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STUMBO RETURNS

photos by Jack Latta
Greg Stumbo addressed a rally Saturday at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, ahead of Tuesday's special election. With his win, he will now head to Frankfort to serve the remainder of the term vacated by former Rep. Brandon Spencer.

Former attorney general carries 79 percent of vote to return to House of Representatives

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Greg Stumbo will return to Frankfort as Representative of the 95th House District after a landslide victory in Tuesday's Floyd County special election which filled the seat vacated by former Rep. James Brandon Spencer in December.

"It's so humbling to have the opportunity to have represented the people of Floyd county for 24 years, and then to have them vote me back in like this," said Stumbo Tuesday night. "I'm just as excited as I was when I first got elected."

In an election that saw 4,521 votes cast — a mere 15 percent turnout — Stumbo claimed almost 80 percent of the vote with 3,591.

Stumbo said he expects the state Board of Elections to certify his election by Monday.

"We will be ready to hit the ground running," Stumbo said.

Stumbo, whose term as attorney general ended Jan. 7, said his primary focus will be to finish the Route 680 connector between Minnie and Harold.

"Of all the projects I worked on while I worked in the House, that was the one that I never got finished," Stumbo said.

Stumbo said he expects a lot of debate about retirement funds and casino gaming.

"I plan to devote full-time to the position," said Stumbo before adding, "I also plan to follow-up on Spencer's work. He proposed two very good pieces of legislation, including a death benefit for families of coal miners paid out of the severance tax."

Stumbo's Republican opponent was upbeat when asked about the results of the election. "I'm disappointed by the result," Brown said. "But the numbers are encouraging."

A distant, yet surprising, second-place showing was put forth by Republican Larry D. Browns who claimed 801 votes. Eddie "Moses" Meade, father of

former representative and May primary candidate Charles "Chuck" Meade, received 97 write-in votes.

Brown, who said this was his first time in the political spotlight, had very little time or money with which to campaign and still managed almost 20 percent of the vote.

"We know now where we need to focus our attention," said Brown. "I just really want to thank everyone who voted for me."

Brown added that he "had called Greg to congratulate him."

Stumbo, a longtime political figure in Eastern Kentucky, had previously served for 24 years in the Kentucky General Assembly prior to his departure after being elected attorney general in 2003. Many of his years in the assembly were spent as majority floor leader.

In May, Stumbo pursued an unsuccessful bid for lieutenant governor alongside running mate Bruce Lunsford.

Stumbo had previously commissioned an exploratory committee to weigh a potential run against longtime Republican incumbent Mitch McConnell for the U.S. Senate. Lunsford recently filed papers to challenge for McConnell's seat.

The 95th House District seat became available in December, when James Brandon Spencer vacated the seat, citing "family responsibilities." Spencer immediately backed Stumbo for the seat.

In a written statement Spencer said in December, "It is no secret that I have been and still remain a close political ally of our Attorney General Greg Stumbo. He had assured me that if I vacated the office he would seek this position and move forward as representative in pursuing legislation that best serves Floyd County."

"No fair minded citizen could deny that Floyd County reaped many benefits in the past from Greg's representation, especially as he served in a leadership position," Spencer said. "If it were not

for his willingness to seek to regain a leadership role in the House of Representatives, I would not make this decision."

County Attorney Keith Bartley had said at the time, "Not to take anything away from Spencer or Meade, but we could have really used Greg in the legislature during the last four years," adding that Floyd County felt Stumbo's absence from the legislature as well as his work as attorney general during the Fletcher administration.

In the final year of Ernie Fletcher's administration, the Floyd County fiscal court received nothing in road money. Judge Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall said that the county budgets under the assumption of receiving near half a million dollars each year from the state.

The Kentucky General Assembly began on Jan. 8. This is the second time in the last four years that the 95th District has been without a representative at the start of the General Assembly. Stumbo did not vacate his seat in 2004 until he became attorney general.

Chuck Meade, who filed in December to run in the 2008 election said that he remains committed to run as planned in the May primary.

Meade served as 95th District representative from 2004 to 2006, but lost in a narrow defeat to Spencer.

After filing as a write-in candidate, "Steady" Eddie Meade said that he would run in the May primary if he won, though as of the deadline, Meade's name was absent from the roster of candidates provided by the Secretary of State.

Meade later said he had decided to pursue only the "unexpired term," and had no intentions of being a career politician.

With the win Tuesday, Stumbo, as incumbent, will face Meade in the Democratic Primary in May. Brown has no opposition within the Republican Party, and will await the winner of the primary in November's general election.



Stumbo received some high-profile help in his bid to return to the state House of Representatives, when Gov. Steve Beshear traveled to Floyd County Saturday to stump for the former attorney general.



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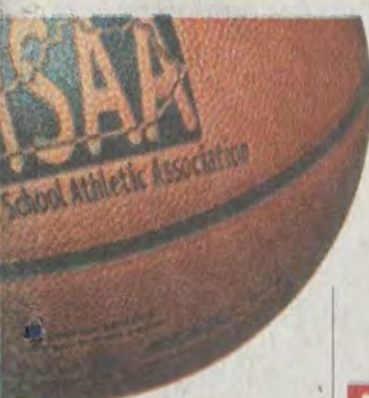


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COUNTY TOURNEYS

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briefs

Lawmaker files bill to raise cigarette tax

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A lawmaker has filed legislation that would increase Kentucky's cigarette tax by 70 cents a pack.

State Rep. David Watkins, D-Henderson, said the measure would generate needed state revenue and discourage people from smoking.

He is proposing that the cigarette tax be increased from 30 cents to \$1 a pack.

The Legislative Research Commission estimates that the measure could generate an additional \$205 million in tax revenues. The state currently receives \$165 million a year from cigarette sales.

Lawmakers have been eyeing the tax increase as a way to help offset a budget shortfall of nearly \$900 million over the next two years.

Two men sought after animal shelter robbed

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

WEST PRESTONSBURG — Manager Kathy Mullins said she left two men alone in the front office of the Floyd County Animal Shelter for just a few moments Tuesday morning, only to return to find that the men had left and taken a few things with them.

Mullins said she was working with some other people in the puppy room

when the two men came in. She greeted them and said she would be right back to help the two men. When she returned, Mullins found her purse was missing, along with several medicines, needles and collars.

"If they try to inject that stuff into themselves, they will be very, very sick, and it could kill them," Mullins warned.

Mullins said that her purse contained just over \$60, and that the med-

icines taken from the shelter included canine parvo and distemper, as well as Panicare, a horse wormer.

Mullins described one of the thieves as a six-foot-tall male, wearing baggy "hip hop" pants, weighing more than 200 pounds, and wearing a ball cap with an A on it.

The other suspect was described as roughly 5 feet, 9 inches tall, "very skinny", between 150 and 160 pounds, with light blond curly hair.

Mullins said both were wearing Carhart jackets and brown boots, and that both men appeared to be in their mid-20s.

Mullins, who has been manager of the Floyd County Animal Shelter for eight years, said the shelter has broken into several times at night, but that this was the first time being robbed in broad daylight.

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SLOW DAY AT THE POLLS



photo by Jack Latta

The typical lunchtime rush of voters at the court house precinct was relatively subdued during Tuesday's special election.

Authorities investigate possible vote buying in special election

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Authorities are investigating allegations of vote-buying in Perry County, where ballots were cast for a state senate seat on Tuesday.

Secretary of State spokesman Les Fugate says "we have

received calls on what we're affectionately calling 'beer for votes.'"

Perry County Clerk Haven King and the attorney general's office confirmed the investigation in Perry County, though officials declined to release details.

Republican Brandon Smith and Democrat Scott Alexander are vying for the 30th District seat that opened when Daniel Mongiardo became lieutenant governor.

Two state House seats also are up for grabs on Tuesday in the 6th and 95th districts.

Clark receives eight years for shooting

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Following a guilty plea on two counts for wanton endangerment, a Prestonsburg man was sentenced to prison Friday in Floyd Circuit Court, despite a personal address to the court for leniency, stating that he had learned his lesson.

"I've had to endure circumstances, people and events that I certainly

would never chose (sic) to voluntarily," Christian Clark, 36, of Prestonsburg, said in a written statement read before the court. "I wish to put this experience behind me — yet never forget what I have learned from it."

After hearing Clark's address, Judge Danny Caudill accepted the recommendation of the commonwealth, refusing to suspend Clark's sentence and saying

(See SENTENCE, page six)

Turner supports rebate for soldiers

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — A Monday session of the Kentucky State Senate saw the passage of a bill that will create a tax rebate fund that will help support military personnel and their families.

"Many of our military families are struggling financially," said Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-

Drift, who supported the bill. "These are the same men and women who literally put their lives on the line for us and they deserve to know that their families are being cared for financially."

Should the legislation become law, it will allow members of the military to apply for an income tax rebate on military pay

(See REBATE, page six)

Financial help available to spay and neuter pets

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — An announcement was made by the state Department of Agriculture Friday that low-income Kentuckians will be able to apply for vouchers to help offset the costs of having pets spayed or neutered.

"The voucher program is very popular, and I think the board for providing more funding," Agriculture Commissioner Richie Farmer said. "I also want to express my appreciation to participating veterinarians. They're helping the state deal with a real public safety issue and reduce the number of unwanted animals in the state."

The Kentucky Animal Control Advisory Board approved \$100,000 in additional spending for the program recently.

(See PETS, page six)



photo by Jack Latta

A political rally Saturday at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park saw several prominent Democrats turn out in support of former Attorney General Greg Stumbo in his bid to reclaim the 95th District House seat, including Gov. Steve Beshear and state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner.

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Obituaries

Joe Wheeler Jarrell

Joe Wheeler Jarrell, 93, of Louisa, passed away, Thursday, January 31, 2008, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center.

He was born on January 11, 1915, in Water Gap, the son of the late Joe and Fanny Stephens Jarrell. He attended Pikeville College and Morris Harvey College, and was a graduate of the University of Kentucky.

He was a retired teacher and farmer. He taught in the Floyd County Schools for several years.

He was an adult vocational agriculture teacher in the Lawrence County Schools. He was a member of the Louisa United Methodist Church; the Lawrence County Retired Teacher Association; and served as a member of the Lawrence County Soil Conservation Board; and the Lawrence County Senior Citizens Center.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Alma Crider Jarrell.

He is survived by several nieces and nephews, including William C. Bailey and John L. Bailey, both of Prestonsburg; Darrell S. Bailey and Glenda Hatcher Hughes, both of Erankfort; Alissa Hatcher Qdham of Louisville; and Elizabeth Hatcher Springate of Harrodsburg; and several great-nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by three sisters: Olga Rykalsky, Lorraine Hatcher, and Libby Hall; and a brother, Macon Jarrell.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 4, at 11 a.m., at Young Funeral Home Chapel, in Louisa.

Burial was in Richmond Memorial Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation was at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Louisa United Methodist Church Building Fund. (Paid obituary)



Margie Tackett Kiser

Margie Tackett Kiser, 75, of Beaver, died Thursday, January 31, 2008, at her residence.

Born September 11, 1932, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Berry and Elva Hamilton Tackett. She was a homemaker and a member of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Andy Kiser Jr.

Survivors include three sons and daughters-in-law: Daylio and Patty Kiser of Howe,

Indiana; Andy Jay and Cathy Kiser of Bronson, Michigan; and Zachary Kiser of Teaberry; a daughter and son-in-law: Angela and Jeff Brown of Beaver; two brothers, and one sister: Sterling Tackett of Betsy Layne; Jimmy Tackett of Pikeville; and Opal Reynolds of Beaver; eight grandchildren: Paul, Kent, Michelle, Heather, Anthony, Brandon, Shawn and Adam; and six great-grandsons.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister: Paul Tackett, John B. Tackett, and Olga Hamilton.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 4, at 11 a.m., at the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, in McDowell, with Regular Baptist ministers of the Indian Bottom Association officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)



Willie D. Petry

Willie D. Petry, 76, of Bull Creek, Prestonsburg, died Monday, February 4, 2008, at her residence.

Born March 3, 1931, in Bull Creek, Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Will and Lunata Crisp DeRossett. She was a homemaker; a member of the Church of Christ, in Martin; and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star No. 575, Martin.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William M. (Bosh) Petry.

Survivors include a son, William Edward (Sherry) Petry of Prestonsburg; a stepdaughter, Willa Karen Petry of St. Simon Island, Georgia; a brother, Merlon (Ann) DeRossett of Prestonsburg; two sisters: Edna Hammons of Prestonsburg; and Aileen (Robert) Hughes of Berea; a grandson and a stepgranddaughter: William Chase Petry and Courtney Thomas Branham; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers: James Dee DeRossett and Edward DeRossett.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, February 7, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Gary Mitchell officiating.

Burial will be in the Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation, after 5 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral home, with Eastern Star serv-

ices at 7 p.m.

Active pallbearers: Gregory Scott Nelson, Roger Nelson II, Michael Duty, William D. Duty, Jonathan B. Holbrook, and Harold E. DeRossett.

Honorary pallbearers: Merlon DeRossett, Danny DeRossett, David A. DeRossett, and Roger Nelson. (Paid obituary)



Dillard (Snow Ball) Shepherd

Dillard (Snow Ball) Shepherd, 65, of Hueysville, died Friday, February 1, 2008, at St. Joseph Hospital, in Martin.

Born August 7, 1942, in Hueysville, he was the son of the late Roy and Feobe Castle Shepherd. He was a disabled laborer.

He is survived by his wife, Judy Cole Shepherd.

Other survivors include two sons: Kevin Wayne Shepherd, and John Wayne Shepherd, both of Hueysville; a special sister-in-law, Lucille Boyd; a brother, Willard Shepherd of Hueysville; five sisters: Judy Shepherd, Sindy Shepherd, and Imogene Shepherd, all of Hueysville; Ilene Castle of Wayland; and Racene Miller of Prestonsburg; and three grandchildren: Summer Lynn, Autumn Cheyene, and John Blake.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Pheobe Leann Shepherd; and a brother, Hillard Shepherd.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 5, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with David Bentley and Bill Tussey officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Rubel G. Wright

Rubel G. Wright, age 96, of Hi Hat, widow of the late Martin J. Wright, passed away Tuesday, February 5, 2008, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

She was born June 19, 1911, in Pound, Virginia, the daughter of the late Edgar A. Balthis and Gracie Stumbo Balthis. She was a homemaker; an employee of Jenny Wiley Lodge; and a member of the Prestonsburg Church of Christ.

Survivors include her stepmother, Julia Balthis of Pound, Virginia; five sons: Lindell D. (Jane), and Edgar C. Wright, both of Brownstown, Michigan; James C. (Eulene) Wright of Whittington, Illinois; Martin (Paulette) Wright Jr., of

Dearborn Height, Michigan; and Benjamin F. (Lana) Wright of Hi Hat; two daughters: Shari D. Moran of Hi Hat; and Vickie (Birchell) Moore of Howe, Indiana; a stepdaughter, Marcell (Donald) Roys of Lakeland, Florida; seven brothers: Bobby D. Balthis of Cromona; Harold E. Balthis of Bean Station, Tennessee; Freddie G. Balthis of Wise, Virginia, Lewis D. Balthis of Wise, Virginia; and Henry Balthis, Gary Balthis, and Johnny Balthis, all of Pound, Virginia; two sisters: Betty M. McFarland and Sheila K. Seavers, both of Pound, Virginia, 18 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, a stepdaughter, Cheryl J. Dye, and a grandson, David L. Wright.

Funeral services for Rubel G. Wright will be conducted Friday, February 8, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Clergyman Rick Kelley officiating.

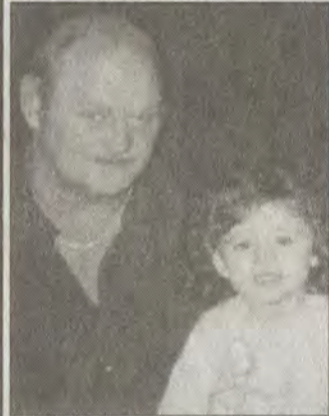
Burial will follow in the Newman Cemetery, in Hi Hat.

Visitation is after 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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THE FAMILY OF JULIA B. AKERS

Card of Thanks

The family of Anthony Griffith would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, relatives, and neighbors, who helped in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Bobby Spencer for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the staff of Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All the many acts of kindness during this time will always be a comfort to our family.

THE FAMILY OF ANTHONY GRIFFITH

Card of Thanks

The family of Norris H. Salisbury would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, relatives, and neighbors, who helped in any way upon the passing of our loved one. We are especially grateful to the Martin High School Class of 1957; to Bobby Lawson for his comforting words; and to the Hall Funeral Home for their loving care and kindness shown to our family.

The love and compassion shown to our family will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF NORRIS H. SALISBURY

Card of Thanks

The family of Edd Bentley would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, relatives, and neighbors, who helped in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Bill Campbell for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the staff of Hall Funeral Home for their unsurpassed service.

THE FAMILY OF EDD BENTLEY

Card of Thanks

The family of Belford Reitz would like to take this opportunity to thank all those friends, relatives, and neighbors who helped to comfort, and were there for our family during this difficult time. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, and prayers. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Ted Shannon for his comforting words; and the Hall Funeral Home for their loving care and hand of friendship to our family. All the love and compassion shown to our family will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF BELFORD REITZ

Card of Thanks

The family of Eunice Stratton wishes to thank all of those friends, relatives, and neighbors for all the love and support upon the passing of our loved one. Thank to all who sent flowers, food, prayers, or words of comfort expressed. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Chuck Ferguson for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and Hall Funeral Home for their kind and trusted services. Words cannot begin to express the deep gratitude we will always feel for each of you.

THE FAMILY OF EUNICE STRATTON

Card of Thanks

The family of Ada Mills Hunter wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors, in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke words of comfort to our family. A special thanks to Clergyman William Jarrell for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their professional and compassionate service. We will always remember all the love and kindness that was shown to our family.

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 Feb. 10 - Basic Arrhythmia class; Floyd Room; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Feb. 23 - Kentucky Mountain Dental Society; meeting place A & B; 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Feb. 28 - Living Well with Diabetes Support Group; meeting place A & B; 5-6 p.m.
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2nd Annual Old Fashioned Baby Contest

To be held Feb. 10, at 2 p.m., in the Roy F. Collier Comm. Center, Inez. Proceeds will be donated to Ronald McDonald House Charities! Prizes and titles for boys and girls, ages 0-3 years. All babies must be dressed in plain white shirts, or onesies, and plain pair of blue jeans. Girls may wear hair bows. Judges will pick winners on facial beauty alone. No make-up or hair pieces allowed. Entry fee, \$25 at door.
 Also, Most Photogenic Award will be given. Entry fee, \$5 per photo.
 For more info., call Tiffany at 626-7582 or Chasity at 626-7535.

Big Sandy Idol contest

The 2008 Big Sandy Idol regional competition will be held at the Mountain Arts Center, February 29 and March 1. Winners from the Big Sandy area high school Big Sandy Idol competitions will compete for BSCTC scholarships, cash awards, and recording contracts with Big Sandy Productions. Tickets \$5/students; \$7/adults. Call 1-888-MAC-ARTS.

Family reunion

The descendants of Bud

and Tannie Johnson, Ab and Lendie Bryant, and Green and Mary Johnson will have a family reunion Saturday, May 24, at the Weeksbury Community Park, starting at 10:00 a.m. Please bring a covered dish. For more information, contact Paul W. Johnson, 1274 Alexandersville Road, Miamisburg, Ohio 45342. Phone: 937-866-7937.

Democratic Woman's Club meets at May Lodge

The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club meets the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m., at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park.

Grocery bill high?

Receive help through Angel Food Ministries via Prater Creek Baptist Church Hands of Hope Ministries, located at Banner. Prater Creek Baptist is the official host site for Angel Food Ministries in this area. For \$30, you can purchase top quality groceries valued at approximately \$70. There are no income qualifications to meet and no applications to complete. For current menu/additional information, log on to www.pcbaptist.org and click the link "Food Distribution." You may also contact Roger at 606-285-9447 or e-mail to prbarnette@bellsouth.net.

Need help with addiction?

Lifeline of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:
 Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.
 Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.
 Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.
 Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
 Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
 Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
 For more information, call Shirley Combs at (606) 434-8400, or Tom Nelson at (606) 478-2836.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center Spring Classes

Basic Computer: Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Thursday, 5-7 p.m. (Opportunity to earn

free computer!)
 Sewing: Monday, 6-8 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 Quilting: Tuesday, 5-7 p.m.
 Classes begin March 10! Space is limited, pre-registration required. \$30 for 8 weeks. More info., call 886-0709.
 Free GED classes offered at the center three days a week. Call for details.

Prater Creek Baptist Church

Host site for Angel Food Ministries, will take food orders on Feb. 9, from 12 p.m. until 6 p.m. \$30 will purchase

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groceries valued at approximately \$70. Orders will be taken at the church. Payment due as orders are placed - cash, money orders and food stamps accepted. Sorry, but no personal checks. For more info., visit www.pcbaptist.org, or call Roger at 606-285-9447. You may also email to: prbarnette@bellsouth.net.

Pageant to be held at South Floyd High

The 2nd Annual Miss Sweetheart Pageant and 2008 Prom Dress Preview Show will be held on February 9, at 3:30 p.m., in the South Floyd High School Gym. Miss Kentucky Teen USA, Shannen Reil, will present all awards. Many age divisions and cate-

gories. Call Mrs. D. Isaac at 452-9600 (day) or 377-0469 (evening), or see a South Floyd Cheerleader for more information. Pageant sponsored by Village Boutique, in Prestonsburg.

Support dancing classes!
 (See CALENDAR, page five)



JACKIE EDFORD OWENS MAGISTRATE, DISTRICT 2

THE FACTS ARE—The Fiscal Court voted on May 23rd to pass the **2007 budget** totalling **eighteen million dollars**. When, I, Jackie Owens, asked the county treasurer at the meeting—"Did we not pass an **eighteen million dollar** budget on May 23rd and **HE SAID YES**. A copy of this budget is in the **clerk's office** and the **treasurer's office**. **NONE** of my family members work in District 2. Hattie has **OVER 14 YEARS** with the county and Jackie has **nearly 9 years** and has done the same job for the **LAST 5 YEARS**. On Thursday, January 17th, **eleven** road workers were laid off. **Eight** of the **eleven road workers** were hired **NEW this year**. Out of the **30 some employees** laid off—that's road workers and office workers together—The Times Reporter pointed out to me that around **24** of these were **newly hired this year**. **None** of the Fiscal Court members wanted to lay off anybody, but due to the **financial woes of the county**, **ALL the Magistrates** and the **Judge** had **no choice** but to vote **FOR** this.

Yes, I did vote—**NO**—Friday, on paying back the state **\$579,000 dollars** that was borrowed by the county because I was the **only Magistrate** that voted **not to borrow** the money back then, in the first place. This is **over a half million dollars** that will come out of the General Fund where we get our **blacktop money**, our **gravel money**, our **diesel fuel money**, and **pay our road workers salaries**. I also **voted AGAINST** setting up a line of credit for **another \$500,000** from Community Trust Bank. I knew from the start when the Magistrates mentioned donating a portion of their salary **that they couldn't do that**. It's **illegal** to raise or lower the salary once it's set. Now, if they want to cash their check and hand back \$5,000 to the county, **they can do that**. I still stand by my ads and what was said in them that I put in the papers. **I WILL ALWAYS defend myself** when being talked about.

There are some people who do not want the Fiscal Court and the Magistrates to get along together. They are always trying to **split and divide** the Fiscal Court **for their benefit**. **I AGREE**, these arguments should never have gone to the level they have. The Fiscal Court—**all the Magistrates and the Judge**—need to be **working together** to collect what money is owed the county in order to **get our men and women back to work as soon as possible**.

Paid by Jackie Owens—Magistrate, Dist 2—Hueysville, Ky.

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Our View

Not too expensive; never too expensive

So let's get this straight: Kentucky can't afford \$6 million for a possible but unlikely extra election once every four years, but it can afford \$6 million for a guaranteed extra election once every four years?

That would seem to be the rationale behind a bill that passed the state Senate last week and is now under consideration by the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill 3 would eliminate Kentucky's never-used runoff elections for gubernatorial races, but commit the state to participating in future "Super Tuesday" presidential primaries.

Regardless of whether you fall on the side of democracy or frugality, this bill is just simply inconsistent in its logic.

Sure, the state is facing lean times right now, and for that matter, so is Floyd County, which like all counties would be responsible for a portion of the cost of an additional election. But if saving money is the issue, how does it make sense to commit the state to an additional election during the presidential election?

On the other hand, we fall on the other side of this issue and maintain that the will of the people is far more valuable than any potential cost savings.

Currently, state law requires a runoff election in the governor's race if no candidate in a party achieves more than 40 percent of the vote in that party's primary. The way it would work is that if no candidate reaches 40 percent of the vote in May, the top two vote-getters would square off again in June for the right to represent their party in November.

Since the runoff provision has been enacted, it has never been used because candidates have always surpassed the 40 percent mark. But the reason for it is sound. Suppose a candidate wins a multi-way primary with 30 percent of the vote, then goes on to win the general election in November. In that scenario, the state would then be led by a candidate who was originally opposed by more than two-thirds or his or her own party.

Having a runoff system in place is a sound way of ensuring that the people of Kentucky have their true choices honored in the voting booth, rather than forcing the majority of them to choose between the lesser of two evils.

As for participating in Super Tuesday, we believe that will also benefit the state by giving Kentuckians more say in national affairs. As it stands now, the presidential primaries are usually already over by the time Kentucky goes to the polls, meaning most presidential candidates never hear the wants and needs of our voters until November — and then only if the race is close enough that the state's eight electoral votes will make a difference.

Those who argue that \$6 million is too much to pay to hold an additional election miss the point. Democracy is not a luxury that is only worthwhile when there is money in the bank; it is the very foundation of government. It is not an option that can be conveniently abandoned when times get tough; it is the necessary lifeblood of our country and grows in its value precisely when times are tough.

The right of every American to vote, to have his or her voice heard, to directly shape the future of our country, has been purchased with the blood of countless patriots, from the Battle of Lexington and Concord, to the streets of Baghdad today. In comparison, \$6 million is a pittance.

The provision for runoff elections *should* remain, and Kentucky *should* participate in Super Tuesday. But if some legislators are uneasy over the prospect of spending \$6 million to \$12 million every four years to give Kentucky voters more say in government, then we suggest they look to cut expenses. We'll even offer them a suggestion:

Our state representatives and senators can pay the full bill for these two additional elections by foregoing their salaries for four years — because, while participating in the democratic process is a God-given right, getting fat off the public trough is not.

— The Floyd County Times

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'Recession? What recession?'

Guest Column

Senate week in review

by SEN. JOHNNY RAY TURNER
29TH SENATE DISTRICT

In his state budget address this week, Gov. Steve Beshear delivered a stark, but not surprising message. The Commonwealth of Kentucky has \$580 million less for the next fiscal year than anticipated, which means making painful decisions as we draft a budget for the next two years. The governor's plan largely spares K-12 education and preserves spending on Medicaid and prisons. Agencies and programs across state government face serious belt-tightening.

The governor's proposal is only the beginning of the process. Currently, the House is working on the budget, and once it gets approval there, it will move to the Senate. The final step will be approval by the House and Senate Conference Committee. But even with the budget in the House, the Senate has already started its work, and through legislation, is looking at ways to improve the financial stress.

Prison spending is one of the fastest-growing segments of our budget. In 1970, Kentucky had 2,838 prisoners. Just last week, the state's inmate population was 22,442 and, by the end of the biennium, that number is expected to top 23,000. Kentucky's correction budget has swelled to nearly \$398 million in general funds. The governor plans to appoint a criminal

justice task force to undertake a comprehensive review of Kentucky's penal code, sentencing guidelines and related issues.

There is no doubt that the prison population has exploded in recent years, and the clear reason is drugs. More than 80 percent of all state prisoners are behind bars because of drugs and drug-related offenses. The Senate, for the third straight year, approved legislation to help felony drug offenders break the cycle of addiction.

Under our current system, a drug addict can be arrested on a non-violent felony charge, then get out on bail. Still hooked on drugs, he commits another felony to feed his addiction. Now he is looking at a much longer sentence as a repeat offender, and we have done nothing to help him get clean and become a productive member of society.

Senate Bill 72 would fundamentally change how we deal with drug offenders. Under the proposed legislation, we would provide drug addicts with treatment when it should do the most good — before they go to jail. All Class C and D felony offenders would be screened for addiction before their arraignment, and judges could make pre-trial drug treatment a condition of bail. If offenders stick with the outpatient program and stay clean, the offenders can stay out of prison and have their felony dismissed.

Of course, some addicts need more intensive treatment than others. For those who can't succeed in an outpatient program, Senate Bill 72 creates a

200-bed program in a prison-like setting. Volunteers would receive an even more rigorous treatment, along with skills training, to help provide them with a fresh start. While the outpatient treatment program would last two or three weeks, the inpatient program would last for three months minimum, and up to a year in some cases.

Long-term monitoring will be provided because follow-up is essential if either of these programs is to succeed. Research shows that the average addict who gets treatment has an 80 percent chance of relapsing, but if he can stay clean for 18 months, he has an 80 percent chance of never taking drugs again. The odds are in our favor if we can keep drug abusers on the straight and narrow path for those 18 months.

We also took steps this week to maintain an important federal anti-drug program in Eastern Kentucky. Operation UNITE, created in 2003 to fight drug abuse, has been a success. Federal grants have supplied most of its money, but Washington funding has dried up. Senate Bill 97 devotes \$450,000 in state money to Operation UNITE. Meanwhile, we hope the federal government will extend its backing for this program.

We have just finished the first quarter of this session and there are still many issues to deal with in the coming weeks. I hope you will stay in touch by calling our Legislative Message Line at 1-800-372-7181 or e-mailing me at johnnyray.turner@lrc.ky.gov.



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Calendar

The Hill County Dancers are starting new classes, Thursday, February 7, at the Hambley Athletic Center in Pikeville. Classes will begin at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Great way to meet new people; make new friends. First night is free, with no obligation. For more information, call 791-0336 or 432-2722.

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 fourth Thursday of each month, at 5:30 p.m., at the New Allen Baptist Church. All interested persons welcome to join UNITE's fight against drugs.

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

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

"Earn While You Learn"

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

Senior employment program

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

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

External Diploma Program

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

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

GED classes are also available.

Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Special interest groups:

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

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

Looking for a Support Group?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

•East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S.

Homeschoolers -Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-

5147. Everyone welcome. •Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor,

May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christopher-cook@hotmail.com.

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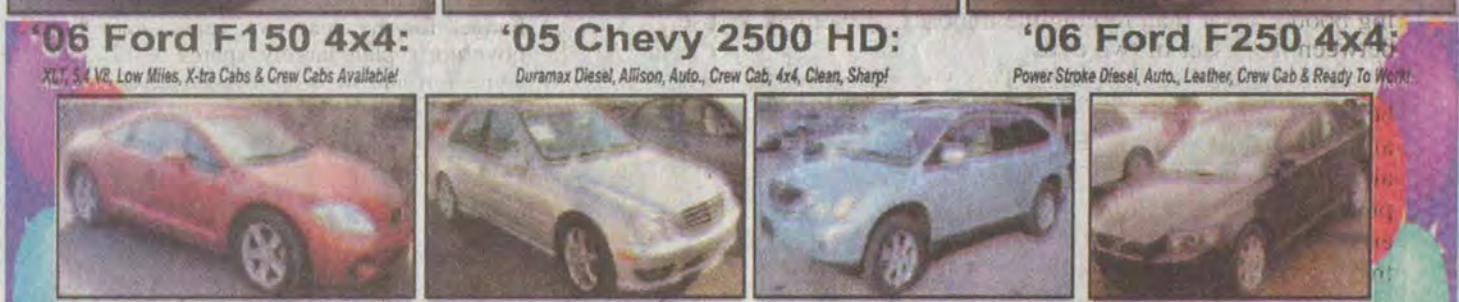
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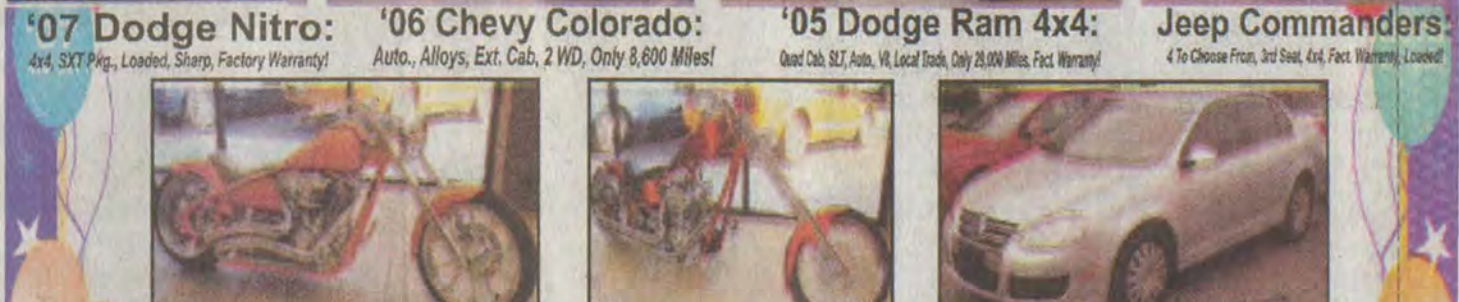


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Happy Birthday my beautiful angel.
LeighAnn



Minister charged with harboring fugitive

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

A minister is facing a possible 20-year prison sentence after a grand jury returned an indicted last week on charges of money laundering and harboring a fugitive.

According to the indictment, Wayne Reid, 60, of Oneida, "did conspire with others to knowingly conduct and engage in financial and monetary transactions in criminally derived property which involved the proceeds of trafficking in controlled sub-

stances with the intent to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership and control of proceeds of said trafficking."

Reid was also charged with harboring and concealing Larry Golden Jackson Jr., 53, of Manchester, even after being made aware of the warrant outstanding for Jackson. Jackson was arrested in September of 2005, and has been housed in jail since.

Additionally, Reid was alleged to conduct financial transactions regarding the sale

of Deer Creek Quick Stop as well as construction equipment which involved drug proceeds.

The government is also seeking \$1 million and forfeiture of several pieces of property.

The indictment was rendered after an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service.

If convicted Reid faces a maximum of 20 years in prison.

Program offering prenatal home visits is dramatic success

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Eight years ago Kentucky launched a 15-county pilot project that sent health workers to visit pregnant women and new mothers in their homes.

Now the results are in and officials say the participating women and children have shown dramatic improvement in their health and well-being.

That's according to a recent evaluation of the program known as HANDS — Health

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It now exists in all of Kentucky's 120 counties where it has helped reduce the rates of underweight and premature babies. It has also reduced the rate of infant deaths, birth defects and child abuse and neglect.

And there are benefits to the parents as well. Not only do they show better parenting skills, but they are also more likely to improve their education and seek better jobs.

Pets

Applicant pet owners must have a annual household income of \$30,000 or less, and may download the application from the department's website, www.kyagr.com. They may also pick up applications from participating veterinarians or by calling the department at (888) 297-9093.

As part of the voucher, the participant will be responsible for a \$20 co-pay per procedure to be paid to the veterinarian. The vouchers must be redeemed no later than 60 days after issuance.

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Farmer said that participating veterinarians are "helping pet owners who want to do the right thing."

Approved households will only be eligible for two vouchers, and pets must be at least 6 months old to be spayed or neutered.

The voucher program receives its funding primarily from the sale of spay and neuter license plates. The plates, which can be purchased through the county clerk's office, require an initial fee of \$25 as well as a \$20 annual renewal fee.

Rebate

beginning July 1, 2009.

Turner said, "They (the military) give us the best and we need to give them the best we can offer as well."

To receive the rebates, applications must be filed within one year from the date the tax payment was made. Once the fund is depleted, there will be no further rebates, and claims will be paid on first-come, first-serve basis.

"Though they have earned much more,

I think this legislation is a step in the right direction," Turner said. "It will offer our military personnel some relief on their tax burden."

Several pieces of legislation have been sponsored by Turner during this General Assembly that address concerns of military families and veterans.

Senate Bill 67, sponsored by Turner, would make nonresident veterans of the armed forces eligible for resident license

and permit fee rates. A final vote from the Senate is needed before the legislation moves to the House of Representatives.

"These men and woman are a top priority for me and I will continue to fight for them," he said.

Turner represents the 29th District and has served in the state Senate since 2001.

Turner was in Prestonsburg Saturday in support of Greg Stumbo's bid to return to the House of Representatives.

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Sentence

that he believed the defendant needed some time in prison.

Clark was arrested in the early morning hours of August 18, 2007, after Prestonsburg Police had been dispatched to North Arnold Avenue following a complaint of shots being fired in front of the library.

The incident began when George Summers found Clark in his pickup truck, waiting in the Floyd County Health Department parking lot shortly after 1 a.m. Clark had allegedly been waiting on Summers for over a half-hour.

In the police report, witnesses alleged that Summers was walking towards his apartment, unaware of Clark's presence, until Clark revved his engines. Summers then turned back and began walking toward Clark's pickup when Clark sped forward, narrowly missing Summers, who dodged out of the way.

Witnesses maintain that Clark did not try to "get away" after attempting to run over Summers, and that he was driving slow enough for Summers to catch up to the vehicle on foot.

The truck turned the wrong way onto Arnold Avenue toward Court Street as Summers closed on the passenger side of vehicle.

Witnesses reported that the vehicle and Summers moved out of sight for a few moments when they heard the shots fired.

Summers reported opening the passenger door of the vehicle to find Clark behind the wheel, who lifted a weapon from the seat and pointed it at him. Summers reportedly slammed the door and ducked low around the back of the truck.

According to the police report, Clark fired four times with a semiautomatic rifle out his rear window and into the back of his tailgate, though some rounds were not found. Witnesses at the time claimed that Clark fired between 10 and 20 rounds at Summers.

A second count of wanton endangerment related to a witness who ran into the line of fire, looking for Summers, when the shots began to ring out.

Clark was indicted on Sept. 20 for attempted murder, a Class B felony, and first-degree wanton endangerment, a Class D felony.

In an agreement with Commonwealth's Attorney Arnold Brent Turner, Clark pleaded guilty to two counts of wanton endangerment, and the charge of attempted murder was dropped.

Clark, who has been housed in the Floyd County Detention Center since his arrest, was sentenced to eight years in prison, with parole eligibility

after two years. Clark's five months in the Floyd County Detention Center will count towards his prison sentence.

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Robbery

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"They (the thieves) think we keep pain drugs," said Mullins. "Only licensed veterinarians are allowed to keep that stuff."

Mullins said that the facility only keeps wormer and vaccines for animals. "There is just no sense in breaking in here, we don't leave money here overnight, and we don't keep any kind of narcotics."

Mullins hopes to have her purse returned to her, as it contained some personal effects.

Mullins is also offering a reward for any information that leads to the arrest and prosecution of the two men responsible.

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BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS

Hampton opens new hotel in Pikeville

PIKEVILLE — Hampton, the national brand of mid-priced Hampton Inn & Suites hotels, has announced the official opening of its new property, the 123-room Hampton Inn in Pikeville, located at 831 Hambley Blvd. The new property is the first Hampton hotel to open in the Pikeville area.

The hotel is operated by H&W Management Company, and is managed by Sam Keith. The Hampton Inn Pikeville

is located in the heart of the downtown area, just across the boulevard from Pikeville College and near all city conveniences. Hotel amenities include hair dryer, coffee maker, iron and ironing board, 32-inch flat screen television with cable and HBO, complimentary high-speed internet service, two phones and the Cloud Nine Hampton Bed in all rooms.

"Hampton Hotels combine

quality, service, comfort and plenty of value-added extras, making Hampton the brand of choice in the marketplace today," said Keith, the hotel general manager. "Providing clean, comfortable rooms and outstanding guest service is a top priority for our hotel staff and one reason we will be well positioned in our local market."

A grand opening and open house will be held on

Thursday, Feb. 7, at 10 a.m. The public is invited to take a tour of the hotel.

The complete implementation of the Hampton new bedding package, called "Cloud Nine, the Hampton Bed Experience," in its more than 1,400 hotels is the most recent innovation as part of the hotel chain's "Make It Hampton" product enhancement initiative, which is the most extensive transformation ever

undertaken by a hotel brand, dramatically enhancing the guest experience across all of its hotels. Since January 2004, "Make It Hampton" has debuted new products and services, from complimentary hot breakfast and on-the-run breakfast bags, Purity Basics bath products and curved

shower rod, complimentary high-speed internet access and the industry's easiest to set alarm clock-radio.

Hampton is part of the Hilton Hotels Corporation, a leading global hospitality company with more than 2,900 hotels and 500,000 rooms in more than 80 countries.

PSC reminds consumers of 'do-not-call list' changes

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) is reminding residents that the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has assumed responsibility for maintaining the list of telephone customers who do not want to receive calls from telemarketers.

In an order issued today, the PSC instructed telephone service providers on the steps they must take annually to inform their customers of the provisions of Kentucky's telemarketing laws.

Under a bill passed by the 2007 Kentucky General Assembly, names already on the Kentucky do-not-call list were transferred last year to the FTC's national registry. With that change, Kentucky customers wishing to sign up for the do-not-call list in the future must do so by contacting the FTC, either online at www.donotcall.gov or by calling toll-free, 888-382-1222 (TTY 866-290-4236), from the number they wish to register.

A link to the FTC site is available on the Kentucky Office of Attorney General's do-not-call Web site, www.nocall.ky.gov. PSC Chairman Mark David

Goss noted that the do-not-call list has been the subject of a number of rumors in recent months.

"Contrary to some of the information circulating in cyberspace, telemarketers are not about to receive unrestricted access to wireless phones," Goss said. "All a consumer needs to do to protect his or her wireless phone number is to place it on the do-not-call list."

Goss also noted that there is no truth to the rumor that the FTC will begin removing numbers from the list if they were registered more than five years ago. The FTC has announced that it will not purge numbers until either it or Congress makes a final decision on whether to impose an expiration period, he said.

"If phone numbers were on the Kentucky list as of June 2007, there is nothing a customer needs to do at this point to remain protected against unwanted telemarketing calls," Goss said.

The Kentucky law bars telemarketing calls with the exception of those soliciting donations for charities; those made by companies with

whom the recipient has a prior business relationship, debt or contract; or those made at the recipient's request.

Complaints regarding possible violations of Kentucky or federal do-not-call statutes may be filed with the Kentucky Office of Attorney General (www.nocall.ky.gov or 866-877-7867) or the FTC (www.donotcall.gov or 888-382-1222).

Telecommunication providers in Kentucky must notify their customers of the do-not-call provisions through bill inserts, bill messages or the customer guides in their telephone directories.

A brochure explaining the do-not-call law, as well as today's order, may be found on the PSC's Web site, psc.ky.gov. The case number is 2007-00506.

The PSC is an independent agency attached for administrative purposes to the Department of Public Protection in the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet. It regulates more than 1,500 gas, water, sewer, electric and telecommunication utilities operating in the

Commonwealth of Kentucky and has approximately 110 employees.

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- There will be someone working at the door selling tickets, and someone working the counter.
- Tickets can be bought in advance at the Archer Park office and at the skating rink, to reserve skate size and ensure availability.
- Rules will be posted at the rink. If an individual breaks the rules, they will be asked to leave the premises.
- The use of alcohol or tobacco products is strictly prohibited.



The Floyd County Health Department presented a Smoke-Free Certificate of Appreciation to Melinda and Don Craft, owners of Fat Boy's Pizza & Grill. The award thanks the business for protecting the health of Floyd County by recognizing the value to customers and workers of being a smoke-free business. During the presentation, Melinda Craft explained their smoke-free policy had its origins in her personal knowledge of the health dangers of smoking and breathing secondhand smoke. The Floyd County Health Department is promoting smoke-free public space as part of its commitment to promote public health. The Health Department has free "Breathe Easy Smoke-Free" stickers available to any business sharing its commitment to protect its workers and customers by being smoke-free. The Floyd County Health Department offers free smoking cessation classes which include free nicotine replacement patches to anyone who has decided to quit. The Department will schedule classes at business locations to accommodate workers in businesses that are adopting smoke-free policies. For more information call the Floyd County Health Department at 886-2788 and ask for the tobacco program specialist.

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Secretary: Medicaid program short \$360 million over 2 years

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's Medicaid program will likely be short more than \$360 million in total funding over the next two years, the state's health and family services secretary said.

Secretary Janie Miller told a legislative panel on Monday that under Gov. Steve Beshear's proposed budget, Kentucky's Medicaid program is expected to be shy by as much as \$183 million in each of the next two fiscal years. That's despite proposed state funding increases to the program.

Economic forecasters have predicted that shrinking state revenues have led Kentucky to the brink of a \$900 million shortfall over the next two fiscal years. State government

was already grappling with a \$434 million expected shortfall in the current budget year that ends June 30.

Last week, the governor proposed an \$18.5 billion two-year state budget that calls for massive spending cuts to state agencies and public universities.

Beshear's budget proposal called for dedicating more money toward "have-to" expenses such as prisons and Medicaid, a state-funded health care plan for more than 720,000 low-income and disabled residents.

In the current budget, the state's share of Medicaid is about \$1.2 billion. Beshear's budget called for increasing that state funding by just more than \$166 million over the

next two years.

Still, at that level, Medicaid would be shy by as much as \$183 million each of the next two fiscal years — the state's share being about \$61 million per year, Miller said.

"We'll be talking about what will be necessary if those projections continue," Miller said.

Beshear has said he's not interested in cutting the number of people eligible for the program.

Miller said the agency would consider various "Medicaid reforms" that have been approved by the General Assembly in the budget but have not yet been implemented.

"We're going to have to look at implementing some of

those programs, again, to achieve the most bang for the buck," Miller said.

Cabinet officials may also look to save money by reducing the number of employees by up to 4 percent through attrition and retirements, Miller said.

State Rep. Jimmie Lee, D-Elizabethtown, said cuts jeopardize some specialized services and could cause some health problems to escalate and become more costly.

"These individuals out there, they don't go away, and you can't put them in a warehouse and say, 'We'll come back when we find the money,'" Lee said. "They're still in the system."

Sheila Schuster, executive director of the Kentucky

Mental Health Coalition, said she supports a House proposal that would raise the state's cigarette tax by 70 cents to \$1 a pack. The Legislative Research Commission has estimated that such a hike could generate \$205 million in tax revenue.

"It's a no-brainer because it

not only generates revenue immediately, but it cuts down on the number of youths who ever start smoking," Schuster said. "The two groups that are the most price-sensitive are young people and pregnant women, and they're the two groups that we really want the most not to be smoking."

Massey, Equitable sued over fatal 2006 mine accident

The Associated Press

MADISON, W.Va. — The widow of West Virginia miner killed in a natural gas-pipeline explosion has sued Richmond, Va.-based Massey Energy Co.

Fifty-eight-year-old Sissonville resident Paul K. Moss was operating a bulldozer when it struck what the lawsuit says was an unmarked 16-inch gas line at Massey's Black Castle mine in Boone County on Feb. 1, 2006.

The suit, which also names natural gas line owner Equitable Resources Inc., claims the companies knew the line was buried in the area where Moss was working.

The suit does not seek specific damages. It was filed Thursday in Boone County Circuit Court.

Representatives of the companies could not be reached Sunday.

Clay Co. man pleads to cocaine charges

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

LONDON — U.S. Attorney James A. Zerhausen and Tracy A. Reinhold, a special agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, announced Jan. 22 the guilty plea of a Manchester man for three charges including conspiracy to distribute cocaine.

Along with the conspiracy charge, Henry Shell, 36, of Manchester also pleaded guilty to carrying a firearm during and in relation to a drug trafficking crime, and being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

The guilty pleas came before U.S. District Judge Danny C. Reeves after Shell was indicted in April 2007.

Shell, who will be officially sentenced in May, could face a maximum of 20 years in prison following the conviction on the three charges, though U.S. sentencing guidelines would be considered as well as the federal statute governing the imposition of a sentence.

The investigation that led to Shell's arrest was conducted by the FBI.

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Odds & Ends

■ **LARAMIE, Wyo.** — Three 13-year-old girls accused of throwing french fries during lunchtime at their school were cited for "hurling missiles," an adult infraction covered by city ordinances.

The principal of Laramie Junior High and a police officer had warned students during an assembly the day before the french fries' launch that if they threw food, they had to suffer the consequences, Police Chief Bob Deutsch said. The warning came after school officials had heard rumors of an impending food fight.

"They saw it as really the planning of a riot, when you think about it," Deutsch said.

The girls decided to test the warning, he said.

"It wasn't a spontaneous thing — a couple of kids giggling, throwing a french fry at each other," Deutsch said.

"They intended on getting everybody involved in this and starting something that no doubt would have the potential of getting out of control."

Now, some observers are saying police and school officials went overboard, and even the American Civil Liberties Union weighed in.

"It certainly seems that this was an overreaction to a situation that could have been handled differently," said Linda Burt, Wyoming director of the ACLU.

The girls were also suspended for three days.

City prosecutor Ashley Castor didn't return phone messages left Thursday and Friday. Principal Steve Hoff declined to comment, and Schools Superintendent Brian Recht did not return messages.

■ **WHEATLAND, Wis.** — Having a tornado demolish her home was bad enough. But weeks later when Ann Beam received a \$2,000 cable bill for destroyed equipment, she was flooded.

"I just couldn't believe it," Beam said. "I was like, 'What are they thinking?'"

Time Warner Cable billed a number of Wheatland residents for equipment damaged in the Jan. 7 twister. Beam's bill covered five cable boxes and five remote controls.

She immediately called the cable company, but a man who identified himself as a manager said there was nothing the company could do.

"They said I would have to take the bill and turn it in to my insurance company," Beam told the Kenosha News for a story on the paper's Web site Thursday.

But her cable equipment was nine years old, and the insurance company would pay only a depreciated value, she said.

Beam's case was simply a misunderstanding, Time Warner Cable spokeswoman Celeste Flynn said. Some customers were charged for unreturned equipment, but only because they canceled or transferred their service without mentioning the tornado, she said.

"We understand this is an unusual situation," Flynn said. "All they will need to do is call, and we will take the equipment off their account."

The rare winter tornadoes

destroyed more than two dozen homes and damaged nearly 80 others in Kenosha County.

■ **CLEARWATER, Fla.** — A hole-in-one is rare on the golf course, but what are the odds of a blind golfer sinking one?

Leo Fiyalko couldn't see it, but his golf buddies did — a hole-in-one on the fifth hole at the Cove Cay Country Club.

Fiyalko is 92 and has macular degeneration. He's been golfing for 60 years, but his 110-yard shot with a five iron on Jan. 10 was his first hole-in-one.

"I was just trying to put the ball on the green," Fiyalko said.

Fiyalko tees off every Thursday with a group of golfers ranging in age from 70 to 90-plus. He used to have a seven handicap, but now he needs help lining up his shots and finding his golf balls because he only has peripheral vision in his right eye.

Jean Gehring was playing in his foursome and watched Fiyalko's swing.

"I could tell it went on the green, (but) when we got up there I didn't see it. I looked in the hole and there it was," Gehring said.

Gehring said Fiyalko brushed off the feat, and had to be prodded to tell his wife about it at the end of the round.

Fiyalko's friends at the country club presented him with a plaque last week to commemorate the feat.

■ **ALICE, Texas** — A small-town mayor accused of secretly keeping her neighbors' dog after telling them the pet died has resigned, and a judge is set to decide custody of the Shih Tzu.

Grace Saenz-Lopez apologized Friday to Alice residents and said she believed her actions were in the dog's best interest.

"I am sorry for the division that the events of these last few weeks have caused," Saenz-Lopez wrote in her resignation letter. "It was never my intention to bring any negative exposure to our city."

A custody hearing Monday is expected to decide who gets Puddles, who Saenz-Lopez renamed "Panchito" after taking the dog last summer.

A neighboring family accuses Saenz-Lopez of refusing to return the dog after leaving it in her care while they went on vacation. A day after her neighbors left, Saenz-Lopez called to tell them Puddles had died.

Three months later, a relative of the neighbors saw the pet at a dog groomer. When Saenz-Lopez refused to return the dog, the family filed a criminal complaint and a civil lawsuit against her.

Homero Canales, who represents Saenz-Lopez, has said his client believed the dog would die if returned to her neighbors.

Saenz-Lopez, the city's mayor since 2003, was indicted Jan. 18 on two felony counts of tampering with evi-

dence and concealing evidence.

Those charges came after Saenz-Lopez filed a police report claiming the dog was missing. The dog was later spotted at the home of Saenz-Lopez's twin sister, in Ben Bolt, about 10 miles from Alice.

City commissioners voted unanimously last week for a resolution urging Saenz-Lopez to resign. Mayor Pro-Tem Juan Rodriguez will take over mayoral duties.

Alice is about 45 miles west of Corpus Christi.

■ **OAKLAND, Calif.** — Like many a lady of a certain age, Tiki feels the cold these days.

So workers at the Oakland Zoo are having a custom-fit coat made to keep the giraffe cozy this winter.

At age 18, venerable for giraffes, Tiki is subject to the

vicissitudes of age. She already gets regular visits from a chiropractor, a masseuse and an acupuncturist.

Those are accepted treatments for horses, at least in the always edgy San Francisco Bay area, and provide a gentle way to treat animals without drugs, said zoo keeper Melissa McCartney. Massage helps get Tiki used to interacting with keepers. Acupuncture helps with her shoulder and withers.

However, coping with the effect of Bay Area winter chills on the African mammal had baffled keepers.

At 13 feet tall, Tiki is too big to be herded into a stall, and regular horse blankets are too ill-fitting to be left on without supervision lest she get in a tangle.

"Poor Tiki in her blanket looks like someone in her sister's hand-me-downs," said zoo spokeswoman Nancy Filippi.

The zoo staff got in touch with a horse-blanket designer who agreed to donate her services to tailor a coat for Tiki.

The jacket will be a tasteful forest green and feature a removable liner for those in-between days.

To get precise measurements for the tailoring, McCartney had to scramble up a ladder.

The result? A 40 extra, extra long.

■ **MEDFORD, Wis.** — Frank Oresnik is on the verge of making history driving his old standby — the pickup truck he says is about to pass the 1 million mile mark.

Oresnik took the 1991 Chevrolet Silverado to the Oil Ex-Change Quick Lube in Medford on Thursday for what he expects will be its last oil change and tuneup before hitting the magic number.

He said the truck is 1,200

miles from a million, and once he hits the mark he will retire the vehicle.

"I feel almost like the long-time NFL player as he goes into his last training camp knowing this is the end," Oresnik said.

He credits proper maintenance and a good measure of luck for allowing the truck to rack up so many miles. He said he's had more than 300 oil changes and tuneups at the Medford business, going in every 3,000 miles.

The truck has had four radiators, three gas tanks, five transmissions and six water pumps, but the engine has never been overhauled, Oresnik said.

He bought the Silverado in June 1996 after the original owner put 41,000 miles on it. Oresnik uses the vehicle to deliver seafood in three states, putting on about 85,000 miles a year.

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The Floyd County Animal Shelter PET OF THE WEEK

Shown here is our Celebrity of the Week, Daniel Branson. Mr. Branson was principal at Allen Elementary for 16 years and Assistant Principal at Adams Middle School for four years. Also, he was a truant officer for four years. He retired from education last June (2007). His career as an educator spanned a total of 37 years. Mr. Branson is shown here with Glory and Mercy Me, two 7-week-old Collie-mix females.

The Floyd County Animal Shelter is located at Sally Stephens Branch in West Prestonsburg
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Eat Smart to Boost Vitality

FAMILY FEATURES

Have you ever tried eating smart? It's not just about making savvy nutrition choices like opting for whole grain over white, steamed over fried, or baked over sautéed. It's about boosting your eating knowledge to reap rewards that go beyond losing weight or reducing health risks. Think of the really big picture ... a better overall quality of life and a higher level of vitality.

The good news is, eating right doesn't have to be hard. More and more food companies are creating ever healthier products with reduced levels of trans fats, saturated fats, sodium and added sugars. Unilever — manufacturer of brands such as Lipton, Skippy, Slim-Fast, Bertolli, Ragu, Hellmann's and Promise — has slashed percentages of these four "nutrients of concern" — in addition to cholesterol — in its products as part of a new front-of-pack logo and recipe program called Eat Smart/Drink Smart, which helps consumers make smarter food selections and better decisions in meal preparation.

"With a nutritional stamp, such as Eat Smart/Drink Smart, families benefit from easily being able to make better food choices, which help them shop, cook and eat smart," says Jenna Bell-Wilson, PhD, RD, CSSD, Registered Dietitian in Massachusetts.

Opting for more nutritious products, and preparing simple yet delicious recipes with a focus on proper nutrition will help boost your food intellect — and your vitality.



How's Your Vitality?

A recent study conducted by Unilever found vitality to be directly linked to good health, and good eating choices, in particular. Put simply, choosing to eat well and live a healthy lifestyle yields long-term, far-reaching benefits. The research uncovered some interesting facts about America's sense of vitality:

- 63 percent said their level of vitality depends on how well they take care of themselves
- Four of the top six physical drivers of vitality were food-and-nutrition-related.
- 61 percent of those surveyed found that vitality was extremely important to them, yet 75 percent said they weren't satisfied with their own vitality levels.

To help Americans determine and improve their own levels of vitality, Unilever has created My Vitality Index (www.myvitalityindex.com), an easy-to-use, online resource that provides valuable information for enhancing health and wellness. The Web site includes a customized vitality quiz; tips and advice for achieving more vitality; better-for-you recipes distinguished by ingredient, nutrient, and recipe category; and more.

"Eat Smart" Recipes meet Unilever-established criteria, which help consumers stay in line with U.S. Dietary Guidelines for trans fats, saturated fats, sugars, sodium (salt), and cholesterol. All of these dishes are Unilever "Eat Smart" recipes.



Fettuccine With Turkey Bolognese Sauce

6 servings

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 20 minutes

- 1 teaspoon Bertolli Olive Oil
- 2 carrots, chopped
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 rib celery, chopped
- 1 to 1-1/2 pounds ground turkey
- 1/4 cup dry red wine or chicken broth
- 1 jar (1 pound 10 ounces) Ragu Old World Style Pasta Sauce
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 1 box (16 ounces) fettuccine, cooked and drained

In 12-inch nonstick skillet, heat olive oil over medium heat and cook carrots, onion and celery, stirring frequently, 5 minutes or until tender. Add turkey and cook, breaking up with spoon, until turkey is thoroughly cooked. Stir in wine. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to low and simmer uncovered for 3 minutes. Stir in pasta sauce and parsley. Simmer, stirring occasionally, 5 minutes. Season, if desired, with salt and pepper. Serve over hot fettuccine.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 490, Calories From Fat 50, Saturated Fat 1g, Trans Fat 0g, Total Fat 6g, Cholesterol 45mg, Sodium 680mg, Total Carbohydrate 70g, Sugars 11g, Dietary Fiber 6g, Protein 41g, Vitamin A 80%, Vitamin C 10%, Calcium 6%, Iron 25%

Oven-Baked Harvest Apples

4 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 1 hour

- 4 large McIntosh or golden delicious apples, cored
- 3 tablespoons firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons dried cranberries
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped pecans
- 4 teaspoons Promise Buttery Spread
- 2/3 cup water

Preheat oven to 350°F. Peel top third of apples. In 8-inch baking dish, arrange apples peeled-side up; set aside.

In small bowl, combine sugar, cinnamon, cranberries, pecans and cinnamon; evenly spoon into center of apples, then evenly top each with spread. Pour water around apples. Bake uncovered, basting occasionally, 1 hour or until tender.

Microwave Directions: Peel apples as above. In microwave-safe pie plate, arrange apples. Cover with waxed paper. Microwave at HIGH 2 minutes. Meanwhile, combine sugar mixture as above; evenly spoon into apples, then top each with 1 teaspoon Spread. Cover with waxed paper and microwave an additional 2 minutes or until apples are tender. Let stand 5 minutes.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 200, Calories From Fat 40, Saturated Fat 0.5g, Trans Fat 0g, Total Fat 4.5g, Cholesterol 0mg, Sodium 35mg, Total Carbohydrate 43g, Sugars 34g, Dietary Fiber 6g, Protein 1g, Vitamin A 6%, Vitamin C 16%, Calcium 2%, Iron 4%

Gremolata-Crusted Tilapia*

6 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

- 1 slice whole grain bread
- 1/4 cup loosely packed flat-leaf parsley
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon finely grated lemon peel
- 1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup Hellmann's or Best Foods Real Mayonnaise
- 6 tilapia fillets (about 1-1/2 pounds)
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice

Preheat oven to 425°F.

In food processor, process bread until small crumbs form; remove and set aside. Into processor, add parsley, garlic, lemon peel and pepper; process until blended. Add mayonnaise and process just until blended.

On baking sheets or broiler pan, arrange fillets. Evenly sprinkle with lemon juice, then evenly top with mayonnaise mixture, then bread crumbs. Bake 15 minutes or until fish flakes with fork.

*This recipe is "Best Life" approved. Best Life is a trademark owned by Best Life Corp. Learn more about the Best Life program at www.thebestlife.com

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 150, Calories From Fat 45, Saturated Fat 1g, Trans Fat 0g, Total Fat 5g, Cholesterol 60mg, Sodium 150mg, Total Carbohydrate 3g, Sugars 0g, Dietary Fiber 0g, Protein 24g, Vitamin A 4%, Vitamin C 4%, Calcium 2%, Iron 4%

Mandarin Chicken Salad

4 servings

Prep Time: 15 minutes

- 1/2 cup Wish-Bone Ranch Dressing
- 1/4 cup orange marmalade
- 1-1/4 pounds boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cooked and sliced (about 3 cups)
- 1/4 small red onion, thinly sliced (about 1/4 cup)
- 1 package (10 to 12 ounces) mixed salad greens (about 4 cups)
- 1 can (11 ounces) mandarin oranges, drained
- 1/2 cup seasoned croutons

In large bowl, blend dressing and marmalade. Add chicken, red onion and salad greens; toss to coat. Gently fold in oranges and croutons.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 400, Calories From Fat 100, Saturated Fat 2.5g, Trans Fat 0g, Total Fat 15g, Cholesterol 90mg, Sodium 430mg, Total Carbohydrate 30g, Sugars 21g, Dietary Fiber 3g, Protein 36g, Vitamin A 60%, Vitamin C 70%, Calcium 10%, Iron 15%

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Betsy Layne claims B-Team title

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — Tyler Daniels scored a game-high 17 points and Dylan Hamilton added 11 last Wednesday night as Betsy Layne beat Wesley 46-35 in the Floyd County B-Team Tournament championship game.

Betsy Layne hit 9-of-16 free throw attempts.

The Bobcats finished strong, outscoring Wesley 11-4 in the fourth quarter.

Betsy Layne held Wesley to one field goal in the opening quarter. The Bobcats

owned a slim 23-22 lead at the break. Betsy Layne, under the guidance of head coach Mike Howard, built on a 35-31 lead heading into the final period.

Dalton Meade led Wesley with 10 points. Dylan Meade and Kannon Newsome followed with eight points apiece for the Wesley B-Team.

Betsy Layne was the Floyd County Conference B-Team champion. Wesley ended the latest campaign as the conference runner-up.

A breakdown of the conference B-Team honors fol-

lows. All-Conference: Dylan Hamilton (Betsy Layne); Chase Hall (Betsy Layne); Tyler Daniels (Betsy Layne); Blake Spencer (Betsy Layne); Blake Rogers (Betsy Layne); Kannon Newsome (Wesley); Tyler Lewis (Wesley); Dylan Meade (Wesley); Bryson Williams (Adams); Brian Handshoe (Allen Central); Michael Henson (John M. Stumbo); Weston Little (South Floyd); Matthew Ison (MCA); Coty Shortridge (Allen). Coach of the Year: Mike Howard. Player of the Year: Dylan Hamilton.



photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne remains on top in the Floyd County B-Team ranks. Dylan Hamilton, the leading performer for the Betsy Layne B-Team, claimed the Floyd County Conference Player of the Year honor.

Blackcats run past Raiders

Stephens scores 25 points for visiting Prestonsburg

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

HI HAT — As teams head into the final weeks of the regular-season, district wins become very important. Prestonsburg traveled to South Floyd on Friday for a 58th District/Floyd County Conference matchup with the Raiders looking to sweep the regular-season series. After trailing 13-10 after one quarter, Prestonsburg started to get on track in the second quarter behind the play of senior center Nathaniel Stephens. The Blackcat bigman tossed in six of his game-high 25 points in the second quarter as Prestonsburg took a 31-23 lead into halftime. Prestonsburg eventually played its way to a hard-fought 71-57 win.

South Floyd built an early lead behind the shooting of Colby

Hayes. The South Floyd guard knocked down two long range jumpers in the first quarter as the Raiders took an early six point lead. Prestonsburg sophomore Michael Burchett pitched in six points in the second quarter as the cats erased a five-point deficit and took the lead for good.

Prestonsburg outscored South Floyd 21-18 in the third quarter to build a 52-41 lead at the end of the quarter.

Jody Tackett tossed in five of his seven points in the third quarter for the Blackcats. A 19-16 advantage in the fourth quarter gave the Blackcats the victory.

Burchett and Jordan Hall finished with 15 points apiece in the Prestonsburg triumph.

Senior Taylor Clark added nine points for the winning team.

Eighth-grader Brandon Marson led South Floyd offensively, scoring 14 points. Tyler Mitchell and Wes Akers finished with 10 points apiece in the setback.

Raymond Jones came in off of the Raider bench and played well, scoring seven points.

Hayes and Dakota Hall tossed in six points apiece for hst South Floyd.

Prestonsburg, thanks to Friday night's win, swept the season series with 58th District/Floyd County Conference rival South Floyd.

In the girls' game, South Floyd prevailed 63-60.

58TH DISTRICT/ FLOYD COUNTY CONFERENCE BOYS' BASKETBALL

PRESTONSBURG 71, SOUTH FLOYD 57
PRESTONSBURG (7-12) — Burchett 15, Hall 15, Stephens 25, Tackett 7, Clark 9.
SOUTH FLOYD (1-20) — Mitchell 10, Wes Akers 10, Howell 2, Paige 2, Marson 14, Hall 6, Jones 7, Hayes 6.
P'burg.....10 21 21 19-71
SF.....13 10 18 16-57



photos by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne Elementary, despite losing some of the top players in school history, repeated as Floyd County A-Team Champion.

Bobcats hold off South Floyd for county crown

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — Kory Jarrell scored 20 points and Dylan Hamilton added 11 last Wednesday night as Betsy Layne Elementary defeated South Floyd Middle 49-42 in the Floyd County A-Team championship game at Prestonsburg High School.

Betsy Layne outscored South Floyd 12-8 in the first quarter and stayed a couple of shots ahead of the Raiders most of the way.

The Bobcats led 19-16 when the game entered halftime.

Tyler Daniels scored eight points for the Bobcats. Chase Hall and Andrew Roberts added four points apiece for Betsy Layne in the title tilt. Blake Spencer rounded out the Betsy Layne scoring, finishing with two points.

Betsy Layne went 10-for-21 from the free throw line.

Brandon Marson led South Floyd in scoring. Marson scored a game-

high 25 points for the Raiders. He was the only South Floyd player to reach double figures in the scoring column.

Cartney Conn scored six points for the Raiders. Freddie Ousley netted four points and Tyler Moore tossed in three for South Floyd.

The Allen Central A-Team won the Floyd County Conference championship. Adams and South Floyd tied for the conference runner-up nod.

A breakdown of the Floyd County Conference A-Team honors follows.

All-Conference: Jacob Prater (Allen Central); Braxton Tackett

(Allen Central); Travis Adkins (Allen Central); Sheldon Rice (Allen Central); Micah Harlow; Joseph Jamerson (Adams); Wesley Robinson (Adams); Blake Goble (Adams); Brandon Marson (South Floyd); Freddie Ousley (South Floyd); Tyler Moore (South Floyd); Adam Crisp (Allen); Andrew Roberts (Betsy Layne); Cody Akers (John M. Stumbo); Jacob Bartley (MCA).

Coach of the Year: Brad Short (Allen Central). Co-Players of the Year: Joseph Jamerson; Brandon Marson. Academic Award: MCA.



AC Coach Brad Short

Freshman shoots Campbellsville past Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Freshman guard Courtney Danis scored 38 points and grabbed seven rebounds to lead Campbellsville University to an 87-71 win over Pikeville College Saturday afternoon.

Danis, a 5-9 freshman from Mt. Sterling, Ky., hit 5-of-7 from the arc and was perfect from the line and

finished with her total in a mere 24 minutes of playing time to give the Lady Tigers their first Mid-South Conference win of the season.

The Lady Tigers won on the road despite shooting only 41.3 percent from the floor and hitting only 52.6 percent from the line.

Pikeville (5-17, 0-3) had 25 turnovers and also hit only .526 percent from the

line. Danis, who had 23 markers after halftime, also got 10 points from freshman Melly Heaton. Sophomore Kristi Ensminger led the Lady Tigers with nine rebounds as they won that battle 48-46.

Pikeville got 15 points from junior Alice Daniel, who was 4-of-8 from the arc. Freshman Lauren Potts,

who hit 4-of-7 from downtown, had 14 off the bench.

Campbellsville will be back in action Thursday night when they visit Cumberland. Pikeville will travel to Columbia to play Lindsey Wilson Thursday night.

A recap of the Pikeville-Campbellsville men's basketball game appears on page A12.

Explorers slip past Miners, 109-108

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Michael Peeples hit the second of two free throw attempts with 0.3 seconds remaining Monday night to lift Great Falls to a 109-108 win over non-conference rival East Kentucky. Peeples, who drew a foul from East Kentucky's Josh Pace to get to the free throw line, led a balanced Great Falls scoring attack. The visiting team's most valuable player for the game finished with a team-high 23 points.

Peeples was one of six Great Falls players to reach double figures in the scoring column. Junior Burroughs scored 21 points and Pele Paelay added 20 for the Explorers.

Great Falls finished strong, outscoring East Kentucky 31-23 in the final quarter.

Pace hit an acrobatic three-point field goal with 0.7 remaining to tie the game at 108-all before Peeples

entered halftime out in front 61-59.

East Kentucky stretched its lead in the third quarter and owned an 85-78 lead when the fourth quarter started.

Jason McLeish led East Kentucky in scoring. McLeish tossed in a game-high 28 points. Boo Jackson and Pace scored 21 points apiece as part of separate double-double performances. Jackson pulled down a game-high 20 rebounds. Pace grabbed 12 boards for the Miners.

Mike Crain added 12 points in host East Kentucky's setback.

East Kentucky will host Great Falls tonight in a rematch. Tip-off for tonight's matchup is set for 7:05 p.m.



JASON MCLEISH

drew the foul. East Kentucky led at the end of each of the first three quarters. The Miners outscored Great Falls 32-30 in the opening quarter and

Breathitt beats P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Breathitt County upended Prestonsburg on Homecoming Saturday night at The Fieldhouse. The Bobcats defeated Prestonsburg 75-67.

Breathitt County outscored Prestonsburg in each of the first three quarters en route to the win. The Bobcats gradually pulled away from host Prestonsburg.

Senior center Travis Smith led Breathitt County in scoring. Smith, one of four Bobcats to reach double figures in the scoring column, finished with 20 points in Breathitt County's non-region win.

Breathitt County outscored Prestonsburg 16-13 in the opening quarter and took a 31-23 lead into halftime.

Jordan Hall led Prestonsburg in scoring. Hall tossed in a game-high 21 points for the Blackcats. Taylor Clark followed with 17 points for Prestonsburg. Jody Tackett added 12 points in the loss.

Sophomore Michael Burchett narrowly missed double figures, scoring nine points. Austin Gearheart tossed in five points. Josh Rodebaugh scored two and Nathaniel Stephens found the scoring column on a successful free throw attempt for the Blackcats.

The Bobcats led 49-40 at the conclusion of the third quarter.

BC 75, P'BURG 67

BC (9-10) Ritchie 8, Hollan 15, Taulbee 12, Haddix 17, Smith 20, Moore 2, Fletcher 1.

P'BURG (7-12) — Burchett 9, Hall 21, Stephens 1, Rodebaugh 2, Tackett 12, Clark 17, Gearheart 5.

BC.....16 15 18 26-75
P'burg.....13 10 17 27-67

June Buchanan turns back Lady Raiders

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — Sophomore Maris Hovee had 26 points and 16 rebounds to lead June Buchanan past South Floyd Saturday in a girls' high school basketball regular-season game. June Buchanan defeated South Floyd 79-64.

Hovee was one of two June Buchanan players to register a double-double. Cody Centers added 18 points and 13 rebounds. Sheena Slone netted 15 points for June Buchanan.

June Buchanan outscored South Floyd 23-15 in the first quarter and maintained a lead over the Lady Raiders. The host Lady Crusaders carried a 37-31 lead into halftime.

Jessie Tackett led South Floyd with a team-high 14 points. Andrea Conn and Chelsie Tuttle added 12 points apiece. Lindsey Dye narrowly missed double figures for the Lady Raiders. Dye dumped in nine points. Kayla Hall collected six points for the visiting South Floyd squad.

June Buchanan finished strong, outscoring South Floyd 30-19 in the final quarter.

JB 79, SOUTH FLOYD 64
SOUTH FLOYD (6-14) —

(See RAIDERS, page two)

Crawford's 26 points leads Kentucky past Georgia

by CHARLES ODUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATHENS, Ga. — Billy Gillispie and his Kentucky Wildcats are keeping their three-game winning streak in perspective.

The Wildcats aren't ranked and they don't even make the RPI's top 125, so there's no need to talk about their hopes for postseason play in March. But at least they can call themselves winners again.

Joe Crawford scored 26 points, including a 3-pointer to start a 10-0 run to open the second half, and Kentucky overcame the loss of Ramel Bradley to beat Georgia 63-58 on Saturday.

Freshman Patrick Patterson added 16 points as Kentucky (10-9 overall, 5-2 Southeastern Conference) moved over .500 for the first time since December.

What does three straight SEC wins, including handing Georgia its first home loss of the season, mean for Kentucky?

"I think it just shows that we're continuing to improve," Gillispie said.

For a team which began the day with a Ratings Percentage Index of only 135, there's still a long way to go.

Kentucky overcame the loss of Bradley and also played strong late in the game without Crawford, who suffered cramping in his foot and was limited to 31 minutes.

"It just shows a lot of heart by our players who don't get a lot of minutes," said sophomore Derrick Jasper.

Added Gillispie: "We did everything we could do as far as all the intangibles to go on the road and win. ... We had a good lead on them and they came back and took the lead and our guys didn't blink. Our mental toughness and physical toughness have really developed."

Kentucky lost guard Bradley with 8:44 left in the first half when the senior, attempting a fast-break layup, was knocked to the court

from behind by Georgia's Dave Bliss. Bradley landed hard and appeared groggy when he left the court.

Bradley, who joined warmups for the start of the second half before he was sent back to the locker room, suffered a Grade 2 concussion and a cut on his chin, according to Gillispie.

Gillispie said he didn't know Bradley's status for Wednesday's game at Auburn.

Crawford was given intravenous fluids after the game. Bradley and Crawford were not available for comment.

Ramon Harris scored a career-high 9 points and Porter played 18 minutes, his most in an SEC game.

"That's the best game I have ever seen him play, no question," said Gillispie of Harris, a sophomore who made 4 of 5 shots.

Kentucky's go-to scorer, however, was Crawford.

"He was fantastic," Gillispie said. "It was the best offensive game he's

played all year long, in my opinion, because his shots were so timely."

Added Georgia coach Dennis Felton: "Joe Crawford played a heck of a game for them. He made a lot of tough shots and proved just how good of a scorer he is."

Sundiata Gaines hit a 3-pointer with 5:19 left to give Georgia its last lead at 54-53, but the Bulldogs managed only one more field goal the rest of the game. Troy Brewer sank a 3-pointer with 25 seconds left.

Georgia (11-8, 2-4) suffered its third straight loss and had its 11-game home winning streak end, including 10 wins in Athens this season.

Georgia, last in the SEC in scoring and shooting in conference games, has been held under 60 points in four of six SEC games.

"I thought we played really hard today, especially on defense, but we just couldn't capitalize on the opportunities that we had throughout the game," Felton said.

"We had 17 offensive rebounds,

which is a tremendous number, and gave ourselves plenty of chances to build a lead, but we were never able to break through and give ourselves any type of cushion."

Kentucky led only 30-29 at halftime but stretched the lead to 40-29 with the 10-0 run. After Crawford's 3-pointer, Michael Porter's steal set up a basket by Harris.

Patterson capped the run with a jam.

Georgia, led by Gaines' 15 points, recovered with a 9-0 run and regained the lead at 48-47 on a baseline drive by Terrance Woodbury, who had 12 points.

After Gaines gave Georgia its last lead at 54-53, Crawford answered with his fifth 3-pointer.

Georgia trailed 58-55 when Woodbury committed a turnover which led to an alley-oop jam by Patterson, giving Kentucky a 60-55 lead with 56 seconds left.

Bliss had 10 points and 8 rebounds, helping Georgia take a 40-31 advantage in rebounds.

Louisville's defense stifles No. 16 Marquette in 71-57 win

by COLIN FLY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MILWAUKEE — Jerry Smith felt right at home, and Louisville's stifling defense made Marquette look uncomfortable in its own gym.

Smith scored 12 points and thwarted a second-half run as the Cardinals locked up the Golden Eagles again, winning 71-57 Monday night to snap No. 16 Marquette's 14-game home winning streak.

Smith, from the Milwaukee suburb of Wauwatosa, made the winning 3-pointer in Louisville's 70-point victory last year at Marquette.

"We would rather not get to the last shot," said Smith, whose cheering section behind the bench included his parents, grandmother, uncle and a few friends. "It was great that we were able to come away with a

victory, especially on the road. I'm really happy with the way everything went."

Marquette still hasn't figured out Louisville's defense.

The Golden Eagles (16-5, 6-4 Big East) shot 32 percent from the field. In their previous matchup last month, Louisville dominated 71-51 in Freedom Hall by holding Marquette to 30.4 percent shooting.

"It's knowing what they like to do," Louisville coach Rick Pitino said. "We've been playing against each other so long, we run the same stuff. We know each other very well. We have a better inside attack than they do."

Louisville (17-6, 7-3) didn't have nearly as tough a time as last season, looking well rested after the easiest win in its short Big East history, 87-50 over Rutgers on Saturday.

The Cardinals jumped all over their former Conference USA

rival from the start thanks to Edgar Sosa, who scored 14 of his 18 points in the first half.

"I didn't plan on coming out and scoring like that," Sosa said. "This is a team that has kind of become our rival. We take a lot of these games personal. We want to win every time we play Marquette."

Marquette came in with a three-game winning streak that including its first conference road win of the season at Cincinnati on Saturday. But it trailed by nine early and never made a run, stifled by its inability to make shots.

After Marquette scored twice early to start the second half, Smith answered, knocking down back-to-back 3s to make it 40-28. He hollered at his teammates after sinking the second shot to fire them up.

"I was just trying get the team pumped up," Smith said. "The shots were in the stride of the

game and just felt good. It was a big boost to the team."

Pitino said Smith has been one of his best players since coming to Louisville last year.

"He had an excellent freshman year and he's having an outstanding sophomore season. Probably consistently from start to finish the best on the team," Pitino said. "He's a great guy. He's a very good athlete."

After Smith's shots, Lazar Hayward, leading Marquette with 13.7 points and 6.3 rebounds per game, picked up his fourth foul with 13:58 to play and took a seat as the Golden Eagles never cut the lead back to single digits.

Hayward finished with 2-of-10 from the field with five points and five rebounds. Wesley Matthews had 15 points, and Jerel McNeal finished with 11.

"We didn't make shots, we didn't come out with that

urgency that we needed to start the game off and Louisville is a good team," Matthews said. "They're going to make you pay if you don't play how you're supposed to, and that's what happened."

The Cardinals have dominated the series recently, winning six of the last seven matchups, including the last three in Milwaukee, but Pitino joked about his long-term success in the Bradley Center.

"You obviously didn't follow the Celtics, did you?" he quipped before adding, "We were hoping that we'd have the ball down one, last second shot again."

No need. The Cardinals played well offensively, too, shooting 51.1 percent.

"What we have to do is grow up in a hurry. If you're not making shots, you still have to go back and play solid defense," Marquette coach Tom Crean

said. "When it comes to talking defensively, we hit an all-time low. When you're playing good basketball teams, everyone has to be locked in."

Marquette point guard Dominic James came off the bench against the Cardinals after starting 85 consecutive games. He finished with eight points and has failed to score in double digits in five of the last six games as he continues to struggle to recover from a sprained right wrist after a hard foul on Jan. 8 against Seton Hall.

Crean said James had the flu and needed four or five IVs earlier in the day.

"Very sick," Crean said. "He came and he tried. He keeps working. He's been dealing with the injury, he's dealing with being sick right now. No question he wasn't feeling well. But he came out for his team. We just didn't do enough."

No. 2 Tennessee overcomes slow start to beat Kentucky 79-51

by BETH RUCKER
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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Coach Pat Summitt wanted Candace Parker to take it to the hoop. Instead, the All-American went above the rim.

Parker dunked for the seventh time in her career and scored 20 points to help No. 2 Tennessee overcome a sluggish first half in a 79-51 win over Kentucky on Sunday.

"Coach Summitt told me to go strong to the hoop," Parker said. "She said I needed to go inside the paint and take over and stop taking fade-aways."

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Tennessee overcome a sluggish first half in a 79-51 win over Kentucky on Sunday.

"Coach (Pat) Summitt told me to go strong to the hoop," Parker said. "She said I needed to go inside the paint and take over and stop taking fade-aways."

With the Lady Vols' leading by 18, the 6-foot-4 Parker chased down a loose ball after Chante Bowman lost control of it at midcourt.

After the fast break, Parker hesitated at the baseline as if she were going to dunk but stopped to get better control of the ball. Then she turned around and put it in with 8:08 left in the game as the home crowd erupted.

The Lady Vols (20-1, 7-0 Southeastern Conference) led 32-24 after a slow first half, but went on a 15-6 run that ended as Parker drove for a layup with 14:07 left to put Tennessee up 49-31.

Kentucky (11-11, 5-3) never recovered.

Parker had four dunks last season, including one against rival Connecticut. She also dunked twice in her freshman season against Army in the NCAA tournament.

LSU All-American Sylvia Fowles is the only other women's college player to dunk this season. Only six women have dunked in a college game.

Parker was one of four Lady Vols in double figures. Alexis

Hornbuckle added 13 points, Alberta Auguste had 11 and Nicky Anosike 10. Vicki Baugh grabbed 10 rebounds.

The Lady Vols missed 28 shots and a free throw during the first half. The 30.3 percent field goal shooting was their worst first-half percentage of the season for a team that averages 47.2 percent shooting.

"Obviously it was a game of two different halves," Summitt said. "In the locker room I said we go as Candace Parker and Alexis Hornbuckle go. They have to bring intensity from the opening tip to the last possession. We saw what happens when they do that."

Tennessee warmed up a bit 2 minutes into the game as a

jumper by Shannon Bobbitt sparked a 20-5 run that ended on a pair of free throws by Nicky Anosike with 7:28 left in the half.

But the Lady Vols failed to score in the last 2:35 before the break, and Kentucky took advantage by cutting Tennessee's margin to 32-24 on baskets by Sarah Elliott and some free throws.

Samantha Mahoney led Kentucky with 18 points and Elliott added 11.

Kentucky shot 47.4 percent from the field — the best shooting percentage of any Tennessee opponent this season besides UCLA. But the Wildcats couldn't overcome their 36 turnovers.

"We didn't take care of the ball obviously," said coach Matthew Mitchell, who tutored under Summitt as a Tennessee graduate assistant in 1999 and 2000. "It was a tough, tough day."

Kentucky's Amber Smith sprained her right knee with 0.5 seconds left before halftime after she collided with Auguste. She did not return, and Mitchell said she would be evaluated Monday.

"Amber's been doing such a good job at the point," Mahoney said. "I had to move in and take her spot. With them cranking up the pressure and really getting in our passing lanes, it was disturbing our offense."

No. 10 Bears holds off No. 15 Campbellsville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Senior center Jeff Ferguson scored 21 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead No. 10 Pikeville College to a 73-70 win over No. 15 Campbellsville University Saturday night.

The win gave the Bears 15 wins in their last 16 games and improves their record to 18-3 overall. Pikeville is 2-1 in the Mid-South Conference and remains hot on the heels of second-ranked Georgetown, which improved to 3-0 with a 77-70 win over Cumberland on Saturday.

Campbellsville fell to 17-6 on the season. The Tigers are 0-3 in MSC play after being ranked ninth in the country when league play began. Pikeville stretched its lead

to 53-42 with 11:19 left after junior Ewan Linton followed up a Xavier Yates layup with one of his own.

But from there, the Tigers went on a 14-6 run to cut the Bear lead to three with 6:28 left. Junior Nestor Colmenares had six during the stretch.

Leading 59-56 with 6:28 left, the Bears settled down and scored six of the next seven points, all coming from the line, to stretch the lead back to 65-57 with 4:02 left.

The Tigers later scored six straight, getting four from senior Bubba Long, to pulling with two, 68-66, with 1:21 left.

But Pikeville went 5-of-8 from the line down the stretch to hold on for the win.

Ferguson was joined in double figures by freshman Justin Hicks, who tossed in 15 points while pulling down five

rebounds and handing out four assists. Junior Xavier Yates tossed in 11 for the Bears.

Campbellsville had four players in double digits, with Colmenares contributing a double-double with 17 points and 13 rebounds. Junior Marcus Nicks had 17 as well, with junior Deveon Jenkins flipping in 15 and Long adding 11 with five assists.

The Bears won by shooting 47.9 percent from the floor and hitting half their 14 three-point tries. The Tigers shot only 40.4 percent and were 23.8 percent from the arc.

Pikeville will return to action on Thursday night when it visits Lindsey Wilson in another Mid-South Conference battle. Campbellsville is on the road as well, playing at Cumberland.



SOUTH FLOYD (pictured above) finished runner-up in the Floyd County A-Team Tournament. Wesley (pictured below) claimed the runner-up honor in the Floyd County B-Team Tournament. Adams Middle School and Prestonsburg High School hosted games as part of this year's county tournament.



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Giants ruin Patriots' perfection, pull Super Bowl upset 17-14

by BEN WALKER
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GLENDAL, Ariz. — One perfect spiral and it was over for the New England Patriots. Forever, fans would remember who lost this Super Bowl, as much as who won.

Eli Manning looked every bit like his older brother, throwing that beautiful fade route. Plaxico Burress backed up his brazen prediction, catching the 13-yard touchdown pass with 35 seconds left.

And with that thunderbolt, the New York Giants became NFL champions Sunday night. With the crowd standing and roaring for the entire fourth quarter, they startled the heavily favored Patriots — and themselves, a bit — with a 17-14 victory.

"Even when my parents were telling me, 'You're going to win,' I don't know if I believed them," said defensive end Michael Strahan, who postponed retirement in late August to try for this trophy.

The previously unbeaten Pats? They finally felt the pressure. Not from their gaudy record, but from the kind applied by the Giants' relentless pass rush.

"Tonight doesn't take away from anything we have done over the course of the season," New England quarterback Tom Brady said. "We had a great year. It's just unfortunate that tonight turned out the way it did."

The 1972 Miami Dolphins didn't seem to mind too much. They're protective of their 17-0 mark that season and don't want anyone to match their unblemished record.

"The Patriots had a great season, but it shows just how difficult it is to go undefeated," said then-coach Don Shula, who was in attendance. "Our players and our fans feel that much more proud of our accomplishment."

Gone was the Patriots' chance to be the first team to finish 19-0. Also lost was their chance to win their fourth title in seven seasons. Instead, they found another way to be marked.

While many Super Bowl losers simply are forgotten, a few are destined to be a part of NFL lore. Almost 40 years ago, the mighty Baltimore Colts fell victim to that other New York team and its pool-side prognosticator, the Jets and Joe Namath.

"We had an opportunity to be special, and we let it slip

away," Patriots defensive lineman Richard Seymour. "We came so close to being special. Now, we're second class."

Burress saw the Giants' third Super Bowl title coming. Last week, he predicted New York would win 23-17. That guess drew Brady's attention.

"We're only going to score 17 points?" he said then. "OK. Is Plax playing defense? I wish he had said 45-42 and gave us a little credit for scoring more points."

Manning and the wild-card Giants (14-6) knocked off the Brady bunch, pulling off a frenzied, 12-play drive that covered 83 yards in the last 2 1/2 minutes. Included was Brandon Jacobs' plunge on fourth-and-1, plus a circus catch by David Tyree.

Tyree, who began the game with more special teams tackles than catches this season, outjumped Rodney Harrison for a 32-yard grab on third-and-5 to the Patriots' 24 with 59 seconds left. Harrison tried to pull the ball free and one point had it pinned to Tyree's helmet.

"I don't know that there's ever been a bigger play in the Super Bowl than that play," praised Giants coach Tom

Coughlin.

Early in the fourth quarter, Tyree caught a 5-yard strike from Manning for his first TD of the season and a 10-7 lead.

"I am a man that really has to capitalize on his few opportunities," Tyree said. "Some things just don't make sense and I guess you can just put that catch there with them."

Amazing, for more than one reason.

"Unbelievable," Giants receiver Amani Toomer said. "In Friday's practice, he was dropping everything."

When this game ended, the Giants had their 11th straight road win and Manning was the MVP, the same award brother Peyton earned last year by leading Indianapolis over Chicago.

"That's a position you want to be in," Eli said. "You want to have the ball in your hands ... down, where you've got to score a touchdown."

Maybe easier to do than watch.

Peyton was in a private box and punctuated each key play by his kid brother with a clap, shout or a wave of his arms.

"You are pulling so hard for Eli," he said. "I guarantee you I am more involved in

the game he is playing than any other NFL game. I was pumped, and I got a lot of messages telling me to calm down because I was excited."

Brady, Patriots coach Bill Belichick and several others on the New England side were gone by the very end. Brady's last pass fell incomplete with 1 second left, and Belichick ran across the field to congratulate Coughlin.

The officials determined there was one more play left. With many Patriots off to the locker room, Manning took a final kneelown in New England territory.

As for how difficult the loss was, Belichick said: "I don't rank them. It's disappointing."

Fined for spying on the Jets' coaches in the season opener, Belichick and the Patriots had every right to believe they would win this time. Even though the Giants played them tough in a 38-35 loss at the Meadowlands in their last game of the regular season, New England was a two-touchdown favorite.

But Brady, a two-time Super Bowl MVP, never quite got into a rhythm. With girlfriend Gisele Bündchen tucked away in a suite, Brady went 29-for-48 and 266

yards. He was under pressure all game, as Strahan, Osi Umenyiora and Justin Tuck kept pounding him.

"There is a way to get to anybody," Strahan said. "And for us today, the way to win this game was to get to Tom Brady. Stop the run and get to Brady."

"As Mike Tyson would say, 'Everybody has a plan until they get punched in the face.' And today, we wanted to punch them in the face," Brady was sacked five times and the highest-scoring team in league history was held to its lowest point total of the season. He did not show any ill effects from a sprained ankle that recently put him in a protective boot.

Manning's 5-yard pass to Tyree — it was his first TD catch of the season — put the Giants ahead 10-7 earlier in the fourth quarter. Brady later hit Randy Moss for a 6-yard touchdown with 2:42 to go that gave the Pats a 14-10 edge.

Four plays after Tyree's acrobatics, Manning found Burress alone in the left side of the end zone.

"It's the greatest feeling in professional sports," Burress said before bursting into tears.

COMMENTARY: An ugly game but a Giant upset

by DAVE GOLDBERG
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GLENDAL, Ariz. — The New York Giants won the Super Bowl five weeks ago when they did what almost everyone said they shouldn't do:

Play hard against New England in the meaningless final regular-season game that the Patriots needed to become the first team ever to finish 16-0.

The Giants lost 38-35 on that Saturday night, but they proved in the process they could play with a team that most folks thought was unbeatable.

Despite injuries to three starters — just what those who thought they should rest for the playoffs had feared — that game propelled them to road

wins in Dallas and Green Bay, against the teams that finished with by far the best records in the NFC.

"When we lost that game to New England, we played against the best team in the league as well as anyone had played," said Michael Strahan, who finally won a Super Bowl ring in his 15th season. "We felt that if we could play with them, we could play with anyone."

They did. With the help of what Giants coach Tom Coughlin called "maybe the most amazing play ever made in a Super Bowl."

It came on a third-and-five from the New York 44 with 1:15 left. Eli Manning seemed about to be swallowed by the Patriots' Jarvis Green. But he escaped, rolled to his right and heaved the ball 32 yards

downfield, where it landed on the head of David Tyree, a special teams whiz who had four catches for 35 yards in the 16-game regular season.

Tyree, who earlier had caught a 5-yard touchdown pass, somehow pinned it to his head and came down with the ball along with two Patriots trying to knock it loose. That put the ball on the New England 24. Four plays later, Manning hit Plaxico Burress with a 13-yard pass with 35 seconds left for the winning TD.

Tom Brady sensed that Tyree's catch would set up a touchdown.

"After it happened, I got the offense together and told them we were going to go back on the field," conceded New England's MVP quarterback, who had put the Patriots ahead

earlier with a 6-yard TD pass to Randy Moss. "That's a lot of time to leave a team to come back."

There was another reason the Giants won.

It's called defense and is the same reason they managed to make the playoffs after starting 0-2 and trailing Washington 17-3 in Week 3 before coming back with 21 second-half points. New York won that game after the Redskins had a first-and-goal at the Giants 1 in the final minute.

Four plays later, they were at the 2 and New York had its first victory. The next week, the Giants got 12 sacks against the Eagles and were on their way.

They didn't have that many sacks Sunday, but they had constant pressure on Brady,

who was sacked five times and looked battered in the second half as waves of Giants came after him.

Justin Tuck had two sacks, Strahan had one. But the one that clinched the game was by another of the unknown Giants — rookie tackle Jay Alford, who was nearly a goat in Green Bay when his snap on what might have been the winning field goal by Lawrence Tynes sailed high and left and led to a miss.

Tynes got another chance in overtime to win the game and converted, sending the Giants to the Super Bowl.

And Alford got another chance Sunday night, dropping Brady for a 10-yard loss with 10 seconds left on New England's final possession to all but seal the game.

Most of those plays came

from the confidence the Giants got from the first New England game, when everyone seemed to be telling them to rest their starters.

"Every team is beatable, you never know," Coughlin said. "The right moment, the right time, every team is beatable. You have to guard against so many different things. There is no taking anything away from them. We learned the first time we played them that we weren't a team they were just going to brush away. That helped immeasurably tonight."

For that they can thank Manning, Tyree and the defense.

And most of all Coughlin, who decided to play a game on Dec. 29 that he could have tanked.

Bob Knight only did what he thought was right, always

by JIM O'CONNELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pick a list regarding coaching and Bob Knight was at the top of it or not far away.

Wins. National championships. Tirades. Respect. Loathing.

What Knight did while running a college basketball program or a U.S. national team always made headlines — good and bad.

How he interacted with others, whether they played for him, worked for him, coached against him, officiated his games or tried to report on him, added to the complex persona he developed over a lifetime of basketball.

The one thing he made sure everybody knew right away was that he really didn't care what you thought of him.

But if he respected you, you and others knew it. His loyalty to mentors such as Fred Taylor and Pete Newell never wavered. His long relationships with former players such as Steve Alford, Quinn Buckner and Isiah Thomas stayed strong well after their eligibility ended. Even through feuds — real and imagined — Knight always spoke highly of those he let in his inner circle.

Whenever Knight makes headlines there's a package of video highlights ready to roll — the chair he sent flying across the court and his contorted face after being asked a question before a NCAA tournament game that contained the phrase "game face."

The list of public transgressions goes on as long as the list of his coaching accomplishments.

Does a tossed chair negate a national championship? Does the tape of a practice when he allegedly grabbed a player by the throat wipe out the most

wins in Division I history? Does a confrontation with a police officer in Puerto Rico offset an Olympic gold medal?

That will be the debate about Knight long after Monday's decision to resign as the coach at Texas Tech. When do wins and titles outweigh boorishness and bullying?

But being Bob Knight means you can throw a wrench into that discussion.

There have been several times during my two decades covering college basketball where Knight's other side has been on display.

Knight used to hold court for his contemporaries every year at the Final Four's open practices when his teams weren't involved. Up in the stands, Knight was surrounded by a cadre of coaches, who always seemed to be leaning forward to make sure they didn't miss a word.

After his Indiana team played an early round game at the Maui Invitational, Knight stood in a breezeway at the Lahaina Civic Center for at least 30 minutes, covering topics including deep sea fishing, an emotional visit to the Pearl Harbor memorial and what needed to be done to make college basketball better.

History was one subject you could always approach Knight about, and there was always hunting and fishing. It wasn't often either would lead to where the questioner wanted to head, but you could see there was plenty of passion for things other than basketball.

For every player who transferred from Knight's programs, there was one whom he helped tremendously without letting anybody know. The stories of how he helped former Indiana player Landon Turner, who was paralyzed in

an automobile accident, show a side of Knight he didn't want us to see.

When he coached the United States to the Olympic gold medal in Los Angeles in 1984 with one of the greatest amateur teams ever assembled, Knight made sure Newell was around the team from the start to give them a perspective different from his. Knight made sure the players lifted Newell to their shoulders after the gold medal game to show their appreciation and respect.

Can this be the same man who once had a donkey with a Purdue hat as a guest on his television show? Can this be the same man who was fired after 27 years at Indiana because he couldn't follow a zero-tolerance policy regarding his behavior?

Yes. The numbers and facts of Knight's coaching career are easy to spew: 902 wins; three national championships, including the last team to win it all and go unbeaten; 29 seasons of 20 or more wins; 28 NCAA tournament appearances; an Olympic gold medal.

So are the negatives, some of which occurred in his six-plus seasons at Texas Tech, the program he turned around after being fired at Indiana.

Have we heard the last of the 67-year-old Knight? Probably not. You can be sure he'll still provide an opinion on how he disagrees with college players being allowed to leave for the NBA after one season in school.

If there is something going on that Knight feels is hurting the game he is leaving to his son, Pat, and other coaches, he will let the world know about it.

And you can bet it won't be sugarcoated.



BETSY LAYNE captured the Floyd County C-Team championship. The Bobcats were also Floyd County Conference champions.



MIKE DEAN has added depth to the East Kentucky backcourt. Earlier in the season, Dean led the CBA in scoring. The Miners will return to the Expo Center hardwood today in a home game versus the Great Falls Explorers. Tip-off for the East Kentucky-Great Falls game is set for 7:05 p.m.

Eagles to face JMU in BracketBusters Game

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD - Morehead State University will travel to Harrisonburg, Va., to take on the James Madison University Dukes in a 2008 O'Reilly ESPN BracketBuster Game on Feb. 23. The MSU-JMU contest was one of 50 BracketBusters games announced on Monday.

MSU is 11-10 on the season, while James Madison is 10-11. The Dukes are coached

by Dean Keener and compete in the Colonial Athletic Association.

"James Madison is an excellent team out of a strong conference," said MSU Coach Donnie Tyndall. "We had a chance to see them on video earlier this year while preparing for our Eastern Kentucky game. They will certainly be a formidable opponent."

JMU defeated Eastern Kentucky 82-71 in December in a game played in Richmond.

The game between the Eagles and the Dukes will be played in the JMU Convocation Center (7,156). The tentative game time is 2 p.m. EST.

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When frogs croaked louder

Looks like Mr. Groundhog had plenty of sunshine to work with last Saturday, so no matter where in eastern Kentucky he stuck out his furry little head, he was bound to cast a shadow. Of course, that means he went on back to bed, in which case folklorists say we can expect six more weeks of winter weather. Had he not seen his shadow, however, we would only have had winter weather until around March 20.

It sort of reminds me of taking medicine when you have a bad cold: if you do, you'll be over it within a week. If you don't, it'll hang around for seven days.

Nevertheless, we love to make a big deal of Punxsutawney Phil and Gobbler's Knob. Every TV Network and news channel had their cameras there again this year, and ole Phil, who reportedly resides the other 364 days of the year in a local library, was pulled from his comfortable bed, much to the delight of on-lookers.

But years before Phil or the Weather Channel, our ancestors—many of whom were farmers, or had

Clyde Pack



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KIM'S KORNER

Begin with a smile

Good gracious! Life can certainly get busy, can't it? This past weekend, mine was too busy for me to sit down and pen you a column. So, this week, I'm gonna share a little something I got on email a while back.

Next week (promise!), I'll be back with some encouraging words! Until then, hope this gets a smile from you during your own "busy week."



Kim Little Frasure

PONDERISMS.....

•I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of "natural" causes.

•Gardening Rule: When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.

•The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

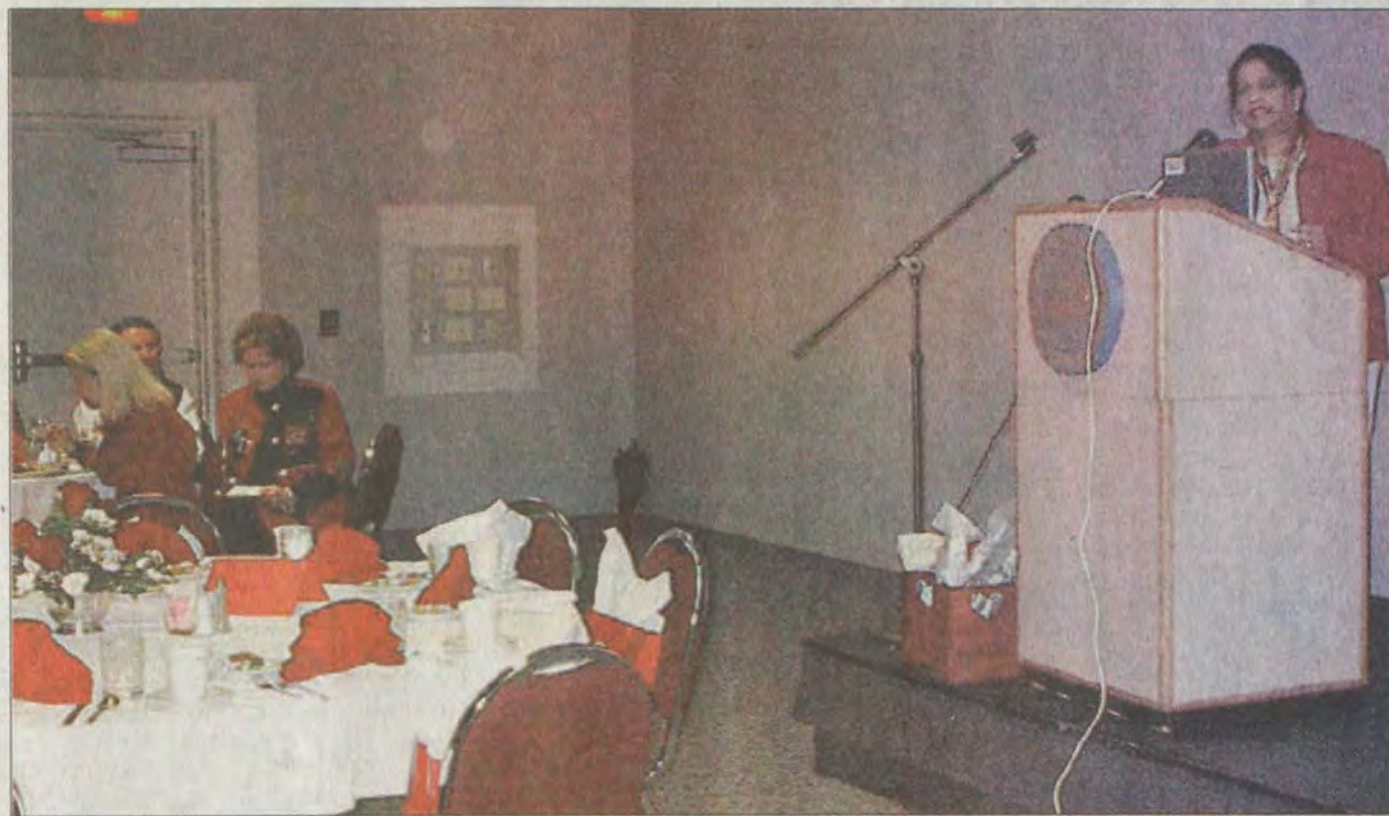
•Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in hospitals dying of nothing.

•Whenever I feel blue, I start breathing again. (And sometimes I really have to remind myself!)

•In the 60's, people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it normal.

•How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

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photos by Kathy J. Prater

Dr. Ayesha Sikder spoke to those in attendance on the subject of stress and its relation to coronary artery disease.

Go Red for Women

Develop healthy heart habits message of annual luncheon

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

If you're a woman, you know it's true - women tend to put themselves, and their health, on the back burner while striving to meet the demands of a busy lifestyle and, simultaneously, often striving to meet the needs of others.

The accompanying stress of such a lifestyle, along with unhealthy choices, put women at a much higher risk of heart disease than many are often aware of. If polled, chances are that many would say that breast cancer is the number one killer of women in America. Not so, however, as statistics show that 1 in every 2.6 deaths among women are due to cardiovascular disease; compared to 1 in every 30 deaths among women being due to breast cancer.

Though both are causes for concern, due to heightened awareness campaigns, most women are now aware of the need for annual breast exams; not so, necessarily, of the need for concern in regard to the very real dangers of heart disease and stroke for women.

Thus, the American Heart Association's "Go Red for Women" campaign to focus awareness on the threat of heart disease among women. Bringing the message home to Floyd County, Highlands Regional Medical Center and Mrs.

Jean Dorton paired up this past Friday morning to bring the second annual "Go Red for Women" luncheon to area residents.

Bringing that message to those in attendance Friday morning, Dr. Ayesha Sikder, HRMC Pulmonology/Board of Trustees, Dr. Ghassan Dalati and Dr. Vaughn Payne, HRMC Cardiology, and Mrs. Lynn Mullins, heart attack survivor, each took a turn in speaking and relating the message that heart disease, though with the potential to be fatal, is also "predictable, preventable, treatable," as said by Dr. Sikder.

The key is in helping women to become aware that healthy lifestyle choices can go a long way in preventing heart disease. Choosing to exercise daily, have regular cholesterol screenings, maintain a healthy weight, and to not smoke are among the most important things a woman can do to help keep heart disease from affecting her life. Having one's blood pressure checked regularly along with blood sugar levels are also important.

Avoiding stress, though many times not possible, is also a key to maintaining a healthy heart, and a healthy attitude. "Attitude plays a big factor," said Dr. Sikder. "All in

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Featured speakers at the "Go Red for Women" luncheon are pictured here, clockwise from top left: Dr. Vaughn Payne, Dr. Ghassan Dalati, Dr. Ayesha Sikder, and Mrs. Lynn Mullins, who spoke on her experience as a heart attack survivor.

CRITTER CORNER

This Valentine's Day, give your pets a whole lotta love, but hold the chocolate!

Love and danger bloom in unexpected places. This Valentine's Day, show the furry object of your affection how much you care by keeping your pet out of harm's way.

To help pet parents keep their loved ones happy and healthy this Valentine's Day, the ASPCA offers the following tips:

•Reject the chocolate temptress. "Chocolate (baker's, semi-sweet, milk and dark) can be potentially poisonous to animals," said Dr. Stephen Hansen, board-certified veterinary toxicologist and senior vice-president of the ASPCA's Animal Poison Control Center in Urbana, Illinois. Dr. Hansen advises pet parents to watch for symptoms of excessive ingestion of chocolate, including vomiting, diarrhea, seizures, hyperactivity and increased thirst, urination and heart rate.

•Save your teeth and your sweeties. Gum and candy often contain large amounts of the sweetener xylitol, which can be toxic to pets, especially dogs. Ingestion can produce depression, loss of coordination and seizures.

•Tiptoe through the tulips. Pets may be interested in taste testing the beautiful floral arrangement on your coffee table. "Animals are very good at sniffing out things they shouldn't eat," says Dr. Hansen. "Pet parents might notice symp-

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This is a photo of Chloe Warfield and her goat, "Bessie Mae." Bessie Mae (now 6 months old) was born extremely premature and weighed only 1 1/2 pounds at birth. She had to be fed with a feeding syringe but thanks to the efforts of four dedicated adults, Bessie Mae lived to become Chloe's playmate. Chloe is the daughter of Greg and Sally Warfield and the granddaughter of Bud and Pauline Baldrige.

YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(Feb. 6 and 11, 1998)

After two Osborne Elementary students apparently failed to notify the school personnel that a classmate had a gun at the school, last week, the Floyd County Board of Education said, Tuesday, that the issue may be addressed at the board's next meeting...A four-county effort to promote economic development in the Big Sandy region paid off in a big way, Wednesday, when a \$100 million federal prison project was officially approved. The prison which will be built on the Honey Branch site in Martin County near the Big Sandy Regional Airport, is a cooperative effort between Floyd, Johnson, Martin, and Pike counties...Audrey Nickell who suffered from hypothermia after she jumped into Dewey Lake, Wednesday, to escape flames from a burning houseboat, was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center, where she was listed in stable condition...The investigation into Tuesday's murder-suicide, reveals that Earl Ray Campbell apparently lured his wife, Debbie, to the Lancer residence before shooting her to death and turning a gun on himself. The bodies of 43-year-old Debbie Kendrick Campbell and her estranged husband, were discovered around 2 p.m., Tuesday, when local authorities responded to a shooting incident at Mr. Campbell's residence...This week's winter storm may not have been as harsh to Floyd County as it was to other regions in the state, but the snow left many area residents in the dark, and numerous motorists on foot...The Big Sandy Health Care board of trustees terminated the employment of Ellis Buchanan, the organization's executive director, after a special meeting, Monday night, and

apparently offered no explanation for the decision...Governor Paul Patton greeted Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, Monday, in the Mountain Arts Center after a brief stop to announce major funding awards for Floyd County and the Big Sandy Region. Projects to be funded included four-laning of the Mountain Parkway; replacement of the Town Branch Bridge; and the construction of an access road to the site of a hilltop golf course and recreational project planned by the city of Prestonsburg...The Floyd County Sheriff's Department is investigating a Thursday shooting incident which may have left William Horn, 38, of Auxier, partially paralyzed. The Sheriff's office responded to the shooting, late Thursday night, after his wife, Karen, informed authorities that she had shot her husband, and may have killed him...The states six-year highway plan, which is a guideline for transportation improvements, includes a recommendation for more than \$63 million worth of highway projects that could place Floyd County on the fast track in the economic marketplace...State Alcoholic Beverage Control officers raided two Floyd County establishments last month, confiscating video-poker machines and filing gambling charges against the owners. Harold Meade, owner of Vito's on Auxier Road, was charged with conspiracy to promote gambling, promoting gambling, in the first degree, four counts, permitting gambling, and three counts of possession of a gambling device; Ramona K. Kidd, owner of the Frontier Lounge in Harold, was charged with conspiracy to promote gambling, promoting gambling in the first degree; two counts of possession of a gambling device; and permitting gambling...The County Sheriff's Department provided various services, including delivering prescriptions to area residents during last week's winter storm that created hazardous road conditions for

motorists...Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin defended the annexation of property he owns at Cliff, at Monday's City Council meeting, and admitted he would be the only one to benefit from the action. Fannin said he plans to build a home on the tract at Cliff, and feels that: "me bein' mayor, I should be in the city limits of Prestonsburg..."Prestonsburg City Council tabled action on a contract with Frank Fitzpatrick, Monday, which calls for the annexation of property at West Prestonsburg to be used for walking and riding trails...There died: Debbie Kendrick Campbell, 43, of Martin, Tuesday, February 3, in Prestonsburg; Earnest "Gerb" Gayheart, 80, of Garner, Wednesday, February 4, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; A.C. Martin, 48, of Ashland, Monday, February 2, at Med-Central in Mansfield, Ohio; Earl Ray Campbell, 47, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, February 3, at his residence; Delores Blanton Flinders of Morrow, Ohio, Friday, January 30, at the Bethesda North Hospital; Opal Isaac Lafferty, 77, of Glen Morgan, W.Va., Friday, February 6, at Beckley Hospital; Bula Mae Moore, 74, of Mousie, Wednesday, February 4, at Mt. Carmel Hospital East in Columbus, O.; Elmer Neuton Watkins, 82, of East Point, Sunday, February 8, at his residence; Ernest Clinton "E.C." Moore, 93, of Martin, Friday, February 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; O.C. Hunt, 76, of Westland, Michigan, Sunday, January 11, at the Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center in Michigan; Mae Hatcher Hinchman, 92, of Huntington, W.Va., formerly of Pike County, Thursday, February 5, at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington; Earl Brown, 72, of Beaver, Friday, February 6, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Basel Dean Cook, 48, of Topmost, Thursday, February 5, at his residence; Florinda Hall Tackett, 87, of Bevinsville, Thursday, February 5, at Our Lady

of the Way Hospital, in Martin.

Twenty Years Ago (February 10, 1988)

A 5-3 vote passed a two percent gross income tax to be enacted on restaurants in last week's Prestonsburg City Council meeting...Superintendent Ray Brackett pledged cooperation with groups committed to the betterment of the county's school system...One of the county's worst accidents, not involving a fatality, occurred late Tuesday night, as two Allen men had to be cut from a car in which they had been riding, when it struck a tree. Roger Marsillett and George Nunemaker were both taken to Highlands Regional Medical Center...Former Floyd Clerk Thomas Lafferty Jr., was acquitted, Monday, on theft charges in Pike Circuit Court...In one week, temperatures went from 7 to 71 degrees, proving the old adage, "If you don't like the weather in Kentucky, just wait a little while..."Questions concerning who should operate the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center are now before the Kentucky Court of Appeals...There died: Martha Hall, 92, of Ligon, Friday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital...Agnes Stone Graves, 78, formerly of Garrett, Feb. 3, in Newark, Ohio...Madge Clark, 62, of Lake Road, Feb. 3, at Riverview Manor...Kathryn Robinette, 83, of Harold, Feb. 2, at Mountain Manor...Kathleen Norris Stewart, 73, of Allen, Feb. 3, at King's Daughters Medical Center...Allie Owens, 82, of Garrett, Feb. 2, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital...Elva Stanford, 66, of Auxier, Friday, in Louisa...Frank Patton, 73, of Hueysville,

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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

- Feb. 7 - 4-H Project Club meeting, 3:15 p.m., in YSC. New members may still sign up.
- "Get Moving AMS" is a student exercise program coordinated by AMS Youth Service Center and the Floyd County Extension Office. Students will learn about benefits of exercise and good nutrition. Call the YSC for more information or to sign up.
- Lending Library available for student/parent use. Pamphlets, videos, books and more on a variety of topics available.
- Appointments now available with the Floyd County Health Dept. nurse. Nurse can do school physicals and immunizations on site. Please call 886-1297 to schedule an appointment.
- The Youth Services Center provides services to families regardless of income. Please contact the center for more information on center services and programs. Call the center at 886-1297. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley.

Allen Central High School

- Feb. 7 - Alice Lloyd College reps will be at school to speak with seniors, 9 a.m.
- Feb. 13 - SBDM, 4:30 p.m.
- Feb. 16 - Boys & Girls Basketball "Senior Night"
- Feb. 20 - Hazard Comm. & Tech. College reps will be at school to speak with seniors, 1 p.m.
- Feb. 25 - Floyd County Board of Education meeting, at Betsy Layne Elementary, 6:30 p.m.
- Feb. 25 thru 29 - District basketball tournament, at ACHS.
- 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 Elementary and Family

- Please have your Food City Valu Card scanned for ACMS! Points help purchase school merchandise.
- Feb. 7 - Career presentation, 8th grade.
- Feb. 11 - Tobacco presentation, 6th grade.
- Feb. 12, 19 & 26 - Respect class, 7th grade girls.
- Feb. 20 - CPR training, 8th grade.
- Feb. 20 - Parent meeting, 1:30 p.m.
- Career Decisions and Job Development videos available in YSC lending library.
- The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

Resource Youth Service Center.

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

- 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

- Center is in need of gently used clothing, shoes, belts and backpacks. All donations greatly appreciated.
- 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

- May Valley is currently accepting applications for the May Valley Elementary Early Childhood Program (3-4 year olds). Fee for services is \$18/per day. Services available Mon. thru Fri. Contact school at 285-0883 for more information. Slots will be filled on first-come, first-serve basis. Remaining applicants will be placed on waiting list.
- 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.

- Feb. 18 - No school. President's Day.
- Feb. 19 - Lola Ratliff, Floyd County Schools, will conduct a

Parent meeting on "Nutrition & Exercise," at 1 p.m., in the FRC. All parents/guardians urged to attend.

•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 check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

•GED classes available at FRC each Monday, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., in library.

•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

- Feb. 8 - Valentine Dance: 6-7:30 p.m., K thru 2nd; 7:30 to 9 p.m., 3rd thru 5th.
- Feb. 12 - SBDM monthly council meeting, 6:30 p.m., school lunchroom.
- Feb. 13 - "Time Out for Parents" meeting, 12 p.m., conference room. HeadStart through 5th grade parents all invited.
- Feb. 26 thru March 7 - Book Fair.
- Feb. 27 - Classroom group pictures.
- March 4 - Family Read Night, 6-7 p.m., in library.
- March 8 - "Fun Fair for Expectant and New Parents," 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the MAC. Floyd County expectant parents and parents of children up to one year old invited to attend.
- April 10 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the MAC. Parents/guardians of students enrolled in Floyd County Schools invited.
- 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.

•School hours: 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• Call 886-7088 for information and referrals regarding GED classes, preschool child care, and other programs or services offered to the community. Reminder: The Floyd County Health Dept. offers services through the AMS Youth Services Center. Call the AMS Center at 886-1297 to schedule appointments for WIC, HeadStart, Kindergarten, 6th grade exams, and well-child exams from birth to 18 years.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

- Feb. 9 - 2nd Annual Miss Sweetheart Pageant and 2008 Prom Dress Preview Show, sponsored by Village Boutique, Prestonsburg. To be held in SFHS gym at 3:30 p.m. Newly crowned Miss Kentucky Teen USA, Shannen Reil, will present all awards. Many age divisions and categories. Call Mrs. D. Isaac at 452-9600 (day) or 377-0469 (evening), or see a South Floyd cheerleader for more information.
- Parents needing assistance with daycare may contact Mable Hall for information, or the "A Step Ahead" daycare center, at 452-1100.

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

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

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

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

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

- Yearbooks are \$22 and will be on sale January 1, in school office.
- Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.
- The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium. Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

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

- Healthy Floyd County 2010 Oral Health/Dental Initiative Program: Hygienist scheduled to be at Osborne Elementary on Monday's and Friday's throughout Feb. and March to provide dental treatment for participating students.
- Feb. 19 - Parent meeting (KYPIRC), 10 a.m., in library. Please plan to attend!
- Feb. 14 - Happy Valentine's Day!
- Feb. 18 - No school!

•Feb. 19 - Head Start meeting, 9 a.m., in library.

•Feb. 19 - Parent meeting, 9:30 a.m., in library; with Lola Ratliff!

•Feb. 20 - Paul O'Kelley; Positive Attitudes (school assembly program, 9:30 a.m., in gym).

•Lost and Found is located in the Family Resource Center. Items not claimed within three weeks become the property of the FRC.

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

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

Wesley Christian School

- WCS Learning Center accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.
- For more information about Wesley Christian School, call 874-8328.

Big Sandy Community & Technical College Adult Education and GED

- Monday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC; Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.
- 1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC; 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
- Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant, 886-7397
- Ron Johnson, Stephanina Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, Cindy Justice and Wayne Combs - Adult Education teachers.

Yesterdays

Thursday, at his residence; Harlis Kilburn, 40, of Arkansas Creek, Thursday, at St. Joseph Hospital...Margaret Wright, 78, of Jenkins, Sunday, in Pikeville...Cory Lane Moran, one month, of St. Mary's, Ohio, Sunday, at his home...Ballard Hunter, 89, formerly of Floyd County, January 9, in Michigan...Kenneth Smith, 58, of Summitt, Monday, at his home.

Thirty Years Ago
(February 8, 1978)

Floyd County Judge Henry Stumbo was elected chairman of the Big Sandy Community Action Program at the recent election of CAP board members, which was marked by a contest for one of the appointments from Martin County...Eighteen men were arrested last Thursday afternoon by Sheriff Doug Lewis, and deputies, in a raid on the Eagles Club here, and three of the group were charged with illegal possession of intoxicating beverages...A tentative agreement reached in Washington, Monday, could end the nation's longest coal-mine strike, but the agreement announced by UMW President Arnold Miller, at the conclusion of bargaining in the offices of federal mediators must surmount two possible roadblocks before a new contract becomes final, and miners return to work...The Floyd County Board of Education, last week, purchased from the state of Kentucky, an 86-acre tract at Mare Creek, as the future site of Betsy Layne Schools...Although Floyd County's Schools, as well as other districts in the state, will lose "bonus unit" funds, hitherto appropriated to encourage districts to start special programs, Governor Carroll's recommended budget will mean that this county's school system will have a net gain for the next fiscal year of \$922,542...There died: Jones Artis Gayheart, 82, of Eastern, Thursday, at his home; Jess Craft, 65, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; John Lee Hunter, 86, of Martin, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Theodore Jones, 47, formerly of this area, Friday, D.O.A. at St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima, Ohio; Harry A. Brank, 57, of Wheelwright, Saturday, D.O.A. at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; W. T. Collins, 55, formerly of this county, January 17, at his home in Pulaski, Virginia; Mrs. Birdella Click Konst, 48, formerly of Manton,

January 28, at St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima, Ohio; Mrs. Oma Adkins, 76, formerly of this county, last Friday, at Jenkins Clinic Hospital; Ernest A. Fannin, 56, of Spurlock Creek, Thursday, in Prestonsburg; William Thomas (Tommy) Blackburn, 49, formerly of Prestonsburg, January 28, at his home in Mt. Sterling, Ohio; Roy Carroll, 23, formerly of Martin, killed last Wednesday, by falling rock; Mrs. Ollie Jones, 88, of Eastern, Saturday, at her home.

Forty Years Ago
(February 8, 1968)

The David Baptist Church, and all its contents, were destroyed by fire, Tuesday morning...Of the 231 one-room schools in operation in Kentucky, 22 are in Floyd County...Outbreak of influenza has hit several thousand persons in Floyd County in recent weeks, according to Dr. Russell L. Hall, county health doctor...In Floyd County, 5,365 persons benefited from the food stamp program during December...Married: Miss Karen Rae Bussey of Prestonsburg, and Thomas J. O'Rourke Jr., of Delaware, O., Feb. 3, at Cynthia, Ky.; Miss Katherine Lynn Goble of Prestonsburg, and Henry A. Szedon, of Eighty-Four, Pennsylvania, Jan. 27, at the First Presbyterian Church, here...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Don Brickley, of Columbus, O., a daughter, Lisa Ann, Jan. 11, at Columbus...There died: Mrs. Minnie Shepherd, 85, of Dwale, Sunday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Birdie Duff, 55, formerly of Garrett, last Wednesday, at a Lima, O. hospital; Elbert Poe, 52, of Abbott Creek, Friday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Louisa Ison, 76, of Martin, Saturday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Susan Jane Goble, 80, of Belleville, formerly of Lancer, last Tuesday, at Belleville.

Fifty Years Ago
(February 4, 1958)

The need for a new Floyd County courthouse was among the several items discussed in the final report of the grand jury, Friday...W. V. Bunting sold his Court Street barber shop Wednesday—40 years to the day after he

became its owner...Effective implementation of the drive to procure food and clothing for the destitute was being made, this week, with a good organization according to Walter Frasure, social worker, and vice-chairman of the Committee of Six, the group set up to head the program...Some big coal operators and the United Mine Workers are out to destroy small Kentucky mine operators, it was charged in Washington, Monday, by Charles D. Richards, Middlesboro...Married: Miss Zane Carolyn Parke, of Richmond, and Robert Simpson Cohen, of Mt. Sterling, Jan. 18, at Richmond; Miss Bonnie Sue Allen, of Wheelersburg, O., and Lewis Edward Shearer, Oct. 27...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conley, of Allen, a daughter, last week...There died: Lee Robinson, 71, of Dwale, Wednesday, at home; Lonnie Kelly Hall, 76, formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, at his home in Morehead; William B. Smith, 81, of Bypro, Jan. 25, at the home of a daughter; Roach Thornsberry, 77, of Hueysville, Friday, at the home of a son; Mrs. Lishia Reffett, 45, last Thursday, at her home at Blue River; Mrs. Liddy Bentley, 87, of Beaver, Wednesday; Mrs. Cora T. McCoy, 67, of Auxier, Monday, at the McDowell Memorial Hospital.

Sixty Years Ago
(February 12, 1948)

The "liberalized" local option bill, voted by the Kentucky Legislature last week, makes possible within a two-year period, Prestonsburg's second test of sentiment on the wet-dry issue, attorneys here said this week...For the second time in five years, Mont Gibson, janitor at the Prestonsburg grade school, and his family are homeless, this week, as a result of fire...The proposal to make oil, gasoline and gas from coal has revived hopes of this section for a government-owned synthetic fuel plant...Reorganization of the Big Sandy Baseball League was affected at a meeting at Allen, Sunday afternoon...Paul "Bear" Bryant, head football coach of the University of Kentucky Wildcats, will be the speaker at the Kiwanis-sponsored banquet to be held at the Methodist Church here, next Thursday...Married: Miss Elaine Roberts, of Betsy Layne, and Earl Hayes, of McKee, Ky., Dec. 13, at Betsy Layne...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Hillard McKinney, of Martin, a son, recently; to

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Tackett, of Ivel, a son, last week; to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Prater, of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Sandra Lynn, Feb. 5, at the Paintsville Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Estill Ousley, of Risner, a daughter, Feb. 11, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Mrs. Annie Laurie May, 80, widow of Beverly C. May, onetime Floyd County Judge, Wednesday, at her home, here; Sam Stephens, 75, last Thursday, while en route from his home in Manton, to a hospital; Robert Linton Clay, 40, Sunday, at Endicott; Herbert Clinton Cecil, 32, formerly of Harold, Monday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Mary Joseph, 87, formerly of this county, Saturday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Nancy E. Honaker, 83, Feb. 4, at her home at Tram.

Seventy Years Ago
(February 10, 1938)

After Deputy Constable Frank Hatfield had been shot two times in the back, by charges fired from an automatic shotgun, in the hands of Jesse Collins, 23, Collins himself was probably fatally wounded at Melvin, late Tuesday afternoon, by replying revolver bullets, fired by Hatfield and Constable Willie Johnson...Places of business or entertainment, where intoxicating liquors are sold, may not remain open at night, later than 12 o'clock, and may not reopen any earlier than 5 o'clock the following morning, according to a ruling this week, by Judge Edward P. Hill...Two of Floyd County's strongest basketball teams, McDowell, and Martin, clashed in the McDowell gymnasium, over the week-end, McDowell downing the seldom-defeated Purple Flash, 29 to 17...Senator Joe P. Tackett, of Floyd County, introduced a resolution to the Kentucky Senate, last week, protesting the alleged encroachment of the federal government on state's rights, and asking the two Kentucky Senators, Barkley and Logan, to oppose the anti-lynching bill, now before the national Senate...Married: Miss Marietta Bingham and Woodrow Crager, both of Cliff, here, Wednesday evening; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pennington, of Marion, O., formerly of Glo, Jan. 7...There died: Betty Jane, eight-year-old daughter of Mrs. Myrtle H. Paul, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Willie Farmer, last Thursday night, at his home here.

Critter

toms of stomach upset, such as vomiting or diarrhea, if their pet has ingested a particularly offensive plant or flower. Most notably, cat owners should be extremely careful if they have lilies in the house, as these lovely flowers can be deadly." "Give the choice of pet parenthood. "It may be very tempting to give your loved one a cuddly new puppy or kitten for Valentine's Day," explains Gail Buchwald, senior vice-president of the ASPCA's Adoption Center. "However, before you bring home that precious little one, remember that adopting a companion animal is a big

decision." Why not present your loved one with a Gift-A-Pet certificate to adopt from the ASPCA - if you are in the Manhattan area - or your local shelter? Selecting the right pet for your home, and saving a life, ensures a bond that will last a lifetime, a fitting way to remember the patron saint of love. Founded in 1866, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was the first humane organization established in the Americas, and today has more than one million supporters throughout North America. The ASPCA is a not-for-profit

organization. Its mission is to provide effective means for the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the US. The ASPCA provides local and national leadership in animal-assisted therapy, animal behavior, animal poison control, anti-cruelty, humane education, legislative services, and shelter outreach. The Humane Law Enforcement department enforces New York's animal cruelty laws and is featured on the reality television series "Animal Precinct" on Animal Planet. For more information, please visit www.aspcanet.org.

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Korner

•Who was the first person to look at a cow and say, "I think I'll squeeze these dangly things here, and drink whatever comes out?"
•If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a song about it?
•If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons? (Sorry, folks - you'll have to forgive me!)
•Do those who can't read get the full effect of Alphabet Soup?
•Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he doesn't like it, but when you take him on a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?
•Does pushing the elevator button more than once make it

arrive any faster?
And,
•Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?
And that ain't all, folks! If the previous didn't get you to smiling, maybe the following will:
Gonna Be a Bear
In my next life, I'm a woman. In my next life, I'd like to come back as a bear. You see, when you're a bear, you get to hibernate. You do nothing but sleep for six months. Yep, I could deal with that.
Before you hibernate, you're supposed to eat yourself stupid. I could deal with that, too.
When you're a girl bear, you birth your children (which

are the size of walnuts) while you're sleeping. When you awake, you find partially grown, cute, cuddly cubs. I could definitely deal with that.
If you're a momma bear, everyone knows you mean business. You swat anyone who bothers your cubs. If your cubs get out of line, you swat them, too. Again, I could deal with that.
And, last but not least, if you're a bear, your mate EXPECTS you to wake up growling! He EXPECTS that you will have hairy legs and excess body fat.
YUP! Gonna come back as a bear!!
'Til next week, keep on smiling and may God bless!

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Hughes-West

Don and Mitzi Hughes, of East Point, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Bethany, to Jamie West, the son of Van and Donna West, of Ashland. Both Bethany and Jamie are graduates of Johnson Central High School. Jamie is currently employed by CSX, stationed in Russell, Ky. Bethany currently attends Big Sandy Community & Technical College and plans to transfer to Marshall University, in Huntington, West Virginia, in the fall. A wedding is planned for June 7, 2008, at Fitzpatrick Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.

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New Arrivals

Oak

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Highlands Regional Medical Center

of Flat Gap

Jan. 1, 2008
 A son, Travis Blake Mollett, to Brandi Dawn Fannin, of Inez
 A daughter, Jennifer Brooke Ousley, to Rebecca Doris & Aaron David Ousley, of Grethel
 A son, Braxton Ell Howard, to Tasha Nicole Howard, of Minnie

Jan. 2, 2008
 A son, Michael Luthor Horn, to Mary & Tony Horn, of Warfield
 A son, Treyton Kole Hackworth, to Melissa Dawn & Lonnie Joe Hackworth, of Prestonsburg

Jan. 4, 2007
 A daughter, Kailey Jasiona Pelphrey, to Telessa Lynn Pelphrey, of Flat Gap
 A son, Ethan Paul Alexandria Bryant, to Lavonna Renee & Paul Bryant, of Martin

Jan. 5, 2008
 A son, Randall Taylor Green, to Ashley Vanhooose, of Paintsville
 A daughter, Audrey Paige Kitchen, to Cassandra Arnold,

Jan. 8, 2008
 A son, Blake Donald Ash, to Amanda & Michael Ash, of Tram
 A son, Curtis T. Daniel Hill, to Meghan Lewis, of Prestonsburg

Jan. 9, 2008
 A daughter, Lacey Sky Hunter, to Heather Michelle Hunter, of Wayland

Jan. 10, 2008
 A son, Johnathan Keith Ray Lockhart, to Sandra Kay & Jimmy McArthur Lockhart, of Salyersville
 A son, James Russell Ward, to Emily Renee & James Russell Ward, of West Van Lear

Jan. 11, 2008
 A son, Christopher Logan Hall, to Chastiney Nicole Stanley, of Allen
 A son, Gabriel Tyse Howell, to Carrie Brooke Hall, of Melvin

Jan. 11, 2008
 A daughter Lexus Nichole Akers, to Jamie Martin, of Blue River
 A son, Kaidean Daniel Dalton, to Kimberly Endicott, of Deboard
 A son, Jonathyn Bennit

Vanderpool, to Allison Johnson, of Prestonsburg
 A son, Landon Chad Samons, to Heather & Joey Samons, of Garrett

Jan. 12, 2008
 A son, Trinity Jake Grim, to Tara & Joshua Grim, of Flat Gap
 A son, Gabriel Alexander Burchett, to Jeanna Breanna Burchett, of Prestonsburg

Jan. 13, 2008
 A son, Donald Lee Cole Jr., to Stacie Nicole & Donald Lee Cole, of Salyersville

Jan. 13, 2008
 A son, David Paul Watkins Jr., to Ginger & David Watkins, of Prestonsburg

Jan. 14, 2008
 A son, Mason Tyler Hall, to Chelsea Hall, of Mousie
 A son, Grant Lee Hall, to Joy & Jeremy Hall, of Pikeville
 A daughter, Racheal LaShay Wireman, to Nicole

Lynn Joseph, of Royaltown
 A daughter, Bailey Nicole Case, to Stephen & Crystal Case, of Betsy Layne

Jan. 15, 2008
 A son, Zackary Tyler Sword, to Tonya Lynn & Larry Matthew Sword, of Clayhole
 A daughter, Ivey McKayla Robinson, to Fenicha & Harold Robinson, of Bulan

Jan. 16, 2008
 A daughter, Jade Marie Fitzpatrick, to Rachel Baisden, of Conley Fork
 A son, Bryce Gregory Salyer, to Jessica Ann & Michael Gregory Salyer, of Salyersville

Jan. 18, 2008
 A daughter, Kiale Ellen Everage, to Misty and Matthew Everage, of Talcum
 A son, Merrick Lucian Kayge Hawkins, to Amy Lea Johnson, of Kite

other outside jobs—depended nearly 100 percent on nature to tell them what the weather was going to be.

They knew that bad weather was on the way, when frogs croaked louder; roosters crowed later; birds flew lower; and pigs squealed more. And, if an old farmer saw his pigs gathering leaves and straw, he knew a big storm was on the way.

These of course, weren't the only predictors. A dog eating grass; birds all lined up on a telephone wire; and flies gathering heavily on the screen door, indicated a storm was imminent.

Of course, everybody knows about the stripes on the woolly worm forecasting winter weather, but did you, know many of our ancestors also depended on the Thanksgiving turkey? A cold winter lay ahead if the turkey's breastbone was purple.

Then there was the familiar ditty: "If spiders build their webs by noon, beautiful

weather is coming soon." Another simple little saying that helped in long-range planning was, "Warm Christmas-cold Easter."

But of all the different ways I've heard for predicting the weather, I think my favorite came in the form of a note I received in the mail once, following a column such as this. One doesn't need to live on a farm nor go around observing the habits of animals. Matter of fact, this method is simple, and easy as falling off a log. Furthermore, it's as accurate as anything the professional meteorologists have come up with, and maybe even more so.

Here's how it works: find a smooth rock weighing at least a pound and wide enough to be seen from your living room window to your front lawn, where the rock is placed flat on the ground. Check it out every morning. If the rock is wet, it's raining. If it's white, it's snowing. If it's gone...tornado!

Enjoy the next six weeks...and stay warm.



Tiny Queen

Emily Grace Hall, the five-month old daughter of David and Stephanie Hall, of Garrett, was awarded ten title awards, including "Christmas Wonderland Queen" in the recent Christmas Wonderland Pageant. Emily's parents share that she is very loving and very friendly. She also competed in a recent New Year's Pageant and will be competing in an upcoming Valentine's Pageant. Her family congratulates her on her title wins.

Red

all, laughter is the best medicine for a body, and love is the real medicine," she said. Though today's busy lifestyles are a factor in contributing to high stress levels, Dr. Sikder emphasized that daily exercise, along with being a heart healthy activity, is also a major stress reducer. "Exercise can reduce the risk factor of heart disease by forty percent," she said.

Doing everything right, however, still does not always completely insure that heart disease won't strike, as evidenced by the story of Mrs. Lynn Mullins, who spoke to those assembled at the Go Red luncheon.

"I lived what I thought was a healthy lifestyle," Mullins said. "I exercised, even to lifting weights, I made what I thought were healthy food choices, and I believed that genetics were on my side, what with both my parents still being alive and in their eighties."

As Mullins continued with her story, her related to the audience how she worked in a high stress/high demanding career and how, when her body began to tell her that "something was wrong," she made the mistake of "ignoring my symptoms and self-diagnosing."

After surviving a heart attack and being rushed to the emergency room, Mullins now advises other women to "listen

to your body, it doesn't lie." "Pay attention to what your body is saying, if it doesn't feel normal, it isn't...Go red, listen to your heart," she said.

Learn more about women and heart disease at american-heart.org and learn how you can help spread the Go Red for Women message at GoRedForWomen.org.

In addition to the opportunity to learn about heart disease from the attending physicians, those attending the luncheon were treated to a heart-healthy lunch of a grilled chicken and fresh greens salad and a fresh strawberry mousse dessert.

Ms. Sandra Lee Kansas Marcum, owner of Black Ridge Gallery, in Prestonsburg, was also on hand with a display of beautiful artwork and paintings from her gallery.

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Increments 2, 3, 4, & 7. The application covers an area of approximately 82.36 surface acres, located 1.50 mile southeast of Northern, in Floyd County.

ing or informal conference is received by March 19, 2008. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

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.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0343 NW

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560, (304) 204-1455, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.7 mile northeast of Hippo, Kentucky, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 183.75 surface acres, and will underlie 336.74 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 520.49 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.8 mile south from KY 1210 junction with Alum Lick Road, and located 0.2 mile southwest of Caney Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour and auger methods of surface mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by George and Evie Thornsby, Shade and Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, et al., Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, Chris Damron, Danny Ousley, Rosie Reffitt, Craig Ousley, Earl and Peggy Stephens and Sianna Risner, Mont Ousley Heirs, Edward L. and Sadie Shepherd, J.T. and Anna Lea Thornsby, Phyllis Reffitt, Dovie Thornsby, Glen Hurd-Estate, Jeff Slone, and Anna Howard. The operation will underlie land owned by Shade and Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, et al., Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, and Mont Ousley Heirs.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II C.A. No. 06-CI-00939

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee of Ameriqwest 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 RE-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, on Thursday, the 14th day of February, 2008, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly

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.

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

(e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an

Miscellaneous

For sale: 2 - 2007 3 seater Honda turbo wave runners with cover on a double aluminum trailer. Life jackets, tubes and many other items included. Only been on the water 5 times. Great price. Call today for more information. 226-1198

For sale: 2006 Yamaha R-6 series 600, black. Slight front end damage. Excellent opportunity to purchase beautiful street bike way below cost. Good buy for some one with repair skills. Buy cheap, repair and resell for profit or keep for self. Will sell for payoff app. \$3,300. Call 789-8133 (evening) or 886-8506 (day). Ask for Kathy.

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For Sale: 35 acres

of land, one story house with 1,600 sq. ft. of living space, partial basement located in Floyd County at Hi Hat, Ky. Two acres of flat land with the rest hillside. Four bedrooms, two full baths, living room, dining room and kitchen. Appraised value \$65,000. Price non-negotiable. Cash up front. No land contracts. Contact Mike Mullins at 606-785-5475 (8:00a.m.-5:00p.m. weekdays) or 606-251-3414.

HOUSE FOR SALE

Newly constructed house for sale located at Abbott Creek. Vaulted living room ceiling, 3 BR, bonus room, fireplace, with cherry hardwood floors and cabinets with spacious attached garage. Located 4 miles from us 23. Panoramic view located in new subdivisions. \$210,00 asking price Seller willing to help with closing costs! Call 606-285-0054 606-791-0719, evenings 606-377-6042

Sale or Lease

Apartment building for sale by owner. Located near HRMC. Call 889-9717. for more information.

3,600 sq feet of office space for rent. 200 sq ft of storage. Located at 3243 South Lake Dr. Call Paul @ 794-0249.

Apartment for rent. 2 & 3 bedrooms. Behind woods grocery. Stop in or call 874-2380.

1 Br apt for rent. Utilities paid. W / D provided. NO PETS. \$475. mth With \$175. deposit. Call 226-0999.

1, 2, and 3 bedroom apartments for rent. Call 886-8366.tfn

3br apt for rent. 2 baths, parking for trucks. Will rent to contractors. Mt Parkway 6 miles from Prestonsburg. Call 886-8366

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

One bedroom unfurnished apt for rent near college suitable for one person. No pets. Deposit required. Call 874-9976 after 5 p.m

Efficiency Apt for rent. \$375 mth. \$375 deposit. Must be payed before moving in. Call 285-9003.

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

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

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House for rent: 2 br. No pets. Call 874-9132.

House for rent. \$550. Per month. Also apt for rent \$450mth. Both located at Betsy Layne area. No pets. Deposit required. Call 606-478-5403

3 Br Duplex for rent. 1,800 sq ft, with fireplace. Large backyard. In town. All utilities and cable included. NO PETS. \$1,150 mth plus deposit. Also available 2 br, with fireplace, utilities included. Large

2 br 1 bath House for rent. 1,500 sq ft. Eat in kitchen, living room, and dining room. Fully furnished. All utilities included. \$795 mth plus deposit. Serious inquires only. Call 606-422-1862.

7 room house for rent in Martin. Recently renovated. 2 Br 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer. \$500 mth plus utilities. \$300 deposit. References required. NO HUD. NO PETS. Call 285-3140

2 Br Mobile home for rent. Located on Freedom Rd at Raven. \$275 per month. \$275 deposit required. NO PETS. Call 447-2645.

Mobile Homes

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

2 Br Mobile home for rent located on Cliff Road. Fannin Lane Prestonsburg. Call 886-3047 or 226-3047.

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

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2 Br, 1 bath mobile home for rent. Located on Spradlin Branch. North of Prestonsburg Rt 321. NO HUD. Call 889-0363.

Mobile home for rent. Extra nice, 3 br, 1 bath. Located on Cow Creek. \$450 mth plus utilities and security deposit. No dogs. Hud accepted. Call 874-2802.

For rent: Nice 2 br, 2 bath mobile home. Garden tub, new carpet throughout. Located in Prestonsburg. \$475 mth plus deposit & references required. Call 606-353-6609.

2 Br Mobile home for rent. HUD approved in Garrett area. Call 432-9110 or 794-0944.

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Legals

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Permit No. 836-0254

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Locust Grove, Inc., P.O. Box 958, Hazard, Kentucky 41702, has applied for a Phase II and III bond release on permit number 836-0254, which was last issued on September 10, 2001. A Phase II and III release is being requested for

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. (SVTS), will host a Public Hearing at 10:30 a.m., Friday, February 22, 2008, at Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Public Hearing is for the consideration of a grant application for federal funds for capital and operating assistance for the period of July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, for the rural community transportation services in the Big Sandy area, including Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties.

There is no significant environmental impact. Regulations regarding the disabled and the elderly shall be complied with accordingly. Comments may be made in person or through written submissions. The grant application will be available at the SVTS office, 81 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, on April 1, 2008.

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LINKS, INC., has received funding from the Kentucky Housing Corporation through the HOME and AHTF programs to perform construction of 10 new homes for families whose incomes are at or below 80% of the area median income adjusted to household size in Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, and Pike counties. In compliance with the HUD INCOME guidelines, LINKS announces it will be purchasing construction materials to build these homes. Additionally, LINKS will contract the following activities: electrical, heating/air conditioning, plumbing, drywall, and approved septic systems. In addition to standard residential building materials, LINKS will be purchasing concrete, gravel, shrubbery, grass seed, concrete/metal culverts, etc. The Low Income Housing Coalition of Eastern Kentucky, Inc., (LINKS) will be accepting separate sealed bids until 12 noon EDT, February 6th, 2008, at which time bids will be opened and read aloud.

All construction shall comply with the Kentucky Residential Code, the Energy Efficiency Code, and the National Electric Code. Documentation from REScheck or other approved software is required stating the building envelope exceeds the code requirements by 20 percent. Any approved septic, plumbing, and electrical installers will be responsible for all permits and inspection fees, and must possess General Liability and Worker's Compensation Insurance.

If you are interested in bidding on materials or performing sub-contract services, please contact Genevieve Williams, Financial Director, Low Income Housing Coalition of Eastern Kentucky, Inc., 116 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY, at 606-886-0152 for a Statement of Qualifications or supply a written response on your company letterhead outlining the services or materials you would like to offer. Copies of the bid package may be picked up between the hours of 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, at the LINKS office.

The sponsor reserves the right to waive or reject any or all bids. Attention of bidders is particularly called to HUD Section 3 Segregated Facility, Section 109, and E.O. 12246, and Title VI, MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED BUSINESSES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BID. Successful bidders will be required to submit evidence of Worker's Compensation, Builders Risk, and General Liability Insurance coverage at the time of contract signing.

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ount 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.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE PURSUANT TO PERMIT NO. 836-0265

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Locust Grove, Inc., P.O. Box 958, Hazard, Kentucky 41702; has applied for a Phase II bond release on permit number 836-0265, which was last issued on July 11, 2000. A Phase II release is being requested for Increment 1. The application covers an area of approximately 112.28 surface acres, located 4.00 miles southeast of Martin, in Floyd County.

(2) The permit area is approximately 1.20 mile east from Big Branch-Honaker Road's junction with KY 2030, and at the head of Gunstock Branch of Spurlock Creek. The latitude is 37°30' 0". The longitude is 82°42'20".

(3) The bond now in effect for Increment 1 is \$199,400. Phase II will release approximately 25% of the original bond amount.

(4) Reclamation work performed for a Phase II release, includes Establishment of revegetation in accordance with the approved reclamation plan, and productivity standards have been met, and the permit area is not contributing excess suspended solids to stream flow or runoff outside the permit area.

(5) Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, March 19, 2008.

(6) A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m., on March 20, 2008, at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 19, 2008. This is the final advertisement

of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Stephen J. Edler Jr., of HC 61, Box 614, Salyersville, Ky. 41465, hereby declares intention to apply for a Malt Beverage Retail Beer License no later than February 1, 2008. The business to be licensed will be located at 11964 US Hwy. 23 South, Harold, Ky., 41635, doing business as The River Front Entertainment Center. The owners are as follows: President, Stephen J. Edler Jr., of HC 61, Box 614, Salyersville, Ky. 41465; vice president, Savannah Risner of HC 61, Box 614, Salyersville, Ky. 41465; accountant, Melissa Brown of HC 61, Box 172E, Salyersville, Ky. 41465; treasurer, Dan Brown of HC 61, Box 172E, Salyersville, KY 41465. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia 25560 has applied for Phase I bond release on Increment Nos. 2, 6 and 7 on Permit Number 836-0345 which was last issued on October 3, 2007. Increment No. 2 covers an area of approximately 109.36 acres, Increment No. 6 covers an area of approximately 23.32 acres and Increment No. 7 covers an area of approximately 25.96 acres located at Craynor in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.5 miles southwest from KY 680's junction with KY 979 and located on Hamilton Branch of Mud Creek.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 2 is a surety bond in the amount of three hundred seventy seven thousand dollars (\$377,300.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$377,300 is included in this application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 6 is a surety bond in the amount of seventy thousand one hundred dollars (\$70,100.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$70,100 is included in this application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 7 is a surety bond in the amount of eighty nine thousand six hundred three hundred dollars (\$89,600.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$89,600 is included in this application for release. Reclamation work

performed for Increment Nos. 2, 6 and 7 includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching completed in April 2006. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by April 9, 2008.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. This hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 9, 2008.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia 25560 has applied for Phase I bond release on Increment No. 3 on Permit Number 836-5524 which was last issued on January 11, 2008. Increment No. 3 covers an area of approximately 98.57 acres located 3.6 miles southeast of McDowell in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.5 miles southeast from KY Route 1929's junction with Ned Fork County Road and is located along Poplarlick Fork and Neds Fork of Frasure Creek.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 3 is a surety bond in the amount of three hundred forty thousand one hundred dollars (\$340,100.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$340,100 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed for Increment No. 3 includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching completed in November 2004.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by April 9, 2008.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. This hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 9, 2008.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase I bond release on Permit Number 836-0304 which was last issued on August 24, 2006. This permit 3 covers an area of approximately 42.97 acres located 2.6 miles north of Emma in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.70 miles northeast from Sugarloaf Branch Road 979's junction with KY 1428 and is located on Dials Branch of Sugarloaf Branch of the Levisa Fork.

The bond now in effect for this permit is a certificate of deposit and a Kentucky Bond Pool bond in the amount of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$150,000 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching completed in November 2005.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by April 9, 2008.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. This hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 9, 2008.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5486 OPERATOR CHANGE

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 intends to revise Permit No. 836-5486 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The new operator will be Murriell-Don Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 97, Garrett, Kentucky 41630.

The operation is located 0.80 miles west of Tram in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 0.24 miles west from

Amy Branch County Road=s junction with Camp Branch County Road and is located on Amy Branch. The operation is located on the Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37E34'18" and longitude 82E39'48".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources= Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5528 OPERATOR CHANGE

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Goose Creek Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 226, Eastern, Kentucky 41622 intends to revise Permit No. 836-5528 to add operators. The operator presently approved in the permit is Goose Creek Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 226, Eastern, Kentucky 41622. The new operators will be DBJ Mineral, LLC, P.O. Box 3427, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502 and Allen Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 971, Allen, Kentucky 41601.

The operation is located 1.2 miles east of Garrett in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.3 miles southeast of State Route 80's junction with State Route 7 and located along Goose Creek. The operation is located on the Wayland USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°29'00" and longitude 82°48'36".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface 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 Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE PERMIT NO. 836-5480

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 16:120, Section 3, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, telephone number

606-886-2330, proposes the following blasting schedule.

The blasting site consists of approximately 53.59 acres located 2.8 miles Southeast of McDowell in Floyd County, Kentucky. This area is located 0.10 miles Northwest of Ralph Moore County Road's junction with Rt. 122 at Latitude 37° 25' 36" and Longitude 82° 44' 41".

Detonations of explosives are proposed to occur from sunrise to sunset from January 1, 2008 - December 31, 2008. In accordance with 805 KAR 4:125, before each blast is detonated, audible warnings from a siren loud enough to be heard by all persons within one-half mile of blast area, and shall have a sound distinctive enough to be readily identified. An authorized company representative (flagman) will prohibit access within 1,000 feet of the blasting area (including areas along KY Rt 122 (min. 170') and Ralph Moore Branch Road (min. 165') that are within 800 feet) by unauthorized persons and will stop traffic flow to ensure the safety of the traffic ten (10) minutes prior to detonation. Five (5) minutes prior to detonation, a warning signal of one (1) minute series of long blasts of an siren will be given. One (1) minute prior to detonation, a series of short

blasts from an siren will be given as a blast signal. No unauthorized personnel will be allowed in the blast area until it is thoroughly checked. If safe, an all clear signal of a prolonged blast of an siren will be sounded. Events which could lead to blasting at times other than scheduled include but are not limited to rain, lightning, or other atmospheric conditions which involve personnel, operational or public safety. If conditions occur that require blasting at times other than the normally scheduled blasting hours, the audible signals described above will be used to warn the public of the blasting activity.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5396 OPERATOR CHANGE

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 intends to revise Permit No. 836-5396 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is McCoy Elkhorn Coal Corporation, 1148 Long Fork Road, Kimper, Kentucky 41539. The new operator will be STARUS, Limited

Liability Company, 190 Left Fork of Island Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501.

The operation is located approximately 1.00 mile east of Betsy Layne and is situated in both Floyd and Pike County. The operation is approximately 0.70 miles due east of Pike/Floyd Hollow County Road=s junction with US 23 and/or US 460 and is located in Pike/Floyd Hollow and Coldwater Branch. The operation is located on the Broadbottom USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37E33'11" and longitude 82E37'03".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources= Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Stephen J. Edler. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is The River Front

Entertainment Center LLC, Harold, Ky. The nature of the business will be Night Club/Beer by The Drink. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing, the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than February 21, 2008, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for February 21, 2008, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive, at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor, in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of, or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

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