are not easily maneuvered and past requests for a traffic signal at the site have been denied.

"I just don't think the highway department will ever install a traffic light there," Stumbo said as he offered his opinion that a right-turn-only rule would be the best solution to the existing problem, an opinion obviously upheld by his fellow board members who voted unanimously, with the exception of Dr. Chandra Varia who was absent from the meeting, to approve the plan.

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**Reform**

dates could apply. Beshear, a Democrat who defeated Fletcher earlier this month, thought the state's recent uncertain political climate may have discouraged some potential candidates from coming forward.

Nevertheless, the board opted to continue its search and select from a group of four finalists that included: Draud, a retired superintendent of the Ludlow school district; Richard Hughes, a retired Hardin County school superintendent; Larry Vick, the Owensboro school superintendent; and Jim Warford, a former chancellor of the Florida Department of Education.

Kentucky has had three education commissioners since the General Assembly passed the Kentucky Education Reform Act in 1990.

Thomas Boyesen was the first, holding the post from 1991-1995. Wilmer "Bill" Cody was the second, before Wilhoit who was the longest-serving appointed commissioner.

Kentucky's first three commissioners started their tenures in the early stages of the reform effort when the target date for proficiency was still many years away, Sexton said. It's possible that Wilhoit's successor could still be commissioner when 2014 finally rolls around, he said.

KERA came about after a Kentucky Supreme Court ruling found the state's schools were inadequate. The General Assembly overhauled

Kentucky's school system, seeking to even out school funding throughout the state.

It implemented, among other things, an accountability system and gave more power to local education officials.

Melissa Evans-Andris, an associate professor of sociology at the University of Louisville, said Kentucky is still perceived as one of the "leaders of the pack" nationally about 17 years after KERA passed.

The education reform set Kentucky up for some of the provisions under the federal No Child Left Behind Act, Evans-Andris said. A strong commissioner is necessary to be a public advocate for Kentucky schools and carry out the board of education's direction, she said.

"The primary goal for the new commissioner is to get a grip on what agenda has already been established," Evans-Andris said.

Results from the Kentucky Core Content Tests released last month showed many students scored well in reading, most of the more than 428,000 students scored either "proficient" or "distinguished."

Seventy-two-percent of the elementary students scored either proficient or distinguished in reading, while about 21.5 were apprentice and 5.8 were novice. High school students didn't fare as well, as the percentage of pupils scoring either proficient or distinguished dropped to 60.1 percent, with 34.9 percent at the

apprentice level and 5 percent as novice.

But in math and science, only 39.3 percent of high school students were proficient or distinguished in math and 41.7 percent in science.

According to the latest test results from the National Assessment of Educational Progress, Kentucky's eighth graders were performing near the national average in math and above the national average in reading.

Still, not all schools are on a trajectory to reach proficiency by 2014, said Stephen Miller, an associate professor of educational foundations, at the University of Louisville. Schools are still off course three or four years from now, that could prompt questions such as whether the goals are too high of are more resources needed, Miller said.

"Time is of the essence," Miller said. "We can't wait. We need to start thinking about those things now and the new commissioner is going to have to address those things pretty early on."

A new commissioner, along with the new governor, need to work together to bring in a refreshed sense of urgency to help the consistently lagging schools turn around, Sexton said.

"We need some new energy and some new thinking," Sexton said. "Every state is struggling with the chronically underperforming schools and we really need to pay attention to that."

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**Shop**

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# Gather Round



FAMILY FEATURES

It's time to celebrate the season best shared with family and friends. Delicious recipes, which are surprisingly easy to make, will impress guests without keeping you tied to the kitchen. Add B. Smith's stylish entertaining ideas to the mix — then simply sit back and wait for the doorbell to ring!

"Entertaining shortcuts are a must, especially during the bustling holiday season," said B. Smith, national style expert, who also is a restaurant owner, cookbook author and radio host. "I'm a fan of quick scratch recipes that start with convenience products. All the makings for a memorable season are within reach with some planning, a little prep and a lot of fun!"

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## Deviled Crab and Cheese Biscuit Cups

*This delightful appetizer recipe is popular with B. Smith's guests when she entertains at home.*

- 3/4 cup whipped cream cheese spread (from 8-oz container)
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon red pepper sauce
- 1/4 cup finely shredded mild Cheddar cheese (1 oz)
- 2 tablespoons chopped green onions (2 medium)
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 cup garlic and herb bread crumbs
- 3 cans (6 oz each) white crabmeat, well drained
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 can (16.3 oz) Pillsbury Grands! Flaky Layers refrigerated buttermilk biscuits
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

1. Heat oven to 375°F. Spray 16 regular-size muffin cups with cooking spray.
2. In small bowl, mix cream cheese, lemon juice, pepper sauce, Cheddar cheese, green onions, paprika, bread crumbs, crabmeat and celery until well blended.
3. Separate dough into 8 biscuits; then peel in half to make 16 biscuits. Press or roll each into 5-inch round. Place 1 biscuit round in each muffin cup; firmly press in bottom and up side, forming 1/4-inch rim over edge of cup. Place 2 tablespoons crab mixture in bottoms of muffin cups.
4. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until filling is set and edges of biscuits are golden brown. Sprinkle each with chopped parsley; lightly press into filling. Remove biscuit cups from pan; serve immediately.

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- Filling**
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
  - 1/2 cup granulated sugar
  - 1 egg
  - 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
  - 1 teaspoon vanilla
  - 5 cups sliced peeled Granny Smith apples (5 medium)

- Streusel**
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
  - 1/4 cup granulated sugar
  - 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
  - 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
  - 1/4 cup cold butter
- Topping**
- 1/2 cup whipping cream
  - 1 tablespoon powdered sugar
  - 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
  - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

1. Place cookie sheet on oven rack. Heat oven to 400°F.
2. In 1-quart saucepan, cook 1/4 cup butter over medium heat until melted and lightly browned, stirring constantly. Cool completely, about 15 minutes.
3. In large bowl, beat 1/2 cup granulated sugar and egg with wire whisk until light and fluffy. Beat in 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Beat in cooled butter. Gently stir in apples. Pour into frozen pie crust.



4. In medium bowl, stir together all streusel ingredients except butter. With pastry blender or fork, cut in 1/4 cup butter until mixture looks like coarse crumbs. Sprinkle over apples. Place pie on cookie sheet in oven.
5. Bake 20 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350°F, and cover edge of crust with strips of foil to prevent excessive browning. Bake 40 to 50 minutes longer or until apples are tender and crust is golden brown. Cool 2 hours.
6. In small bowl, beat whipping cream until soft peaks form. Add remaining topping ingredients; beat until stiff peaks form. Pipe or spoon onto pie.

8 servings

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): In step 5, increase second bake time to 50 to 55 minutes.

## Biscuit Bread Pudding

*A rich, old-fashioned custard dessert is made simple with frozen biscuits.*

- 12 Pillsbury Grands! frozen buttermilk biscuits (from 25-oz bag)
- 8 eggs
- 4 1/2 cups milk
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 2/3 cup raisins
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons vanilla Caramel topping, warmed, if desired

1. Heat oven to 350°F. Bake biscuits as directed on bag. Cool completely, about 20 minutes.
2. Meanwhile, generously spray twelve 10-oz custard cups or twelve 4 1/2x1 1/4-inch disposable foil tart pans with cooking spray. In large bowl, beat eggs.

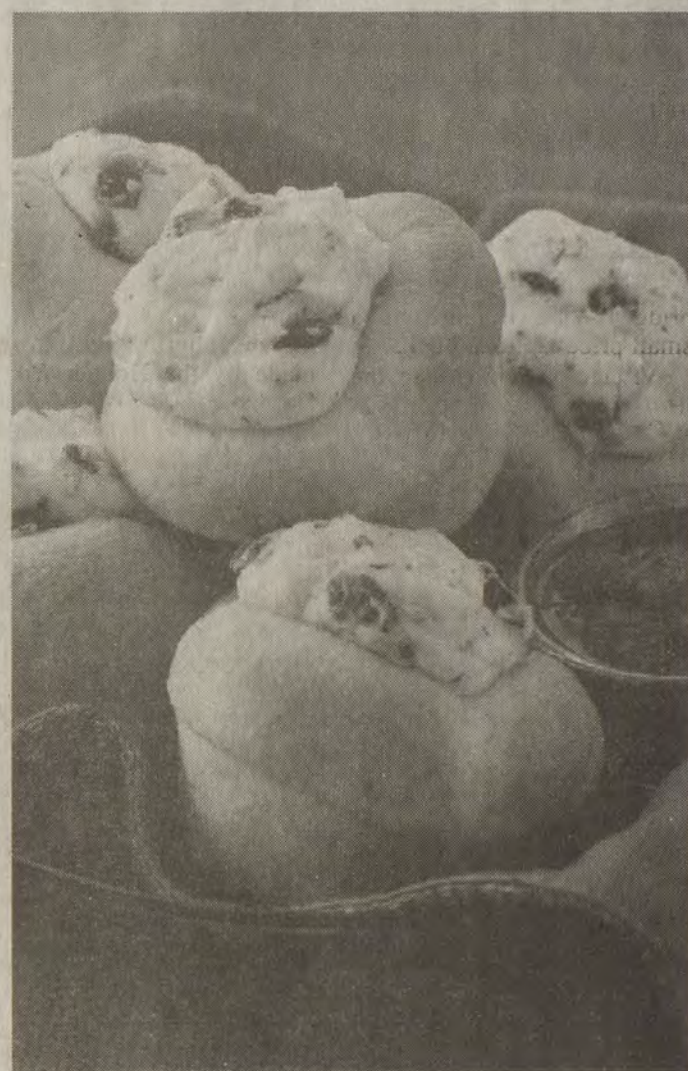
Add milk, sugar, raisins, cinnamon and vanilla; mix well.

3. Cut baked biscuits into 1-inch cubes. Add to egg mixture; mix well. Let stand 5 minutes. Divide biscuit mixture evenly among custard cups.
4. Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until set. With knife or metal spatula, loosen edges of each pudding; slide onto dessert plate. Drizzle with warm topping.

**Timesaving Tip:** Bake biscuits up to 2 days before preparing the pudding. After they have cooled, store in a sealed food-storage plastic bag at room temperature.

12 servings

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): Follow High Altitude directions on bag when baking biscuits. Gradually stir 1/4 cup all-purpose flour into ingredients in step 2. Bake 25 to 30 minutes.



## Garlic, Cheese and Tomato Bread Bites

*Upgrade dinner rolls by filling them with a delicious cheese blend.*

- 10 Pillsbury frozen soft white dinner rolls (from 12.4-oz bag)
- 1 container (6.5 oz) garlic-and-herbs spreadable cheese
- 1 tablespoon diced sundried tomatoes
- 1 tablespoon diced pitted kalamata olives
- 1 jar (8 oz) marinara sauce, warmed

1. Heat oven to 375°F. Remove rolls from bag; thaw 10 minutes. With thumb, make indentation in center of each roll.
2. In medium bowl, mix cheese, sundried tomatoes and olives. Place 1 tablespoon cheese mixture in each indentation. Place on ungreased cookie sheet.
3. Bake 12 to 17 minutes or until tops are light golden brown. Serve with warmed marinara sauce.

10 servings

High Altitude (3500 to 6500 ft): No change.

## Holiday Hints

*B. Smith, the maven of merriness, offers her top tips for the season:*

### Easy Elegance

At my restaurants, I love dressing up plated food with a fragrant spice or herb sprigs. This is easy to do at home, too. Lightly sprinkle cinnamon around individual plates of apple pie, and dust the whipped cream or ice cream à la mode. Use fresh herbs to add a splash of color and aroma. Chives, rosemary, tarragon and sage make lovely garnishes.

### Candle-Berry Votives

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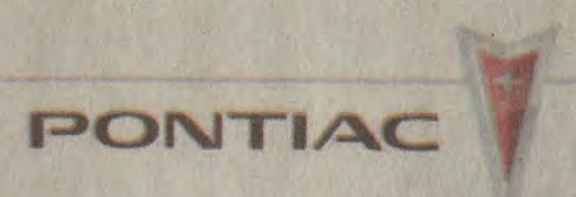
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE Pursuant to Application 836-5332

Major Rev. No. 1 In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given V & M Mining Co. of Paintsville, Inc., 1509 Napier St., Flatwoods, KY 41139, has applied for a revision to a surface and under-

ground mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 1.2 mile north of Honaker, in Floyd County. The operation will disturb 4.94 surface acres, and will underlie 121.76 acres, and the total permit boundary will be 126.70 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.8 mile south of the junction of CR 1426 and the Justice Branch Road, and is approximately 0.3 mile south of Justice Branch. This revision is for a land use change, and to leave a road and pond as permanent.The proposed operation is located on the Harold 7 1/2 U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected is owned by Michael Coleman and Charlie Akers.The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, at 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

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

The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 16th, 2008.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Enterprise Mining Company, 5703 Crutchfield Drive, Norton, VA 24273, has applied for Phase III bond release on permit number 836-5454, which was last issued on 8/06/03. The application covers an area of approximately 12.90 surface acres, and 990.00 underground acres, located 1.5 mile north of McDowell, in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 0.80 mile south from Ky. 979's junction with Ky. 122, and located along Hays Branch.

The bond now in effect for the 836-5454 is a surety bond for the amount of \$14,500.00. The entire remainder of the original bond amount of 27,400.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling, grading, seeding, mulching and planting trees. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 25, 2008.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for January 28, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 25, 2008.

PUBLIC SALE

Date and Time of Public Sale: Novem-ber 30, 2007, at 11:00.

Type of Collateral: 2000 S-10 Blazer S/N 6375. Contract Date: 07/31/03 Location: First Commonweath Bank, 311 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Any questions call Mike Haney, 606-424/6453 or 606/886-2321, Ext. 129.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD

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

Table with columns: Date of Appointment, Case Number, Estate of, Fiduciary, Attorney. Rows include appointments for Julie Hamilton, Danny Anderson, Louise Elswick, Odell Scott, Estill B. Branham, Michael Dwayne Shortridge, Mary Francis Stone, Waltust Reynolds, Sr., Jeanette Skeans, Charles Wayne Hicks, Thomas Edwin Rose, In Re: Austin Burchett, Audrey King, Myrtle Burke Bates, Dingus Bates, Hazel Jesse, Joe Elliott Howard Jr.

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0352

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Clarence Hayes, 156 Layne Hill Drive, P.O. Box 157, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605, has applied for a permit for surface area, contour and auger mining operation, affecting 10.06 acres, located at Betsy Layne, in Floyd County, Ky. The proposed operation is located on Layne Hill Drive, 0.8 mile north of the intersection of US 23/460 & Ky. Rt. 80 and Ky. Rt. 979.

Located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The latitude is 37°32'56". The longitude is 82°37'59". The operation will use the area, contour and auger methods of surface mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Clarence Hayes, Darvene Conn, Kenneth Layne, and Bufford Layne. There is no blasting proposed for this operation.

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

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Permit No. 860-5300

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O. Box 990, Allen, Kentucky 41601, has applied for Phase 2 bond release on permit number 860-5300, which was last issued on 11/28/06. The application covers an area of approximately 20.14 acres, located 2.2 miles south

of Lackey, in Knott and Floyd Counties.

The permit area is approximately 0.6 mile southeast from KY Route 550's junction with Triplett Branch Road, and located on Triplett Branch of Jones Fork. The latitude is 37°26'37". The longitude is 82°50'05". The bond now in effect for this permit is a Surety Bond in the amount of \$ 4 0 , 3 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately \$23,475.00 of the bond amount is included in the application for release. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2, Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 28, 2008.

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

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II C.A. No. 06-CI-00939 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee of Amerquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass Through Certificates Series 2004-R8, Under The Pooling and Servicing Agreement

Dated As of August 1, 2004, Without Recourse Plaintiff V. Glen Knox and Helen M. Knox Defendants NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

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

Being Lots No. 20, 21, 44, and 45 of the River Plains Estates, as shown by map of same recorded in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk in Plat No. 1-1-8, and to which map or

plat reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said property.

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

TERMS OF SALE:

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

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

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

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NOTICE (OF FINAL SETTLEMENT) COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD...SCT I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said settlements must do so on or before 12-28-07, at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All persons indebted to an estate should settle with the fiduciary within six (6) months from the date of appointment.



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

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

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

Plaintiff's Counsel:  
Hon. Douglas C. Howard  
Christopher M. Hill  
& Associates,  
P.S.C.  
P.O. Box 817  
Frankfort, KY 40602  
William S. Kendrick  
Master Commissioner  
P.O. Box 268  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

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

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

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

The proposed operation is located on the Harold/Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the area, contour and auger/hi-wall mining methods of mining. The surface to be disturbed is owned by Appalachian Land Company, Locust Grove Inc., John H. and Janet L. Kidd, Jeffery & Judith Gayheart, Joe and Ruth Roberts, Sonny & Linda Gayheart, and The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. All underground areas to be disturbed are owned by the Elk

Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of County Road No. 1108. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of

Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2

Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

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

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

The permit area is approximately 0.25 mile east from KY 194's sjunction with KY 1428, and located adjacent to Cow Creek.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 is a Letter of Credit for \$23,200.00. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$23,200.00 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading, fertilizing, seeding and mulching. The revegetation achieved is in accordance with the approved plan as outlined in the permit application. Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 28, 2008.

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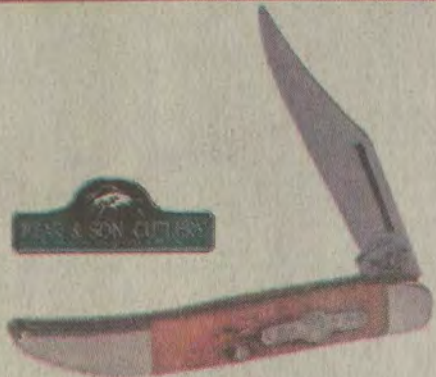


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## Wildcats left to ponder after latest bout versus Volunteers

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Steve Johnson thought it was over.

Watching Kentucky kicker Lones Seiber line up for a 35-yard field goal attempt in double overtime on Saturday, the Wildcats wide receiver thought Kentucky would finally end two decades of misery at the hands of Tennessee.

"All we had to do was get a field goal and the game would be a wrap and the streak would be over," Johnson said.

Johnson, a junior college transfer, spent only two years at Kentucky, perhaps not long enough to know how these things tend to work out for the Wildcats.

Tennessee's Dan Williams blocked the

kick, and the Volunteers won 52-50 in four overtimes, sending the Wildcats to their 23rd straight loss against their border rivals and blunting any late season momentum.

"This was a tough loss," said Kentucky guard Jason Leger. "Since I came here, Tennessee was the team that I wanted to beat. The problem today was that we made too many mistakes."

Now a season that began with such promise has the Wildcats (7-5, 3-5) right where they were a year ago.

And while back-to-back winning seasons are a rarity for a program that has struggled to survive in the Southeastern Conference, this 7-5 feels a little different than last year's 7-5.

Six weeks ago, the Wildcats vaulted into the Top 10 after knocking off then-No. 1 LSU. They were 6-1 and ready to make some major

noise.

But four losses in their final five games brought the Wildcats back to earth and into a mad scramble for a bowl bid. While Kentucky is assured of making a bowl, the destination probably won't be as sunny as it could have been.

"I am disappointed for our seniors, disappointed for our fans and disappointed about a lot of things," said coach Rich Brooks. "8-4 is a lot better than 7-5."

The program's 16 seniors had hoped to make a lasting statement in their final home game. The program had come so far in the last two years, the seniors thought beating the Volunteers would have been a fitting tribute to the foundation they hope they've built.

Instead, it will be up to next year's team to end Tennessee's streak over the Wildcats, the

longest active winning streak by one team over another in the Football Bowl Subdivision.

"This loss is definitely No. 1 on my list of tough losses," said wide receiver Keenan Burton. "Coach had confidence in us. He knew we'd been in a lot of situations like this. We all thought we'd overcome."

Kentucky has a good month to get over it. The Wildcats will certainly be in the mix for a bowl game. Representatives of the Chick-fil-A Bowl in Atlanta were at the game. A return to the Music City Bowl, which the Wildcats won last year, is also a possibility.

"It hurts," said defensive end Jeremy Jarmon. "We really wanted to send those guys out on a high note. Now all we can do is look forward to the bowl game and try to make up for what happened."

## Kimmel, Clement top list of honorees for 55th Annual ARCA banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TOLEDO Ohio — Preparations are full-ahead for the 55th annual ARCA RE/MAX Series national championship awards banquet at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington on Saturday night, Dec. 8. The event is open to the public.

This year's event will honor the top-20 drivers and owners including nine-time series champion Frank Kimmel along with nine-time champion car owner Larry Clement.

ARCA RE/MAX Rookie of the Year and runner-up championship driver Michael McDowell will also receive a healthy share of the top accolades to include the 2007 SIM Factory Pole Award. Other top honorees include third place driver Dexter Bean, fourth place Justin Allgaier and fifth place Justin Marks.

Special Award presentations include the Hoosier Tire Superspeedway Challenge championship going to car owner Ray Evernham and driver Erin Crocker as the first female recipient, the Bill France Triple Crown, the HG Adcox Sportsmanship award, the Manufacturer title, the Marcum award, the ARCA Motorsports Media award, the Bob Loga Memorial Scholarship, the Spirit Award and the Cometic Engine Mechanic of the Year.

SPEED TV's John Roberts, host of NASCAR RaceDay and NASCAR Victory Lane on SPEED, will be Master of Ceremonies for the second consecutive year.

In addition to the on-stage ceremonies, the audience will be treated to big-screen video productions of the RE/MAX Series season in review, the top-20 teams as well as special tributes to Benny Parsons and Bill France, Jr.

Prestonsburg resident Steve Blackburn has competed part-time in the in ARCA RE/MAX Series each of the last two seasons.

The annual ARCA RE/MAX Series press conference, also open to the public, will precede the banquet at 2 p.m. at the same location.



photos by Tony McGuire

FINAL PRESEASON TUNEUP — South Floyd's Trista Damron (above) hauled in a rebound and looked for an outlet pass to start the fast break versus the Hazard Lady Bulldogs. Below: South Floyd's Kiana Hall protected a loose ball during the final scrimmage game of the preseason at Hazard.

## Lady Raiders conclude preseason

by TONY MCGUIRE  
HAZARD HERALD

HAZARD — The South Floyd Lady Raiders concluded their 2007 preseason last week with a road game versus the Hazard Lady Bulldogs. The Lady Raiders started the night by taking the JV game 24-10. They took an early lead in the varsity game, but could not hold on down the stretch. The Lady Raiders had a shot to tie at the buzzer, but the attempt came up short.

The Lady Raiders opened the game hot, hitting from all over the court. However, they soon cooled, and Hazard mounted a comeback. At the break, Hazard owned a 14-10 advantage.

In the second half, the Lady Bulldogs began to stretch their lead, and soon, had a double-digit advantage. Late in the game, Kayla Hall hit a couple of three-pointers and the comeback was on for the Lady Raiders. South Floyd rallied to get to within three points with only a handful of ticks left on the clock. The Lady Raiders were able to secure the ball, but could not get off the shot to tie. Hazard went on to win the game 35-32.

INSIDE THE SOUTH FLOYD SCORING — Kayla Hall 12, Andrea Conn 3, Jessie Tackett 2, Chelsie Tuttle 4, Ashley Castle 2, Gabby Bailey 4 and Dee Tackett 5.



## Blackcats fall short in Louisville

DeSales advances with 33-20 win

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

LOUISVILLE — For three quarters, it seemed as if the Prestonsburg Blackcats would be coming back home for a state semifinal game this Friday. However, unfortunately for the Blackcats, a game consists of four quarters. Prestonsburg led 20-13 with 11:00 left in the game, but DeSales host would proceed to score 20 straight points for a 33-20 win.

After shutting out Shelby Valley 38-0 only one week prior, Prestonsburg's defensive unit seemed poised for another huge effort. Junior tailback Allen Grayson got the Blackcats on the scoreboard first with a 36-yard

touchdown run at the 2:31 mark of the first quarter.

DeSales Myles Poole evened the score at 7-7 on a 1-yard plunge at the 10:40 mark of the second quarter. After exchanging punts, Prestonsburg would retake the lead on a 15-yard touchdown pass from Michael Burchett to Austin Gearheart at the 5:15 mark of the second quarter. Clay Jamerson's extra point was wide right and the Cats were left to lead 13-7.

Prestonsburg took the 13-7 lead into halftime.

DeSales evened the score at 13-13 on a 4-yard run from Poole at the 4:06 mark of the third quarter. Ryan Johnson's extra point was also wide right and the score remained tied at the end of the third quarter.

Prestonsburg retook the lead on the first play of the fourth quarter. Craynon eclipsed the 2,000 yard rushing mark on a 21-yard touch-

down run at the 11:51 mark of the fourth quarter as the Blackcats took a 20-13 lead.

DeSales, however, refused to buckle as Cody Cutsinger returned the ensuing kickoff 85 yards to the Prestonsburg 5 yard-line. The Colts got within one point on a 5-yard touchdown pass from Johnson to Luke Renfro at the 10:54 mark of the final quarter. Again, Johnson's extra point was wide right. The Blackcats held a 20-19 lead following the missed kick.

After forcing a Prestonsburg punt, DeSales took the lead for good with 6:35 left on the clock. Poole took it in from 2 yards out and the two-point conversion gave DeSales a 27-20 lead.

DeSales tacked on a late score after the Blackcats were forced to go for it on fourth and four from their own 20 and failed to convert.

Prestonsburg ended the season 9-4.

### High School Football Scoreboard

Friday, Nov. 23  
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## Farmer, former UK teammates in Ky. Proud campaign

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — This holiday shopping season will be Unforgettable for shoppers looking for Kentucky Proud products to give to their loved ones or serve at festive holiday gatherings.

Kentucky Proud has launched a promotional campaign featuring the Unforgettables — Agriculture Commissioner Richie Farmer, Deron Feldhaus, John Pelphrey and Sean Woods, the seniors on the 1991-1992 University of Kentucky basketball team that nearly toppled top-ranked Duke in the NCAA Tournament in what many consider the greatest college basketball game ever played.

The former UK stars donated their time to produce the video and photographs for the cam-

## Unbeaten Rio Grande handles Lady Bears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The University of Rio Grande used a big first-half run to pull away from Pikeville College and pick up a 69-54 win Saturday afternoon.

The Redwomen outscored their hosts 22-4 over a nine-minute section of the first half to pull away. Trailing 4-2 after senior Heather English scored with 17:21 left in the first half, seven different players scored for Rio Grande, and when freshman Jasmine Richardson scored on consecutive baskets — the last coming with 7:08 remaining — the lead was 24-8.

Pikeville scored six straight — a three-point play by freshman Shalane Moore and a three-point basket by freshman Whitney Compton — to cut it to 10, but never got closer before intermission.

Rio Grande (5-0) led 33-22 at the half. Pikeville got a basket to start the half to trim the lead to nine but failed to cut it further. The Redwomen led by 20 at one point before the game settled at 15.

Pikeville (0-7) was led by Compton, a freshman from Haysi, Va., with 11 points off the bench. Freshman Laskia Bailey followed with nine and five rebounds and senior Beth Patterson had nine points and four steals.

Ashly Chandler, a freshman from Newberry, S.C., led the Lady Bears with 12 rebounds, while junior Whitney Hogg had six points, eight rebounds, five assists and five steals.

Rio Grande had four players in double figures, led by Kaylee Helton's 14 off the bench. Helton, a freshman from Lucasville, Ohio, also had five rebounds and three steals.

Senior Britney Walker had 12 points while junior Sarah Drabinski followed with 11 points and eight rebounds. Erin Kume, a junior from Marion, Ohio, finished with nine points, 12 rebounds, five assists and four blocked shots.

Pikeville will be back in action tonight when it hosts regional rival Alice Lloyd College at 6 p.m. A men's game between the longtime rivals follows at 8 p.m.



# Crawford's career-high 32 points helps Kentucky thump Texas Southern

by JEFFREY McMURRAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — After Kentucky allowed just five baskets in the second half Saturday, coach Billy Gillispie, never satisfied, told his players that was four too many.

In his postgame pep talk after the Wildcats' best defensive showing of the year — an 83-35 victory over Texas Southern — the new Kentucky coach went through each of the Tigers' second half baskets and explained how all but one could have been prevented.

"We don't like to give up a basket," Gillispie said. "You have to take that approach. One basket is going to determine outcome of a lot of games."

The players weren't complaining about the defensive lecture, even after Kentucky held an opponent

under 40 points for the first time since keeping Morehead State to 32 points on Dec. 16, 1995.

"He was right," freshman A.J. Stewart said.

The Wildcats (3-1) won for the second straight time since falling to Gardner-Webb in the second round of the 2K Sports College Hoops Classic. It was their largest margin of victory since beating Vanderbilt 106-44 on Mar. 5, 2003.

On a night where the defense made headlines, Joe Crawford made his first appearance as a starter under Gillispie and provided an offensive jolt with a career-high 32 points.

Crawford, a senior guard who was a regular starter last year for Tubby Smith, made a major case that he should get his job back under his new coach Gillispie.

"He never lets up," Crawford said of Gillispie. "He pushes everyone to the max. He's not just on me. He's on everyone in a different way."

Crawford matched a career-best with 12 field goals in the first half from beyond the arc and a spark in the second from the paint.

Up 6-5 early, the Wildcats scored the next 15 points — 10 of them from Crawford — to bury the Tigers.

"It looked like he was everywhere," Texas Southern coach Robert Moreland said of Crawford.

Crawford hit two free throws to begin the streak after drawing a foul on a fourth-chance shot. Then, 11 seconds later, Crawford intercepted a pass and cruised alone down the court to finish with a dunk. He'd add two 3-pointers to pad the lead.

During another span in the second half, Crawford began to misfire from long-range, so he took the ball to the hoop. He made a fastbreak layup, then set a career-high with a 3-point play on an alley-oop from fellow senior Ramel Bradley.

Gillispie has been preaching the virtues of running an offense from the inside out, and he says it's finally starting to click.

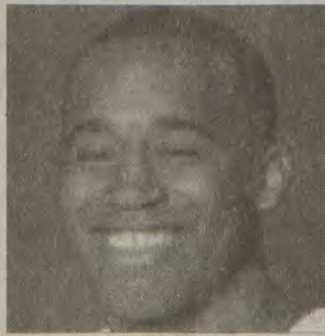
"They're starting understand this stuff can work," he said. "It makes shots easy, not hard."

Kentucky made 61 percent of its shots (77 percent in the first half). The Wildcats dominated the much smaller Tigers in the paint with freshman power forward Patrick Patterson, who had 21 points and seven rebounds.

The Wildcats made five of their first seven shots from beyond the arc, and Patterson made his first eight shots from the field, mixing layups and dunks with finesse jumpers.

Texas Southern (1-4) connected on just 21 percent of its shots and was overmatched on the boards in the first half, failing to get its fourth rebound until 15 minutes had passed. Three Wildcats — Patterson, Crawford and Bradley — had more first half rebounds than the Tigers' team leader.

David Burrell led the Tigers with 11 points.



JOE CRAWFORD



photo by Jamie Howell

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY TIGHT END Jacob Tamme was one of the seniors honored Saturday when the Wildcats hosted longtime rival University of Tennessee. At press time, where Kentucky would be headed for a bowl game was still unknown. The Wildcats finished the regular-season 7-5 overall.

# No. 19 Tennessee holds off Kentucky

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — After all Tennessee overcame to get to this point, the lopsided losses, the calls for the coach to be fired, blowing a 17-point lead was no reason to get down.

Now the resilient Volunteers are heading back to Atlanta, SEC East champions after a heart-stopping 52-50 victory over snake-bit Kentucky on Saturday.

Sorry Georgia, but it's not a good idea to wrest conference title hopes on having the Wildcats knock off their perennial border rivals. Times change, but Tennessee's dominance of the Wildcats does not.

"I think at one time during the season we were 1-2 and everyone had given us up for dead," Vols coach Phillip Fulmer said. "We had one of those Sunday night player meetings, where you pound on the podium and tell them what they need to do to be a better football team, and to their credit, they have listened."

Tennessee's Antonio Reynolds stuffed quarterback Andre Woodson's 2-point conversion attempt in the fourth overtime, ending one of the wildest games in the history of this rivalry and capping off the Volunteers' improbable rally from 1-2 in the SEC.

The Volunteers (9-3, 6-2) earned a shot at LSU in next week's SEC title game by beating the Wildcats (7-5, 3-5) for the 23rd straight time, the longest active winning streak by one team over another in the major college football.

Tennessee and Georgia finished tied atop the East, but the Volunteers earned the title thanks to their 35-14 win over the Bulldogs on Oct. 6.

"To win that game under such circumstances, we were very fortunate," said Tennessee's Erik Ainge, who threw for a career-high 397 yards and seven touchdowns. "We somehow got it done. It wasn't perfect on either side but we find a way to get it done."

They got it done by outlasting Woodson and the Wildcats, who wasted several chances to end two decades of misery at the hands of the Volunteers.

Kentucky trailed 31-14 late in the third quarter, but scrambled to tie it on a 20-yard field goal by Lones Seiber at the end of regulation.

The teams traded touchdowns in the first overtime, but the Wildcats seemed to get the break they needed when Sam Maxwell intercepted Ainge at the goal line.

Three straight Kentucky runs put Seiber in range to win it, but his 35-yard attempt was blocked by Dan Williams.

"Coach called it desperation block," Williams said. "You've got to believe you can get it. If you don't, you lose."

Woodson matched Ainge throw for throw, passing for 430 yards and six touchdowns, but the Wildcats couldn't repeat the magic that propelled them to an overtime victory over No. 1 LSU in October.

"It was a great college football game, but the way I look at it, the wrong team ended up winning," Kentucky coach Rich Brooks said. "The streak lives."

Barely. The teams traded touchdowns in the third overtime, with the Wildcats stuffing Tennessee's Arian Foster's 2-point conversion.

A personal foul on the Volunteers following the conversion attempt pushed Tennessee back to the Kentucky 40 instead of the Kentucky 25 at the beginning of the fourth overtime.

No matter, Ainge hit a wide-open Quintin Hancock on the first play to put the Volunteers in front. Ainge then found Austin Rogers for the conversion over the middle.

"Quintin kind of ran the wrong route, but he read it as he was running and I just hit him," Ainge said.

Kentucky responded with a 2-yard touchdown run by Derrick Locke, but Woodson was stopped at the Tennessee 3 caught in between trying to find a receiver and taking off for the end zone.

The Volunteers seemed out of the SEC East race after being crushed 41-17 at Alabama last month. Earlier in the season, the Vols were pounded 59-20 by Florida.

Getting creamed by Tennessee's biggest rivals had

Vols fans restless and the media speculating if Fulmer could be replaced.

But since the loss to Alabama, Tennessee has now won five straight and will return to the SEC title game for the first time since 2004.

"No one was giving us a chance to win, it was us against the world," Ainge said. "No one was giving us a shot."

Kentucky, which was on the fringe of the national championship hunt after upsetting the Tigers, has lost four of its last five.

The Volunteers earned the shot with a gritty but hardly perfect performance against the Wildcats. They dominated the game's first 45 minutes, hemming in Woodson and controlling the tempo behind Ainge and Foster, who had 216 yards from scrimmage.

Oddly, Kentucky seemed only too eager to try and grind it out with the Volunteers. It wasn't until they went to the spread formation late in the second half that the rally began.

The Wildcats could have won it in regulation, moving to the Tennessee 1 with less than 30 seconds to go. A run and two passes went nowhere, forcing them to settle for a field goal and overtime.

"We've won quite a few games this year this year, coming from behind," Brooks said. "I was pretty confident as our players were that we were going to do it again after we had tied it up in regulation."

Rafael Little had 77 yards rushing and caught 11 passes for 108 yards for the Wildcats. Jacob Tamme, Steve Johnson Keenan Burton — who helped usher the Wildcats into the Top 10 earlier in the season — combined for 23 catches, 273 yards and five scores.

The trio is part of a class of 16 Kentucky seniors who had hoped to make their final home game the exclamation point on a two-year period in which the program challenged some of the conference's elite.

Instead, the regular season ended the same way as most of the 22 before it — with a loss to Tennessee.

# No. 6 Louisville tops Old Dominion

by GREG BEACHAM  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS — The next time Louisville coach Rick Pitino plans a trip to Las Vegas, it'll be all fun and games — a lot more fun and fewer games, that is.

Terrence Williams scored 20 points, Derrick Caracter added 13 and the sixth-ranked Cardinals rebounded from their first loss of the season with a 64-53 victory over Old Dominion on Saturday night in the Las Vegas Invitational.

Earl Clark had 11 points, and 15 rebounds for the Cardinals (4-1), who couldn't wait to escape the Orleans Arena's locker room for some fun in Sin City after grinding through three games in four nights. They were upset by Brigham Young on Friday to ruin a prospective matchup with No. 1 North Carolina in the final of the eight-team event.

But a solid win salvaged the holiday weekend for the Cardinals, who were stretched to exhaustion by the tough schedule and the tougher Monarchs.

"It was real difficult on our guys, and it's my fault for scheduling it," said Pitino, who pitted his Cardinals against UNLV on Wednesday night before the Invitational. "I scheduled too many games. They were gasping for air, but they dug in there. They were really fatigued. We shouldn't put them through this."

Against Old Dominion, the Cardinals' problems with defense and depth were tested for the second straight night. Pitino shuffled his starting lineup and refrained from forcing his players into

aggressive pressing defenses to keep them fresh.

But Williams' 39 minutes of solid play after a seven-turnover performance against BYU allowed Louisville to hold off another spirited effort from Old Dominion (3-3), which lost to top-ranked North Carolina one day earlier.

"It's very tough, to be honest with you," Williams said. "With Coach P, you have to go 100 percent every game. It gets tough, but we're just happy to get the win because it shows a lot of character from this team to get a win after losing yesterday. ... It would be a long trip home if we had lost tonight."

Gerald Lee scored a career-high 20 points for the Monarchs, whose prospects for a Colonial Athletic Association title should be enhanced by two impressive showings against the nation's elite teams. Brian Henderson hit four 3-pointers on the way to 14 points, and Old Dominion kept it close until Louisville closed with a 14-5 run over the final 47 minutes.

"To play against the quality of this competition, we have to be more consistent," Old Dominion coach Blaine Taylor said. "Louisville made shots down the stretch, and they blocked more shots. Every time we needed a big basket, it didn't go in."

Jerry Smith scored 11 points and Caracter had eight rebounds for the Cardinals, who didn't get that much-anticipated meeting with North Carolina. Instead, they got two tough tests that should serve them well as they adjust to playing without captain David Padgett, who

could miss the season with a broken kneecap, and injured forward Juan Palacios.

"We kept saying we need heart now," Williams said. "Now we're looking forward to having some fun. We'll probably go out and eat and bowl."

Louisville took a 39-38 lead early in the second half and maintained it through the final 15 minutes, though Lee pulled the Monarchs to 47-46 on a layup with 6:03 to play. Point guard Edgar Sosa's three-point play started an 8-2 run, and Sosa finished an eight-point second half on a dunk with 17 seconds to play.

Sosa has been bounced from the starting lineup by junior Andre McGee, who managed just one point and two assists in 15 minutes.

"I want to start bad, and everyone knows I want to start, but I really can't complain," said Sosa, who played 26 minutes. "Andre is playing good. I'll get back to the starting lineup one day, even if it takes me until the tournament."

Lee, a 6-foot-10 sophomore from Finland, set his previous career high with 19 points against Iona four days earlier. He grabbed eight rebounds and exposed the Cardinals' troubles with guarding mobile big men, just as BYU's Trent Plaisted did Friday night.

Louisville held Old Dominion scoreless in the first 6:40, going up 10-0 before Darius James' running basket in the lane. The Monarchs gradually rallied back in an even first half, going ahead 28-26 just 1:16 before halftime on Abdi Lidonde's layup.

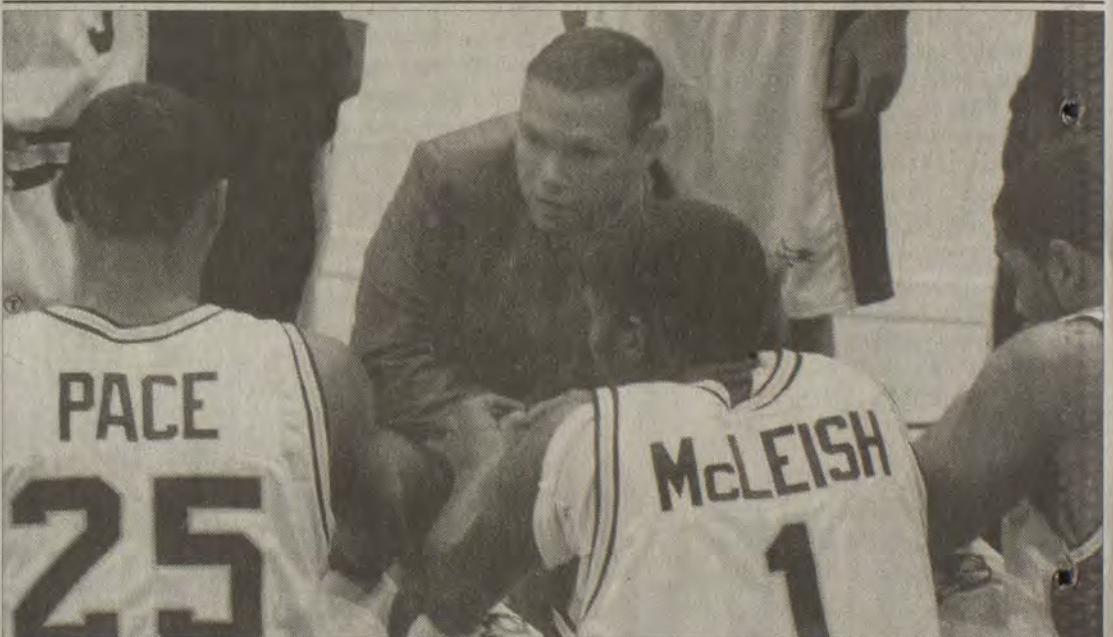


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IN THE HUDDLE: East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley talked with players during the CBA expansion team's home debut versus the Pittsburgh Xplosion less than two weeks ago. East Kentucky will play the role of host in each of its next four games.

# No. 10 Duke defeats Eastern Kentucky

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DURHAM, N.C. — In the first-ever meeting between the two programs, No. 10 Duke defeated the Eastern Kentucky University men's basketball team Sunday afternoon in Cameron Indoor Stadium, 78-43. The Blue Devils improved to 6-0 while the Colonels fell to 2-3.

Sophomore Adam Leonard finished with a team-high 12 points, nine of which came in the second half. Junior Mike Rose chipped in with 11 points and three assists on 50 percent (4-of-8) shooting.

For the Blue Devils, Taylor King came off the bench to tally 27 points. Most of King's points came behind the arc as the freshman went 6-of-11 (54.5 percent) from three-point land. Meanwhile, DeMarcus Nelson and Gerald Henderson combined for 22 points.

Eastern Kentucky's defense kept the Colonels hanging around throughout much of the first half. A Leonard three-pointer cut the Duke lead to 6-5 six minutes into the game. However, the Blue Devils countered with

12 consecutive points over the next four minutes to build an 18-5 cushion. A Rose trifecta later in the half helped EKU claw to within 11 points, 23-12, but the Colonels would get no closer.

Duke ended the half with an 11-0 run to take a 34-12 lead into the locker rooms.

The Colonels offense showed some life in the second half as the Maroons shot 50 percent (12-of-24) from the floor. Senior Darnell Dials notched all seven of his points after intermission and finished with a game-high seven rebounds.



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# Johnson's 3 TDs highlight Bengals' victory over Titans

by JOE KAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Chad Johnson commandeered a television camera behind the end zone, swung it around and aimed it at the field as part of a touchdown production that was two months in the making.

What he saw through the viewfinder: A Tennessee team playing itself out of the picture.

Johnson had a career-high 12 catches, set the Cincinnati record for career receptions, scored three touchdowns and steadied the Bengals to a 35-6 victory Sunday over the fading Titans.

"He deserves the credit," quarterback Carson Palmer said of the Pro Bowl receiver. "He's that good. We did a good job around him, too."

After emerging as one of the NFL's first-half surprises, Tennessee (6-5) has lost three in a row and its hold on a wild card playoff berth. The offense has been sloppy and the defense has lost its ability to stop anybody, giving up 28, 34 and 35 points during the slide.

This one really got to them. Forlorn quarterback Vince Young sat on the bench by himself for seven minutes after the game ended, all kinds of things running through his bowed head.

"Thoughts, man, just thoughts, trying to see what's going on, what's the problem, what we need to do to get back to where we need to be at," said Young, who was limited by a bruised thigh and a strained ankle. "Why is this all of a sudden happening to us, going back to that bad feeling that we had last year with getting our butt whooped?"

One week after Palmer threw a career-high four interceptions, the Bengals (4-7) had a breakout game behind Johnson, who had gone into a shell and a funk.

Stewing over suggestions that his look-at-me antics were hurting the team, the chatty receiver had stopped talking to the media for the past month. Finally, he had something to talk about.

Instead, he chose silence, shaking his head when

approached for interviews. Johnson wouldn't even talk about his team record.

"He doesn't care about that," receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh said, sounding like a spokesman for the receiver dressing silently right next to him. "He'll probably reflect on it later on."

Johnson had 103 yards and his first touchdowns since a 51-45 loss in Cleveland on Sept. 16. In that one, he dived into the Dawg Pound and got a sticky, eye-stinging shower of beer.

Johnson eclipsed Carl Pickens' club mark with his 531st career reception in the second quarter. His next catch was a 10-yard touchdown that broke the drought and left 65,489 fans wondering how he would celebrate.

He commandeered the television camera, drawing a flag for the excessive celebration. The 15-yard penalty was assessed on the kickoff, helping the Titans drive to Rob Bironas' 23-yard field goal.

"He deserved it," defensive captain John Thornton said, approving of Johnson's celebration. "He's been working hard. I told him to keep it up. I told him if he needs a penalty to get himself going, go ahead."

Johnson also had a 2-yard touchdown catch in the third quarter and a 3-yard score in the fourth, confining his celebrations to old-fashioned hugs and high-fives.

Palmer made up for one of the worst games of his career with one of his best, going 32-of-38 for 283 yards. The Bengals converted 14 of their 18 third-down chances, a rate that Titans cornerback Nick Harper called "ridiculous."

"You saw it," Harper said. "They had an answer for everything. It was almost like they were in our huddle."

For the Titans' offense, it was another all-Bironas performance. Tennessee had to settle for a pair of field goals in the first half, when it reached the 10-yard line three times. Young lost a fumble on a blind-side hit, scuttling one drive.

The dual-threat quarterback wasn't much of a threat when the Titans got close to the goal

line. Twice, he failed to connect with open receivers in the end zone. A telltale moment came in the fourth quarter, when the Titans went for it on fourth-and-goal from the 1. Young slipped on a rollout, got up and lobbed an incompletion into the end zone.

Young finished 19-of-31 for 246 yards with an interception. His solitude on the bench after the game was interrupted only by brief visits from Palmer and Houshmandzadeh.

"I told him it could be worse, they could be 4-7 like us," Houshmandzadeh said.

Given how far the Titans have fallen, it wasn't very comforting.

Notes: @ Titans DT Albert Haynesworth was inactive for a third straight game with a pulled hamstring. "It was risk-reward," coach Jeff Fisher said. "We want Albert back, but we want him at full speed. He's closer, but he's still not ready."

... S Chris Hope left in the second quarter after sustaining a concussion. ... Young threw a 73-yard pass to Justin Gage, the longest completion of his two-year career. ... Bironas has made 19 consecutive field goals, one shy of the club record. ... Cincinnati's Shayne Graham missed from 26 yards, ending his club-record streak of 21 straight field goals. ... Palmer's completion percentage of 84.2 percent was a career high.

Patriots outlast Eagles in New England's toughest test yet

Patriots 31, Eagles 28: Early Sunday, the Bills' loss clinched the AFC East for New England.

Samuel's TD return covered 40 yards. Maroney's score capped a 69-yard drive. Brady completed 34 of 54 throws for 380 yards and one touchdown, the first time this season he has been held to fewer than three TD passes in a game.

For the Eagles (5-6), A.J. Feeley, playing for injured starter Donovan McNabb, finished 27-for-42 for 345 yards with three touchdown passes, two to Greg Lewis; and three interceptions.

"Three points, man. Three points. The Patriots and three points," said Eagles coach

Andy Reid whose team also lost the 2005 Super Bowl to New England by three. "They're killing me with it."

Bears 37, Broncos 34: At Chicago, Robbie Gould kicked a 39-yard field goal in overtime and the defending NFC champions (5-6) gave their flickering playoff hopes a boost.

After scoring two touchdowns in the final 5:17 of regulation, the Bears won the coin toss for overtime. They drove from their 24 to the Denver 18 and Gould delivered the winner.

The Bears got two long touchdown returns from Devin Hester in the second half, one on a punt, the other on a kick-off.

"I take it personal when a team says they are going to kick it to us," he said. "They feel like they are kicking it to us because they feel we're not good."

The Bears trailed 34-20 early in the fourth quarter after

an acrobatic 14-yard touchdown catch by Tony Scheffler for Denver (5-6). Charles Tillman then blocked a punt that led to a 4-yard touchdown run by Adrian Peterson. The Bears tied it with 28 seconds left in regulation on a 3-yard reception by Bernard Berrian, who spun away from Champ Bailey and lunged to catch the pass from Rex Grossman on the right side of the end zone.

Browns 27, Texans 17: At Cleveland, Jamal Lewis rushed for 134 yards and a TD. Kellen Winslow had 10 catches and Derek Anderson threw two touchdown passes.

With their fifth straight victory at home, the Browns (7-4) stayed within striking distance of first-place Pittsburgh in the AFC North and among the wild-card contenders.

The Browns' three previous games had all been decided by three points, two in OT. Last week, they needed an unforget-

table 51-yard field goal at the end of regulation by Phil Dawson to slip past Baltimore.

This was an easier win.

Matt Schaub finished 22-for-36 for 256 yards and two TDs for Houston (5-6). But he was picked off twice.

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### POISON OAK

## The tale of Winfred

At least some people have waited until Thanksgiving was over before they got started, but a drive into town, after dark, already provides Christmas glitter, that just four or five years ago would have likely been reserved for mid-December.



Clyde Pack

So, since everybody else seems to have taken an early route to this year's biggest holiday, I guess I will, too. And, since Christmas

trees seem to be sprouting in window after window, I thought I'd share some information I've gleaned from research on that particular subject.

There are dozens of stories about how we came to use the tree as a symbol of Christmas in the first place, and one of my favorites is the tale of Winfred. No, Winfred was not an old boy I grew up with in Muddy Branch. This Winfred was an English missionary travelling through northern Germany about 1,200 years ago, and one day came upon a group of heathens beneath a giant oak tree, about to sacrifice a little prince, named Asulf, to the god Thor. Winfred stopped the sacrifice, saved little Asulf's life, and chopped down the oak. As the great oak fell, a tiny fir tree appeared.

Winfred told the people that the little fir represented Christ, and was the tree of life. Thus, thanks to old Winfred, the Germans became the first Christmas tree users.

Actually, it's a good thing we Americans don't follow all the traditions that some German families do, because some have a Christmas tree in their home for each member of the

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### KIM'S KORNER

## Do you have a thorn in your side?

This past Sunday, members of our congregation were blessed with another awesome message titled, "What is the greatest thorn in your side?"

When Pastor Carl first began, and with ink pen and notepad in hand, my "thorn" was jotted down. The more he preached, the more I seemed to jot.



Kim Little Frasure

Another thorn was added, then another. Ouch!

As he took us to scripture in Acts 16:16 to prove our

thorns and our need to forgive and lift these individuals (a.k.a. our thorn's) our entire congregation seemed to be sitting on the edge of their pews.

Our "thorn's," if you will, are bound, shackled and broken. How can we expect God's Blessings for ourselves when we're harboring ill feelings toward our thorns? We must be lifting these individuals up in prayer before we lift our petitions our Pastor preached. Again, OUCH!

The thorn in your side is an individual who can more than likely, without knowledge, make your skin crawl, hair stand on end, muscles tense and leave you shaking your head in such

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Pictured are Prestonsburg High School students who participated in the Big Sandy Idol competition at their school. Front row, left to right: Hillary Slone, Kim Kilgore, Hannah Fitzpatrick, and Staci Carriere. Back row, left to right: Savannah Boyd, Krystal Pitts, Jaden Spurlock, Matthew Conn, Josh Park, Julie Compton, and director, Clayton Case.

## BSCTC announces Big Sandy Idol participants

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) is pleased to recognize the Prestonsburg High School and Betsy Layne High School participants who were selected to be in the local-level competition of Big Sandy Idol at their respective schools.

Big Sandy Idol, organized by the Music Department of BSCTC, in partnership with the Mountain Arts Center, and sponsored by Interstate Natural Gas, is a talent and scholarship competition that offers two winners from each school a chance to compete for a demo CD recording, a full-album recording, and a \$1,200 vocal scholarship to attend BSCTC, along with a spot with the Big Sandy Singers, directed by Laura Ford Hall. At the local level high school shows, The Big Sandy Singers serve as the judges as well as perform at the beginning and end of the show.

The college will be bringing the Big Sandy Idol Talent and Scholarship Program to all 14 high schools in Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, and Martin Counties where each student chosen to participate sings one full song. Two winners are picked from the group of performers and these two winners from each high school will advance to compete at the regional-level of competition, held at the Mountain Arts Center, the last weekend of February.

Clayton Case, BSCTC's music and drama department assistant director, serves as the coordinator of the Big Sandy Idol Program. Case, along with Hall and Timothy Cooley, technical director, have worked to organize sign-ups, auditions, and shows for each high school.

At PHS, 28 students signed up to audition, with 10 students being chosen to compete at the local level, in front of the PHS student body.

At BLHS, there were 42 auditionees, with 11 students chosen to compete in front of their peers. At both competitions, several students were recognized for their abilities.

At Prestonsburg, Savannah Boyd and Hannah Fitzpatrick were given honorable mention; at Betsy Layne, Ariel Hopkins and Douglass Hall were granted this recognition.

Winning first place at Prestonsburg was junior Staci Carriere, with second place going to senior



Pictured are Betsy Layne High School Big Sandy Idol participants. Front row, from left: Kayla Younce, Courtney Curry, Jerrica Causey, and Sola Williams. Second row, from left: Kaila Younce, Kara Curry, Ariel Hopkins, Brennan Case, Douglass Hall, Autumn Eads, Kelsie Kaitlin Akers, and director Clayton Case.

Josh Park.

At Betsy Layne, senior Brennan Case snagged first place, with freshman Sola Williams winning the second place spot.

The Big Sandy Singers, along with BLHS alumni and assistant director Case, as well as Singer William King provided special entertainment at the BLHS performance; at Prestonsburg, PHS alumni and Singer Katie LeMaster, along with the rest of the Big Sandy Singers, provided entertainment.

Case, Carriere, Williams and Park will receive a demo recording as a prize for their achievement and will go on to compete in regional competition for a full-album recording and college scholarship. The album recordings will be recorded on the Big Sandy Prestonsburg campus at the Big Sandy Productions Studio with Technical Director Timothy Cooley as producer.

All named winners were also accepted into the Big Sandy High School Singers. As part of the Big Sandy High School Singers, the students will have a variety of opportunities to perform for their east-

ern Kentucky communities and also to receive vocal and stage training from Hall and Case.

Winning students will also get the opportunity to perform at a half-time show during the East Kentucky Miners home season to try for an additional amount in scholarship money. The Miner's performance and the performance at the Mountain Arts Center are totally separate competitions, and offer students multiple opportunities to win valuable scholarships.

Carriere and Park will compete against one another in a "judged by audience applause" style competition to be held Thursday, Nov. 29, at 4 p.m.

Case and Williams will compete against one another on Sunday, Dec. 2 at 4:00 p.m.

"There is a great amount of talent at both Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne," said Case. "I was so proud of all of the students who participated. They each did a wonderful job and they were very supportive of each other even though they were in competition. I am happy for each of them, and commend each of them for their talent."

### CRITTER CORNER

## Protect pets from winter woes

Winter can be a season of bitter cold and numbing wetness. Helping pets remain happy and healthy during the cold months can be helped along by following a few simple guidelines.

Don't leave dogs outdoors when temperatures drop. Most dogs, and all cats, are safer indoors, except when taken out for exercise. Regardless of the season, shorthaired, very young, or very old and all cats should never be left outside without supervision. Short-coated dogs may feel more comfortable wearing a sweater during walks outside.

No matter what the temperature, wind-chill can threaten a pet's life. A dog or cat is happiest and healthiest when kept indoors. If your dog is an outdoor dog, however, he/she must be protected by a dry, draft-free doghouse that is large enough to allow the dog to sit and lie down comfortably, but yet small enough to hold in his/her body heat for

warmth. The floor of the house should be raised a few inches off the ground and covered with cedar shavings or straw. Placing blankets or rugs inside a doghouse is not a good idea because they can become wet or damp which will create cold and uncomfortable conditions for your dog.

Turning the house to face away from the wind is imperative, and the doorway should be covered with burlap or heavy plastic.

Pets who spend a lot of time outdoors need more food in the winter because keeping warm depletes energy. Routinely check your pet's water dish to make certain the water is fresh, clean and unfrozen. Use plastic food and water bowls rather than metal; when the temperature is low, your pet's tongue can stick and freeze to metal.

Warm engines in parked cars attract cats



This little cutie is "Foxy." Foxy is a pomeranian pup owned by Woody and Mashanda Mullins who share that their precious pet "loves to dress up and show off!" Happy Holidays, Foxy!

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# YESTERDAYS

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

## Ten Years Ago

(Dec. 10 and 12, 1997)

When Leslie Kendrick, daughter of Will and Leatha Kendrick of East Point, participated in a Duke University Talented and Gifted program in the early 1990s, she took a fork in the road that eventually led her to a Rhodes Scholarship and Oxford University in England.

Exactly one month after Andy Mitchell, 52, of Tram, was jailed for the slaying of his wife, the defendant and his attorney attended a brief hearing, Friday, in an attempt to have the accused murderer released from custody.

After nearly 20 years of providing area residents with water, the Allen Water Commission was abolished, Monday night, because of the impending transfer of the company to Prestonsburg Utilities.

Questions were raised at Monday's Prestonsburg City's Council meeting about the propriety of three city police officer's ownership of a wrecker service.

A felony theft charge against Floyd County road foreman Mike Jarrell was dismissed November 26, under an agreed order between the state's Attorney General's Office and Jarrell's attorney.

Judge James E. Beckner has denied requests by defense attorneys in the Lillelid murder case for an interlocutory appeal to the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals on the issue of separate trials for the six defendants.

Forty-two bags of trash were picked up, Tuesday, at a dumpsite near Auxier, by area residents who illegally dumped it there.

A Teaberry man allegedly nicked his uncle's throat as he held a knife to it and robbed him of \$580 in cash on November 28. Kentucky State Police detective Steve Bowman testified Wednesday, that Claude Isaac, 19, robbed his uncle, Chester Newsome, 72.

A Floyd County Grand Jury will review the case of Luther R. Edwards, 47, of Wayland, accused of sexually abusing a nine-year-old girl on numerous occasions over the past year.

Jerry West, 40, of Rockhold, Whitley County, escaped serious injury, Wednesday night, after he stepped in front of a moving train in the Wayland area and was thrown approximately 30 feet.

Remus Addington, 25, his wife, Tammy Addington, 23, of Hueysville, and Wanda George, 22, of Prestonsburg have been charged with theft, for allegedly making thousands of dollars worth of fraudulent merchandise refunds at the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart.

There died: Willie Mae Sheres, 91, of Wheelwright, Friday, December 5, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Elster T. Huffman, 82, of Allen, Friday, December 5, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg; Eugene O'Brien, 61, of Prestonsburg, Monday, December 8, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; Ethel Salisbury Cross, 96, of Prestonsburg, Monday, December 8, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, in Prestonsburg; Edward Caudill, 72, of Hager Hill, Sunday, December 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Tolby Fraley, 91, of Prestonsburg, Friday, December 5, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; John Henry Hunt, 65, of Stanville, Thursday, December 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Myrtle W. Howes, 89, of Littleton, Colorado, formerly of Betsy Layne, Wednesday, December 3, at Porter Care Hospital of Littleton; Eugene G. Iredale Sr., 68, of Ivel,

formerly of Louisville, Saturday, October 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Fred Presley, 67, of Fayetteville, Tennessee, formerly of Dana, Thursday, December 4, at Lincoln County Hospital; Eric David and Derek Scott Johnson, twin sons of Delmas Eugene Johnson and Christy Dawn Tackett, were stillborn Saturday, December 6, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Okley Conley, 81, of Hueysville, Wednesday, December 10, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Maggie Calhoun Branham, 93, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, December 9; James W. Osborne, 79, of Garrett, Wednesday, December 11, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

## Twenty Years Ago

(December 9, 1987)

Crimes of violence were prominent in the grand jury's indictments, although only one was for murder.

The unemployment rate has declined since last September in the Big Sandy Area.

The City of Paintsville has had a request for a through-town route for the new addition onto U.S. 23.

The school board was commended for improvements in their financial situation by their local accountants.

A Sunday morning shooting at McDowell has resulted in the wounding of one man, and the jailing of two others. Mickey Sizemore of McDowell, was shot in the mouth by a juvenile, who was later arrested along with Tod Gayheart, who provided the weapon used in the incident.

There died: Effie Mae Cecil, 88, of Harold, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Bertie Allen, 96, of Lackey, last Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Forrest McCown, 59, Thursday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Berlin Jay Bradford, 38, of Blue River, Wednesday, at his home.

Dockie Robinson Branham, 65, of Melvin, Monday, at the Good Samaritan Hospital.

Herbert Ferrell, 75, of Manton, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

Nina Frances Branham, 42, of Wayland, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Betty Lee Mullins, 56, of Lackey, Thursday, in Lexington.

Ruby Conn, 57, Friday, at her home at Arkansas Creek.

Mary Ellen Bowens, 68, of Allen, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Harvey Lloyd Gunnell, 60, of Prestonsburg, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Susie Coleman, 78, of Water Gap, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Edna Belle Turner, 82, of Drift, Tuesday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

and Leon C. Giesick, 65, of Lexington, Wednesday, at St. Joseph Hospital.

## Thirty Years Ago

(December 7, 1977)

The nationwide strike of soft coal miners began at midnight, Monday, and continued through Tuesday, on a quiet note in the Big Sandy Valley, one of the heaviest coal-producing areas affected.

The Prestonsburg woman who led the devel-

opment of the library movement in this county for 16 years, was honored posthumously, Sunday afternoon, when the Floyd County Library Board of Trustees dedicated the Floyd County Library building, here, as the Emma Wells May Cultural Center.

Assistant County Attorney Greg Stumbo said in a telephone call from Atlanta, Tuesday afternoon, that EDA has recommended that all bids on the Allen bridge be rejected, and that the project be readvertised. A 30-day extension of time to permit readvertising for bids has been promised by EDA, he added.

Roy Ramey, president of the Prestonsburg Area Chamber of Commerce, announced Tuesday, that parking will be free in the downtown area here, each Friday and Saturday, until Christmas.

The Allen Central Rebels defeated Prestonsburg, 66-64, Saturday night, to capture the Floyd County Conference's Pre-season Tournament in the men's division, and Betsy Layne whipped McDowell, 81-46, to win the women's title.

There died: Duran Tackett, 78, of Melvin, Sunday, at his home; Lonnie Collins, 66, of Harold, Friday, at Methodist Hospital in Pikeville; Silas Derossset, 73, of Water Gap, Wednesday, at the J. J. Jordan Nursing Home in Louisa; Earle B. Martin, 66, formerly of Minnie, last Thursday, at an Orlando, Florida, hospital; Fred L. Stewart Sr., 72, of Flatwoods, Friday, at Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital in Ashland; Carada Terry, 71, of Wayland, Sunday, at his home; W. M. "Bill" Whitaker, 93, of Gunlock, Friday, at his home; Mrs. Susie Oliver, 58, of Garrett, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Lonnie Herald, 66, of Prestonsburg, December 2, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Robert Burchett, 75, of Auxier, November 19, at Good Samaritan Hospital, in Lexington; Newt Green Jr., 53, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at Chillicothe, Ohio.

## Forty Years Ago

(December 7, 1967)

The average taxpayer's bill will be higher this year, than last, but not as much as feared. The raise will average around 6 1/2 cents per \$100 valuation, it was said.

President Johnson's cutback in federal spending has temporarily stalled the move instituted, here, by the Highlands Hospital Corporation, as a

non-profit organization, toward the construction of a new hospital in Prestonsburg.

Body of John Henry Jacobs, 29, who walked or fell into Right Beaver Creek at Lackey, Sunday afternoon, was found Wednesday.

Appalachian Volunteers director Milton Ogle has announced the receipt of a \$40,000 grant from the Field Foundation of New York.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Moore, of Lexington, a son, Dec. 2, at Lexington.

There died: H. B. (Pat) Patrick, 71, Monday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, here; Earl Horn, 68, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at the Paintsville Hospital; James Butler Hamilton, 31, formerly of Martin, Saturday, in an auto accident at Ypsilanti, Mich.; Frank New Owsley, 44, formerly of Lackey, Nov. 21, at Wellington, Ohio; Mrs. Avie Thompson, 54, of Garrett, last Wednesday, at an Ashland hospital.

## Fifty Years Ago

(December 6, 1957)

Two Floyd Countians met death on highways on Thanksgiving Day, bringing to three, the number of auto victims from this county within the week. The dead are: sixteen-year-old Terry Truman Osborne, of Price, who was instantly killed at Printer, in the wreck of a car in which he was a passenger, and Andy Jack Hamilton, formerly of Grethel, who was killed when his auto left the road near Grovesport, Ohio; S-Sgt. Paul L. Payne, 21, of Estill, was fatally injured, Saturday afternoon, when his auto struck an abutment of the lower "Twin Bridge" at Martin.

Edward Christian, representative of the Retail Clerks International Association, an AFL-CIO affiliate, said Tuesday, a new boycott-picket line was being set up at the R. H. Hobbs, 5 & 10 cent store, here, and would continue to operate until the store management recognized his union as bargaining agent.

Radio station WDOC went on the air, here, Saturday noon.

A new motion in the proceedings, planned to lead up to filing of a contest suit in the Martin city election, was filed in circuit court, here, Monday.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Onda Lowe Hunt, a son, Onda Lowe Jr., Dec. 2, at the Paintsville Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. James Mayo, of Russell Springs, Ky., a daughter, Ann Ashley, Nov. 26, at Mount

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**Yesterdays**

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Sterling; to Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughan, a daughter, Cheryl Lynn, Dec. 1, at the Paintsville Hospital

There died: Leonard McCoy, 57, of Auxier, last Thursday, en route to the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Farris C. Collins, 62, formerly of this county, Friday, at his home at Beaver, O.; Edgar Fields, 42, of Allen, Sunday, at the home of his father; Kanard Hall, 57, of Martin, Monday, at home; David Moore, 22, of Orkney, Friday, at the home of his parents; Mrs. Oka Hall Cook, 49, of Buckingham, last Wednesday, at the McDowell Memorial Hospital; Mrs. Minda Combs Griffith, 62, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

struction of a super-service station on the Mayo Trail here on the lot it recently leased from H.D. Fitzpatrick, J. M. Turner, Wayland, the company's Floyd County agent, said this week

The fourth Floyd County miner to meet death in slatefalls, within the last fortnight, was 18-year-old Lloyd Mitchell, who was found dead, Monday night, by his brother, Howard, in the Clear Branch Mining Company operation at Ligon

The stranger in Prestonsburg will, within the next few days, find every street plainly marked as the result of a Jaycees project

Married: Miss Wanda Jean Blevins, of Weeksbury, and Mr. Cecil Tackett, of Melvin, Nov. 28

There died: George Hall, 27, as the result of an accidental gunshot wound while hunting, Thanksgiving Day, in the hills near his home at Galveston; Mrs. Luraney Sexton, 49, Saturday, at her home at Jump; Rev. James H. Craft, 72, veteran Floyd County minister, Thanksgiving Day, in Detroit, Michigan.

Ershell Martin, 25, of Hunter, was asphyxiated, Sunday night, as the Martin city jail caught fire

A proposed school consolidation program which would affect 63 schools of Floyd County, eliminate four senior high schools, and one junior high school, was outlined here, Tuesday evening, by Freddie Riddle, assistant director of the state school survey

Former Prestonsburg grid star Louis Harkey Mayo, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mayo, saw action, Saturday, in the Army-Navy game at Philadelphia

E. E. Lambert, 39, Pike County agricultural agent, died last Thursday morning at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville, following a series of anti-rabies treatments which he had undergone, after he had treated a rabid animal

Married: Miss Sallie Sparks, of Ivyton, and Mr. Eli Smith, of Brainard, Nov. 19

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lemaster of Brainard, a son

There died: W. B. Burke, 67, former Prestonsburg man, Thursday, at the home at Ashland of a son, Lucian B. Burke; Everett Hamilton, 20, of Grethel, Friday, at the Gearheart Hospital, Martin.

**Sixty Years Ago**

(December 4, 1947)

With the Dewey dam project still 64 percent short of completion, the Ryan Construction Company was reported, this week, as planning work through the winter

A combination of unfavorable circumstances is blamed for suspension of work at an estimated 1,000 truck mines in the eastern Kentucky coal field

The Standard Oil Company plans con-

**Seventy Years Ago**

(December 2, 1937)



Dewey and Paula Lafferty of Van Lear, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amy Lee, to Charlie Johnson Jr.

Charlie is the son of Ms. Terry L. Johnson, and the late Charlie Johnson.

The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed, Saturday, December 1, 2007, at 4:30 p.m., at the Southside Free Will Baptist Church in Paintsville.

**Critter**

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and small wildlife, who may crawl up under the hood. To avoid injuring any hidden animals, bang on your car's hood to scare them away before starting your engine.

Salt and other chemicals used to melt snow and ice can irritate the pads of your pet's feet. Wipe the feet with a damp towel before your pet licks them and irritates his/her mouth.

Antifreeze is a deadly poison, but it has a sweet taste that may attract animals and children. Wipe up spills and store antifreeze (and all household chemicals) out of reach. Better yet, use antifreeze-coolant made with propylene

glycol; if swallowed in small amounts, it will not hurt pets, wildlife, or your family.

The very best prescription for winter's woes is to keep your dog or cat inside with you and your family. The happiest dogs are those who are taken out frequently for walks and exercise but kept inside the rest of the time. Dogs and cats are social animals who crave human companionship. Your animal companions deserve to live safely indoors with you and your family.

Learn more about pet health by visiting the website of The Humane Society of the United States at [www.hsus.org](http://www.hsus.org).

**Korner**

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disgust wondering how on earth this individual makes it through life at times. It could be someone who is full of negativity or pride and is always right, when in reality they haven't an actual clue what is going on, or maybe at this particular time of year a good description would be a real Scrooge of a character.

Someone who is bent on stealing, killing, and destroying your joy all the while you the "Christian" know better yet somehow, somehow, the THORN in your side can stick that little prickly jab and wha la — bam, crash, whop — you are grabbing both sides of your head with two hands full of hair ready to pull with all the strength you can muster, for the thorn has struck again.

People, you have got to start praying for your thorns, Pastor told us. You have got to remember, it is not the person but the spirit that is in them, he told us.

You have got to concentrate on praying more for your thorns if you want God to bless you with the desires of your heart, he said.

There wasn't a person in our congregation that didn't have a thorn in their side.

We have got to be on our game if you will, our unguarded moments of letting our thorns get to us can cause us to not only lose our joy but how we react can cause us to lose our reputations, and even our testimonies. OUCH! A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. (Proverbs 15:1)

God will even use your enemies to make a way for you when you are in His Will. Wow — thank you, Jesus! When a man's ways please the Lord, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. Why we must rise above the hurt from our thorn's and obey God!

To quote Jentzen Franklin, "With praise comes prophesy, direction and God's plan for your life."

Here's praying we all can lift up our thorns and the only thistles left will be on the bushes themselves.

Til Next Week  
God's Blessings to you and yours...

**Oak**

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family. As much trouble as one tree is, can you imagine having three or four?

And speaking of traditions, it's fascinating to read about how Christmas is celebrated around the world. Although it sometimes seems as if we tend to celebrate Santa Claus instead of Christ, and even though it shouldn't make us feel any less guilty, we're not the only ones who seem to miss the point.

You'd be surprised how many countries tie Christmas to weddings.

In Switzerland, for example, young people attend midnight church service on Christmas, and on their way to church they stop at nine fountains and take three sips of water from each. If they do this, when they get to church, they'll find their future husband or wife waiting at the door.

In this same vein, in Norway they make a Christmas pudding containing an almond. They believe that the person who finds the almond in his (or her) portion will be the next to be married.

A Czechoslovakian tradition says a young girl tells her fortune (sort of) by putting a cherry twig in a glass of water on December 4. If the twig blossoms before Christmas Eve, it means she'll get married sometime in the coming year.

While traditions are OK, I guess our real challenge is to try to remember why we have the holiday in the first place. Unfortunately, too many of us tend to believe it's all about who has the biggest tree, the prettiest yard, and the most expensive gift list.

We really need to work on that.

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**Dr. Seth Hyden**  
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Highlands Regional Medical Center proudly welcomes Dr. Seth Hyden, Pediatric Dentist, back home to eastern Kentucky! A native of Prestonsburg, Dr. Hyden is a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University and the University of Louisville College of Dentistry. His postgraduate training includes General Practice Residency certification from the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry and certification from the University of Kentucky Division Of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Hyden most recently served as Chief Pediatric Dentistry Resident at the University of Kentucky and as a resident medical staff member at the Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville, KY. Dr. Hyden specializes in medical dentistry for children and adults of all ages, and is now accepting patients. Dr. Seth Hyden will be joined at his practice location at 38 Grace Drive in Prestonsburg by his father, Dr. Alan Hyden, who graduated from the University of Kentucky and served his family practice internship and residency at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Dayton, OH. Dr. Alan Hyden has been a member of the medical staff at HRMC since 1977 and has served as Chief of Staff at HRMC since 2000. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Hyden Pediatric Dentistry at (606) 886-6565 or Alan Hyden, MD - Family Practice at (606) 886-9456!

Join us on Thursday, November 29, 2007 from 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM for the Grand Opening and Open House at the new clinic!



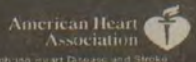
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# School Happenings

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

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

•Nov. 28 - Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m., in YSC. Everyone invited.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Allen Central High School

•Nov. 26 - Board of Education meeting, Duff Elementary.

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

of income.

## Allen Central Middle School

•Nov. 28 - Nutrition presentation, west wing.

•Nov. 29 - Nutrition presentation, east wing.

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

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

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center.

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

## Baptist Learning Center

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

## Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

•Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

## Duff Elementary

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

packs.

•Nov. 29 - Advisory Council meeting, 3:45 p.m., in FRC. Everyone welcome to attend.

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

•The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the area where the old main office used to be. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator.

## May Valley Elementary

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

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

## McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

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

•Parent lending library available to all parents for video/book checkouts. A variety of topics are available.

•Family Resource Center is open weekdays, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Center is located upstairs in the old high school building,

on the McDowell Elementary School campus. For further information, call Clara Johnson, director, at 377-2678. The McDowell FRC provides services to all MES students and their families, regardless of income.

## Mountain Christian Academy

•Tuition assistance and bus transportation is available. For more information or a tour of the school, call 285-5141 or 285-5142.

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

•MCA is an accredited non-denominational Christian school.

## Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

\*School Hours: 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m.\*

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

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

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

•After-School Child Care: 3-6 p.m.

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

## South Floyd Youth Services Center

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

•SFMS parents with concerns about your child's grades, visit the STI Home! site at <http://iiod.ssts.com> and click on the STI program. Select state, county, school, child's pin number and password. You may

view your child's attendance record, class average, schedule, grades, and discipline referrals. Questions? Call 452-9607.

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

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

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

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

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

•Nov. 30 - Dental cleanings; 1st thru 4th grades.

•Nov. 28 - Head Start parent meeting; FRYSC, 12:15 p.m.

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

•Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

•The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium. Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

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

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

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

## Wesley Christian School

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

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

## Big Sandy Community & Technical College

Adult Education and GED Monday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC; Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC; Martin Comm. Ctr.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

6-8 p.m. - BSCTC.

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

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

Weeksbury CC.

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

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

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

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

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