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General Assembly book available

FRANKFORT — A book containing issue briefs on topics likely to confront lawmakers during the Kentucky General Assembly's 2009 session is now available in print and online.

"Issues Confronting the 2009 Kentucky General Assembly" contains 29 issue briefs prepared by members of the Legislative Research Commission staff. The book is formatted as an update of the "Issues" book produced by LRC staff for the 2008 regular legislative session. In addition to updating information in the previous book, the new publication also contains summaries of new issues that have emerged since adjournment of the last legislative session.

The book is not meant as an exhaustive list of issues that lawmakers will consider, but reflects a balanced look at some of the topics that have been discussed in legislative committee meetings.

The new publication can be viewed at http://www.lrc.ky.gov/lrcpubs/info_bulletins.htm.

Copies can also be picked up at the LRC Publications Office in the State Capitol, Rm. 83.

3 indicted for murder in Knott

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

HINDMAN — A murder case originally introduced in Floyd County court has now been moved to Knott County.

On Monday, Nov. 24, a Knott County grand jury indicted Tina Adkins, Susan Morgan and Tommy Crum on murder charges. Complicity to commit murder charges had already been filed

against the three in Floyd County District Court and the trio had been held on individual \$500,000 bonds at the Floyd County Detention Center.

Adkins, Morgan and Crum were arrested last week after police interviewed the three when the body of Adkins' common-law husband, Gregory "Google" Shepherd was found dead in Knott County.

Shepherd reportedly had returned

(See **MURDER**, page six)



Susan Morgan



Tina Adkins



Tommy Crum

CHEERY AND DREARY



photo by Sheldon Compton

Prestonsburg public works employees Jackie Setser and Andy Head placed wreaths along light poles during the dark and rainy weather Monday in downtown Prestonsburg, to prepare for the upcoming Christmas holidays. The city has a host of events planned in the coming month.

Three postal workers indicted

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A Floyd County woman was one of three postal workers indicted this week in United States District Court in London.

Laura Dawn Johnson, 40, of Bevinsville, was indicted by a federal grand jury on three

counts of embezzling mail Thursday. Her indictment says Johnson allegedly embezzled three separate letters, one in March of this year and another two in June.

According to the indictment, on March 13 Johnson embezzled a letter and its contents addressed to Shannon Collins, constituting the first count of

the indictment.

The second and third counts in the indictment charge that Johnson repeated this twice again on June 5 of the same year, taking two letters and their contents that were addressed to Ashley Loevin and Jennifer Foell.

(See **INDICTED**, page six)

Medical and educational leader dies

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

D. Adams Middle School in Prestonsburg.

PRESTONSBURG — James D. Adams, better known in Floyd County as Doc Adams, died Sunday, Nov. 23, of complications from diabetes, an illness he had battled for some time.

Adams was 72.

If the name seems familiar, there's good reason. Not only did Adams serve on the Floyd County School Board for two decades, but he also has the honor of having a middle school named after him — James



Dr. James D. Adams

The naming of the school was not just a token way of saying thanks for serving for 20 years on the school board, a good portion of which was spent as chairman of that board. For Adams, middle schools were an important part of the expansion of the school system he devoted so much of his time to, said friend and former colleague Pete Grigsby Jr.

"He was very progressive and worked hard to get a lot of these new schools

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Prison files complaint against frequent caller

by **JARRID DEATON**
FEATURES WRITER

report, Hazel Lay Armour has continuously called Otter Creek Correctional Center and its employees after being told not to call there.

WHEELWRIGHT — An 88-year-old Wheelwright woman has been charged with harassing communications for allegedly calling Otter Creek Correctional Center multiple times after being asked to stop.

According to the police

The complaint alleges that Armour called the prison with no purpose of legitimate communication other than annoyance,

(See **CHARGES**, page six)

Board reconsiders details of new smoking policy

by **JARRID DEATON**
FEATURES WRITER

McDOWELL — The subject of smoking was on the table once again during a meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education held at McDowell Elementary on Monday.

Board member Carol Stumbo asked the board to pull out the review of the tobacco policy from the list of action by consent items so it could be discussed.

Stumbo suggested the creation of a committee to come up with criteria to

apply for a grant in order to fund a previously suggested smoke alarm system that uses speakers to alert the smoker that they are being watched.

"We probably can't afford to do all of the schools," Stumbo said. "But we could do pilot schools."

Supt. Henry Webb told Stumbo that he would have more information on setting up a committee at the December meeting of the board.

Webb also gave his report to the board, focusing on a recent announce-

(See **BOARD**, page six)



Supt. Henry Webb lowered his head for a moment of silence to remember Dr. James D. Adams, former school board member and chairman, during a meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education on Monday.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

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Today
Partly cloudy
High: 44 • Low: 28

Tomorrow
Partly cloudy
High: 52 • Low: 36

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Obituaries



Dr. James Douglas Adams

Dr. James Douglas Adams, age 72, of Prestonsburg, passed away Sunday, November 23, 2008.

He was born January 14, 1936, the son of the late Hazel Ruth Osborn Adams and Jerry

David Adams.

Dr. Adams graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in 1956, where he majored in both Biology and Chemistry. He continued his education at the University of Louisville, where he received his Doctorate of Medicine in 1960. He returned to his native Floyd County, where he began a family practice in Prestonsburg. After 43 dedicated years, he retired from his practice in December 2004.

Dr. Adams served as the Draft Board Physician for Floyd County, until the end of the draft, during the Vietnam War era. He was a charter member of the Housing Commission in Floyd County, which serves and assists needy families of eastern Kentucky, and also served on the stand-

ing committee for the Board of Health until 1969.

Dr. Adams was instrumental in the development of Highlands Regional Medical Center. He was a corporate member and board of trustee member of FADA Service Corporations. FADA develops long-term health care facilities in both Floyd and Pike counties, and continues to serve the area today.

Dr. James D. Adams lived a life of service to others; he always believed education was paramount in developing the kind of leaders Appalachia needs. He was a member of the Floyd County Board of Education from 1969 until 1990, and served as Chairman of the Board from 1983 to 1990. He worked tirelessly on behalf of the youth in the Floyd County area.

In 1986, Dr. Adams became involved in the hotel industry, opening the first nationally-recognized hotel chain in Prestonsburg, the Holiday Inn. He used this as an opportunity to promote industry and tourism in eastern Kentucky.

While being retired from private practice, Dr. Adams, at the time of his death, was still passionate about being involved in health care. He was serving as Co-Medical Director of Riverview, Prestonsburg and Pikeville Health Care Facilities.

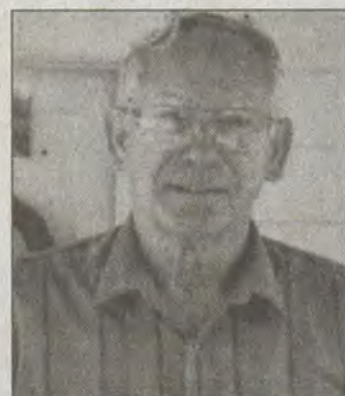
Dr. James Douglas Adams is survived by his beloved wife, Juanita Whitaker Adams; his son, James Douglas Adams II; his daughter, April Adams Steele, and his son-in-law, Joe Harrison Steele, as well as his three grandchildren, James Douglas Adams III, E. Hunter Brown, and Elizabeth Grace Adams, all of Prestonsburg.

Visitation will be held at the Hall Funeral Home in Martin, on Tuesday, November 25, beginning at the hour of 4:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 26, at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Reverend Jim Sherman officiating.

(Paid obituary)

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Albert "Lee" Hall

Albert "Lee" Hall, 79, of Brunswick, Ohio, died Monday, November 24, 2008, at Hospice of Medina at The Inn.

He was born June 24, 1929, in Dewey, the son of the late William Riley and Ola (nee Burke) Hall. He was a special machinist for General Motors for more than 38 years. He was an avid fisherman and hunter, and enjoyed boating. He kept orchids, and won the best flower garden in Medina County in 1999. He was a United States Army veteran, serving in the Korean Conflict.

He is survived by his wife, Georgia (nee Richmond) Hall; a son, David Hall; a daughter, Kimberly Hall; three grandsons: Joseph Willard, Christopher Willard; and Andrew Rodenbaugh.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his

siblings: Lucy, Louella, Geneva, Flossie, Una, Perry, Fred, Cody, Richard, Willie Lee, and Frank.

Visitation is Friday, November 28, from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m., at Carlson Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, 1642 Pearl Road, (1/2 mile south of Route 303), Brunswick.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, November 29, at 11 a.m., at Southwest Baptist Church, 329 N. Carpenter Road, Brunswick, with Pastor Greg Davis officiating.

Interment will follow in Eastlawn Memory Gardens, in Brunswick.

Family services were provided by Carlson Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, 1642 Pearl Road, Brunswick, Ohio.

Online memorials at: www.carlsonfuneralhomes.com.

(Paid obituary)

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Don Carlos Hall

Don Carlos Hall, 60, passed away Saturday, November 22, 2008, in the Holston Valley Medical Center, Kingsport, Tennessee.

He attended the Wise Baptist Church, and was an avid supporter of the J.J. Kelly Basketball/Baseball, and UVA College of Wise.

In September 1977, along with eight other industry representatives, they formed the Virginia Oil and Gas Association (VOGA), which has become the voice of the industry in Virginia. He served as Secretary-Treasurer for the first 19 years, and has served on the Board of Directors for the entire existence of the Association. He has spent time lobbying the Virginia Legislature, and has served on various committees in writing the Virginia Gas and Oil Act, the Gas and Oil Regulations, and the Gas and Oil Board Regulations.

He received VOGA's David M. Young Memorial Award in 1990, which is awarded annually in recognition of distinguished professional service, dedication and leadership in contributing to the growth and advancement of the Oil and Gas Industry in Virginia.

He had coached various levels of youth baseball and basketball for 20 years, serving on the Little League Board of

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Directors for 10 years. He had been a volunteer assistant to the local high school baseball and basketball teams for the last 24 years. He was a two-time recipient of the

Lonesome, Pine District Distinguished Service Award.

He is survived by his wife, Sherlene Ousley Hall.

(See OBITUARIES, page eight)

Special Church Service

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 Superintendent of Ky. Assemblies of God
 will be preaching.

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It doesn't feel like it's been six months, since you passed away.

It seems only yesterday, you were home, and I could see your smiling face.

Your life was cut short, too soon and too quick. I miss you more than anyone will ever know. I still look for you to come around a corner, to call me on the phone, or just to need me for something like you always did.

My heart will always have a piece missing, that will never heal.

You are missed by all of your family and friends.
 I love you, and will always miss you.

Love you very much,
 Mom

Card of Thanks

The family of Bessie Click Gibson would like to express our appreciation to all who sent, food, flowers, or perhaps said a kind word, and for the prayers that were spoken on our behalf. We especially want to thank Clifford Williams and other Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care. All the acts of kindness will never be forgotten.

Thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF BESSIE CLICK GIBSON

Card of Thanks

The family of Jessie Irene Robbins Howell would like to humbly thank each and everyone who helped in any way during our recent loss. To those who sent beautiful floral arrangements, food, or even words of encouragement. A special thanks to Clergyman Tracy Patton for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home staff for making our loss a little easier to bear. For anyone who may have helped in any other way, we lovingly say, thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF JESSIE IRENE ROBBINS HOWELL

Card of Thanks

The family of Clara Adkins Risner would like to express our sincere appreciation to all who came to our side after the passing of our loved one. If you sent flowers, food or just dropped by to share our sorrow, we say Thank You. A special thanks to Clergyman Travis Risner for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for the kindness at a time when it meant the most. For those who helped in any way, if only a gentle handshake, we say, thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF CLARA ADKINS RISNER

Card of Thanks

The family of William Stumbo acknowledges with sincere appreciation, the comforting messages, floral tributes and other expressions of kindness during our time of sorrow. We especially want to thank Clergyman Cotton Anderson for his comforting words, and the Hall Funeral Home directors and staff for their kindness. All your thoughtfulness will never be forgotten.

Thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF WILLIAM STUMBO

A Note of Thanks

The family of Maureen Martin wishes to express sincere gratitude to those people who helped comfort and support us during this difficult time. Your prayers and concern for us will never be forgotten. We would like to thank Reverend Lorie Vannucci, for his comforting message during the service. Thanks to Mark and Teresa Lewis for their thoughtful creation of the memorial slideshow. We also wish to thank the staff of Mountain Manor Nursing Home and the E.R. staff of Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center for their care and kindness. Thanks to Tommy Robinson of Jan's Florist for the beautiful spray of pink roses. We also express our gratitude to John and Carol Triplett for babysitting, and the wonderful meal. We were so thankful for the delicious food. Thanks to a wonderful neighbor, Robin Ratliff, for your great chicken salad. We would like to thank Hall's Funeral Home for the lovely memorial service. She really looked beautiful. Finally, a special thanks goes out to those of you attending the service. We appreciate your taking time to share in the remembrance of this wonderful mother, grandmother, nurse, and friend. Maureen Martin will be forever missed.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Rummage Sale

There will be a rummage sale at the Annex Building, Community Freewill Baptist Church, Goble-Roberts Addition, Prestonsburg, December 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Holiday Gift Wrapping

Let the Spay and Neuter Organization of Prestonsburg (SNOOP) wrap your Christmas gifts for you this year. Members of SNOOP will be at the Prestonsburg Food City on Saturday, December 6, from 11 until 3. Cost is a donation which will be used to provide spay and neuter certificates to local low income dog and cat owners.

Auxier Community Center

Free GED classes, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 10 a.m.-12.

Attention! Attention!

Another year for the Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department Station No. 1 (the old fire department) to have our clothes, etc., give-away to everyone in need. The days are Friday, December 5, from 4 p.m. til 9; Saturday, December 6, from 9 til 5; Monday, December 8, from 9 til 5; and Thursday, December 11, from 3 til 9. Then on Saturday, December 13, from 12 til 6, Santa will be here, and that is when we are giving out the gift bags with toys, etc., this year. Everyone is invited. Hope to see you, there.

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

Support group for Guardians of Autistic Children will meet the first Thursday of

every month at the Haven of Rest, 1601 Airport Road, Inez. Call 606-298-0520 for information.

VFW Post 5839, available for meetings, celebrations

The VFW Post can be rented for birthday parties, wedding receptions, anniversary parties, meetings. We have a good sound system. For more info, call 606-297-5666, ask for Paul or 606-226-0187, ask for Larry.

Free Bible Lessons

Write to: Bible Way Outreach Ministry, P.O. Box 3371, Kingsport, TN 37664. Lessons completely free of charge to all interested.

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!

The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. Call 889-0303 for more information.

Need Help With Home Repairs?

The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help! We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you, or someone you know, are low income and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by our office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8-4.

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.

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.

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 Water Gap 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 Country at Heart. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354.

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.

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Cinema 2—Starts Wed., Nov. 26
AUSTRALIA (PG-13). Mon.-Sun. 8:00; Fri. (4:45) 8:00; Sat.-Sun. (1:30-4:45) 8:00.
Cinema 3—Starts Wed., Nov. 26
THE CHANGELING (R). Mon.-Sun. 6:55-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (1:55-4:15) 6:55-9:15.
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Cinema 4—Held Over
FIREPROOF (PG). Fri. (4:15); Sat.-Sun. (1:55-4:15).
Cinema 5—Held Over
ROLE MODEL (R). Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:05-9:30; Sat.-Sun. (2:05-4:30) 7:05-9:30.
Cinema 6—Held Over
BOLT (PG). Mon.-Sun. 7:00-9:10; Fri. (4:10) 7:00-9:10; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:10) 7:00-9:10.
Cinema 7—Starts Wed., Nov. 26
FOUR CHRISTMASSES (PG-13). Mon.-Sun. 7:15-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:15-9:30; Sat.-Sun. (2:15-4:30) 7:15-9:30.
Cinema 8—Held Over
TWILIGHT (PG-13). Mon.-Sun. 6:55-9:25; Fri. (4:15) 6:55-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (1:50-4:15) 6:55-9:25.
Cinema 9—Starts Wed., Nov. 26
TRANSPORTER 3 (PG-13). Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:05-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (2:05-4:25) 7:05-9:25.
Cinema 10—Held Over
MADAGASCAR 2 (PG). Mon.-Sun. 7:10-9:10; Fri. (4:10) 7:10-9:10; Sat.-Sun. (2:10-4:10) 7:10-9:10.

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Guest View

U.S. health system fails chronically ill

Americans who have such chronic illnesses as heart disease, diabetes and depression are less likely to get the care and treatment they need than people in seven other advanced countries. And when Americans do get medical care, they pay substantially more for it.

A new survey from the nonpartisan Commonwealth Fund provides the latest evidence of the dysfunctionality of the United States health care system. It was published this month in the journal Health Affairs. High costs, wasteful treatment and lack of access are signs of a system in urgent need of reform.

The study surveyed people with chronic illnesses including heart disease, high blood pressure, depression, diabetes and cancer. It compared the health care experiences of American patients to those of residents of Australia, Canada, France, Germany, the Netherlands, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

The most glaring difference, of course, is the percentage of uninsured people. Other developed countries cover all of their citizens and spend considerably less doing it. In contrast, about 30 percent of the Americans surveyed were uninsured for at least part of the prior year. That's about double the rate for all Americans. But it makes sense. Many people with serious chronic illnesses can't afford to buy health insurance that covers their condition. In many cases, their health conditions prevent them from working full time, which means they probably don't qualify for health insurance through their job.

But even Americans who are insured skipped recommended tests or treatments because of costs, the study found. One likely reason is that Americans with insurance still pay higher out-of-pocket fees for health care than residents of the other countries.

Germany, which has the highest deductibles and co-payments, limits patient costs to 1 percent of income for someone with a chronic illness and 2 percent for everyone else.

Compare that to the United States, in which the average per-person deductible is \$1,001, according to a study released this week by Mercer, a New York-based benefits consulting firm. And that's just the point at which coverage starts. Total out-of-pocket spending tends to be much higher, often many thousands of dollars for someone with a serious illness.

None of the health systems examined in the Commonwealth Fund study was perfect. The authors found what they called "opportunities for improvements" everywhere. Nor did the United States perform poorly by every measure.

For example, Americans reported shorter waits to see a specialist than residents of other countries. Americans also were less likely to be discharged from a hospital without getting clear instructions on what symptoms to watch for and when to seek additional treatment.

But given how much we spend as a nation for health care and how often Americans struggle to receive even the basic recommended tests and treatments, the overall picture is that of a system that desperately needs to change.

Politicians may say that we have the world's best health system. The mountain of accumulating evidence suggests a very different reality.

— The St. Louis Post-Dispatch



THANKSGIVING 2008

Guest Column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

The science of clean coal technology has added a few new buzz words to America's vocabulary in recent years. Who in our region especially hasn't heard of coal-to-liquid fuel or carbon sequestration on the local news or in area newspapers in the last year or so? More of us than you'd think.

This is coal country, and finding more uses for coal means more jobs and a better life for all of us. But we know that coal faces a lot of challenges today, like the capping of carbon emissions now being considered in Washington that would require businesses to buy and sell "carbon credits" in order to meet proposed environmental guidelines. While most of us care about the environment, we do not yet know the full extent of how the proposed credits would hurt a mining industry that provides over 54,000 mine-related jobs, good wages and cheap power — 5.43 cents per kilowatt — to our state.

Another challenge facing mining is a drop in production in Kentucky over the past 13 years. In 1997, our state produced around 155,000 short tons of coal, the most produced in the Commonwealth in the decade between 1995 and 2005. By 2003, that amount had dropped to approximately 115,000 tons while production in the Wyoming-then producing around 375,000 tons a year-continued to rise. We have increased production at about the same rate as West Virginia since then, but there is no doubt that the Eastern U.S. is losing the production battle to Wyoming's low sulfur Powder River Basin.

The reasons that Kentucky has struggled with production in recent years are many: in East Kentucky, smaller mines and thinner seams are problems, while both East and West Kentucky suffer not just from competition but an increasingly difficult mining permit process. Budget cuts, increasing regulation and fees and the snail's pace at which some permits are approved are hurting our mines, mining advocates tell us, and we know it. Some things we hope we can remedy, but others are out of our hands. The fact that it takes close to a year to get a fill permit from the Army Corps of Engineers, for instance, is something that Kentucky lawmakers are hard pressed to change.

That does not mean that we believe the current system should be left untouched, and neither should the federal government. After all, why would the state want to hamper growth of an industry that has poured \$36 million into state coffers so far this year through severance tax receipts? This is one area that is sure to get a full hearing in our legislative discussions on energy and may even be addressed in some form of legislation during the upcoming legislative session.

So, yes, our mining industry is having some hard times. But if there's one thing that Kentuckians know how to do, it's mine coal. We were the country's number one coal producer from 1972 until Wyoming took the honors in 1988, and we are determined to stay near the top in terms of production as long as there is coal to mine and a market for our product.

Luckily, there is, and it's the demand for power in Kentucky and across the nation. Coal burning power plants provide an incredible 49 percent of the electricity used in the United States and 92 percent of Kentucky's electrical power. Given

those percentages, it is hard to see the market for coal disappearing anytime soon in this country.

The only real problem with coal (and economic one, as power companies are discovering) is environmental. Coal unfortunately creates more carbon dioxide than cleaner-burning fuel like natural gas, even though it much less expensive to produce energy with coal than natural gas. We must find out how to burn coal cleaner, and that is where clean coal technology supported by the General Assembly that is at work here in Kentucky and across the globe comes in.

Carbon sequestration, one of the buzz words I talked about, and other methods can help power companies burn coal cleaner while technology like turning coal into liquid transportation fuel (as we are preparing to do here in Muhlenberg County) will expand the market. All we as Kentuckians have to do is share in the creation of these technologies, as recent state laws are helping us to do, and keep producing coal just like we have for over 180 years.

The production challenges our state faces remain, but we are soldiering on, making marked improvement in just the past year. After a pretty rough 2007 in which coal production dropped by 8.1 percent in East Kentucky, our numbers are up. So far in 2008, production in East Kentucky is up by 2.9 percent and tons produced in West Kentucky's Illinois basin is up 4.5 percent. It appears you just can't keep a good miner, or mining state, down.

Next week I will discuss the industry's concerns with mine safety and some of the mine safety changes the General Assembly has made in the past few years. Let me take this time, however, to wish you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving for 2008.

Pardoning the turkeys



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National economic downtown affecting Kentucky communities

FRANKFORT — The details vary from region to region, but all of Kentucky is experiencing the negative impact of the national economic crisis, according to presenters in a Monday teleconference co-hosted by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce and Business First of Louisville.

Several of the presenters attributed the downturn, at least in part, to what one described as a "psychological recession" resulting from a loss of confidence in the nation's economy and financial institutions.

University of Kentucky economist Dr. Ken Troske, noting the 40 to 50 percent decline in the stock market since the beginning of the year, said he finds it hard to believe that the "real economy" is 50 percent less productive now. "I view what has happened more as a loss of confidence in the financial system," he said.

Whatever the reason, evidence is growing of the impact of the downturn in Kentucky. Specifically, according to Troske:

■ Unemployment has increased between 25 and 30 percent statewide since October 2007.

■ Overall employment has dropped by about 30,000 jobs, and 15,000 of those lost jobs have been in manufacturing.

■ Kentucky's state government shortfall is projected to be about \$456 million in the current fiscal year, although other states are facing more severe cutbacks.

■ Exports, traditionally an area of strength for Kentucky's economy, are likely to decline as a result of the appreciation of the dollar against the Canadian dollar and the Euro.

The State of Kentucky's Economy Teleconference, which attracted more than 125 participants, also featured presentations about regional economic conditions. Following

is a brief look at the assessments provided by business leaders from Kentucky communities.

EASTERN KENTUCKY Jim Booth, CEO, Booth Energy Group, Inez

■ The region's brightest spot economically is the coal industry. Prices have fluctuated widely, ranging from \$50 a ton in 2007 to \$150 ton earlier this year as a result of global demand; prices are now ranging near \$75 a ton.

■ Wages and benefits have increased dramatically in the coal industry, but labor shortages continue. Despite higher wages, retail markets are weak or flat; car sales are down and retail shops are going out of business.

■ The unemployment rate is about 6.5 percent, "but most people in eastern Kentucky that are employable are working" and the region struggles with a serious prescription drug abuse problem.

WESTERN KENTUCKY Gary Adkisson, general manager of the Paducah Sun

■ Housing sales are down, but average prices are up and houses are spending fewer days on the market.

■ Unemployment is better than the state average, since the area does not have a heavy manufacturing base.

■ Retail was hard hit by high gas prices, but some recovery has been noted since prices have fallen.

■ River industries are doing well and expanding as more freight is being shipped via river barge.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY John Cain, president, Wiseway Supply, Florence

■ Homebuilding has declined by 30 percent over the past two years, and retail construction started slowing at the first of 2008.

■ Several large lenders

have drastically reduced their willingness to lend on real estate or larger commercial projects.

■ Unemployment has increased by 22 percent and is now 6.1 percent.

■ There are concerns about the status of the Greater Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky International Airport as a Delta hub following the airline's merger with Northwest.

SOUTHERN KENTUCKY Steve Lochmueller, president and CEO, Somerset Houseboats, Somerset

■ Marine manufacturing of luxury items is in decline; problems with the Lake Cumberland dam also have contributed to a decline in tourism, which is off dramatically.

■ Conditions in the wood industry vary - sales are down for hardwood floors and crown

molding but up for sawdust and pellets.

METRO OVERVIEW, LEXINGTON

David Parks, director of business valuation services, Dean, Dorton & Ford

■ Lexington is generally better insulated against economic downturns because of its diverse economy and large service industry (especially government and education), but the area is still being affected.

■ Sales are down in the equine industry, which could lead to workforce reductions.

■ Health care companies are postponing or canceling hospital construction projects.

METRO OVERVIEW, LOUISVILLE

Steve Higdon, executive vice president, Faulkner Real Estate

■ The area has felt a considerable impact due to the prevalence of manufacturing and the uncertainty about the future of the automotive industry.

■ Stock prices for all of the area's publicly traded companies are hovering around 52 week lows.

■ Capital projects are

being cancelled by the health care industry, which has traditionally been a major contributor to the region's economy.

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Lawmakers hear pension study group recommendations

FRANKFORT — Changes on issues ranging from health care management to the investment experience of board members could solidify the future of state pension funds, members of a study group told a legislative panel Monday.

The Kentucky Public Pension Working Group,

chaired by Finance and Administration Secretary Jonathan Miller, presented its findings to the Interim Joint Committee on State Government. The idea of the group, Miller said, was not to present a single comprehensive plan, but several possible suggestions for improving the long-term viability of the sys-

tem. The panel was divided into six subcommittees, each presenting its own section of the report. Among the recommendations announced last week by Gov. Beshear was the need for more investment experience by members of the boards that oversee the various pension plans that benefit state

and local employees as well as teachers. Under the proposal, certain appointees to the Kentucky Retirement Systems and Kentucky Teachers Retirement Systems boards of trustees would be required to have at least 10 years experience dealing with investments or other financial matters.

The panel also submitted recommendations to deal with the state health insurance fund. Effective disease management and wellness programs could tackle Kentucky's status as an overall unhealthy state, the report said, and could reduce costs both short-term and

long-term. Medicare Advantage plans, Employer Group Waiver Plans, and other programs could also help reduce government costs while maintaining the quality of benefits, while using the state's ability to buy drugs in bulk could reduce prescription costs.

One subcommittee focused on the potential move from the current defined benefit pension plan to a defined contribution plan, where employees could make their own investment decisions through a 401(k) or similar plan. Such a move would not reduce the

current unfunded liability, the report said, and would reduce the amount going into the current fund to cover future needs.

Employees already have access to 401(k) plans through the Kentucky Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Authority, the report noted, with 23 percent of workers taking advantage. Strategy to increase that number could help more workers take an active part in their retirement planning while keeping participation mandatory, it said.

Murder

home from a hunting trip, became involved in an altercation and then left abruptly. His body was discovered several days later along an ATV trail in Knott County.

Authorities have said the 38-year-old Hueysville man was beaten, stabbed multiple times and then run over by a car. The state medical examiner's office has said only that Shepherd died from head trauma.

In conversations with local media reported earlier this week, Adkins, while being transported to Kentucky River Regional Jail, maintained her innocence and apologized to Shepherd's family.

In addition to Adkins, Morgan and Crum's murder charges, investigators have also charged them with tampering with physical evidence and abuse of a corpse.

Investigating officer Det.

Dwayne Price, who has not yet been able to surmise an exact motive, said that based on the interviews with the three, those conversations were incriminating.

Price said in interviews shortly after the move of venue that the three had confessed. Price also added that the three took police to the body during initial investigative efforts.

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Indicted

The indictment was filed on Thursday and Johnson is scheduled to appear in federal court in Pikeville on Dec. 4.

The other two women indicted at the same time as Johnson were both postal workers from Pike County.

Karma Renae Polly, 42, of Belcher, and Teresa Lowe, 41, of McCarr, are now also facing federal charges in U.S. District Court.

Polly is charged in her indictment with three counts of delay or destruction of mail or

newspaper. The postal worker is alleged to have destroyed both mail and newspapers intended for sorting and distribution on unknown dates in May and August, and again on Nov. 1, 2007.

Polly is also set to appear in Pikeville's federal court on Dec. 4.

McCarr postal worker Teresa Lowe faces two charges of delay or destruction of mail or newspaper and a single count of theft of mail mater by officer or employee.

McCarr's indictment alleges that she detained, delayed or destroyed mail entrusted to her on Aug. 7, 2008, and then again a week later on Aug. 14. Also on Aug. 14, the federal officials say McCarr also embezzled a letter and its contents addressed to Sandy Bolia.

If convicted, Johnson and Lowe could face up to 15 years in federal prison and fines of up to \$250,000. Polly could spend up to 16 years in prison and be ordered to pay \$350,000 in fines.

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Board

ment by Gov. Steve Beshear, saying that the state will have an estimated \$300 million shortfall in revenue.

"It is too early at this time to speculate on what might happen and I will keep you posted on the budgetary information that I receive," Webb said in the report. "Currently, our projections are still that we are on solid ground financially."

The board also voted to consider a contract for McDowell Elementary to utilize Renaissance Learning Inc.

According to the company's website, "Renaissance Learning is the world's leading provider of computer-based assessment technology for pre-

K-12 schools. As a result, teachers using Renaissance Learning products accelerate learning, get more satisfaction from teaching, and achieve higher test scores on state and national tests."

The program has been adopted by more than 75,000 schools, according to data provided by Renaissance Learning.

Along with the vote to consider the Renaissance Learning program for the school, representatives of McDowell Elementary also addressed the board, focusing on the school's improved CATS scores and how they are working with parents to ensure

an improvement in reading skills among the student population.

McDowell showed gains in reading, math, arts and humanities, and writing portfolios, with an overall CATS growth score of 105.2.

In order to identify gaps and needs, the administration at McDowell requires staff training for all teachers, established an assessment team and an intervention team, and a Response to Intervention (RTI) lab.

The next meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education is scheduled for Dec. 15, at Prestonsburg High School.

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Adams

started, such as Adams and Duff," said Grigsby, who served as superintendent of Floyd County schools in the 1970s. "He was one of the main proponents and his passing saddens me very much. He definitely made a positive difference serving on the school board for the people and the children."

Grigsby not only worked with Adams in the school system, but knew him long before that. The two attended both grade school and high school together and Grigsby said there was always that trait in Adams that said he was interested in helping his community.

"He was always very involved in the community," Grigsby continued. "We both worked with the baseball and basketball team under Hoss Halbert, and he was always a good student."

That work ethic, particularly in school, would lead Adams to attend Eastern Kentucky University and later the University of Louisville School of Medicine. He practiced general medicine for 43 years in Prestonsburg after returning from Louisville, until his retirement in December 2004.

Adams is survived by his wife, Juanita "Boots" Adams, a former head start director, and a son, James D. Adams II,

a local lawyer, as well as his daughter, April Steele, coordinator of Floyd County Schools Talented and Gifted Program.

"Obviously, our thoughts and prayers are with the family," said Floyd County Schools Supt. Henry Webb. "He will greatly missed and we appreciate everything he accomplished for this school system

during his time on the school board and as chairman."

In addition to his work with the local medical community and school system, Adams was also instrumental in the development of Highlands Regional Medical Center, serving as a corporate member of that hospital's board.

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Charges

harassment or the intent to alarm.

Armour has been ordered to have no contact with Otter Creek Correctional Center, its employees or their families, either by phone, or written, verbal or physical means, but she says it was all a misunderstanding concerning the family of Warden Jeff Little.

"I know Jeff Little's family and his in-laws are sick and in wheelchairs," Armour said. "I called to tell him that I used to drive over Buckingham Mountain and pray for them. Now he's got a warrant for me. I've never had somebody be mean to me for being good. He must not like black people or old people. They are going to arrest me for loving people."

According to Jimmy "Blue" Marcum, assistant county attorney, Armour's version of the events clashes severely with what prison officials say actually occurred.

"Her son was fired from Otter Creek for sending mail to an inmate," Marcum said. "She started calling the lady in the mail room, then other employees and their families. Then she started calling the warden. They said she was telling them that they were going to hell for not giving people a second chance. Otter Creek doesn't really want to

press charges; they just want her to stop calling."

Dwight Crowell, with Otter Creek, verified that Armour's son, Gary Taylor, was fired from the prison a couple of months ago, and also said that

the information given to the Floyd County Attorney's Office about the nature of Armour's calls was correct.

Armour is scheduled to be in Floyd District Court for arraignment on Dec. 3.

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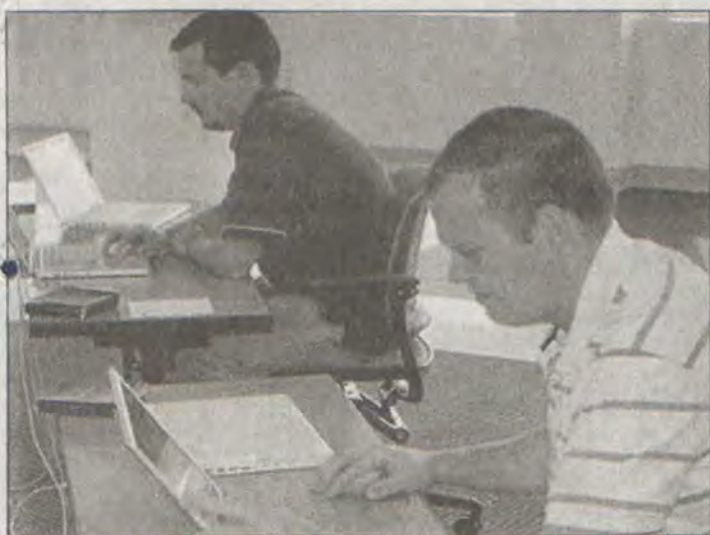
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Local school technical experts receive certification



Technical coordinators Jeremy Chaffins and Chris Shepherd earned their advanced certification in Mac OS X.

Floyd County Schools lead network technician Randy Smith earns his fourth advanced certification.



WEST LIBERTY — Floyd County Schools lead network technician and technical coordinators Jeremy Chaffins and Chris Shepherd earned their advanced certification in Mac OS X Deployment from Apple Authorized Training Center last week.

The course helps computer system professionals deploy and manage software on hundreds of computers in large networks, like a school district.

This is the fourth course and certification test that these individuals have passed over the last year. Smith, Chaffins and Shepherd also received advanced certification for classes in client support, server essentials and directory services.

"We have invested in the

latest technologies for Floyd County Schools," Smith said. "This training gives us the tools to work more effectively and efficiently to create and maintain a better educational environment for students and teachers."

Kentucky DataSeam, which provides computers to local school districts and networks those computers together to support cancer drug discovery work, operates the Apple Authorized Training Centers in Kentucky, based at the MSU Enterprise Center in West Liberty.

"Their training is very reflective of opportunities in a 21st century workforce," said Brian Gupton, DataSeam's executive director. "Their efforts not only better themselves, but their school and

community."

In the last two years, DataSeam has conducted over 100 workshops and training sessions for nearly 2,500 teachers, administrators and

technicians across the state. Over 200 advanced certifications have been earned by school district employees to help them better utilize technology in local schools.

Speakers call upon educators to embrace technology to combat budgetary constraints

by SHARON DODSON
THE CENTER FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

In the face of mounting state budget cuts, Eastern Kentucky University President Dr. Doug Whitlock challenged nearly 300 attendees at a statewide education technology conference in Somerset last week to utilize innovative technology in order to improve the success rate of underprepared students in the state's colleges and universities.

"The key is interaction at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels," Whitlock told educators, librarians, and technology support specialists during the opening session of the Kentucky Convergence 2008 conference, held Nov. 13 and 14 at The Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

"That task," he continued, "is impossible without information technology as a way to increase our links with school systems throughout the state."

Whitlock challenged educators to focus on increasing student enrollment through online courses and other technology-driven learning programs. He also encouraged educators to be better prepared to identify and assist students who come to college underprepared for college work.

In an effort to tackle that issue and more, Whitlock explained that ECU is partnering with several leading Kentucky colleges and universities and private institutions to meet the region's stewardship needs as outlined public higher education policies. ECU, based in Richmond, serves 22 counties in Central, South Central, and Southeastern Kentucky.

"Serving the regional stewardship needs of those counties is bigger than any one institution," Whitlock said.

After his keynote address, Whitlock said introductory meetings have been held with collaborative partners in the different areas of the state to begin finding ways "to do a

better job of serving school systems, meeting economic development needs, encouraging healthy lifestyles, and collaborating on community leadership building."

Whitlock — an ECU alumnus, former teacher, and administrator — was named the university's 11th president in August.

The Center, a leading supporter of youth leadership programs, will be involved in the collaborative efforts to address regional stewardship needs, Whitlock added.

During the two-day conference, educators attended a series of breakout sessions on innovative uses of technology in the classroom. Conference themes included E-learning, library information services, faculty development, and several "cross-track" sessions involving more than one theme.

Rimas P. Buinevicius, chairman and chief executive officer of Sonic Foundry, delivered the keynote luncheon address on Thursday and discussed current trends of technology and the use of media products to improve student outcomes.

In the area of online learning, Buinevicius said a recent study by the Tennessee Board of Regents showed summer enrollment for online courses in 2008 was up 29 percent from the previous reporting period in 2007.

"As gas prices climbed to nearly \$4 a gallon, summer enrollment climbed as well for distance learning programs," he said.

Buinevicius noted national trends indicate many students will continue their education or return to college in an attempt to ride out a lackluster economy and boost their career potential when the job market improves. Distance learning, he said, is one of the most viable means for students to accomplish those goals.

Buinevicius is a recognized figure in the media industry focused on the convergence of

technology, digital media, and entertainment. He joined Sonic Foundry in 1994 as general manager and director of marketing. He was named chairman of the board and chief executive officer three years later.

"This year's program was a great success thanks to the participation of Kentucky's colleges and universities and our corporate partners," Larry Combs, Convergence conference director and director of business services for The Center, said. "In addition to our many presentations, we were fortunate to have Doug Whitlock and Rimas Buinevicius at our conference. These gentlemen provided insight and unique perspectives to challenges facing education."

The Kentucky Convergence 2008 conference, now in its fifth year, has a rich history with educators throughout the state and serves as a networking tool for attendees to share information and take back ideas to their campuses, according to Allen Lind of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education.

Lind said the conference is

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The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting ceremony at the new location of Dr. Lee Boyd's Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Lee Boyd is newly located at 129 Court Street in Allen, beside the Allen Post Office. You can visit Dr. Lee Boyd on the world wide web at www.drleeboyd.com Pictured from left to right are, first row, artist Randy Lawson, Tanya Parker, Carla Maynard, Jessica Conn, Vickie Conn, Dr. Lee Boyd, Sabrina Boyd, Mandy Stumbo of the Floyd County Chamber, Thomas Rainey of Carl D. Perkins Job Corps, John Willoughby of Appalachian Wireless; second row, Dawn Reed, Anita Akers, Michelle Frisby, Melissa Keathley, Jeanette Ladd, and Mike Boyd. In front are Molly, Colin and Ayden Boyd

Eight died on Kentucky roadways last week

Preliminary statistics indicate that eight people died in seven separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, Nov. 17, through Sunday, Nov. 23.

All of the fatalities involved motor vehicles and none of those victims were wearing seat belts. Two of these crashes involved the suspected use of alcohol.

Motor vehicle crashes occurred in Fayette, Laurel (2), Morgan, Perry and Pike counties.

A double-fatality crash occurred in Jefferson county.

Through Nov. 23, preliminary statistics indicate that 714 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2008. This is '63 fewer than reported for this time period in

2007. Of the 543 motor vehicle fatalities, 346 victims were not wearing seat belts. Of the 87 motorcycle fatalities, 52 were not wearing helmets.

Twenty-four people have been killed in ATV crashes and 22 of those were not wearing helmets. Fifty-four pedestrians have been killed. A total of 151 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic drivers to the Kentucky State Police toll-free at 1-800-222-5555. Callers will remain anonymous and should give a description of the vehicle, location, direction of travel and license number if possible.

Obituaries

Other survivors include a daughter, Jennifer Kilbourne and her husband, Andy, of Big Stone Gap, Virginia; two sons: Scott Hall and his wife, Kimberly Hall, of Wise, Virginia; and Seth Hall and his wife, Tracie Hall, of Coeburn, Virginia; four grandchildren: Kylee Kilbourne, Koby Kilbourne, Alex Hall, Noah Hall, and one expectant grandchild.

The family received friends Tuesday, November 25, from 6 p.m., to 9 p.m., at the Sturgill Funeral Home, 1621 Norton Road SW, Wise, Virginia.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m., Wednesday, November 26, in the Sturgill Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. T.J. McAmis officiating.

Burial will follow in the Wise Cemetery, Wise, Virginia.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the J.J. Kelly Baseball/Basketball Boosters, 716 Birchfield Road, Wise, Virginia 24293; UVA Wise Baseball, 1 College Avenue, Wise, Virginia, and Wise Little League, P.O. Box 2264, Wise, Virginia 24293.

Sturgill Funeral Homes, 1621 Norton Road SW, Wise, Virginia 24293, in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

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John Irwin Jarrell

John Irwin Jarrell, 63, of Dwale, died Friday, November 21, 2008, in Pikeville.

Born February 7, 1945, in Dwale, he was the son of the late William Henry and Lillie Stambaugh Jarrell. He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the Prestonsburg Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife, Lois Jean Webb Jarrell.

Other survivors include a daughter and son-in-law: Cristy and Bud Wireman of Dwale; a son and daughter-in-law: James (Jamo) and Leigh Jarrell of Pikeville; a sister, Mary Francis Music of Van Vleck, Texas; his grandchildren: McKenna Grace Wireman, Jackson Heath Jarrell, and Noah Brock Jarrell.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers: James Edward Jarrell and Charles Russell Jarrell.

Funeral services were held Monday, November 24, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Rick Kelley officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Danny Paul Blackburn, Larry Laferty, Greg Nelson, Roger Nelson II, Allen Rose, Darrell Sparks, Johnny Webb Jr., and Bucky Elliott.

Honorary pallbearers: Marshall Fugate, Curt Jarvis, Roger Nelson, Sam Nelson, and Joe Ryan. (Paid obituary)

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Pete Jarvis

Pete Jarvis, 79, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, November 20, 2008, at his residence.

Born January 28, 1929, in Parkersburg, West Virginia, he was the son of the late Grayden E. Jarvis and Elsie Sponaugle Jarvis.

He was a former heavy equipment salesman for Mideo Kentucky Company, and a former owner of the Coachman clothing store, in Prestonsburg. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, (Irene Cole Memorial) in Prestonsburg.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Sellards Jarvis.

Other survivors include a son, Dick Jarvis (Teresa) of Fords Branch; a daughter, Susie J. Tackett (Dr. Chuck) of Prestonsburg; three grandchildren: Andy Jarvis (Jayne), Meredith Jarvis, and Amy Tackett; and a great-granddaughter, Addison Jarvis.

Funeral services were held Sunday, November 23, at 2 p.m., at the First Baptist Church (Irene Cole Memorial), with Rev. Jerry Workman officiating.

Interment was in Richmond Memorial Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Active pallbearers: Mark Miller, Jimmy Blackburn, Brett Davis, Paul Norman Thompson, Gary Wright, John Anderson, Robert Allen II and Jimmy Charles Curnett.

Honorary: Dr. Garland Godsey, Gus Kalos, Delmas Saunders, Robert Allen, Tom Ed Music, Gary Beverly, and Dr. Charles Arnett.

In lieu of flowers, contributions are requested to the First Baptist Church, 157 S. Front St., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

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Ruby Ellen Fairchild Ousley

Ruby Ellen Fairchild Ousley, age 80, of Martin, widow of Harold Ousley, died Saturday, November 22, 2008, in the Riverview Healthcare Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born October 5, 1928, in Van Lear, a daughter of the late Gethie and Lou Ellen Daniels Fairchild. She was a homemaker, and a Jehovah Witness.

Survivors include one son, Richard Danny Ousley of Monahans, Texas; five grandchildren, John David Ousley, Charles Danny Ousley, Richard Dean Ousley, Christopher Michael Ousley, and Brent Devin Ousley, and seven great-grandchildren: Tahlia Lynn Ousley, Richard Danny Ousley, Colin Dean Ousley, Bryce Edward Ousley, Cristen LaSha Ousley, Jena Alyse Ousley, and Devin Coleburn Ousley.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Harold Dean Ousley; one brother, and three sisters.

Funeral services for Ruby Ellen Fairchild Ousley were conducted Tuesday, November 25, at 2 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Danny Conners presiding.

Burial was in the Martin

Cemetery, in Martin, with Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Frank Prater

Frank Prater, age 91, of Prestonsburg, passed away Sunday, November 23, 2008, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

He was born September 27, 1917, in Morgan County, the son of the late Peirce Prater and Ogie Salyers Prater.

He was twice married; first to Juanita Dawson Prater; and later to Dema Marsha Prater. Both preceded him in death.

Survivors include a son, Eddie Prater of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Jo Ann Joseph of Prestonsburg; and Nelda Collins of Garrett; a brother, Ralph Prater of Wayland; two sisters: Geraldine Thorpe and Wanda Allen, both of Wayland; six grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, four step-great-grandchildren; one honorary grandchild, and five honorary great-grandchildren.

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Wednesday, November 26, at 1:30 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Jim Sloce officiating.

Burial will follow in the

Richmond Cemetery, Prestonsburg, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation, at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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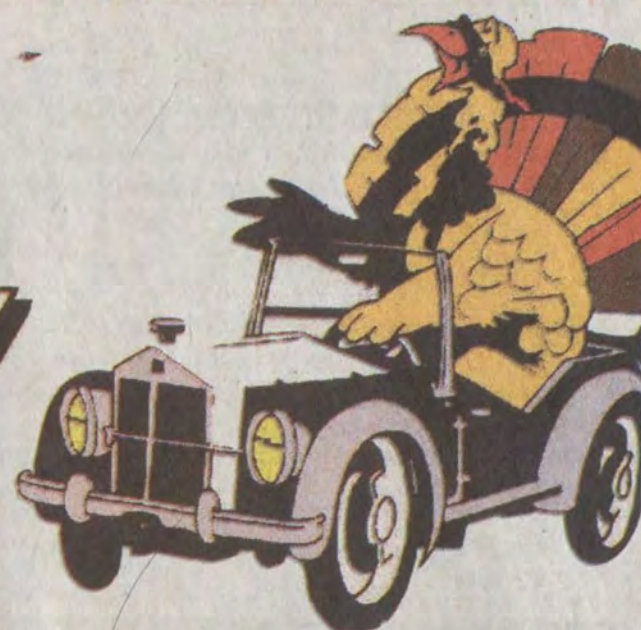
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NOTICE OF SALE

On the 10th day of June, 2008, the City Commission of the City of Wayland, Kentucky, adopted an Ordinance directing the sale, at public outcry, of a city electric power franchise. The Ordinance is in words and figures as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-01

An Ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Wayland, Kentucky, Providing for the Advertisement and Sale of a Franchise Authorizing the Owner Thereof to Own, Maintain, Construct and Operate Electric Power Transmission and Distribution Lines Upon, Along, Over and Under the Streets, Thoroughfares, Alleys, Sidewalks, Bridges, Public Ways and Other Public Places of Said City.

WHEREAS, the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, is incorporated under the provision of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, and desires to grant a franchise for an electric power company to own, maintain, construct and operate its electric power transmission and distribution lines upon, along, over and under the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places of the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky; and,

WHEREAS, there exists a public necessity for adequate service of electric power and energy to the citizens of the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, and

WHEREAS, it appears that it is in the interest of the public that a franchise be advertised and sold, granting and entitling the grantee to use the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and public places for the erection, operation and maintenance of lines for the transmission and distribution of electric power to the citizens of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, and to persons, firms and corporations beyond the limits of the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky.

THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAYLAND, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1

That there be sold at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, the franchise, privilege, right and authority to acquire, maintain, construct and operate in, above, under, across and along the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places (as the same now exist or may hereafter be laid out) of the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, lines, poles, and equipment for the distribution of electric energy, either by means of overhead or underground conductors, with all necessary or desirable appurtenances for the purpose of supplying electric energy to said City and the inhabitants thereof, and persons and corporations beyond the limits thereof, for light, heat, power, and other purpose or purposes for which electric energy is now and may hereafter be used, and for the transmission of the same within, through or across said City.

SECTION 2

Said lines and appurtenances shall be constructed so as to interfere as little as possible with the traveling public in the use of the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges and public places.

SECTION 3

The franchise, privilege, right and authority shall be in full force and effect for a period of twenty (20) years from the date of the passage of the ordinance granting it.

SECTION 4

The grantee of this franchise shall save the City harmless from any and all liability arising, in any way, from negligence of the grantee in the erection, maintenance or operation of said lines and appurtenances.

SECTION 5

The grantee of this franchise shall have the right and privilege to take up such portion or part of any pavement and make such excavation in the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places of the City of Wayland, as may be deemed necessary for the construction and maintenance of its lines, wires, or cables, but whenever the grantee of the franchise shall begin the erection of any lines or other equipment, it shall promptly and diligently prosecute the work to completion and leave the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways, and other public places where such work is done in as good condition of repair as before such work was commenced.

SECTION 6

Wherever in this franchise, either the City of Wayland, or the grantee thereof is referred to, it shall be deemed to include the respective successors and assigns of either, and all rights, privileges and obligations contained in this franchise shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of said City, and said grantee whether so expressed or not.

SECTION 7

The grantee of this franchise may make such rules and regulations covering the furnishing of said electric energy as may be fair and reasonable and consistent with the standard practice of the grantee. Said grantee may charge such rates for electric services as shall be fair and reasonable. The said grantee shall render service under said franchise of like quality that is adequate, efficient and reasonable to that now being rendered in said City.

SECTION 8

The consideration paid by the successful bidder for the franchise, privilege, right and authority provided for herein shall be complete compensation and consideration for said franchise, privilege and right, and for the use and occupancy of the streets, avenues, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways, and other places of the City in lieu of any street or alley rental, or to the charge for the use or occupancy of said streets, avenues, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, thoroughfares, public ways or public places of said City and in lieu of any pole tax or meter tax.

SECTION 9

Sharon Anderson, City Clerk of the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, is hereby appointed Special Commissioner to sell said franchise, privilege, right and authority hereby ordered sold, and said Special Commissioner is directed to offer said franchise for sale at public auction and shall sell same to the highest bidder at the front door of the City Building in Floyd County, Kentucky, at 10 o'clock a.m., on Dec. 4, 2008, after she has advertised the time, terms, conditions and place of sale, pursuant to law, by inserting a Notice of Sale in the Floyd County Times, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation in Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks prior to the date of said sale, said advertisement to include this Ordinance.

SECTION 10

Bids and proposals for the purchase and acquisition of the franchise, privilege, right and authority hereby granted shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the Mayor upon the date and at the time fixed by the Special Commissioner in said advertising for receiving bids. Thereafter, the Special Commissioner shall report and submit to the City Commission at the time and place of its next regular meeting said bids and proposals for its approval, and said City Commission reserves the right for and on behalf of the City of Wayland to refuse any and all bids for said franchise, privilege, right and authority. In the event the bids reported by the Special Commissioner shall be refused by the said City Commission, it may direct, by resolution or ordinance, said franchise, privilege, right and authority to be again offered for sale from time to time, until a satisfactory bid therefor shall be received and approved. Each bid shall be accompanied by a deposit, and each bidder shall post bond in accordance with the provisions and requirements of KRS 96.020. However such deposit and bond need not be made by a corporation or person already owning in or adjacent to the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, a plant and equipment sufficient to render the service required by this Ordinance.

SECTION 11

Each bidder for said franchise, privilege and right shall file, as part of his bid, a certified copy of a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from the Public Service Commission of Kentucky, issued under the authority of KRS 278.020(3).

SECTION 12

The ordinance granting this franchise shall be accepted by the grantee thereof within sixty (60) days from the date of its passage.

Approved this 11th day of November, 2008.

TOMMY ROBINSON, Mayor

ATTEST:
SHARON ANDERSON, Clerk

Introduction and First Reading, June 10, 2008.
Second Reading, November 11, 2008.

Pursuant to the direction of the City Commission of the City of Wayland, Kentucky, as set forth in the foregoing Ordinance, the undersigned will, on the 4th day of December, 2008, at the front door of the City Building in the City of Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, at City Hall, offer for public sale, at public outcry, to the highest and best bidder, an electric franchise on the public streets and thoroughfares of the City of Wayland, Kentucky, which electric franchise shall be in terms set forth in the foregoing Ordinance, and said sale shall be made, in all respects, in accordance with the Ordinance set forth above, and all bidders will be required to comply with the terms of said Ordinance.

WITNESS, Sharon Anderson, City Clerk and Special Commissioner, this 11th day of November, 2008.

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LEGALS

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY COURT DIVISION II C.A. No. 08-CI-00594 Taylor, Bean and Whitaker Mortgage Corp. Plaintiff Vs.

Michael Ray Howell Tonya Howell Steven Hall U.S. Bank Defendants NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF Findings of Fact, Judgment and Order of Sale, referring to Master

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Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 24th day of October, 2008, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$118,279.64, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 4th day of December, 2008 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: A tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, in Hunts Branch, a Tributary of Prater Creek, which is more particularly described as follows: Tract 1: Unless otherwise noted any monument referred to herein as an "Iron Pin" (set) is a one half inch rebar at least 18 inches in length, with an Orange Plastic Cap stamped "ASI LS 3388." All Bearings hereon are based on a Magnetic bearing of subdivision of the Gwen Gaille/Linda Howell Property as being of record in the Floyd County Clerk's office, Map File No. 894, dated 5/19/1994. Commencing at an "Iron Pin (set)" on the east side of Liberty Layne and on the line of the second call of prop-

erty now owned by Linda G. Howell as being of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office in Deed Book 379, Page 046, said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence leaving said Howell Property N72 deg 58' 22"W a distance of 30.02 feet to a "PK Nail (set)" on the southeast corner of Lot No. 13 of subdivision of Gwen Gaille/Linda Howell property, platted by Reed Engineering, as being of record in the Floyd County Clerk's office in Map File No. 894; thence with the line of lot 13 N 15 deg 58' 02" E, a distance of 36.77 feet to an "Iron Pin (set)", thence N20 deg 43' 01" W, a distance of 83.00 feet to an "Iron Pin (set)", thence N63 deg. 17' 45"W, a distance of 58.95 feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" at the Corner of Lot 12; thence with the line of Lot 12 N53 deg 25' 51"W a distance of 102.10 feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" at the corner of Lot 11; thence with the line of Lot 11 N 44 deg. 54' 42"W, a distance of 112.80 feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" at the southeast corner of a 30.00 feet wide Road Easement as described in deed for Diana Boyd as being of record in the Floyd County Clerk's office in Deed Book 483, Page 491; thence N 15 deg 58' 46" E a distance of 44.12 feet to the northeast corner of said easement being witness by an "Iron Pin (set)" I edge of Diana Boyd's yard, bearing S 15 deg 56' 46" W a distance of 14.70 feet, thence leaving said

ease with said Boyd property up the hill same course N 15 deg 56' 46" E a distance of 224.23 feet to an "Iron Pin (found)" 1/2 inch rebar with cap labeled ASI LS 3388; thence continuing same course N 15 deg 56' 46" E a distance of 64.92 feet loan Iron Pin (found)" 1/2 inch rebar with cap labeled ASI LS 3388; thence same course N 15 deg 56' 46" E a distance of 108.14 feet to an iron Pin (found) 3/4 inch rebar with cap labeled LLS 1998; thence same course N 15 deg 56' 46" E a distance of 2.07 feet to an No. 8216 Iron Pin (found)" 1/2 inch rebar with cap labeled ASI LS 3388 being a corner of property now owned by Clarence Hays, Et als being record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office in Deed Book 379, Page 416; thence leaving said Boyd property with said Hays property around the hillside N 87 deg 40' 00" E a distance of 500.00 feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" on the west side of small drain, at corner of property now owned by Linda G. Howell as being of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office in Deed Book 379, Page 46, being N 0 deg 52' 22" E a distance of 1.32 feet from as "Iron Pin (found)" & 190 inch rebar with cap labeled LLS 1998; thence leaving said Hays property with said Howell property down and proximity to same small drain S 27 deg 32' W, a distance of 547.45 feet to an "Iron Pin (found)" & No. 190; inch rebar with cap labeled LLC 1998 in an old dirt road; thence S 36 deg 51' 55" W, a distance 82.41 feet to an "Iron Pin (found)" & No. 190; inch rebar labeled LLC 1998; thence S 17 deg 04' 45" W, a distance of 192.90 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 5.49 acres as shown on Appalachian Surveying, Inc. Drawing File name 07 019 Master. For

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(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, pur-

NOTICE (OF FINAL SETTLEMENT)

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said settlements must do so on or before December 31, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	08-P-00055	Roger Samons	Randall Keith Samons	10-20-08
Final	08-P-00120	Claude R. Mullins	Sheila Johnson	10-30-08
Final	06-P-00102	Shirley Roger Martin	Susan F. Brotherton	11-07-08
Final	08-P-00124	Mary Howell	Melissa Gibson	11-07-08
Final	08-P-00144	Elizabeth E. Demaree	Ramona Home	11-12-08
Final	08-P-00147	Paul Donald Baldrige	Mary Margaret Baldrige	11-12-08
Annual	08-P-00042	Margie Tackett Kiser	Angela Brown	11-12-08
Final	08-P-00086	Melvina N. Akers	Zachary Dale Akers	11-12-08
Final	08-P-195	Mousie L. Carroll	Ida Carroll	11-17-08
Final	07-P-266	Denver Lafferty	Carl D. Lafferty	11-17-08
Final	06-P-248	Rudy G. Robinette	Michael Vance	11-20-08
Final	06-P-251	Jesse Daniels	Norma J. Daniels	11-18-08

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

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

Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Attorney
10-28-08	08-P-407	Evelyn Setser	Karen Ousley	
10-29-08	08-P-409	Pluma C. Hall	Lisa Wilks & William Russell Hall	
10-30-08	08-P-410	Jody Fannin	Elizabeth F. Chaffin	
10-31-08	08-P-411	Annette McCoy	Harry L. McCoy	
11-03-08	08-P-414	Bobby Bradford	Rebecca Bradford	Jerry A. Patton
11-03-08	08-P-415	Raymond Lowe	Linda L. Lowe	
11-05-08	08-P-416	Earl Hall	Clara Sue Hall	
11-06-08	08-P-418	Avery Newsome	Hannah Newsome	Anthony C. Davis
11-06-08	08-P-419	Manifred Kidd	Barbara Kidd	Bobby Rowe
11-10-08	08-P-420	James D. Sallsbury	Cynthia Sallsbury	Timothy Parker
11-10-08	08-P-421	Judith A. Blair	Fredrick Blair	
11-10-08	08-P-422	Bertha Clifton	James Stephens	
11-12-08	08-P-425	Gary Keith Mullins	Tamara L. Mullins	
11-13-08	08-P-428	Emma Hyden Branham	James L. Porter	
11-17-08	08-P-429	Russell R. Kidd	Barbara Kidd	Thomas W. Moak
11-17-08	08-P-430	Barbara Fields	Tina Williamson	
11-17-08	08-P-431	Clara Risner	Sanna Risner	
11-18-08	08-P-432	Reba Lewis Goble	Sherry Williamson	
11-18-08	08-P-433	Bessie Gibson	Ernest R. Gibson	
11-19-08	08-P-434	Marjorie Rudder	Patty Peters	
11-19-08	08-P-436	Oliver Tackett	Gary Tackett	
11-20-08	08-P-437	Michelle Harmon	Jessica Stephens	Ned Pillersdorf

suant 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 2008, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent city and county ad valorem taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount

of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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

Hon. William S. Kendrick
Floyd Master
Commissioner

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application No. 836-0339

Operator Change In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, intends to revise permit number 836-0339 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The new operator will be American

Contracting Group, LLC., P.O. Box 5085, Ashland, Kentucky 41105.

The operation is located 1.9 mile southeast of Printer, in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.4 mile southeast from KY 122's junction with State Route 2030, and located .004 mile northeast of Spurlock Creek, and on Shop Branch. The operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°31'36"; and longitude 82°44'04".

The application has been filed for

public inspection at the Department of 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, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

COMMONWEALTH OF KEN-

TUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I C.A. No. 08-CI-00960 Chase Home Finance LLC Plaintiff vs. Belinda Shelton Defendants NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Findings of Fact, Judgment and Order of Sale, referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on

the 23rd day of October, 2008, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$99,992.54, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 4th day of December, 2008, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Being two certain tracts of land, lying and being on the waters of Left Beaver Creek, in Drift, in Floyd County, Kentucky, as recorded in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 216, Page 439, and in Deed Book 263, Page 338.

Unless otherwise noted any monument referred to herein as an IPS from Pin (set) is a one half rebar, at least 18 inches in length, with in Orange Plastic Cap stamped "ASI LS 3388". All Bearing hereon are based

on a Magnetic North taken from Kentucky State Department of Transportation Highway Plans for State Route 122 sheet 8 of 96 State Project No. 237 year of 1935.

First Tract (Deed Book 216, Page 439)

Commencing at a point on a 6.00 feet high chain link fence on the back side of the Lincoln Addition to Drift as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 72, Page 241 being the location of the large Mulberry as called for by both above said Deeds, and being a corner to other property of Berus Turner as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 263, Page 338, said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence leaving said Lincoln Addition crossing High Street with said other Turner Property S 28 C2' 53" W a distance of 26.65 Feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" on the south side of High Street thence S 28 02' 53" W a distance of 59.63 Feet to an "Iron Pin (found)" 4 inch diameter open top Pipe bent, being a corner to property now owned by Everett Maggard and Mary Maggard as being of record

in the Floyd County Clerk's Office in Deed Book 216, Page 636; thence S 46 27' 09" W a distance of 33.72 Feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" at foot of slope and bearing S 46 27' 09" W a distance of 1.56 feet from another "Iron Pin (found)" 4 inch diameter open top Pipe bent thence around the hill and foot of slope crossing the calculated point of a corner to property now owned by Diana Reed as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 476, Page 252 at plus 23.00 feet N 49 35' 43" W a total distance of 85.32 Feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" at foot of slope between houses 1 and 2 as called for by Deed being a corner to property now owned by Loretta Berger as being of record in Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 490, Page 45 and near the southwest corner to a 4.00 feet high chain link fence with said Berger Property N 35 57' 04" E a distance of 83.43 Feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" on the south side of High Street; thence N 34 57' 04" E a distance of 29.57 Feet a point on a 6.00 feet high chain link fence on the back

City of Prestonsburg Request for Proposal Subdivision Regulation and Zoning Ordinance, and Comprehensive Plan Updates

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

The City of Prestonsburg is currently accepting proposals for planning services to be provided to the City. Specifically, the City is seeking proposals from firms interested in assisting in updates to the Subdivision Regulations and Zoning Ordinance, and Comprehensive Plan. The selected firm will be asked to prepare amendments to the Zoning Ordinance that are consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan's intent and current zoning and planning principles. The selected firm will also be responsible for presenting the amendments to the City's Planning and Zoning Commission at a public forum to receive their consent on the amendments prior to being taken to the City Council. It is expected that the selected firm will work closely with city staff, the City Council, the Mayor and other interested parties. The assignment will involve attendance at public hearings, planning Commission meetings, and City Council meetings.

II. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Indemnification: The contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Prestonsburg, its officers, agents, employees, representatives, and assigns. Consultant agrees to comply with all laws, ordinances, and rules of the City of Prestonsburg and the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The city reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive formalities and select the consultant that best meets the needs of the City. The City reserves the right to request additional information during the evaluation period.

III. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

The selected consultant shall maintain a general liability limit of no less than \$1,000,000.

IV. RFP AMENDMENTS

The City of Prestonsburg reserves the right to amend this RFP anytime prior to the closing date.

V. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The City of Prestonsburg intends to amend its Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and ordinance to comport, generally, with the adopted Comprehensive Plan and to be consistent with current zoning, planning and land use principles. It is the City's desire that the new regulations be easily understood by the public, easy to administer, and effectively regulate land uses within the City.

VI. LENGTH OF STUDY

It is anticipated that this study will span approximately 12 to 24 months. However, the City is requesting that the study be broken into segments, with segmental amendments being recommended to the Planning and Zoning Commission, and subsequently the City Council for approval within the study period.

VII. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT

Proposals will be due to the City by/on December 15, 2008. After this proposal closing date the City will review submitted proposals and award the contract within 30-45 business days.

AWARD OF CONTRACT

The City of Prestonsburg will award the services in the manner that will obtain the highest quality of services at the most competitive price. The City reserves the right to negotiate or reject any and all proposals. Proposals will be initially evaluated using the following criteria:

- 1) Proposed cost of service.
- 2) Experience in providing the requested services, with preference given to those who have completed Subdivision regulations and zoning ordinances and comprehensive plan updates projects in similar size municipalities.
- 3) Firm reference quality, with preference given to those firms that have conducted similar work in the Eastern Kentucky region and/or the Big Sandy Area Counties.
- 4) Compliance with specifications as outlined in Section V.
- (5) Ability to provide deliverables within a reasonable time frame throughout the project schedule. In addition, any innovative approaches to this project will be evaluated. Please note that no formal opening for the proposals will take place. Proposals will be evaluated and the successful firm will be contacted prior to official City Council approval.

VIII. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

Either party may terminate this agreement by giving the other party no less than two (2) months written notice. If the vendor terminates the contract prior to completion of the project, all work completed to date shall be given to the City of Prestonsburg. Additionally, the vendor shall reimburse the City for any out of pocket costs incurred in acquiring and retaining a new vendor.

IX. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ACTIVITY DATE

RFP Sent November 7, 2008

RFP Question Period November 7th, 2008-December 15, 2008

RFP Submittals Due December 15th, 2008

Consultant Recommendation to Planning Commission of the Whole January 8th, 2009

Council Approval January 2009

Study Kickoff February 2009

X. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROPOSERS

A. INQUIRIES FROM PROPOSERS

Please use the contact information below for questions concerning this RFP. All questions may be submitted in writing or via telephone; email is preferred. Questions must be submitted before **December 15th, 2008.**

Questions should be directed to:
Prestonsburg Planning Commission
197 South Lake Drive, Suite 103
Prestonsburg, KY 41653
606-886-1312

or
Frank Fitzpatrick, Chair
fdffitz@mail.com

B. COSTS INCURRED IN RESPONDING

All costs, directly or indirectly related to the preparation of a proposal, including any oral presentations required to supplement and/or clarify a proposal shall be the sole responsibility of the vendor.

C. RESPONSE INSTRUCTIONS

One (1) digital copy of the proposal should be returned in PDF format bearing the name and address of the respondent and labeled "Request for Proposal for Subdivision Regulation and Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan Update," along with Seven (7) mailed or delivered hard copies to:

Prestonsburg Planning and Zoning Commission
197 South Lake Drive, Suite 103
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Proposals must be submitted by **Monday, December 15th, 2008, by 4:30 p.m.** The City of Prestonsburg shall not be responsible for late delivery of the proposals under any conditions.

1. PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE PERIOD

It is understood that upon submission of the proposal the fees proposed will be valid for a period of ninety (90) days.

2. TERM OF PROJECT CONTRACT

The project contract length will be determined based upon the amount of time the consultant requires for completion of the project, as negotiated.

XI. OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS AND CONFIDENTIALITY

All information from vendor reports becomes the property of the City of Prestonsburg and its employees. All information must remain confidential at all times.

XII. PROPOSAL FORMAT

OVERVIEW OF REQUIRED SECTIONS

1. Cover Letter
2. Table of Contents
3. Consulting Firm Background and Statement of Staff Experience
4. Statement of Equal Employment Opportunity Practices
5. Scope of Required Services
6. Proposed Schedule of Implementation
7. References
8. Concluding Remarks
9. Cost Proposal for Services
10. Attachments (if applicable)

A. COVER LETTER

The cover letter should contain the name of the proposing consultant, the address of the firm, and the contact individual(s) authorized to answer technical, price, and contract questions. Include contact individuals' telephone numbers, email addresses, and mailing addresses. Identify the key personnel of the firm who will be assigned to this project. The cover letter must be signed by a person or persons authorized to bind the proposer.

B. TABLE OF CONTENTS

The contents of the proposal shall be included in an index at the beginning of the proposal and should include all contents and attachments.

C. CONSULTING FIRM BACKGROUND AND STATEMENT OF STAFF EXPERIENCE

Describe the organization of the staff team that would service the contract. Provide a listing of the management level members of the staff team. Include name, title and length of service with the vendor, resume, education level and any professional achievement/certification of any staff that will assist with the project. This section should include the range of services previously performed by the vendor and the vendor's background in providing the requested services to public entities.

D. STATEMENT OF EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PRACTICES

This section should explain the methodology proposed in accordance with the requested scope of services found on page 2 of this RFP. If there are additional services recommended, please list them separately with a separate fee. Any proposed additional services related to the update of the Zoning Ordinance will be reviewed for applicability.

F. PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF IMPLEMENTATION

The proposed project schedule is expected to last between 12 months and 24 months with incremental updates to the Subdivision Regulations and Zoning Ordinance being recommended to the Planning Commission and City Council throughout the study period. The project timeline should therefore include proposed study junctures where recommendations will be made, i.e. every 2 months, etc. Any and all recommendations/suggestions for a project timeline will be considered within the 12 to 24 month maximum.

G. REFERENCES

Please list all clients serviced over the past three years and include examples of work for review. Provide a contact person and telephone number for each reference.

H. CONCLUDING REMARKS

This section shall contain any final comments or an elaboration that the proposer believes is important in order to gain a better understanding of the proposed services and/or proposer's capabilities.

I. COST PROPOSAL

Cost of service quotes should be included for all required components referenced above, detailing personnel and all other costs associated with the project. Proposers should include payment terms as part of the cost proposal, including the timing of any progress payments.



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side of the Lincoln Addition to Drift as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 72, Page 24; thence leaving said Berger Property along said fence S 60° 30' 56" E a distance of 79.65 Feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 0.22 acres as shown on Appalachian Surveying Inc. Drawing File Name 04-026 Master.

Second Tract (Deed Book 263, Page 338) Commencing at a point on a 6.00 feet high chain link fence on the back side of the Lincoln Addition to Drift as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 72, Page 241 being the location of the large Mulberry as Called for by both above said Deeds and being a corner to

other property of Berus Turner as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 216, Page 439, said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence along said Fence S 54° 35' 10" E a distance of 115.09 feet to a "PK Nail (set)" east edge of High Street thence with east side of said High Street S 18° 57' 34" W a distance of 80.00 feet to a calculated polor by deed description being a corner to Property now owned by Everett Maggard and Mary Maggard as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 216, Page 636, thence crossing said High Street with said Maggard Property N 58° 34' 47" W a distance of 23.34 feet to an "Iron Pin (found)" 4 inch

diameter open top pipe bent being a corner to other Property of Berta Turner as being of record in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 216, Page 439; thence leaving said Maggard Property with said other Turner Property N 28° 02' 53" E a distance of 59.63 feet to an "Iron Pin (set)" on the south side of High Street; thence same course N 28° 02' 53" E a distance of 26.65 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 0.23 acres as shown on Appalachian Surveying Inc. Drawing File Name 04-026 Master.

Both Tracts include area of said High Street at edge of pavement equaling an area of 0.07 acres. Being the same property conveyed to Belinda Shelton, a single person, from Berta Moore, aka Berta Turner and Everett Ray Turner, wife and husband, by Deed dated August 3, 2007, and recorded on September 12, 2007, in Deed Book 539, Page 59 of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Terms of Sale: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 20% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. (b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per 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 2008, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent city and county ad valorem taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an

amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein. Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd Master Commissioner

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0339, Operator Change In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, intends to revise permit number 836-0339 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The new operators will be

American Longitude Contracting Group, LLC, P.O. Box 5085, Ashland, KY 41105, and Aspen Highwall Mining, LP, 800 Northside Dr., Suite 27, Summersville, WV 26651. The operation is located 1.9 mile southeast of Printer, in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.4 mile southeast from KY 122's junction with State Road 2030, and located 0.004 mile northeast of Spurlock Creek. The operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37°31'25" and

longitude 82°43'30". The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resource'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, No. 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.

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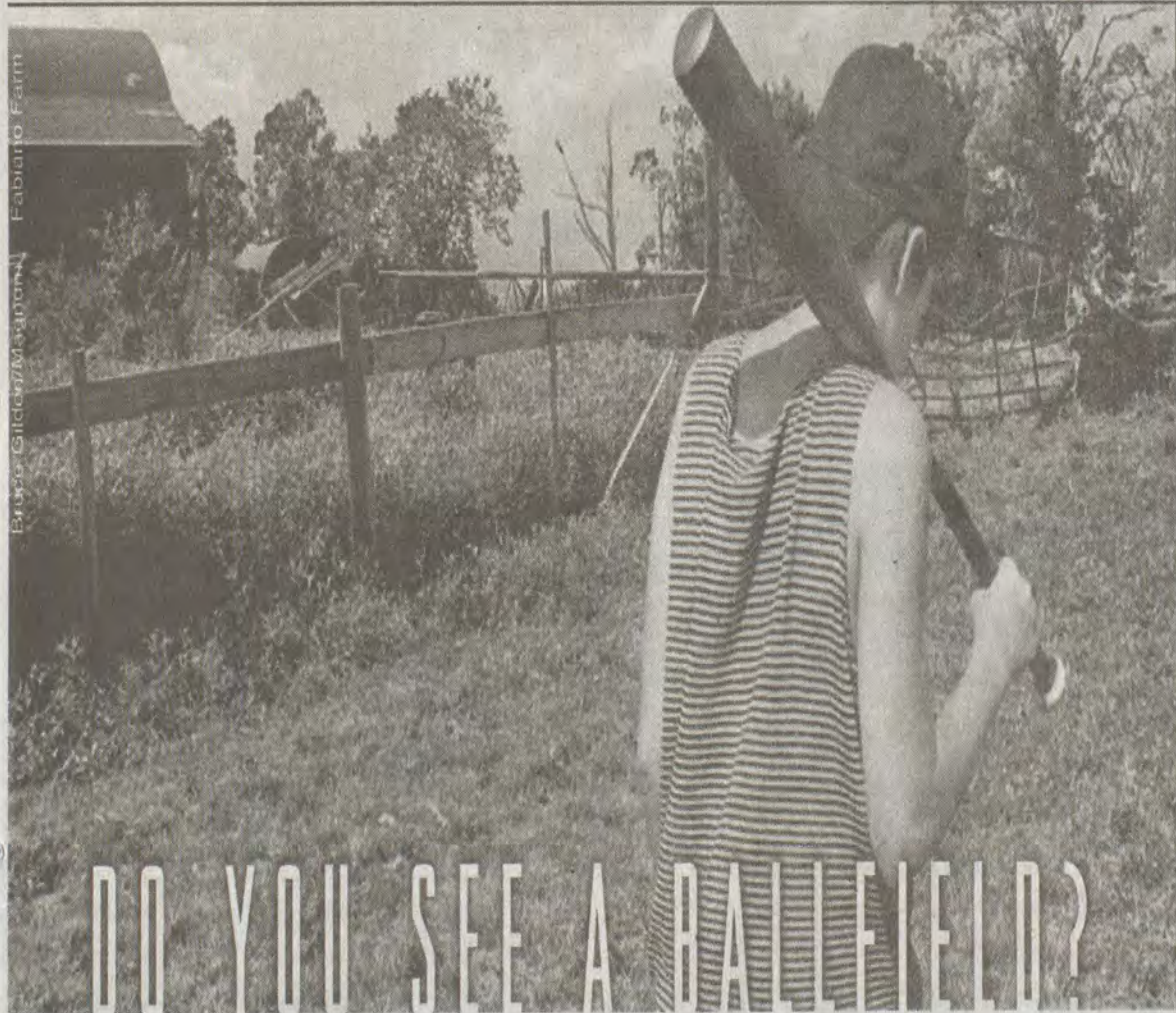
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Calendar

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 - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call 886-6025 for more information.

Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call 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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A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

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

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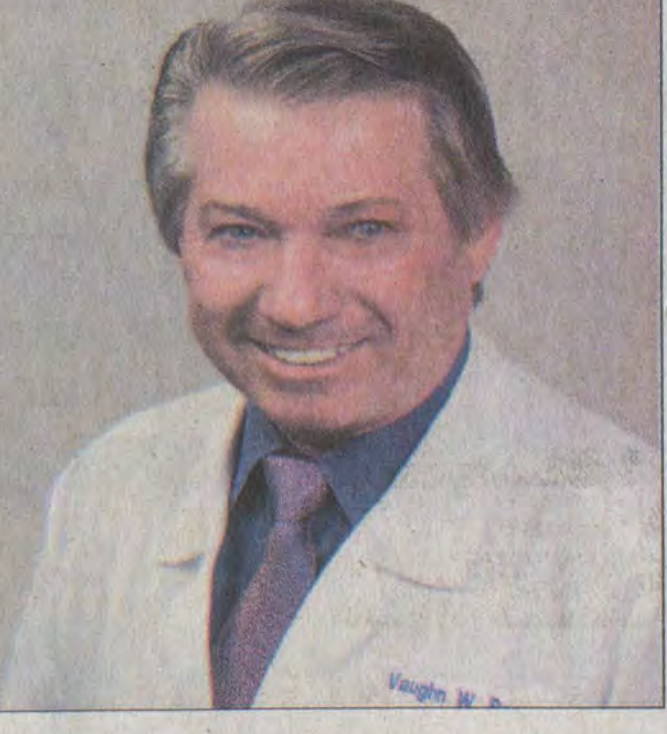
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FLOYD COUNTY Sports

Class A Playoffs: Bulldogs cage Tigers

by TONY MCGUIRE
HAZARD HERALD

HAZARD — On Friday, Hazard hosted former district foe Paintsville in the second round of the Class A football playoffs. The Bulldogs and Tigers battled for a spot in the district championship on the frozen tundra of Daniel Field. Despite a quick start from the visiting team, Hazard managed to roll. The Bulldogs defeated the Tigers 56-14 in the second round game.

Paintsville was able to light up their side of the scoreboard first. After a long sustained drive, the Tigers punched the ball across the goal line as Doderer dove in from 2-yards out.

They were unable to convert on the extra-point, giving them the 6-0 lead.

Late in the first period, the Tigers looked as if they would hold the Bulldogs again. Faced with a third and long, Tyler Olinger hit Michael Campbell on a route that covered 43-yards, and ended in the end zone. Austin Delpont added the extra-point, giving them a 7-0 lead.

Hazard blew the game open in the second period, scoring four times, and taking a 35-6 lead into the locker room. Greg Adams scored the first two touchdowns, the first came on a strong 7-yard run, while the second came on a 63-yard blast through the Paintsville defense.

The Bulldogs took a 28-6 lead on a Tyler Olinger 7-yard pass to Michael Campbell. Olinger then closed out the half with a 19-yard keeper that left him alone in the end zone (35-6).

Hazard continued to roll in the third quarter, scoring a pair of touchdowns and pushing the lead to 49-6. Early in the period, Tyler Olinger found B. J. Combs on a route that covered 23-yards, and ended with the score. Later in the quarter, Tyler Olinger picked up his second rushing touchdown on a 15-yard scamper, and after the Delpont extra-point, the Bulldogs had a 49-6 advantage. Hazard and Paintsville traded a later in the game.



Paintsville defender Nehemiah Doderer (33) couldn't catch up with a pass that Hazard senior Michael Campbell managed to ultimately haul in Friday night.

Kentucky set to face Vols in regular-season finale

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — After a bye week, Kentucky will visit Tennessee's Neyland Stadium Saturday, looking to snap a 23-straight losing streak to the Vols. Three of the last four games have been decided by six points or less, including UT's 52-50 four-overtime victory last season in Lexington. This will be the regular-season finale for the Wildcats, who have clinched a third-consecutive bowl appearance.

The Wildcats also are looking to notch a seventh regular-season victory for the third consecutive season. UK fell at home to Vanderbilt, 31-24, two weeks ago despite outgaining the Commodores by 120 yards and outscoring them by 10 in the second half.

On offense, UK true freshman Randall Cobb threw for a career-high 144 yards while rushing for 72 yards and a touchdown. Junior wide receiver E.J. Adams was Cobb's favorite target setting career highs with four receptions totaling 61 yards. Defensively, junior linebacker Micah Johnson led the team in tackles for the third-straight game and seventh time this season with 12 stops of the Commodores. Junior defensive end Jeremy Jarmon posted a season-high six tackles against VU, including two for a loss of 11 yards while also forcing a fumble in the game.

Turkey Trot set for Thursday

PRESTONSBURG — Pro-Fitness Multi Sports will host its annual Turkey Trot Thursday, beginning at 9 a.m. The 10K Run/5K Run will start registration at 9 a.m. The registration fee for the Turkey Trot is \$10. Each entrant will receive his or her choice of a free pumpkin pie for apple pie.



Prestonsburg quarterback Michael Burchett looked over the Middlesboro defensive unit Friday night.

Blackcats jolt Jackets

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The third time could be a charm for the Prestonsburg Blackcats. Prestonsburg is in perfect position to test that theory. For the Prestonsburg Blackcats, it would be nice to have the old saying hold true. For the third time in as many years, the Blackcats will play in the regional championship game. Prestonsburg knocked off a tough Middlesboro team 20-7 on Friday, setting up a trip to Corbin and a date with the Redhounds.

The Blackcats took part in the regional championship in both 2006 and 2007 but fell to Belfry and DeSales in those outings.

Coach John DeRossett and his eager group of Blackcats are excited to have another shot at bringing home a regional championship.

"I am so proud of what this team has accomplished, and I am going to be really sad when this ride is over," stated DeRossett.

Prestonsburg came into the game well known for a potent offense, but on this night Coach James DeRossett's defensive unit would prove to be the biggest factor in the win.

The Blackcats prevailed a frigid Football Friday Night.

The Yellowjackets traveled to Prestonsburg with one of the state's top running

backs in Hunter Adams. But the Prestonsburg defense would hold Adams to only 53 yards on 18 carries. Prestonsburg got on the board first at the 8:04 mark of the first quarter on a one-yard touchdown plunge from senior tailback Seth Setser. Middlesboro would follow with a three and out which gave the Blackcats the football at their own 36 yard line. Junior quarterback Michael Burchett would put the Blackcats in front 14-0 on the first play with a 64-yard touchdown strike to Austin Gearheart.

Prestonsburg's second score came at the 6:46 mark of the first quarter. Over the next five possessions, the teams would combine for five punts. The Blackcats would hold on to the 14-0 lead until the :43 mark of the second quarter when Allen Craynon found the endzone on a three-yard run.

Prestonsburg would miss on the extra point but the Blackcats would take a commanding 20-0 lead into the half.

A defensive struggle in the third quarter would see the score remain 20-0 after three quarters. Middlesboro finally got on the board at the 7:43 mark of the final quarter on a two yard run to make the score 20-7. The Prestonsburg defense got an interception from Josh Craynon that helped to secure the win.

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DuPont Manual 44, Greenwood 23
Lou. Eastern 31, Lou. Seneca 14
Lou. Male 41, Madison Central 14
Scott Co. 41, Lou. Fern Creek 35
Simon Kenton 46, Conner 41
St. Xavier 48, Pleasure Ridge Park 6
Trinity 37, Ballard 13

Class 5A

Christian County 28, Hopkinsville 21
Doss 49, Anderson County 41
Highlands 53, Ashland Blazer 6
John Hardin 43, Oldham Co. 23
Johnson Central 49, Cov. Catholic 14
Letcher County Central 13, Mercer Co. 12
Owensboro 28, Bowling Green 21
Whitley Co. 44, Pulaski Co. 35

Class 4A

Allen County-Scottsville 33, Lone Oak 14
Bell Co. 49, Rockcastle Co. 7
Boyle Co. 42, Franklin Co. 18
Bullitt East 35, Marion County 7
Calloway County 28, Franklin-Simpson 25
Knox Central 40, Boyd Co. 7
Lexington Catholic 52, Harrison Co. 13
North Bullitt 20, Lou. Valley 6

Class 3A

Belfry 42, Russell 0
Breathitt Co. 62, Harlan Co. 34
Edmonson Co. 35, Russellville 14
Elizabethtown 42, North Oldham 28
Estill Co. 73, Taylor Co. 28
Lou. Central 40, Lou. Shawnee 6
Sheldon Clark 26, Mason Co. 20, OT
Union County 39, Butler County 13

Class 2A

Corbin 30, Bath Co. 8
Fort Campbell 47, Murray 0
Green Co. 28, Danville 21
Lou. DeSales 23, Cov. Holy Cross 16, OT
Monroe Co. 45, Bardstown 14
Newport Central Catholic 42, Lloyd Memorial 15
Owensboro Catholic 28, Trigg County 21
Prestonsburg 20, Middlesboro 7

Class 1A

Beechwood 54, Ludlow 0
Crittenden County 48, Ballard Memorial 7
Frankfort 49, Gallatin Co. 8
Hazard 56, Paintsville 14
Lex. Christian 69, Williamsburg 48
Mayfield 24, Lou. Holy Cross 7
Pikeville 27, Harlan 7
Raceland 40, Fairview 20



THE PRESTONSBURG BOYS' BASKETBALL PROGRAM was in action Saturday night during the Meet the Blackcats event. Jack Pack (not pictured) is headed into the start of his first season in a second stint as Prestonsburg head coach.

Eagles, Cards win, advance

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Johnson Central got its revenge Friday night. Two years after falling to Covington Catholic in the State Semifinals, Johnson Central defeated the Colonels 49-14 at Golden Eagle Field.

The Golden Eagles rolled. Johnson Central led 49-0 before Covington Catholic dented the scoreboard.

Senior running back Chase Richardson ran 22 times for 227 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Johnson Central offense. As a team, Johnson Central rushed for nearly 600 yards. Nathan Dillon added 111 yards and two touchdowns on 14 carries for the victorious Golden Eagles.

Johnson Central will host Highlands this Friday night in a regional championship game.

At Maysville, Sheldon Clark edged host Mason County 26-20 in overtime. Ryan Kelly led the way for Sheldon Clark, rushing for over 100 yards in the playoffs encounter.

The Sheldon Clark defensive unit held standout Mason County running back Jeremy Thompson to less than 100 yards rushing.

Hazard turns back Lady Raiders

by TONY MCGUIRE
HAZARD HERALD

HAZARD — On Thursday, the Hazard Lady Bulldogs host South Floyd in a girls' basketball scrimmage. The Lady Bulldogs were able to stay one step ahead of the Lady Raiders throughout the game, pulling away at the end for a 56-38 victory. Both teams came out cold in the first quarter, and scoring was limited for several minutes. About midway through, Hazard began to hit their shots, and pulled away near the horn for the 14-8 advantage. Things evened out somewhat in the second quarter with South Floyd making some headway during the early moments. The Lady Raiders pulled to within a bucket during the frame, but could not hold on. Hazard put together a run late in the second period, spurred on by their defense. The Lady Bulldogs put the margin at eight (24-16) just as the horn sounded for the break. The see-saw battle continued in the third period, as South Floyd picked up the pace. But, once again, the Lady Bulldogs were able to put together a rally near the end of the period. Going into the final quarter, Hazard still clung to the eight-point advantage (39-31). The Lady Bulldogs pulled out all the stops in the fourth quarter, using their press to confuse the Lady Raiders. Hazard was able to convert several South Floyd miscues into instant offense, and began to pull away. The Lady Raiders were unable to stop the Lady Bulldog attack, and eventually lost any hope they had of a comeback.

Hazard 56, South Floyd 38
Hazard (56): Combs 15, Niece 14, Pratt 4, Fields 8, Frasure 10, Whitaker 5.

South Floyd (38): C. Tuttle 13, J. Tackett 1, A. Conn 4, D. Tackett 5, K. Hall 3, G. Bailey 5, A. Castle 5.

Hamilton, Pittman lead MSU women past SIU Edwardsville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Junior guard Tiffany Hamilton set a career high with 23 points and added nine rebounds, five assists and two steals, while junior Brittany Pittman narrowly missed a triple-double with 14 points, 15 rebounds and a season best nine blocked shots as the Morehead State University women's basketball team defeated visiting SIU Edwardsville 77-63 Saturday at Johnson Arena. The Eagles won their third straight game to open the 2008-09 season 3-1. The Cougars fell to 1-2 following the setback.

Hamilton, who eclipsed her career best of 19 set just Wednesday against Saint Louis, was 10-of-17 from the floor and grabbed five of her nine boards on the offensive glass. She also made only one turnover in 37 minutes of

action. Hamilton averaged 21.0 points, 8.5 rebounds, and 6.5 assists in the Eagles' two games this week.

Pittman, meanwhile, continued her torrid assault on the MSU and Ohio Valley Conference career blocks records. She now has 31 in just four games this season (7.7 per game) and 154 in only 34 games at MSU, meaning she is just 52 blocks away from breaking Tasha Gales' MSU career record of 205. She now needs only 80 more rejections to break Gertonda Hardin's (Austin Peay, 2000-04) OVC mark of 233. She pulled down a team best 15 rebounds today and is now averaging 11.7 per contest in the Eagles' first four. She also collected a team high four steals today.

But, those two weren't the only Eagles contributing today. Junior Tiffanie Stephens came off the bench and reached dou-

ble figures for the fourth straight game to open her Division I career. She was 6-of-10 from the field and netted 17 points. Freshman point guard Courtney Lumpkin made her first collegiate start and tallied 11 points and three assists.

SIUE got a 21-point, 14-rebound performance from senior center Jenny Wuest. Brittany Imig scored 15, and Jessie Stapleton netted 13. Ashley Bey added six assists.

On the rebounding front, the Eagles won the battle, 54-43. MSU also limited the Cougars to only 22 percent shooting overall in the first 20 minutes. The Cougars warmed up somewhat in the final half, finishing with a 31 percent total (22-of-70). MSU shot 39 percent (25-of-64) for the game and collected 23 points off 19 Cougar mistakes.

SIU led 3-2 at the 16:10

mark of the first half, but the Eagles erased that quickly, going on a 15-1 run - capped by a trey by Hamilton - to lead 17-4 at the 11:13 mark. At the half, the Eagles were on top 34-24.

MSU opened the second half on a 15-2 scoring flurry and led by their largest margin (23 - 49-26) with 14:14 left. The closest the Cougars cut it the rest of the way was 11 (72-61) with 1:32 left.

Eagles fall to FAMU, drop to 0-5

LOUISVILLE — Sophomore center Kenneth Faried had career high totals of 27 points and 24 rebounds, but it wasn't enough, as the

Morehead State University lost 79-74 to Florida A&M University in the consolation game of the Billy Minardi Classic at Freedom Hall on Sunday (Nov. 23) afternoon. Faried earned all-tournament honors.

"We're very disappointed with our loss today," said MSU Coach Donnie Tyndall. "We're still making way to many turnovers, and our assist-to-turnover ratio is not good. And, we've got to do a better job guarding the basketball."

"Kenneth (Faried) was outstanding. He played with great energy. There were some positive aspects that we can take from the game and build upon."

MSU fell to 0-5 following the loss. Four road losses and Sunday's neutral site loss make up MSU's five-game skid. FAMU won its first game in

five decisions. Faried hit nine-of-11 from the field, but only nine-of-18 from the free throw line. He also blocked two shots. As a team, the Eagles hit only 59.6 percent (28-of-47) from the charity stripe.

In addition to Faried, MSU got 15 points from Leon Buchanan and 10 points in a reserve role from Terrance Hill.

The Rattlers were led by Lamar Twitty who scored 18 points. Dale Hughes added 12 points for the winning team.

MSU outrebound FAMU 42-35, but committed 18 turnovers to only 11 for the Rattlers.

Next up for the Eagles is a trip to Mexico for two more games in the Cancun Challenge. MSU will play Grambling at 3 p.m. EST on Nov. 29 and Central Florida at



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POSTSEASON BOUND: Colonels win 20th OVC title

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MARTIN, Tenn. — The Eastern Kentucky University football team blocked a 45-yard field goal attempt as time expired to hang on for a thrilling 33-31 victory over No. 18 UT Martin Saturday afternoon at Graham Stadium. With the win, the Colonels (8-3, 7-1 OVC) clinched their 20th Ohio Valley Conference title and earned a spot in the upcoming NCAA FCS playoffs.

Eastern's defense forced five first half turnovers which led to 24 points. In the second half, the Colonels blocked a UT Martin (8-4, 6-2) PAT attempt and returned it the distance for two more points.

Senior Brandon Gathof led EKV with 12 tackles and two interceptions. He returned the second interception 50 yards for a score in the second quarter. Gathof capped his stellar day by blocking UT Martin's game-winning field goal attempt.

On offense, sophomore Cody Watts finished with four catches for 76 yards and two

scores. Watts' second score put Eastern Kentucky ahead 33-19 with 3:29 remaining in the third quarter.

UT Martin opened the game by turning the ball over on its first three possessions. Eastern Kentucky capitalized on the miscues to build a 17-0 lead. Senior Allan Holland's one-yard quarterback sneak made the score 7-0.

Holland then found Watts for a 25-yard touchdown on EKV's ensuing possession to stretch the lead to 14-0. Senior Taylor Long added a 25-yard field goal to push the advantage to 17-0 early in the second quarter.

The Skyhawks finally answered with an 11-play, 80-yard scoring drive to make the score, 17-6. Quarterback Cade Thompson finished the drive with a five-yard touchdown pass to Mike Hicks.

UT Martin had another chance to slice into the deficit in the second quarter, but Gathof tallied his second interception and returned it for a touchdown to make the score 24-6 at the half.

The Skyhawks came out on

fire in the second half, scoring on two of their first three possessions to claw within a touchdown, 26-19. However, the Eastern Kentucky offense answered with a 66-yard touchdown drive to extend the advantage to 33-19. Holland completed all four pass attempts on the drive including a 30-yard scoring pass to Watts.

From there, UTM added two more field goals to close the gap to eight points, 33-25.

Late in the fourth quarter, the Colonel offense looked to put together one more scoring drive to clinch the victory, but the Skyhawks recovered an EKV fumble and ran it back 44-yards for a score to make the score, 33-31, with 4:24 left.

UT Martin had one final possession to try and finish the comeback. The Skyhawks started from their own 20-yard line with 1:08 remaining in regulation. Thompson extended the drive with a key fourth-down 17-yard completion to the Colonel 38-yard line. UTM then moved the ball 10 more yards to set up the win-

ning field goal attempt with four seconds showing on the clock.

UT Martin's Thompson finished the game 35-of-61 for a career-high 419 yards. However, Thompson also threw four interceptions.

The Colonels will host an NCAA FCS playoff selection show on Sunday, Nov. 23, in the Student Services Building (SSB) beginning at 6:30 p.m. Eastern Kentucky will play its first round playoff game next Saturday, Nov. 29.

Colonels to face Richmond in FCS Playoffs for second straight year

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — The Eastern Kentucky University football team learned its fate for the opening round of the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision

(FCS) playoffs Sunday evening. The Colonels will travel to CAA foe Richmond on Saturday, Nov. 29. Game time has been set for 1 p.m.

EKV (8-3, 7-1 OVC), ranked No. 21 in the latest Sports Network poll, will be making its record 19th playoff appearance. The Colonels have also appeared in the FCS playoffs in 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1997 and 2007. Those 19 playoff appearances are tied for the most all-time with the Montana Grizzlies, who are the seeded fourth in the 2008 brackets. Eastern Kentucky won the national championship in 1979 and 1982.

The No. 7 Spiders (9-3, 5-2) earned one of the eight at-large selections and have won five-consecutive games, including an overtime win at William & Mary this past Saturday. Richmond is making its second-consecutive playoff appearance, its third in the last four years and its seventh all-time.

The winner of Saturday's

game will take on the winner of Appalachian State, seeded second in the FCS bracket, and South Carolina State.

Hall honored in hometown

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ASHLAND— Drew Hall, a member of the Morehead State University Eagle Athletic Hall of Fame and now an assistant baseball coach at MSU, was honored recently by the Ashland American Little League and its "Dreams Come True Field" fundraiser.

Hall was the third overall pick in the 1984 Major League draft, selected by the Chicago Cubs, and pitched five seasons in the majors.

Others honored by Ashland American were current major league umpires Charlie Reliford and Greg Gibson and current Arizona Diamondbacks standout pitcher Brandon Webb.

Defense leads Morehead State past Campbell in finale

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD - Defensive back David Hyland and linebacker Wes McDermott led a Morehead State defensive effort that keyed a 42-7 Pioneer Football League win over Campbell in the 2008 season finale Saturday afternoon at Jayne Stadium.

Hyland, MSU's career interception leader, picked off two more in his final game as an Eagle. He returned his second interception a school-record 100 yards for a touchdown. That return broke a school record that had stood for more than 75 years, dating to 1931 when Claude Clayton returned an interception 98-yards for a score against Union. Hyland also caught one pass for 26 yards and had 126 all-purpose yards.

McDermott was credited with 12 total tackles, 4.5 tackles for a loss, one sack, and two pass break-ups.

MSU ends the season 6-6 overall and 4-4 in the PFL. Campbell ends its first season in the PFL at 1-10 overall, 0-8 in the league.

MSU outgained Campbell 380 yards to 105 yards. The Eagles rushed for 260 yards and passed for 120. The Fighting Camels were limited to 64 yards rushing and 41 yards through the air.

Jerrold Pendleton led MSU rushers with 63 yards on eight carries and scored one touchdown. Senior Erick Fitzpatrick had 58 yards on 12 carries with a score. Quarterback Jared Phillips hit seven of 15 passes for 88 yards and two touchdowns. Senior receiver Nick Feldman caught two passes for 32 yards and a touchdown and picked up 61 yards on punt returns.

C.J. Oates rushed for 51 yards to lead the Campbell offense. The Camels only score came with 1:14 remaining on a 33-yard pass from Matt

Vollono to Paul Constantine.

Thirteen Eagle seniors were honored in pre-game ceremonies:

- 34-Derrick Burks, TE (Dublin, Va.)
- 44-Philip Dettwiller, LB (Greenfield, Ohio)
- 15-Nick Feldman, WR (Oconto, Wis.)
- 7-Erick Fitzpatrick, HB (Cincinnati, Ohio)
- 47-Thomas Flannery, DL (Olive Hill)
- 89-Max Hammond, K/P (Grayson)
- 2-Josh Harris, DB (Dayton, Ohio)
- 3-David Hyland, DB (Woodstock, Ga.)
- 57-Caleb Meenach, DL (Catlettsburg)
- 49-Ryan Meenach, DL (Catlettsburg)
- 56-Nick Schoenfeld, C (Cincinnati, Ohio)
- 70-Chris Setters, OL (Fairborn, Ohio)
- 83-Mason Webb, K/P (Hamilton, Ohio)

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS SCHEDULE REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

FRIDAY, NOV. 28

CLASS 1A

- Mayfield at Crittenden County, 7:30 p.m.
- Beechwood at Frankfort, 7:30 p.m.
- Hazard at Pikeville, 7:30 p.m.
- Lexington Christian at Raceland, 7:30 p.m.

CLASS 2A

- Prestonsburg at Corbin, 7:30 p.m.
- Owensboro Catholic at Fort Campbell, 7:30 p.m.
- Green County at Monroe County, 7:30 p.m.
- DeSales at Newport Central Catholic, 7:30 p.m.

CLASS 3A

- Sheldon Clark at Belfry, 7:30 p.m.
- Estill County at Breathitt County, 7:30 p.m.
- Elizabethtown at Central, 7:30 p.m.
- Edmonson County at Union County, 7:30 p.m.

CLASS 4A

- Calloway County at Allen County-Scottsville, 7:30 p.m.
- Knox Central at Bell County, 7:30 p.m.
- Lexington Catholic at Boyle County, 7:30 p.m.
- North Bullitt at Bullitt East, 7:30 p.m.

CLASS 5A

- Owensboro at Christian County, 7:30 p.m.
- John Hardin at Doss, 7:30 p.m.
- Highlands at Johnson Central, 7:30 p.m.
- Letcher County Central at Whitley County, 7:30 p.m.

CLASS 6A

- Simon Kenton at Boone County, 7:30 p.m.
- Male at Scott County, 7:30 p.m.
- DuPont Manual at St. Xavier, 7:30 p.m.
- Eastern at Trinity (Louisville), 7:30 p.m.

Colonels fall to Texas Tech

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LUBBOCK, Texas — The Eastern Kentucky University men's basketball team fell to hot-shooting Texas Tech on Saturday, 98-84, in the Colonels' first game of the 2008 Legends Classic Tournament. Down by 22 at halftime, the Colonels staged a furious rally in the second half — shooting 71 percent from three-point range — but were eventually subdued by the Red Raiders.

Senior Mike Rose led the Colonels with 25 points on 9-of-15 shooting (4-of-9 from behind the arc). 19 of Rose's 25 points came in the second half. Junior Papa Oppong contributed with 17 points (14 of which came in the second half) and a team-high seven rebounds. Oppong has now led the Colonels in rebounding every game this season. Junior Josh Taylor and freshman Joshua Jones came off the bench to chip in with 10 and nine points, respectively.

Tech was led by senior Alan Voskuil, who poured in a game-high 28 points on 8-of-11 three-point shooting. Sophomore John Roberson helped out with 16 points, 14 of which came in the first half.

The Colonels shot 48 percent from the field for the game and 45 percent from

three-point range; however, the Red Raiders outdueled them by putting up staggering numbers of 62 percent shooting from the field and 64 percent shooting from behind the arc.

The game was dominated early by Roberson, who hit four three-pointers in the first eight minutes of the game to give the Red Raiders an 18-8 advantage with 11:39 left in the first half. Two consecutive buckets by Tech sophomore Mike Singletary quickly ballooned that lead to 22-8.

A put-back by Taylor and a jumper by junior Dayvon Ellis pulled the Colonels back within 11 points; however, four consecutive threes by the Red Raiders — one by junior Nick Okorie and three by senior Alan Voskuil — again gave Texas Tech a sizeable advantage at 36-12.

Six straight points by Rose and a three-pointer by sophomore Justin Stommes pulled EKV to within 19, but another three by Voskuil at the buzzer sent the Colonels into halftime trailing 48-26.

EKV shot just 30 percent from the field in the first half and only 21 percent from three-point range. Rose led the Colonels with six points at the break, while Taylor came off the bench to score five. The Red Raiders, meanwhile,

scorched the nets in the first half, shooting 65 percent from the field and 69 percent from three-point range. Roberson led Tech at the half with 14 points on 4-of-5 three-point shooting while Voskuil contributed 12 points on 4-of-5 three point shooting.

The Colonels warmed up at the start of the second half, with Oppong pouring in 11 points in the first five minutes of the half on 3-of-3 three-point shooting. Consecutive three pointers by Jones brought the Colonels to within 20 at 65-45 with 13:46 left in the game. A jumper by Rose with 13:18 showing on the clock cut the Red Raider lead to below 20 for the first time since the first half.

Two consecutive Taylor-to-Rose backdoor baskets sliced the lead to 73-56. A Taylor three from the top of the key then brought the Colonels to within 15, 78-63, with 8:43 remaining in the game. A Jones three with just over six minutes to play cut the Tech lead to 13, 83-70.

The Red Raiders' torrid shooting continued, however, and stymied EKV's comeback. Voskuil poured in 16 points in the second half on 4-of-6 three-point shooting and the Colonels could never quite cut the lead to single digits.

THE ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL boys' basketball team was showcased in front of fans Saturday night at the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse.



Tia Maria named EK Miners arena hostess

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Tia Fletcher, better known to the public as Tia Maria, is a young radio personality for one of the fastest growing radio stations in the area, Z-Rock 107.5 FM. During the 2008-09 CBA season, Fletcher will serve as an arena hostess for the East Kentucky Miners.

"I can't tell you how thrilled I am to be embarking on this adventure with the East Kentucky Miners," Tia said. "Getting to be a part of everything they do professionally and in the community is really something I'm looking forward to, and I'm thankful for the opportunity!"

An Eastern Kentucky native from Martin County, Fletcher graduated from Sheldon Clark High School and moved to Lexington where she obtained a degree in television and radio broadcasting. Upon graduation from high school, she moved to Pikeville where she embarked on a career in radio with East Kentucky

Broadcasting (EKB). Fletcher was initially hired as EKB Promotion Director, but soon took on the responsibility of hosting a show from 6 p.m.-midnight on Z-Rock 107.5. With Z-Rock's format of Top 40 pop and rock, Tia Maria fit right in, talking about current events, celebrity gossip and of



TIA MARIA

course spinning the kind of music Eastern Kentucky wants to hear. She has a blog on Z-Rock's website — www.1075zrock.com — which gives you a glance into the life of a young woman in radio. She also can be seen out in the public participating in community events, such as host-

ing Pikeville College tailgating parties and broadcasting live from various remote locations. Tia Maria recently celebrated three years with East Kentucky Broadcasting and plans on making radio broadcasting her sole career path.

"I speak for the entire organization when I say we are thrilled to have Tia join our family," said Demetrius Ford, Miners Co-owner and President. Our fans can now look forward to getting up close and personal with one of the most popular radio voices in eastern Kentucky at every home game. Tia will be up in the stands, microphone in hand, interacting with our fans, giving away prizes and keeping with this years motto "Bringing the Energy!"

The East Kentucky Miners will open the season Friday, Dec. 12 on the road in Pittsburgh versus the Xplosion. East Kentucky will host the Minot Skyrockets in a home game Sunday, Dec. 14. Tip-off for the home opener Dec. 14 is set for 4:05 p.m. at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

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THROUGH THE LENS

We reap rewards of space exploration

by ERIC THOMAS

I would hazard to guess that most persons reading this do not realize that the Space Shuttle Endeavor is halfway through its 16-day mission to the International Space Station. You are probably not aware that while docked to the International Space Station, the Endeavor's crew of five men and two women will conduct four space walks, install new crew quarters in the space station and new support equipment. You probably did not know that the work being done on this flight will allow the space station crew to be expanded from three to six residents next year. To be honest with you neither did I, until just before the mission began.

Growing up during the height of the Apollo program was what got me interested in science. Space was a new frontier and exploring it was exciting. I was

(See LENS, page seven)



Eric Thomas

POISON OAK

And before you know it

by CLYDE PACK

Believe it or not...make that, like it or not...tomorrow is Thanksgiving, and Christmas is a mere 29 days away.

Ever since I was a kid, I've heard older folks talking about how fast time flies as one gets older. Back then, however, that concept, which I now accept as a pure, 100 percent fact, was terribly hard to grasp; seemed like Christmases and birthdays were years apart, and it took about two weeks from Monday til Friday, when I was in grade school.

But Wilma is already pulling burned-out mini lights and rolls of tangled tinsel from the attic, and has even filled out most of her Christmas cards. Is that possible? Wasn't it just last week that we were watching the Fourth of July fireworks? But the good news, as it regards the swiftness with which the world goes by these days, is that now that the leaves have fallen, it won't be long before the few snow flurries, that we've already had, will become really serious, and our drab, monochromatic hills will be whitewashed.

Then, before you know it, we'll start hearing the frogs sing their greatest hits, and the grass will start turning green again, more so (and taller), where the neighbor's dog has visited. Those hateful dandelions will inundate our lawns and we'll again bemoan the fact that the hedge is about to need trimming. It's always been that way, of course, but in the old days, it just didn't all happen so...so all at once.

In a 1940's coal camp, however, this

(See OAK, page seven)



Clyde Pack

LOTS OF GOODIES



Linda Dyer places donated toys under the Christmas tree at Cash Express in Prestonsburg on Monday.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

GIVING BACK

Cash Express collecting toys, gifts to donate to God's Appalachian Partnership

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

Cash Express usually deals with money and checks, but when Christmas comes around the business seeks out toys and coats to make sure children have presents for the holidays when their parents can't afford them.

Cash Express started accepting donations earlier this month, serving as a drop-off point for toys, food, and coats for the children of the area.

The inside of the Prestonsburg Cash Express is already filled with bags and boxes of gifts under the Christmas tree that sits front of the window. Flyers promoting the collection effort are readily

available on the counter, and the employees are happy to speak about the donations with those that are interested.

In the fourth year of taking up donations, the employees of the Cash Express have seen the program grow and become successful, and they hope that this year's collection of toys and other items will be the best yet.

"Please bring slightly used toys and coats to our drop off," said Linda Dyer, with Cash Express. "We do ask that the toys and coats be in good shape."

Cash Express will be accepting the donations until Dec. 10.

The donations will go to God's Appalachian

Partnership and they will be handed out to the families who are in need.

God's Appalachian Partnership is a need-based organization dedicated to serving the community by meeting the person on the level of spiritual need, meeting the physical needs through food, clothing, housing, and other areas essential to wellness, and meeting the personal development need through special training which enhances their economic potential.

Some of the donations will also go to the resource centers at the area schools.

For more information on the donation effort, contact the Prestonsburg location of Cash Express by calling (606) 886-9997.

Science class visits battlefield.

by Kala Jarrell

On Wednesday November 5, the second period Prestonsburg High School freshman science class of Solomon Kilburn traveled on a journey back in time.

This field trip was to the historical Middle Creek Battlefield of Eastern Kentucky. In the time of January 10, 1862 Middle Creek was the largest and most significant civil war battle of Eastern Kentucky.

On this site 1,100 union troops under James Garfield defeated the 2,000 Confederate Troops under Humphrey Marshall. The Union losses were three killed and 18 wounded, but the Confederate losses were 12 killed and 15 wounded.

We were taught a lot about the history of the battle field while we were there, like the reason for the battle. Kentucky remained neutral for a time in the civil war but then, new legislature voted to suppress the rebellion while federal marshals began arresting men on charges of treason. In the



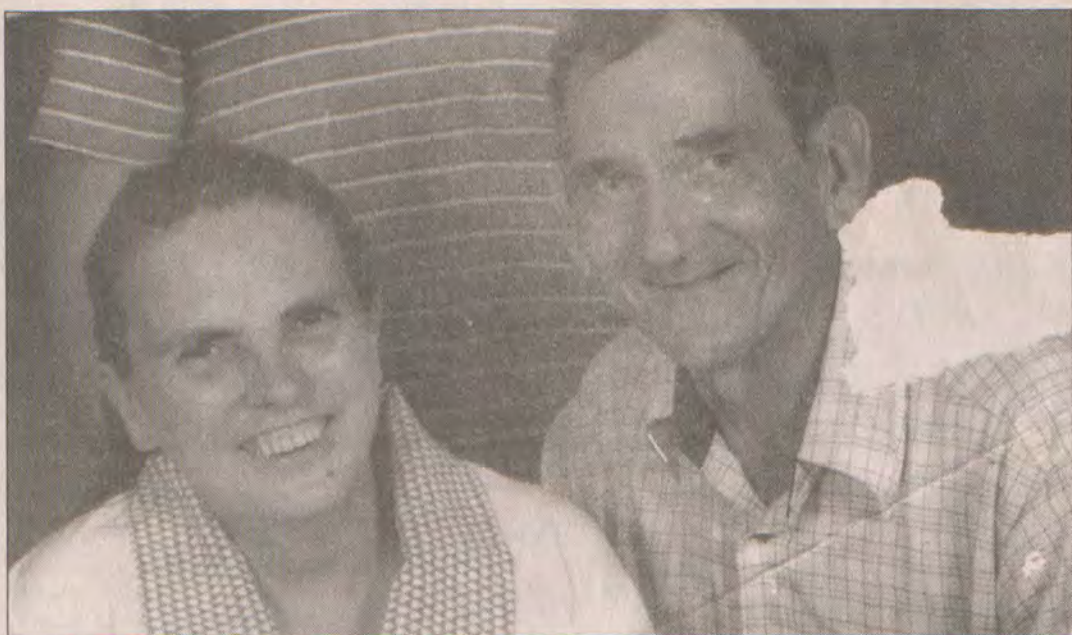
Students in Solomon Kilburn's second-period science class at Prestonsburg High School visited the Middle Creek Battlefield.

month of September 1862, Floyd County became a sanctuary for fleeing Confederates.

Not only did we learn about the history of the battle field but also of the land itself. We walked the old

trails of the Union and Confederate armies. While on these trails we plotted points on a GPS (Global Positioning System). The reason for our trip was to mark the trails, plot points, learn historical data, and gather

er more information about the layout of the land, so that our info could be taken and used to make better maps of the area in order to plan future usage of the site, such as the museum they were thinking of making there.



Edgel and Sadie Osborne will celebrate their fiftieth anniversary on Nov. 28. They are the parents of James Osborne, Ann Tackett, Rose Mitchell, Tommy Osborne, Bernice Slone, Arnold Osborne, John Osborne, and Bill Osborne. They have 41 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.



D & D Enterprises of East Kentucky recently joined the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. D & D Enterprises, located in David, offers many services including janitorial services, building maintenance, car washing and detailing, parking lot cleaning, and heavy equipment cleaning as well as other services. D & D Enterprises is owned and operated by Arthur DeVore.



Michael Wayne Sparkman and Teresa Lynn Ramey were united in holy matrimony on Nov. 1. The wedding ceremony took place at the Rock Fork Regular Baptist Church with many friends and family.

BBB warns of gas card scam

Free gas sounds good, but could it be too good to be true? Chances are, probably so.

The Better Business Bureau has been informed of a scam concerning the "Great Gas Giveaway." Consumers across the U.S. are receiving cards in the mail, telling them they won a \$300 gas card. The card says to send a money order for \$29.95 and they will receive a gift card for \$300 worth of gas.

BBB received notification of this scam from a Sunoco gas dealer. Sunoco, and other major gas chains are mentioned on the card, but are not participating. Consumers who send the \$29.95 are likely to get nothing in return.

Some consumers are also being referred to a gas giveaway website, www.GasGiveAway300.com. The Website says consumers can also get a \$1,000 Shopping Spree Gift Card. Both the card and the website have the old version of the BBB logo and falsely claim to be a proud member of the BBB.

The BBB is unaware if this scam is active in the Kentucky area, but as always, it is just a matter of time.

BBB asks consumers who are contacted regarding the "Great Gas Giveaway" to contact the Better Business Bureau at (800) 388-2222.

Business workshop offered in Pikeville

PIKEVILLE — Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center will present "How To Finance a Small Business," a seminar for both present and prospective small business owners who are interested in financing for their business.

The free workshop will be conducted on Tuesday, Dec. 17, from 6-9 p.m. at the Pike County Public Library, 119 College Street in Pikeville. Mike Morley, director for Morehead State University Small Business Development Center, will be the presenter.

Morehead State University/East Kentucky Small Business Development Center along with SCORE will sponsor the event.


Topics to be covered at the seminar are: truths and myths about small business loans, grants and other types of business financing.



Ali Grace Slone was recently named the winner of the 2008 Founder's Day and Baby Miss Jenny Wiley contest. Ali Grace Slone is the 3 month old daughter of Nathan Slone and Kendra Carty. Ali Grace's paternal grandparents are Elmer Dean and Sherri Slone, of David. Her maternal grandparents are Kenneth and Pam Carty, of Salyersville.



Papa John's of Prestonsburg recently joined the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. The local business was established in 1999, and in August of 2008, Todd Meade, a native of eastern Kentucky, acquired Papa John's.



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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(Nov. 27 and Dec. 2, 1998)

Prestonsburg City Council met in special session, Wednesday, with their first reading of an ordinance to close the portion of Hughes Street that is north of Highland Avenue. According to the ordinance, the northern part of Hughes was "never developed or paved, and is not suitable to be used as a city street."

The City of Prestonsburg is accepting bids for the construction of an extension to the Jenny Wiley Trail, and to what is being dubbed the Garfield Trail

Lights shine brightly in the City of Martin this holiday season. The City Council purchased new lights that can be seen throughout downtown Martin

Christmas is coming and local communities are getting ready for the season by hosting yuletide events. Santa Claus will make an early visit to Prestonsburg next Saturday, December 5, to kick off the Christmas season

Army Specialist Jimmie J. Crace, Allen native, was part of the 157th Task Force deployed from Fort Hood, Texas, to Cuero, to provide clean water and shower facilities to victims of a flood that surged through the small Texas town, leaving a path of destruction not seen in more than 100 years

Prestonsburg Community College and Mayo Technical College in Paintsville, will cooperate to offer an associate degree in respiratory care. The new program was approved last week by the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education at the request of the Kentucky Community and Technical College system

While Jesse James' specialty was robbing banks, an outlaw (or outlaws) in eastern Kentucky has a penchant for insurance agencies. The offices of three Floyd County insurance agencies were broken into two weeks ago, and police departments in at least nine other counties reported burglaries of insurance companies, primarily Farm Bureau

Floyd County has been allocated \$17,596 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide help for people in crisis

May Valley Elementary students showed their willingness to help needy families during the holiday season by collecting 2,446 cans of food during the three-week canned food drive

Prestonsburg Community College will be the setting this Friday, for a blood drive, sponsored by the American Red Cross. PCC nursing students will host the activities

A Pike County man died, apparently at the hands of his father, Saturday. Paul Shortridge, 26, of Mouthcard, was shot in the abdomen with a rifle and pronounced dead at the scene. His father, Bennie Shortridge, 60, of Mouthcard, was arrested and lodged in the Pike County Detention Center

The Floyd County Housing Authority will receive \$75,373 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide house assistance for low-income individuals with disabilities

A check for \$50,000 was mailed Tuesday to the Floyd Fiscal Court for making improvements of the Historic Samuel May House

Rainfall, Monday night, put a damper on forest fires in the county, but it wasn't enough to put an end to them, according to forestry officials

Meagan Carabello, who has deep Floyd County roots, will appear with star Don Johnson on the CBS-TV show "Nash Bridges" this Friday night at 10 p.m. The eight-year-old actress is the granddaughter of Carol Sue Wright Watson, formerly of Prestonsburg, now of the San Francisco area

Melissa Newman, 26, of Betsy Layne, apparently died of chicken pox, or at least from the pneumonia brought by lesions in her lungs

The South Floyd Middle School Academic Team is having a spectacular first year

There died: Lucy Collier, 83, of Kite, Tuesday, November 24, at the Knott County Nursing Home, in Hindman; Bill B. Blackburn, 65, of Britton, Michigan, Monday, November 2, at Herrick Hospital, in Tecumseh, Michigan; Joseph D. Harkins, III, 58, of Lexington, Monday, November 30, at his home; Ezra Collins, 68, of West Prestonsburg, Sunday, November 29, at Hazard Appalachian Hospital; Melissa "Missy" Ann Newman, 26, of Betsy Layne, Wednesday, November 25, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bobby Hall, 57, of Melvin, Saturday, November 28, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Margie Boyd Layne, 86, of Dema, Tuesday, December 1, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Crecie Prater Joseph, 89, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, November 29, at the residence of her son, Hershel Joseph, in Van Lear; William R. Spencer, 93, of Martin, Sunday, November 15, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa; Ollie J. McKinney, 88, of Harold, Monday, November 30, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Billy Jean May, 70, of Michigan, November 11.

Twenty Years Ago

(December 7, 1988)

The Floyd County Board of Education chose not to terminate Transportation Director Ed Patton, Monday night, instead opting to reprimand him for alleged insubordination, and violation of state bid laws

State officials are expected to visit Prestonsburg, this week, and issue a stop order on construction underway on the new Prestonsburg Middle School, because the state has not yet approved plans for the facility

The presence of methane gas, resulting from the removal of bathroom fixtures and traps, held the possibility of near disaster, when Prestonsburg Fire Department was called to Southern Explosives Corp., on Railroad Street, Thursday

Dr. John Brock, state superintendent of public instruction is expected to attend tonight's Floyd County School Board meeting, when an audit of the district's curriculum will be presented to the local board

Orville Tackett has been found guilty of the intentional murder of Mickey Hall

There died: Emma Eleanor Leslie Burchett, 75, of Emma, November 30; Reese Damron, 71, of Drift, December 4; Veral O. Frazier, 73, former Martin resident, December 6; George Patton McDavid, 87, of Weeksbury, December 4; James Ray Rice, 60, of East Point, December 5; Tyler James Dean Rupp, infant son of Dean and Sandy Rupp, November 28; Everett Williams Jr., 60, of Wayland, December 5; Erman "Buck" Stumbo, 77, of Wayland.

Thirty Years Ago

(December 6, 1978)

A modern animal shelter now well under construction, and set for completion by early spring, will represent nearly four years of work, organization, and negotiation

Reaction to internal policy changes was given as the cause of several resignations submitted, Monday, by nursing staff members of Highlands Regional Medical Center

Gov. Julian Carroll last Tuesday, added \$35,000 from his contingency fund, to increase to \$70,000 the available funds for replacement of the ceiling at Prestonsburg High School, which contains asbestos fibers

Effective Jan. 1, Kentuckians using food stamps will no longer be required to buy the coupons each month

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Haywood, a daughter, Jacqueline Renee, Nov. 30, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Dean Goble, a daughter, Mary Dawn, Nov. 27, at Highlands Regional Medical Center

There died: Marion Kidd, 91, of Banner, at the home of his son, Alexander Kidd; Andrew Slone, 46, of Lackey, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Allie Jones, 54, of Garrett, Ind., formerly of Hueysville, at the home of his mother, Nora Joseph Jones; Stella Stevens Werwech, 78, of Price, at the McDowell Regional Hospital; William McKinley Storie, 82, of McDowell, at the McDowell Hospital; Amos Hicks, 65, of Mousie, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Ken Thornsberry, month-old son of Can and Nadean Hall Thornsberry, at their home in Dry Creek; William "Bill" Kazee, 80, of Justell, former Prestonsburg police officer, in Paintsville; Rutherford Williams, 62, of Harold, at the Methodist Hospital in Pikeville; Nora Hayes, 70, of Langley, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Haskell O. Grady, 67, former superintendent of compressor stations, Columbia Gas Co., at Spencer, W.Va.

Forty Years Ago

(December 5, 1968)

Contractors' bids for the construction of the Mud Creek water system are expected to be asked, next week, and the date for pipe will become effective January 1. Total estimated cost of the project, which will involve the laying of approximately 60 miles of water mains, is \$1,571,000. The system will serve an area with an estimated population of 8,500

Construction was scheduled to begin, Wednesday, on the Mountain Manor Nursing Home of Pikeville, by Prestonsburg contractors for Pikeville Investors Inc., which is Prestonsburg-owned. The \$696,760, 100-bed facility, believed to be the largest of its kind east of Lexington, will be of one-story brick construction, with a floor area of 32,000 square feet

Jerry's Restaurants, this week, announced plans for the building of a new Jerry's on North U.S. 23 here, in the vicinity of the First Presbyterian Church and Prestonsburg Community College. The contemporary style building will seat more than 80 guests, and parking will be available for 40 cars. Jack Abshire, Frank Justice, and Dr. B. J. Roe will operate the Prestonsburg franchise

The Kentucky Un-American Activities Committee, last Friday, urged Gov. Louie B. Nunn to discontinue the Appalachian Volunteer program, claiming the program is detrimental to the state

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowling, Atlanta, Ga., on Nov. 25, a daughter, Elizabeth Carol

There died: Mrs. Samantha Spears, 84, Greentown, Ky., sister of Gay Castle and Mrs. Hazel Barber, of Martin; Mrs. Bertha Hayes Baldrige, 80, of Langley, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Lizzie Allen, 78, of Martin, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Jeff Reynolds, 80, of Beaver, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Jack Johnson, formerly of Garrett, died at Knox, Indiana. He was 71 years old; Mrs. Janie Adams, 67, of West Prestonsburg, at the Mountain Manor

Convalescent Home; John Bentley, 84, at his residence at Allen; Andrew Jackson Kidd, 72, retired miner, at his home in Drift.

Fifty Years Ago

(December 5, 1958)

By next April 1, the 180,000 soft coal miners of the country will be receiving a basic wage of \$24.25 a day—a raise of \$2 per day over the current scale

Refusal of Floyd voters to approve bonds for the construction of the proposed Floyd County courthouse, made necessary the filing of a revised application to the Urban Renewal Administration for aid in "renewing" the center section of Prestonsburg

Allen's new dial office will go into operation at noon, Wednesday, December 10. The entire project, including the building, central office equipment, and outside plant facilities, was completed at a cost of approximately \$40,000

Recertification of commodity relief recipients has reduced the number to receive surplus foodstamps this month, by almost 2,000 below the number given assistance during November

The Prestonsburg-Auxier road, now under construction, will be completed by late summer of 1959, said H. D. Bush, superintendent of the Snider Highway Construction Company

There died: Will Campbell, 69, of Water Gap, Friday, at Paintsville Hospital; Orville Belmer Spears, 72, at his home in Bonanza; Mrs. Cora Powers Richardson, Saturday, in Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Myrtle Blanton, 69, of East McDowell, at the home of a son, Jim Blanton; Albert Minns, 58, Drift, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, W.Va.; Miss Virginia Patton, 36, last Wednesday, at the home, here, of her mother, Mrs. W.D. Patton; Charles W. Alley, 69, of Cliff, Sunday, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, W.Va.

Sixty Years Ago

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Yesterdays

at the Paintsville Hospital; Mrs. Elvoda Gibson, 54, at her home at Allen; W. D. Lidster, of Bevinsville.

Seventy Years Ago (December 1, 1938)

Claimed to be one of the largest "moonshine plants" ever confiscated in this section, a copper still, 700 gallons of mash, and eight gallons of moonshine, were found in a raid near Hunter

recently, Deputy Sheriff Tom James announced a document, 151 years old, which marked the "beginning" of the settlement of the Big Sandy Valley was discovered, this week, in the records of the Circuit Court Clerk's office, here, by Russell Hunley. It set forth the terms under which John Preston and John Smith, of Montgomery County, Va., were to work with Daniel Harmon and Charles Skaggs in the survey and land-claiming expedition Preston led up the Big Sandy Valley.

Thanksgiving records for snow and cold were smashed in Floyd County, according to many old-

sters, as Big Sandy traffic became hazardous, and towns in the valley "dig out" of a snowfall ranging in depth from 5 to 9 inches.

Auxier's up and coming netmen fought through an overtime period, last Wednesday night, to down a Warfield team by a one-point margin, 15 to 14, after downing Royalton by the "football score" of 14 to 7 the previous night. Auxier has now won six games out of six, and will defend its record against Wheelwright, Saturday.

Mail carrier Cal Robinson rides horse-back 30 miles each weekday, from Hueysville to Elm

Rock on Quick Sand, Knott County. This veteran of the saddle has ridden more than 150,000 miles in 20 years.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Goble, a son, Robin Phillip, on Nov. 23; to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Spradlin, a daughter, on November 23, at Paintsville Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Merle Wilson, a daughter, November 17, at Paintsville Hospital.

There died: C. (Opp) Clarke, 70, former Floyd County man, at his home in Wakefield, Ohio; Bill Halbert, 27-year-old truckman for the Elkhorn Mining Company, Ligon, by electrocution.

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Oak

time of year, quite obviously, drove us indoors, but fortunately. I had a younger brother with whom to share those long late-fall and winter afternoons. Older siblings kept us supplied with a ton of funny books, and my sister had bought us a card game, called Authors. (That's where I first heard of Louisa Mae Alcott, Nathaniel Hawthorne and Charles Dickens). We had a Monopoly game, too, and spent hours on end buying hotels, and passing go without collecting \$200. The good thing about Monopoly was that nobody ever lost, because nobody ever won. We'd just play until we got tired, or bored, or both, then we'd just quit.

But even with those distractions, in the days before TV, we still got bored from time to time, and as would be expected, had a difficult time staying out of trouble.

For some reason, Mom would get all excited when a wrestling match would get out of hand, and a perfectly executed drop kick resulted in one of

us turning over the churn she had seen next to our open fireplace to clabber; or when an aggressive re-creation of the Saturday-matinee cowboy movie's saloon-brawl scene, ended up with a tablecloth filled with dirty dishes crashing to the floor.

The winter holidays were great though, and Mom always seemed to make a special effort for Thanksgiving dinner. She had a super recipe for dressing that has been extremely difficult to duplicate. Of course, she did equally well on Christmas, and what with her cooking, topped with the presents we'd get—which more often than not included a fancy cowboy hat (that lost its shape as soon as it got damp), and two new sets of Hopalong Cassidy cap buses—managed to hold our attention, while giving Mom a brief respite from chaos.

Anyway, if you haven't already, better start getting serious about your Christmas shopping. Next thing you know, folks will be showing off their Easter bonnets.

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Lens

glued to the TV with every mission to the moon and just knew that by the time I was a middle aged we would have established a permanent settlement there and the average person would be able to travel to the moon for vacation.

Well I am middle aged now, and not only are we not traveling to the moon regularly, but we have not been there in almost 30 years. The work of exploring space lately seems so routine and mundane that we hardly seem to notice. After watching the shuttle launch online a week ago Friday night, seeing the astronauts start their mission to the international space station, I started to think about the space program and what it means to us.

There is a visible side of our nation's space program, the part we see for 30 seconds on the news at night. That part is the launching of rockets, the astronauts floating around in micro-gravity, and the pictures from robotic explorers of other worlds in our solar system. But believe it or not, this is just a small part of the overall program.

If you go to their website you will find that NASA's mission is to "pioneer the future in space exploration, scientific discovery and aeronautics research". In doing so, they are trying to answer the questions "What's out there in space? How do we get there? What will we find? What can we learn there, or learn just by trying to get there, that will make life better here on Earth?"

That last question seems to catch most people off guard. A lot of people I talk with ask me why we spend so much money exploring space and do not realize that you can make life better on Earth by doing so. This is the less visible side of the space program, the part that affects us directly.

For example, do you own a cordless power tool? Thank NASA, the technology used in the development of cordless drills, screwdrivers, saws, and other tools we now use at work and around our homes started with NASA. When the Apollo astronauts went to the moon in the late 1960s, they needed a battery-powered drill to extract core samples from the lunar surface. The Black & Decker Company met the challenge to provide the drill, and used the experience and knowledge they gained to develop and market a line of consumer and commercial cordless tools including their famous "Dustbuster" vacuum.

Food preservation is another area where NASA touches us every day. At the Science Center we sell "Astronaut Ice Cream" in the gift shop. The slice of Neapolitan ice cream is real ice cream that has been freeze dried. In this process foods are flash frozen then heated in a vacuum to remove the water. The final product retains almost all of its nutritional benefits but weighs considerably less. So, where is the benefit other than selling ice cream that does not melt at the Science Center?

Just look in the cereal aisle at the grocery store. Have you bought a cereal with strawberries; blue berries, or any other fruit already in the box? That is a direct transfer of NASA technology to you. Not only do we get the pleasure of eating the cereal, but it saves us money also. By removing the water from the fruit, the product shelf life is not only extended, but the package is just a little bit lighter to ship. This means that the price you pay does not include the cost for shipping the water that would have been in the fruit.

The medical field has also benefited greatly from NASA research. The monitoring systems used in hospital intensive care units can be traced directly to the systems used to monitor the vital signs of the astronauts during space flights. NASA technology and research is embedded in insulin pumps and dialysis equipment used by diabetics. It is present in the DeBakey Ventricular Assist device used by those awaiting heart transplants. If you have ever had your temperature taken in your ear, that too is thanks to NASA research and technology transferred to the private sector.

The spin-offs from NASA's research and technological innovations are too numerous to list individually, but they do touch almost every aspect of our lives everyday. But there is still one more way the space program affects us, and it is simply "Inspiration". The call to "explore what is out there" and surmounting the challenge that it will bring is inspiring. President Kennedy's call to go to the Moon inspired our nation to accomplish a great feat. The current goal in front of NASA and our nation is to return to the moon by 2020 and stay there this time. In complicated times like these I believe that is what we need, a goal to reach for, and why not the Moon? We were able to grab it once before.

Eric Thomas is the Director of East Kentucky Science Center.

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