

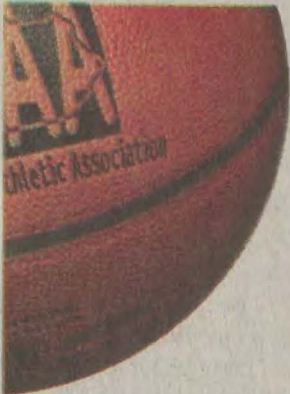
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briefs

Pike pizza place pinched

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

SIDNEY — A restaurant in Pike County was the target of an armed robbery this past weekend, and police are still looking for the suspects.

At 8:35 p.m., officers with Kentucky State Police Post 9 in Pikeville received a 911 call from Big Creek Pizza in Sidney, informing them the restaurant had been robbed.

According to the clerks who placed the call, a man entered with a gun and demanded money. After receiving the money he then left on foot, they said.

The exact amount taken has not been determined and store employees said the man was last seen fleeing the scene west on Route 3220 in the Sidney area.

The robbery is still under investigating by Trooper Donald White who was assisted at the scene by Trooper Randall Coats.

Anyone with information pertaining to the robbery may contact Post 9 at (606) 433-7711 or toll-free (800) 222-5555.

New board takes office

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

MARTIN — Despite the threat of treacherous weather conditions, the Floyd County Board of Education held its first meeting of 2009 at May Valley Elementary on Monday, which included the

swearing in of two new members and Jeff Stumbo, who won his bid for reelection in November.

District Judge Eric Hall was on hand to swear in the members, praising the board for what it has accomplished in the past few years.

"I think we have one of the

best boards in the state and one of the best superintendents in the state," Hall said.

Doug Hopkins, who was elected to replace Sherry Robinson, who did not run for reelection, was the first new board member to be sworn in

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Supt. Henry Webb and Board Member Chandra Varia presented May Valley Elementary Principal Tonya Williams with an award for being selected as a Blue Ribbon School.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

LAYERED IN ICE



Freezing rain and sleet left much of Floyd County covered in ice Tuesday. The weather was also the cause of numerous power outages and fallen tree limbs throughout the day.

photo by Sheldon Compton

Woman says shooting dog was justified

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

BANNER — A woman who now faces charges for shooting a neighbor's dog says she was within her rights to do so.

Charlee Mullins, the Banner woman who saw charges filed against her for cruelty to animals last week by her neighbor, Juanita Bevins, contends she had the right to shoot Bevins' dog.

"I shot the dog inside my fence," Mullins said Tuesday. "The dog should have been kept on a leash."

Mullins says she is vindicated in her actions because the dog was in her yard and, most importantly, had bit at her 4-year-old daughter.

"My child never provoked the dog. When she turned to walk away it grabbed her coat," Mullins said.

According to Mullins, her daughter was in their yard playing with their dog and Bevins' dog was there as well. She said they had tried to "run" the dog off for more than an hour without luck.

"She was trying to pet her dog and their dog kept growling at her," said Mullins. "I told her to just walk away and when she tried to, it grabbed her. I think my child's the victim instead of them."

Mullins said she believes there is a law in Kentucky that states a person has the right to shoot a dog that bites another person.

"You can do that or you can call and have it put down," she said.

Mullins was served with a criminal summons last Friday on one charge of second-degree cruelty to animals and must now appear in court to answer to that charge on Feb. 25.

Wreck victim had heart attack, cops say

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

MILLARD — A Pike County man is dead after suffering an apparent heart attack while driving along a gravel road in the Millard area of Pike County.

Harlan T. Davis, 45, of Cannel City, was traveling on a gravel strip job access road on Daniels Branch

in the Millard area when police said he seemed to have suffered the heart attack, which, in turn, caused him to lose consciousness.

After Davis lost consciousness, his 1991 GMC continued along the road until coming to a stop in a ditch line along the right side of the road.

Kentucky State Police officers working the incident, which

occurred at 4:40 a.m. said there was minor damage to the vehicle and that Davis suffered no injuries as a result. He was, however, pronounced dead by Dr. John Fleming at Pikeville Medical Center after Elkhorn Ambulance service transported him to the hospital.

The incident is still under investigation by accident reconstructionist Trooper Justin Cornett.

Appalachian Wireless named a best place to work

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

IVEL — The Floyd County company Appalachian Wireless has been named as one of the best places to work in Kentucky, according to a recent state announcement.

The Kentucky Society for Human Resource Management, in conjunction with the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, made the announcement on Jan. 23, naming Appalachian Wireless as one of 31 small or medium-sized companies across the state to earn the honor.

Of the 42 Kentucky companies named this year as the best places to work, Appalachian Wireless was the only company

in the Big Sandy Valley on the list.

Ranking of the companies will be announced later at an awards dinner on April 21 at the Lexington Convention Center.

The program is a multi-year initiative designed to "motivate companies throughout the state to focus, measure and move their workplace environments toward excellence."

The categories of small-to-medium and large workplaces are considered based on 25 to 249 for small-to-medium companies and 250 or more employees for companies considered as large.

The selection process, man-

(See WORK, page eight)



Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall signed a proclamation Monday morning declaring the month of January as "Floyd County School Board Member Appreciation Month." Pictured from left to right are Marshall, Community Education Director for Floyd County Schools Beverly Crismas and Floyd County Schools Supt. Henry Webb.

2 DAY FORECAST

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Obituaries

Loretta Estella Ann Blanton

Loretta Estella Ann Blanton, 73, of Dwale, died Friday, January 23, 2009, at her residence.

Born April 29, 1935, in Hammond, Indiana, she was the daughter of the late Hubert Ramsey and Mabel Buchanan Jones and a stepdaughter of the late John B. Jones. She was a homemaker and a member of the Drift Independent Baptist Church.

She is survived by her hus-

band, Dock Blanton.

Other survivors include two sons: Jerry (Jean) Warner of Silver Lake, Indiana, and Robert (Sandra) Warner of Burket, Indiana; three daughters: Debra (Lewis) Canby of Claypool, Indiana, Roberta (Tommy) Hatfield of Winona Lake, Indiana, and Katherine (Craig) Conrad of Warsaw, Indiana; four stepsons: Larry Todd (Violet) and Leonard (Sherry) Blanton, both of Indiana, Monty (Tammy) Blanton of Texas, and DL Blanton of Louisiana; 11

grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and nine stepgrandchildren.

In addition to her parents and stepfather, she was preceded in death by a brother, Gene Ramsey.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 26, at noon, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with James Fields officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Neva Melissa (Parsons) Churico

Neva Melissa (Parsons) Churico, 81, of Temple, Pennsylvania, died Monday, January 26, 2009, in Reading Hospital and Medical Center, where she had been a patient to one week.

Born May 29, 1927, in McDowell, she was a daughter of the late John William and Phena Frances (Akers) Parsons. She was a graduate of McDowell High School. She attended Trinity Bible Church of Brandon, Maiden Creek Township.

She is survived by her husband, Frank D. Churico, whom she married July 5, 1950.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include a daughter, Phena Lois (Churico), wife of Luigi Morganti of Muhlenberg Township; and a son, David J.L., husband of Susan J. (Miller) of Bernville; two sisters: Violet (Parsons) Shelton of McDowell; and Vera N. (Parsons) Shelton of Lagro, Indiana; and a brother, Shannon Parsons of Arvada, Colorado; two grandsons: Robert L. Morganti of West Reading, and James F. Morganti of Phoenixville, Chester County.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by five brothers.

Services will be held Friday, January 30, at 10 a.m., in Walter R. Christ Funeral Home, Inc., 3300 Kutztown Road, Laureldale, with Pastor Thomas Wiley officiating.

A viewing will be held one hour prior to services.

Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery, Spring Township.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Christar, P.O. Box 14866, Reading, PA 19602.

For online condolences, please visit www.christfuneralhome.com. (Paid obituary)

Delores Collett

Delores Collett, 67, of Garrett, died Friday, January 23, 2009, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born January 16, 1942, in McDowell, she was the daughter of the late Silas and Dorothy Dye Scott. She was a homemaker, and a member of the United Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Lucky Collett.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include three sons: Lucky (Dena) Collett Jr., of Weeksbury, Joseph Collett (Keisha), and Anthony Collett, both of Garrett; three daughters: Ella Jean (Sam) Collett,

Kathy Lynn Collett, and Nellie Ann (Rodney) Collett, all of Garrett; two grandsons, being raised as sons: Austin Collett and Justin Cox, both of Garrett; a brother, James Ed (Mary) Scott of Prestonsburg; five sisters: Edna (George) Hale, Henrietta (Clyde) Boyd, Bessie Jenkins, and Linda (David) Samons, all of Martin, and Patricia (Eddie) Martin of McDowell; 17 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by five brothers: Glen Scott, Julius Scott, Leo Scott, Silas Scott Jr., and Jack Scott; and a sister, Shirley Jean Scott.

Graveside services were held Sunday, January 25, at 2 p.m., at the Collett Family Cemetery, in Garrett, with ministers of the United Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Collett Family Cemetery, in Garrett, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. (Paid obituary)

Sarah Ophelia Helmantoler

Sarah Ophelia Helmantoler, age 91, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, January 24, 2009, at the Riverview Health Care Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born September 16, 1917, in Round Knob, Illinois; a daughter of the late Frank and Una Lossie Travis Helmantoler. She was a missionary associated with the Black Diamond Mission.

She is survived by a sister, Myrtle Fay Robb of Livingston, Texas.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Samuel, Frank, Otis, and David, Louis Helmantoler; and a sister, Laura Ann Dunmayer.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 27, at 1 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Russ Taylor officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Randell Reno, Josiah Reno, Roy Hodson, Steve Crum, and Blaine Handshoe. (Paid obituary)

Ruby Elizabeth Powers

Ruby Elizabeth Powers, 89, of Auxier, died Friday, January 23, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born November 4, 1919, in Johns Creek, she was the daughter of the late Linzzie and Effie Salyers Griffith. She was a homemaker and a member of the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George Powers.

Survivors include three sons: Darrell Duane (Leesa) Powers of Van Lear, Michael (Della) Powers of Auxier and Cecil (Ruth) Powers of Massillion, Ohio; three daugh-

ters: Neva (Tommy) Ferrell of Como, Florida, Laverne McClure of Navarre, Ohio, and Georgia Marsillett of Prestonsburg; a sister, Ellen Marsillett of Prestonsburg; 25 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren and 20 great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, James L. Powers; a daughter, Brenda Davis; four brothers: Otis Griffith, LJ Griffith, Cecil Griffith and Dock Griffith; and three sisters: Martha Duty, Oma Bentley, and Nancy Estep.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 27, at 2 p.m., at the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church, with Bobby Joe Spencer officiating.

Burial was in Highland Memorial Park, Staffordsville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

Patricia Ann "Patty" Sturgill

Patricia Ann "Patty" Sturgill, 69, of Hindman, died Saturday, January 24, 2009, in the home of her daughter in Clay City.

She had lived in LaPorte, Indiana, for 22 years prior to

moving to Kentucky. She was a homemaker.

She was born November 20, 1939, in Dwarf, the daughter of the late Woots and Nannie (Gayheart) Terry.

On July 3, 1954, in Knott County, she married Chester Sturgill. He preceded her in death on June 1, 1976.

Surviving are a daughter, Kitty Sturgill and her companion, Johnny Goodwin of Clay City; two sons and a daughter-in-law: Phillip and Brenda Sturgill of Hindman, and Dennis Sturgill and his companion, Cheryl of Campbellsville; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; three sisters and two brothers-in-law: Elmetta and Austin Slone of Wolcottville, Indiana, Shirley and Roy Dobson of Brimfield, and Bonnie Jean Ritchie of London; and a brother and sister-in-law: Henderson and Darlene Terry of Brimfield.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Brenda Sturgill; and a brother, Silas Terry.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, January 28, at 1 p.m., at Young Family Funeral Home, Wolcottville Chapel, State Road 9 North, Wolcottville, Indiana.

(See OBITUARIES, page eight)

Card of Thanks

The family of Seth Addison Lafferty 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 Clergyman Graydon Howard for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; the Floyd County Rescue Squad; and the 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 SETH ADDISON LAFFERTY

Card of Thanks

The family of Astor Clay Collins would like to humbly thank each and every one who helped in any way during our recent loss, those who sent beautiful floral arrangements, food, or even words of encouragement. A special thanks to anyone that spoke kind words of comfort at the service; 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 ASTOR CLAY COLLINS

Card of Thanks

The family of Jayne Frances Howland Pitts would like to sincerely say thank you to all of our wonderful friends and neighbors who helped to comfort our family during this difficult time. Thanks to those who sent flowers and food, or came by to share our loss; to Clergyman Larry Hall for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for providing us with an escort to the graveside; and to the staff at Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. To all we thank you. God bless.

THE FAMILY OF JAYNE FRANCES HOWLAND PITTS

Card of Thanks

The Troy Hall family would like to thank friends and relatives who extended their prayers, condolences, services, visits, flowers, and food, during our bereavement period. We were truly blessed by the graciousness of the Hall Funeral Home staff; the Old Regular Baptist Church; the Allen Volunteer Fire Department; the remaining founding members of the fire department; and the escort provided by the police and fire departments. We would also like to thank the Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist Church for providing food at the funeral home, and the Allen Baptist Church for serving a dinner on the day of the funeral, January 21. We are extremely grateful to each of you and will carry a special place in our hearts for your loving kindness. Again, thank you, and may God bless each of you.

Card of Thanks


The family of Judge Hollie Conley wishes to express its heartfelt thank you to those who expressed condolences for the loss of our father. A special thank you to Arnold Turner; the Sheriff's Department; Hall Funeral Home; and our Conley Kentucky Food Store Family. Many thanks to Graceway Methodist Church and the ladies who kindly fed our family following the service.

The family would also like to express our sincere appreciation to all of the members of the community who shared many wonderful memories of the ways our father touched their lives. You may never know how much sharing these memories helped us through the most difficult time. May God bless each of you.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Reunion/Memorial to be held in 2010

Old House Hollow, "Bristle Buck", East McDowell, to be held in 2010. For information, send a post card to 47 Frasure Creek Road, McDowell, KY 41647, or e-mail: patricia.466@hotmail.com; also Post Card, P.O. Box 431, McDowell, KY 41647.

HRMC

"Living Well with Diabetes" Support Group

"Have a Healthy Heart." Learn about heart habits to reduce your risk of Heart Disease.

Thursday, February 26. Meeting will be held in the Medical Office Building rooms A & B, 5 p.m.-6 p.m. All classes are free of charge. For further information contact: Food & Nutrition Services, at (606) 886-8511, ext. 7353. We look forward to seeing you!

HRMC

Community Calendar

February 2009
Bariatric Program
February 4th
Meeting Place B
Highlands Medical Office Building
6 p.m.-8 p.m.
Sr. Advantage
February 10th
Meeting Room A & B
Highlands Medical Office Building
9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Living Well With Diabetes
February 26th
Meeting Place A & B
Highlands Medical Office Building
5 p.m.-6 p.m.

Education series planned for Alzheimer's sufferers

The UK Sanders-Brown Center on Aging, Alzheimer's Association, Pikeville Medical Center and the Kentucky TeleHealth Network present: Education series for family members and friends of those who suffer from memory disorders. All programs are on Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m. January 22, 2009

* (S)He's driving me nuts. Managing behaviors in Alzheimer's and dementia
* Medications that work and what you can do that may be even better?
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* Our expert panel includes expertise in neurology, psychiatry, social work and the experts at the Alzheimer's Association.

July 23, 2009

* Dying with dignity: Late-stage dementia care and end-of-life issues

* Palliative medical and behavioral care approaches
Registration is mandatory. Please confirm your attendance by registering with the Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900. Sites without registrants will cancel their participation in this event.

Your community location is: Pikeville Medical Center Library, Brenda Burgess, 626-427-3931.

Hospice of the Bluegrass-Mountain Rivers to hold volunteer training

Hospice of the Bluegrass-Mountain Rivers will hold new volunteer training at the Pikeville office, located at 101 Hibbard Street in Pikeville on Tuesday, February 24, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Anyone interested in becoming a Hospice volunteer is encouraged to attend. The training is free to the public, and lunch will be provided. For more information, or to register for training, call Hospice of the Bluegrass-Mountain Rivers, by noon Friday, February 20, at (606) 437-3700, or toll free at (877) 807-3011, or email: pspradlin@hospicebg.org.

HRMC to host weight loss surgery seminar sessions

Highlands Regional Medical Center and Kentucky Laparoscopic will be hosting several weight loss surgery seminar sessions throughout the area in January. The seminars will be held at the following locations and times:
East Kentucky Expo Center
Pikeville, KY
January 21st, at 6 p.m.
Holiday Inn Express
Hazard, KY
January 27th at 6 p.m.
Magoffin County
Extension Center
Salyersville, KY
January 28th, at 6 p.m.
Refreshments will be provided and a FREE one month membership to the Highlands Wellness Center will be offered to those attending. For more information, please call: 606-886-8240.

Auxier Community Center

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

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.

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.

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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

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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.

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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.

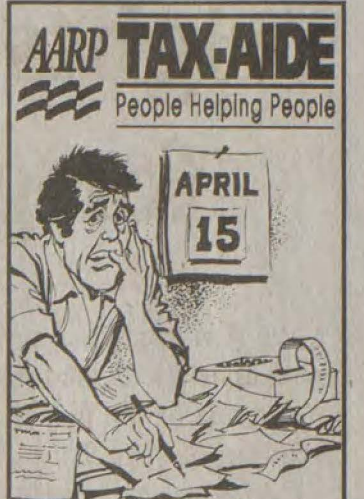
Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

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."

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

A.S.K. (Adoption Support

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



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Worth Repeating ...

By all means marry; if you get a good wife, you'll be happy. If you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher.

— Socrates

Amendment 1

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Guest View

A reminder of rights we take for granted

We Americans sometimes take for granted even our most cherished freedoms, forgetting that people in much of the rest of the world do not enjoy such basic rights as freedom of speech.

Consider two events that made headlines this past week as the United States was inaugurating into office President Barack Obama, our new chief defender of freedoms.

Harry Nicolaides, an Australian working in Thailand, was sentenced to three years in prison for insulting the Thai monarchy in a novel he wrote. Now, this was not exactly Salman Rushdie's international best-seller, "The Satanic Verses," which prompted Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini to issue a fatwa calling for Rushdie to be killed. Nicolaides' work was a self-published paperback that to date has sold exactly 10 copies.

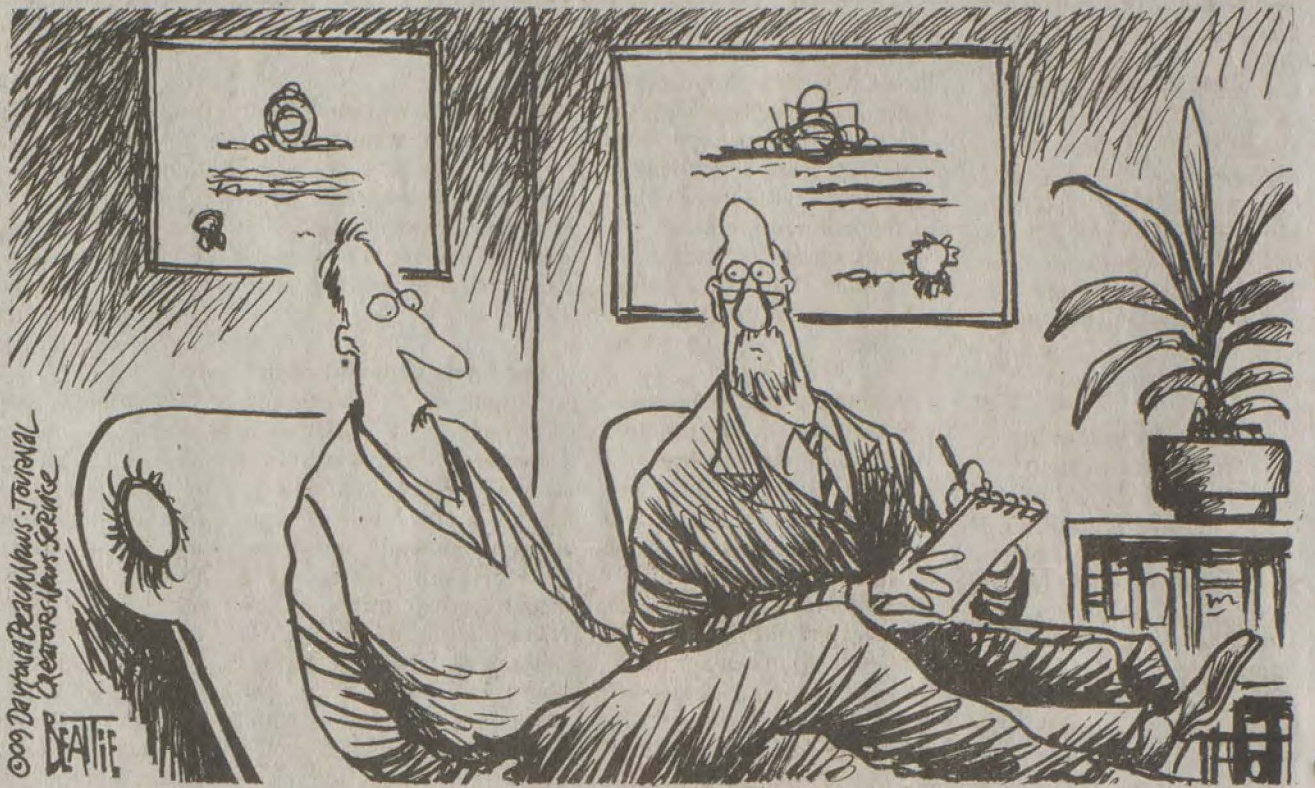
The case against Nicolaides was brought under a Thai law that calls for prison terms of up to 15 years for anyone who "defames, insults or threatens" members of the royal family. Nicolaides was originally sentenced to six years, but that was cut in half when he agreed to plead guilty. He said he has endured "unspeakable suffering" in his five months of imprisonment so far.

The second incident came at the instant Obama uttered these words in his inaugural address: "Recall that earlier generations faced down fascism and communism not just with missiles and tanks, but with sturdy alliances and enduring convictions." As soon as he got to the word "communism," the censors at the state-run China Central Television could take no more. They cut away from the speech and went to an anchor interviewing an analyst.

Chinese translations of Obama's speech published by state-run news organizations censored the line about communism and another Obama passage about "those who cling to power through corruption and deceit and the silencing of dissent."

These are indeed precious things, our freedoms.

— San Diego Union-Tribune



"I was hoping Obama would have everything solved by now."

Guest Column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

The state is anxious to see how much money would come our way from the over \$800 billion federal stimulus bill proposed by President Obama. With a vote expected on the bill in the U.S. House next month, it could be only a matter of months before our state and local governments gets some relief should the bill clear Congress.

At the same time, we know better than to count chickens before they hatch, so to speak. The bill might not pass for quite a while. And even if it does, a state legislative economist told us last week not to expect much this fiscal year when the recession has about bled us dry. Any fiscal impact on the state, he said, will most likely take hold next fiscal year which begins on July 1.

First, let's look at what the bill proposes. The bill, in a nutshell, is a combination of tax cuts and increased spending to reduce get money flowing again and get the nearly 2 million people who lost their jobs in the recession, and then some, back to work. The tax cuts, which would include tax credits for workers and families and tax offsets for businesses, total around \$275 billion. Increased spending to put people to work on infrastructure

projects, fund unemployment insurance and other programs or projects would total around \$550 billion.

If all goes well and the bill has the impact that the President and the bill's supporters hope, some estimate that an additional 3 to 4 million jobs would be created by the stimulus. That is great news if the stimulus works as planned. Right now, based on testimony from our staff economist in the Legislature, that is a big "if".

I know that isn't the most positive outlook, and the economist says he really can't say at this point what the impact will be because of shaky economic conditions. My point is that such uncertainty is the very reason we must be cautious about relying on any future stimulus windfall—we don't even know what the effect of the stimulus, if any, will be.

Here's what we know, from the staff economist's report: The stimulus can be very helpful to Kentucky if it occurs while we are still in deep recession since inflation would not be much of an issue. But if stimulus money and cuts take hold when the U.S. begins to move out of recession, whenever that may be, it could hurt the economy by putting more demand on goods and services and more pressure on inflation.

So, in other words, how much money will be allocated to the states under the bill won't make much of a difference if the money isn't pouring into the state at the right time, so say the experts.

Another factor in how well

Kentucky fares from any potential stimulus is the provisions under which allocations of federal money are made. It is a given that having more people at work will generate more income tax and sales tax by increasing citizen buying power. But states also have to consider an increase in federal funding for some programs would require additional state matching funds over what they have budgeted.

Some good news is the economist said he does not believe the bill would require the state to payback any funding it receives to boost its unemployment insurance trust fund, which is just months away from being depleted. And it requires the feds to pay more for Medicaid-a program that now consumes over 20 percent of state budgets.

He also told lawmakers that work projects planned in the bill to improve national road, transit and other systems could be temporary work or could sustain jobs depending on what kinds of projects are in place. That is what will determine long-term impact of those jobs, he said.

Some lawmakers sound hopeful about the stimulus, others less so. One lawmaker said he believes that any long-term economic recovery cannot really take place until the U.S. stabilizes its financial system. Others were hopeful that the bill would include funding for rural areas in need of help. Right now, there are no clear cut answers. It looks like all of us, even the experts, will just have to hope for the best and see what happens.



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FLOYD COUNTY Sports

College basketball • A7

EK Miners become first CBA team to reach 10 wins

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The East Kentucky Miners became the first CBA (Continental Basketball Association) team to win 10 games in the 2008-09 season Sunday after posting a hard-fought 117-116 win over the Albany Patroons.

East Kentucky finished the historic CBA-ABA Interleague Challenge 9-0. The Miners posted wins over five different ABA teams from four different states

as part of the Interleague Challenge.

East Kentucky defeated Albany for its first CBA win Sunday, improving to 10-4.

The Miners ultimately split a home series (1-1) against a talented Albany team.

"We're nearly midway through the season now and we'll look to maintain this momentum the rest of the way," said East Kentucky Coach Kevin Keathley.

"Hopefully, this will put us in a good position to finish out the

season strong."

First-year East Kentucky player Jermaine Blackburn claimed a CBA Player of the Week honor in December. Keathley was named the CBA Coach of the Month for the month of December.

East Kentucky are in Albany for a three-game series (Wednesday, Friday and Sunday). The Miners are due to host their next home game Feb. 5 at the East Kentucky Expo Center.



A group of young basketball players and cheerleaders from Prestonsburg attended the East Kentucky Miners-Albany Patroons game on Saturday at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

Bears end slide with win over St. Catharine

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College bounced back from back-to-back Mid-South Conference road losses to knock off St. Catharine College 88-77 Saturday afternoon.

The win evened the Bears at 2-2 in league play, 13-7 overall. Gritty St. Catharine fell to 4-16 overall, 0-3 in the MSC.

Pikeville's lead was 67-62 after junior Arthur Latham's free throw with 11:01 left, but the Bears needed only 2:28 to run off nine straight points. The first four came inside by junior Anthony Smith before senior J.B. Smiley scored on a layup and then hit a three.

The triple stretched the lead to 76-62 with 8:33 left, and while the Patriots managed to get as close as four, coming on another Latham free throw with 2:18 left, they couldn't get over the hump. From there, the Bears sank 7-of-8 from the line to outscore the Pats 9-2 the rest of the way.

Pikeville won despite a stellar shooting day by St. Catharine. The Patriots hit 52.7 percent from the floor after scorching the nets for 65.2 percent shooting in the first half.

Four Bears reached double figures in the win, led by junior Josh Samarco's 28. The Ypsilanti, Mich., product was 5-of-8 from the arc and added four assists and two steals. He was followed by Smiley's 22 to go along with eight steals, five boards and three assists.

Sophomore Justin Hicks finished with 16 despite failing to hit a three-point shot for only the second time this season. He had six assists and a pair of steals. Smith, a native of Parkersburg, W.Va., had 11 points and five rebounds.

Senior Ewan Linton led the Bears on the glass with nine; he added eight points.

St. Catharine was paced by Latham's game-high 32. Junior Kevin Owens followed with a double-double of 17 points and 10 rebounds, eight of which were offensive. He also had seven assists and four steals.

Freshman Brandon Johnson tossed in 13 for the Patriots.

Reds examine shortstop Gonzalez

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CINCINNATI — Reds Medical Director Dr. Timothy Kremchek examined shortstop Alex Gonzalez in Miami Monday.

President of Baseball Operations and General Manager Walt Jocketty said, "Tim put Alex through a series of tests and agility drills and was very pleased with what he saw. We expect Alex to be ready to participate at 100 percent in all drills on Day 1 of spring training."

Gonzalez missed the 2008 season with a compression fracture in his left knee.



Steven Patrick eyed a shot during the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game Friday night at the East Kentucky Expo Center in Pikeville.

Valley fends off Prestonsburg, 73-37

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Prestonsburg earned its way into the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game. The Blackcats posted wins over Sheldon Clark and Phelps en route to the title game versus Shelby Valley. Prestonsburg met Shelby Valley on Friday night in the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game. The underdog in the title tilt, Prestonsburg fell behind early on and had to play from behind throughout. Shelby Valley outscored Prestonsburg 48-13 in the first half, beating the Blackcats 73-37.

Shelby Valley moved to 14-4 after defeating Prestonsburg for the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship.

Elisha Justice scored a game-high 18 points and Jacob Bryant added 15 for the Blackcats. Tyler Newsome scored 13 points as part of a diverse Shelby Valley offensive effort.

The Wildcats started the second half in solid fashion, outscoring Prestonsburg 19-11 in the third quarter.

Senior guard Jody Tackett led Prestonsburg with 10 points. The Blackcats found

good shots hard to come by in the championship contest. Senior Steven Patrick flipped in seven points and junior Joseph Jamerson added six. Michael Burchett and Cameron Tincher each had four points in the Prestonsburg setback. Alex Stumbo and Tyler Hall rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring with three points apiece. The Blackcats (9-8) were making their first appearance in this year's 15th Region All "A" Classic.

15th Region All "A" Classic Championship Game at East Kentucky Expo Center, Pikeville

Shelby Valley 73,
 Prestonsburg 37

P'burg (9-8)—Burchett 4, Tackett 10, Stumbo 3, Patrick 7, Tincher 4, Hall 3, Jamerson 6.

SV (14-4)—Justice 18, Bryant 15, Hatfield 7, Ta. Newsome 6, Varney 4, Adams 6, Ty. Newsome 13, Lucas 2, Roberts 2.

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Blackcats top Tolsia

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

LOUISA — It didn't take the Prestonsburg Blackcats long to get back in the win column following a loss to Shelby Valley in the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game Friday night. The Blackcats returned to the win column one day later, Saturday, defeating Tolsia, W.Va., 73-67 in the Border Battle at Lawrence County.

The Border Battle pitted Kentucky boys' basketball teams versus West Virginia squads.

Senior guard Jody Tackett poured in a game-high 24 points for the Blackcats in the win over Tolsia. Junior guard Michael Burchett added 18 points for Prestonsburg in the Border Battle meeting.

The Blackcats maintained a lead at the end of each quarter. Prestonsburg slipped out of the opening period ahead 9-8.

The Blackcats enjoyed a balanced scoring effort. Prestonsburg owned a 29-24 lead when the game entered halftime.

The Blackcats led 45-42 at the end of the third quarter. Cory Tincher tossed in 11 points and Alex Stumbo added nine for Prestonsburg. Steven Patrick flipped in six points, contributing to the Prestonsburg triumph.

Prestonsburg 73, Tolsia 67

Prestonsburg: Stumbo 9, Patrick 6, Burchett 18, Tackett 24, Jamerson 3, Hall 2, Tincher 11.
 Tolsia: Maynard 2, Copley 7, Cyrus 14, Robertson 13, Richardson 23, Stroud 5, Salmons 3.

Prestonsburg.....9 20 16 28-73
 Tolsia.....8 16 18 25-67

Lady Bears down St. Catherine for first MSC win

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The Pikeville College Lady Bears took a nine point lead to the half and opened the second half with a 12-3 run to pull away from St. Catharine College 58-42 on Saturday.

The win was the first in Mid-South Conference play this season for Coach Bill Watson's club after opening with three straight losses. In their first season in the league, the Lady Patriots fell

to 1-2.

Pikeville (14-7 overall) got four points apiece from senior Kristal Daniels (Betsy Layne High School) and sophomore Whitney Compton during the run, as the focus was clearly on throwing the ball inside. When sophomore Lauren Potts put in a layup with 16:09 left, the lead had grown to 38-20.

During the run, all 12 of Pikeville's points came from players who opened the game on the bench.

The Lady Bears were led in scoring by Compton, who tossed in 15 to go with seven rebounds. Freshman point guard Megan Mosley followed with 13 points and six steals.

St. Catharine (11-10) — a newcomer to the Mid-South Conference — was led by freshman Courtney Milam, who came off the bench to toss in 12 to go with five rebounds and three assists. Junior Erin Rogers added 10 and three steals. Pikeville won despite 25

turnovers, largely by offsetting it by forcing 29 from St. Catharine. Neither team shot particularly well, with the Lady Bears hitting 37.5 percent and the Lady Pats 26.3. Each team hit only once from the arc; Pikeville on 10 shots, St. Catharine 16.

The Lady Bears are off until this Saturday when they host WVU Tech in another Mid-South Conference contest. St. Catharine visits Georgetown Thursday night at 6 p.m.

Three set to enter PC Hall of Fame Saturday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Three former student-athletes will be inducted into the Pikeville College Athletics Hall of Fame and three others will be recognized with membership into the honorary Hall of Fame in a ceremony on Saturday.

Former women's basketball standouts Amanda Collins Stiltner and Tecco Gallion will join former tennis star Jesse Rudd as new members of the Hall in a ceremony at noon in Booth Auditorium on the main campus. In addition, Brad Daniels Jeremy Davis and Howard Lockhart will be welcomed into the honorary wing of the Hall.

In addition to the noon ceremony, the new inductees will be honored between games of Pikeville's basketball doubleheader with WVU Tech Saturday, which begins at 2 p.m. at the Pikeville College Gym. Also, at halftime of the men's game, Pikeville College will announce its representative for this spring's Mountain Laurel Festival in Pineville.

Amanda Collins: As a senior at Pike Central High School, Amanda Collins was named First-Team All-State and the 15th Region Player of the Year. Those honors were perhaps surpassed in her time at Pikeville College. A rare four-time first-team all-conference selection (once in the KIAC, three times in the Mid-South Conference), she was a three-time NAIA third-team All-American and two-time WBCA All-American, as well as being a WBCA honorable-mention All-American.

Collins scored 2,215 points to become only the third player in school history to surpass 2,000 points. In addition, she had 935 rebounds, 209 steals and 115 assists. She shot 57.0 percent from the field in her career, hit 38 percent from the three-point arc and was a 73.83 percent free-throw shooter. As both a junior and senior, she nearly scored 600 points, finishing with 596 both seasons. In addition, she had more than 200 rebounds all four seasons as a Lady Bear.

Tecco Gallion: Tecco Gallion certainly knew how to play basketball. She also knew how to go out in style. A product of East Carter High School, Gallion scored 1,717 points in her four years at Pikeville College, which was fifth on the all-time scoring list. She also pulled down 800 rebounds, had 144 steals, 100 assists and 94 blocked shots.

In the 2002-03 season, Gallion was the Mid-South Conference Player of the Year, averaging 18.1 points and 7.9 rebounds per game while shooting 51.0 percent from the field and 71.7 percent from the line. In her career, she was named All-Conference two times, once each in the KIAC and Mid-South Conference, and was twice named honorable-mention all-conference. As a senior, she was a second-team NAIA All-American and a first-team WBCA All-American.

One of the top-ranked junior tennis players in Kentucky, Jesse Rudd left his native Salyersville and spent his senior year at Florida's Saddlebrook Tennis Academy. After playing tennis as a freshman at the University of Kentucky, Jesse transferred to Pikeville College and began the most prolific time of tennis in school history. He was two-time all-conference in both singles and doubles.

As a sophomore, Rudd was 8-2 and lost in the conference championship match after suffering an

Kentucky Afield Outdoors: Up-and-coming new year fishing destinations

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — Late January days last just a little longer than a month ago and offer anglers a ray of hope that fishing season lies right around the corner.

Anglers during this time of year daydream about catching fish on warm spring days. They think ahead of new waters to fish in the coming year.

Biologists and technicians for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources' fisheries division compile the annual Fishing Forecast to fuel anglers' daydreams. The forecast provides current information about popular species in particular bodies of water based on population sampling and creel surveys. They spotlighted some up-and-coming fisheries for anglers to consider in 2009.

"Each fishery district looks at the data they compiled from spring and fall sampling in

2008 and predicts what they think the fishing will be for that species in that waterbody in 2009," said Jeff Ross, assistant director of fisheries for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife.

Most people associate Dale Hollow Lake with giant smallmouth bass as it is the home of the all-tackle world record and produces gobs of hefty smallmouths each year. However, largemouth bass populations are improving with good numbers of 14-17 inch fish. Try fishing the willow trees and shoreline cover in the Wolf River embayment this spring. A willow leaf spinnerbait is a great choice to throw amongst the willows and helicopter down to waiting bass.

One of the most under-utilized fishing waters in the Commonwealth is our namesake river, the Kentucky River. Improving largemouth bass and crappie populations in the river should bring better fishing in 2009. For bass, target creek mouths, fallen trees or stumps, bank slides and in

current breaks below dams with soft plastic jerkbaits and jigs.

Fallen trees and other wood cover hold crappie. Crappie don't like much flow and hold in backwater areas and behind current breaks. Good numbers of crappie longer than 10 inches live in the Kentucky River. A white or chartreuse curly-tailed or boot-shaped grub rigged weedless makes a good lure to probe in fallen trees or washed-in tree branches for crappie.

Mill Creek Lake in the Natural Bridge State Park now has some chunky, healthy largemouth bass swimming in its waters. The numbers of largemouth bass 15 inches or

longer increased in the lake from previous years. Try probing flooded timber in the

upper lake in spring with light line and smaller lures. Mill Creek Lake is a clear, mountainous lake and 6 or 8-pound test line combined with diminutive lures such as a 3-inch grub or 4-inch finesse worm or creature bait makes the best presentation for these fish.

The largemouth bass in Yatesville Lake reproduced well for each of the last three years, providing a foundation for good fishing in the coming years. Plenty of bass 15 inches and longer live in Yatesville Lake, and a 4-inch Shaky worm fished Shaky style on points in the Upper Twin Branch, Little Blaine Creek

and Greenbrier Creek arms produces bass. Suspending jerkbaits fished near fallen trees or other cover also works.

Beaver Lake in Anderson County is on the upswing for redear sunfish, commonly called shellcrackers as well as bluegill and largemouth bass. Weeds infuse Beaver Lake and make bass fishing difficult, but a suspending or soft plastic jerkbait fished just above the weeds should produce. The lake holds many bass around 12 inches with good potential for a trophy bass over 20 inches. Most of the large bass live in the lower portions of the lake.

Beaver Lake has many bluegill from 7-9 inches with trophy bluegill 10 inches and longer. Fish weedlines and brush with small curly-tailed grubs or feather jigs tipped with meal or wax worms. Many fat redear sunfish swim in Beaver Lake and a yellow curly-tailed grub fished in vegetation draws strikes. In

spring, use a heavier than usual weight on your grubs to puncture the thick weedmats to get to the redear sunfish underneath.

The weeds grew back at Elmer Davis Lake in Owen County and the largemouth bass responded well. Stable numbers of largemouth bass over 15 inches long exist in the lake, with many bass in the 12-15 inch protective slot limit. Many bluegill longer than 9 inches and redear sunfish longer than 10 inches now live in Elmer Davis. Try fishing around beaver lodges for bluegill and around weedbeds in the upper lake for redear sunfish.

"These spots should get your line tightened and your drag screaming this spring. Request a copy of the 2009 Fishing Forecast by calling 1-800-858-1549. It will also be available soon on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife homepage on the Internet at fw.ky.gov.

UK football players pile up stats

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Statistics for the 2008 college football season have been finalized, with the University of Kentucky faring well in several categories nationally and in the Southeastern Conference.

Here are some nuggets from the NCAA statistics:

- One of the team offensive goals this season was to reduce negative plays and the Wildcats were able to do so. UK ranked fourth in the nation in fewest quarterback sacks allowed and 11th in fewest tackles for loss allowed.

- UK ranked third in the nation in kickoff returns, averaging 26.39 yards per return. This was just shy of the school record of 26.40 per return set in 2005. This marked the first time in school history that two different players — Derrick Locke and David Jones — returned kickoffs for touchdowns in the same season.

- Kentucky's significant improvement in defense stacked up this way:

- o UK has gone from 99th (2006) to 80th (2007) to 35th (2008) in scoring defense.

- o The Wildcats gave up 21.5 points per game in 2008. UK's improvement of 8.1 points per game vs. 2007 is the nation's 14th most improved defense.

- o From 2006-08, UK has gone from 118th to 67th to 40th nationally in total defense. UK gave up 332.4 yards per game during the '08 season.

- o UK ranked 13th in the nation for fewest first downs allowed.

- o Tim Masthay was fifth in the nation at 45.2 yards per punt.

- o From the final SEC statistics:

- o Kentucky led the SEC in kickoff returns at 26.39 per return (see additional notes

above).

- o UK led the SEC in fewest quarterback sacks allowed, a total of 13 and an average of one per game.

- o UK led the SEC in net kickoff coverage, the second year in a row the Wildcats have led the league in that category.

- o Tim Masthay led the SEC in punting with a 45.2-yard average per punt. That is the second-best single-season average in school history.

- o Linebacker Micah Johnson was third in the SEC in tackles per game. He made 93 tackles, 8.5 per game (missed two games because of injury).

- o Cornerback Robbie McAtee was second in the SEC in fumble recoveries.

- o Cornerback Trevard Lindley led the league in total passes defended per game. He totaled 15 passes defended (four interceptions, 11 breakups) for an average of 1.15 per game.

- o McClinton to Play in Texas vs. the Nation Game: Free safety Marcus McClinton has committed to play in the Texas vs. the Nation all-star game set for Sat. Jan. 31 at 3 p.m. EST in the Sun Bowl in El Paso, Texas.

- o McClinton led the Wildcats with four interceptions in 2008. He totaled 10 pickoffs in his career, fourth-best in school history. He also totaled 181 tackles, nine pass breakups and eight fumbles caused during his years at UK, helping lead the team to bowl victories in each of his final three seasons.

- o McClinton has been assigned to the Texas team and will wear uniform No. 22. The game will be televised on the CBS College Sports cable channel.

- o This will be the third edition of the Texas vs. the Nation game. McClinton is the sec-

ond Wildcat to play in this contest. Offensive lineman Eric Scott participated last year.

Pryor, Williams Play well in Shrine Game: Defensive tackle Myron Pryor and linebacker Johnny Williams played well in helping the East team to a 24-19 victory in the East-West Shrine Game held last Saturday in Houston, Texas.

Williams began the game in fine fashion, slicing through the blockers on the opening kickoff and dumping the returner at the 15-yard line. He totaled four tackles during the game.

Pryor had six tackles, including a quarterback sack, and also assisted on another tackle for loss. On the first series of the game, on fourth-and-goal at the East one-yard line, he combined with Duke linebacker Michael Tauillili to throw the ball carrier for a two-yard loss, stopping the West on downs. In the second quarter, Pryor notched the only quarterback sack of the game, forcing the West to punt.

Early entries for the NFL: Fourteen juniors from the Southeastern Conference decided to declare for early entry in the National Football League draft, including 12 who would have played against Kentucky during the 2009 season.

Here's the list: Alabama — TB Glen Coffee, OT Andre Smith; Arkansas — TE Andrew Davie; Auburn — DT Sen'Derrick Marks, CB Jerraud Powers; Florida — WR Percy Harvin; Georgia — CB Asher Allen, TB Knowshon Moreno, QB Matthew Stafford; LSU — DT Ricky Jean-Francois; South Carolina — S Emanuel Cook, TE Jared Cook, CB Captain Munnerlyn; Vanderbilt — CB D.J. Moore.

Hall

injury during the finals. During his junior season, the Bears began a stretch of five consecutive years of unbeaten play against conference competition as it went to the NAIA National Tournament for the first time, with Rudd going 14-3 in singles competition. As a senior, Rudd was again a key member of a conference-championship squad with a 20-5 record, playing in the NAIA tournament in Lexington. During both his junior and senior seasons, the tennis team finished ranked in the national Top 25.

Honorary Members: Since 2001, Pikeville College has honored those who have contributed to the athletics department in unique ways with membership into the Honorary Hall of Fame. These members have supported the athletics department at the school with time, money and their exceptional talents.

When Brad Daniels came to Pikeville College, it had no pep band. But under his guidance the band was reborn and has flourished. Daniels' band made appearances and nearly every Mid-South Conference basketball tournament under his guidance, as well as the 2001 NAIA semifinals, punctuating every

performance with its stirring rendition of "My Old Kentucky Home."

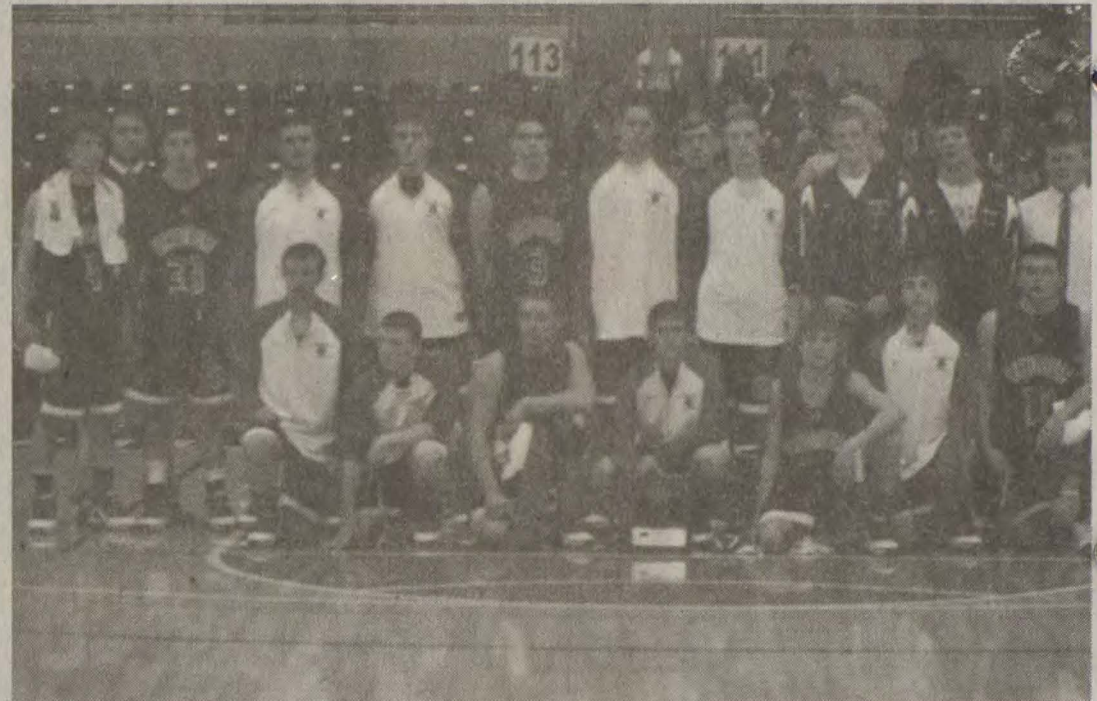
Jeremy Davis began his involvement with Pikeville College athletics through the work study program as a freshman and has remained with it nearly ever since. A holder of two degrees from the school, Davis has worked as operator of the shot clock at basketball games and the play clock for football contests. Now an educator and city councilman in his native Delbarton, W.Va., Davis has continued working scorer's tables and press boxes for the Bears.

A graduate of the Pikeville College Academy, Howard Lockhart has been a staple at sporting events for decades. Considered by many an "ex-officio" coach for most sports, Lockhart has long banged the drum for Pikeville College and its athletics programs. "Pikeville College needs Howard Lockhart and more people like him," said men's basketball coach Kelly Wells. "He certainly adds a lot to our programs and is someone we've grown used to having around on a daily basis."

AREA LAKES

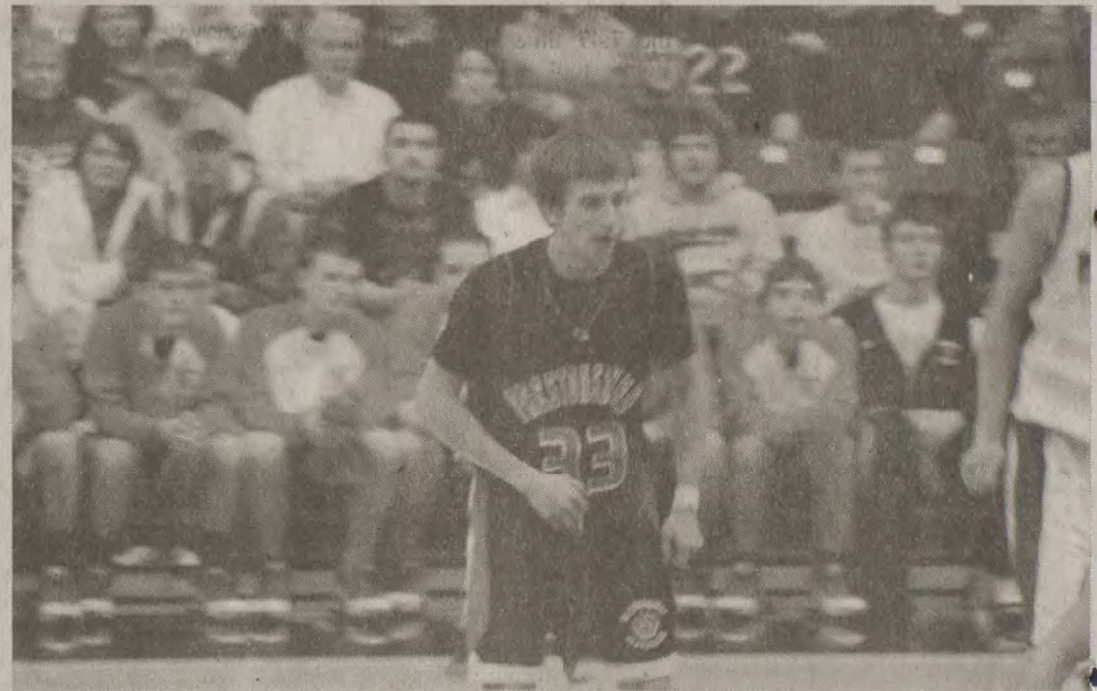
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BOYS' 15TH REGION ALL 'A' CLASSIC



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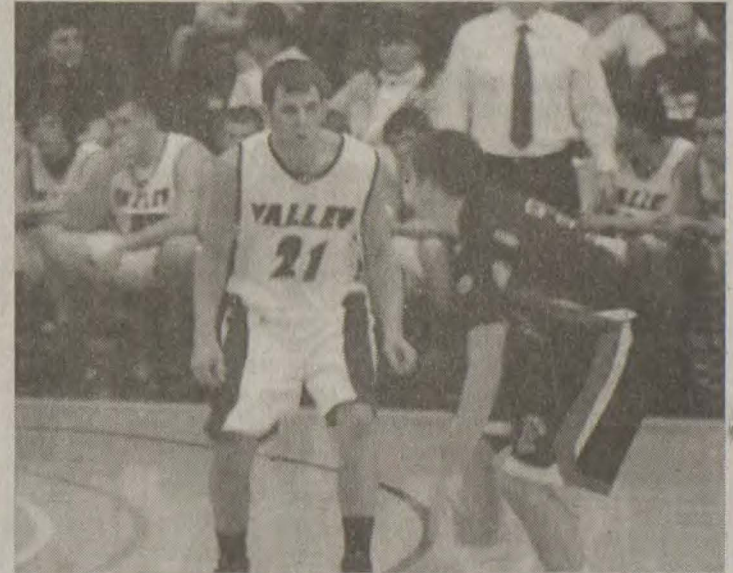
PRESTONSBURG finished runner-up to Shelby Valley in the 15th Region All "A" Classic Friday night at the East Kentucky Expo Center in Pikeville.



photos by Jamie Howell

ABOVE: Prestonsburg junior guard Cameron Tincer (33) eyed the action during the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game Friday night.

Right: Prestonsburg junior guard Michael Burchett worked the basketball against Shelby Valley defender Cody Varney.



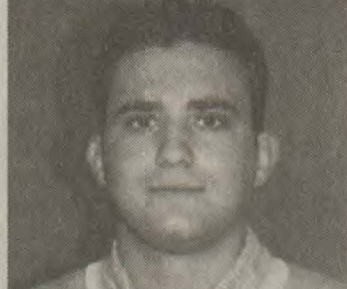
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COLLINS



GALLION



RUDD

Lady Blackcats fall to Paintsville

Lady Tigers sprint out to 22-2 first quarter lead

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Prestonsburg was outscored 22-2 in the first quarter and could never recover Monday night on the road at Paintsville. The Lady Tigers were too much for Prestonsburg, defeating the Lady Blackcats 72-34 in a non-district matchup. Paintsville, which fell to

eventual champion Sheldon Clark in the 15th Region All "A" Classic, placed three players in double figures in the scoring column. Leah VanHoose was the top scorer for Paintsville, finishing with 22 points. Brittanie Chaffins scored 18 points and Laura Carroll added 15.

The Lady Tigers led 43-19 at halftime outscored Prestonsburg 19-8 in the third quarter. Paintsville improved to 13-4 after recording the impressive win.

For Prestonsburg, Katie Burchett scored a team-high 11 points. Alex DeRosset

added nine points and Linsey Fields scored seven for the Lady Blackcats.

Prestonsburg dropped to 2-14 with the loss.

Paintsville 72,
Prestonsburg 34
Prestonsburg (2-14) —
Fields 7, DeRosset 9, Waugh
4, Poe 3, Burchett 11.
Paintsville (13-4) —
Baldwin 6, Hansford 4, S.
Carroll 2, VanHoose 22,
Adams 2, Jarrell 3, L. Carroll
15, Chaffins 18.
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Eagles defeat Eastern Kentucky

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Maze Stallworth had 18 points, Leon Buchanan 15 points and Kenneth Faried 14 points and a game-high 12 rebounds to lead Morehead State University to a 68-64 Ohio Valley Conference win over Eastern Kentucky in front of a raucous crowd of 5,350 Saturday evening in Johnson Arena.

"It was a great atmosphere, the energy in the arena was incredible," said MSU Coach Donnie Tyndall. "This was the best atmosphere we've had since I've been back at MSU as head coach. And, I want to thank all of our fans, students, alumni and community members, everybody that came tonight."

"You've got to give Eastern Kentucky credit. The way they play, it's always a grind. Every single possession is tooth and nail. Both teams competed and played extremely hard."

Eastern Kentucky (11-9, 4-5 OVC) was led by Mike Rose

who scored a game-high 22 points. Jorge Camacho had 15 points and seven rebounds, Joshua Jones had 11 points and Justin Stommes added 10 points for the Colonels.

Morehead State (11-10, 7-2 OVC) led by one point, 33-32, at halftime. After three second half ties, the Eagles took the lead for good on a three-pointer by Robert Murry with 8:05 remaining. But, MSU could never put the Colonels away. The Eagles were never able to lead by more than eight points, and EKU was still within one point, 65-64, with 10 seconds remaining. Two free throws by Brandon Shingles and one by Demonte Harper sandwiched around an EKU turnover gave MSU the victory.

The Eagles won the rebounding battle, 33-24, but committed 16 turnovers to only seven for the Colonels.

MSU now prepares to host OVC rival Tennessee State for a nationally televised contest on Thursday (Jan. 29). Tipoff for the ESPN game is scheduled

for 9 p.m. The MSU-TSU women's game will tip off at 6:15 p.m.

EKU's Camacho named OVC Freshman of the Week: Jorge Camacho was named the Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Week for men's basketball as announced by the league office Monday. Camacho came off the bench to lead Eastern Kentucky University in rebounding in both games last week.

Camacho is the third Colonel to win the OVC Freshman of the Week award this season. The forward averaged 14.5 points and 7.0 rebounds in two games last week. He connected on 63.2 percent (12-of-19) of his shots from the floor and 5-of-7 (71.4 percent) from the free throw line. The native of Hermosillo, Mexico posted a season-high 14 points in a win at Chicago State on Jan. 20 before increasing that total by one (15) at Morehead State on Jan. 24. Camacho finished with seven rebounds in each contest.

15TH REGION BOYS' BASKETBALL	
Team	Overall Record
Shelby Valley	14-4
Johnson Central	13-5
Pikeville	12-7
Lawrence County	11-6
East Ridge	11-7
Phelps	10-4
Prestonsburg	10-8
Betsy Layne	9-5
Sheldon Clark	7-9
Magoffin County	7-11
Belfry	5-10
Paintsville	4-13
South Floyd	4-14
Pike County Central	3-15
Allen Central	1-9

15TH REGION GIRLS' BASKETBALL	
Team	Overall Record
Paintsville	13-4
Johnson Central	13-4
Magoffin County	12-6
Shelby Valley	11-5
Phelps	10-4
Sheldon Clark	10-6
Pikeville	10-8
Lawrence County	9-9
Betsy Layne	7-7
Pike County Central	7-8
East Ridge	7-10
South Floyd	5-10
Allen Central	4-8
Belfry	4-11
Piarist School	2-12
Prestonsburg	2-14

SCOREBOARD

Boys' 15th Region All "A" Classic at East Kentucky Expo Center

Thursday, Jan. 15
Sheldon Clark 62, South Floyd 51

Friday, Jan. 16
Shelby Valley 71, Betsy Layne 36
Pikeville 48, Paintsville 33

Saturday, Jan. 17
Phelps 72, Allen Central 52
Prestonsburg 77, Sheldon Clark 74

Monday, Jan. 19
Shelby Valley 71, Pikeville 41

Tuesday, Jan. 20
Prestonsburg 58, Phelps 44

Friday, Jan. 23
Shelby Valley 73, Prestonsburg 37 (Championship)

Kentucky Speedway to be included in new Nationwide Insurance 'Dash 4 Cash'

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA — Kentucky Speedway's "Meijer 300 Presented by Ritz" will be one of four 2009 NASCAR Nationwide Series races included in the new "Nationwide Insurance Dash 4 Cash."

In addition to the "Meijer 300 Presented by Ritz," the "Dash 4 Cash" will add \$25,000 to the winner's purse for one of two NASCAR Nationwide Series races staged at Nashville Superspeedway as well as events at Iowa Speedway Aug. 1 and Memphis Motorsports Park Oct. 24.

All NASCAR Nationwide Series participants including NASCAR Sprint Cup Series drivers running a full series schedule will be eligible for the bonus. If a driver who is not eligible wins one of the races, prize money will be rolled over to the next race in the competition. The program also includes a \$50,000 season-end bonus to the eligible driver with the highest points total over the four races.

"We wanted to provide some additional support for drivers on our series. We also hope that these bonuses encourage competition and contribute to more exciting racing for the fans," said John Aman, associate vice president of strategic sponsorships for Nationwide.

Nationwide Insurance also will drive additional series interest among fans by partnering with ESPN.com to conduct an interactive weekly Nationwide "Driver Pick 'Em" contest. Fans can log-in to ESPN.com to select winners of 10 head-to-head match-ups for each of the 35 scheduled NASCAR Nationwide Series races this season. The contest will award weekly and season-long cash prizes to winners.

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MSU women roll over EKU, 63-46

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University women's basketball team used a 16-2 run in the final nine minutes of the first half Saturday against Eastern Kentucky to vault them to a double digit halftime lead, and MSU never let the lead slip under double figures in the final half in defeating the Lady Colonels 63-46 at Johnson Arena. It marked the fifth straight win for MSU over EKU and moved the Eagles to 12-9 overall and 6-3 in the Ohio Valley Conference. EKU fell to 6-12 and 3-6.

MSU won its 13th straight home game, improving to a perfect 10-0 in Johnson Arena this season.

Junior Brittany Pittman recorded her eighth double-double of the season with 20 points and a game high 13 rebounds to go along with four blocks. Sophomore Chynna Bozeman led the Eagles with 22 points and also had five rebounds and a team best five assists in 35 minutes on the floor.

Eastern Kentucky was led by Ilona Muszak with 18 points on

a 5-for-12 day from three-point range. Nadia Mossong had 10 points and eight boards.

The Eagles shot 46 percent for the game and upped that to an efficient 60 percent (12-of-20) in the second half. On defense, MSU held the Lady Colonels to 29 percent from the field and just 21 percent (5-of-23) in the opening half when the Eagles led 27-15. MSU also out-rebounded EKU 39-32.

The Lady Colonels led 13-9 at the 9:19 mark of the first half after a Muszak layup. Tiffany Hamilton converted a layup to pull the Eagles to within two (13-11). That would be the last points for the Lady Colonels until a Sarah Fraser-Jones' jumper at 3:27. Tiffanie Stephens hit a three-pointer at the 7:47 time space, and the Eagles took a 14-13 lead they never relinquished. The Eagles ended the half on a 16-2 run and scored the first four for a 20-2 run that was capped off with a Hamilton layup with 18:42 left in the game.

The Eagles built their largest lead of the night at the 3:36 point after a Pittman jumper pushed MSU's advantage to 21 (58-37).

Moore named new head football coach at KCU

TIMES STAFF REPORT

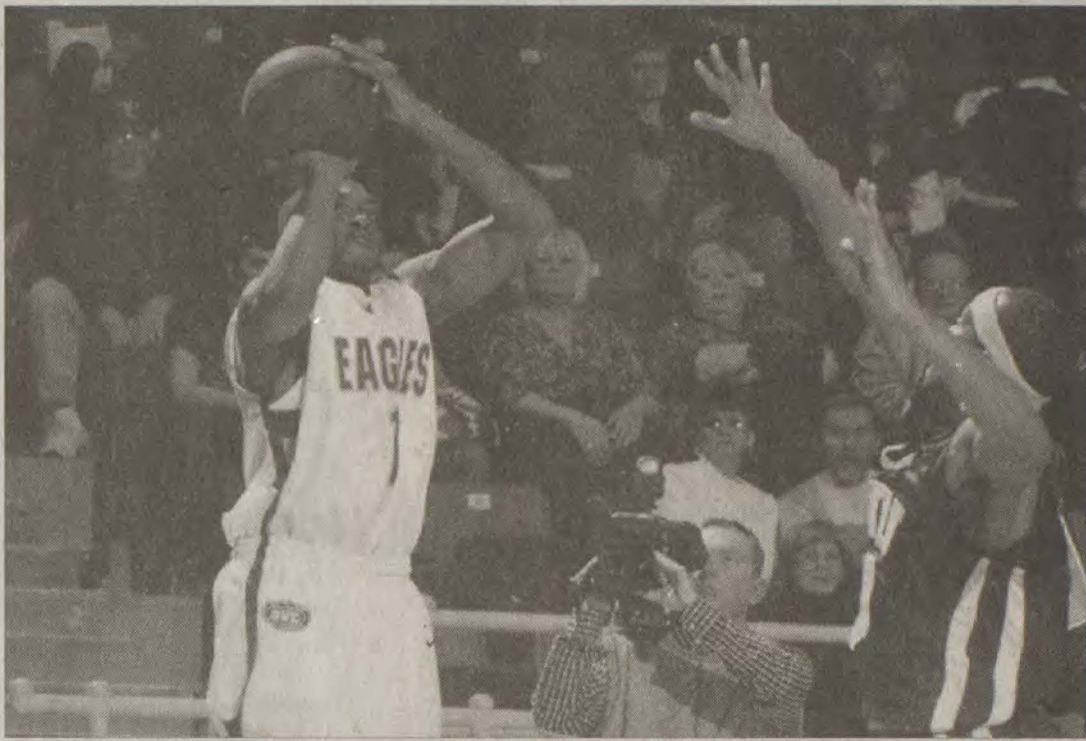
GRAYSON — Zack Moore has been named the new head football coach at Kentucky Christian University in Grayson. Moore has served on the KCU Football Staff since the Fall of 2006. This past season, he was the team's defensive coordinator and assistant head coach. Moore played linebacker at Morehead State from 1996-1998. He then spent 8 years on the MSU staff before coming to KCU.

"We feel extremely fortunate to have Zack Moore running our football program," commented KCU Athletic

Director Rick Cooper. "To have someone of his caliber already on staff here at KCU made his promotion an easy decision. I appreciate his passion to win, his commitment to doing things the right way, and his willingness to invest in our guys both on and off the field."

Moore and his wife Kelley reside in Grayson. They have three children: MacKenzie (6), Maci (4), and Madelyn (1).

Moore replaces Dane Damron, KCU's first head football coach. Damron accepted a position on the Eastern Kentucky University football staff in late December.



Morehead State University junior guard Maze Stallworth (Elizabethtown) elevated for a shot over an Eastern Kentucky University defender when the two teams met Saturday.

Funeral services set for MSU athletics staff member

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOREHEAD — Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, Jan. 29, for Larry W. Stephenson, 68, longtime student personnel officer, at Morehead State University, who died Saturday at a Lexington hospital. He was currently serving Eagle athletics as a staff assistant working with tickets and game-day operations.

An MSU alumnus, he held a bachelor's degree in health and physical education, a master's degree in education and a master's degree in higher education degree, Rank I, and elementary principal certification.

Stephenson started working for Morehead State in 1967 and held several positions, including residence hall director, director of student housing, dean of students and director of administrative services and director of student activities.

He retired from full-time service to MSU in 2000 but returned later to work in athletics. He also was assistant tournament director for numerous 16th Region high school basket-

ball tournaments. Stephenson advised MSU's Student Government Association for nearly 20 years and the SGA showed its appreciation by naming its scholarship endowment fund in his honor.

A graduate of Raceland High School, he received MSU's Distinguished Staff Service Award in 2000.

Funeral services will be conducted 11 a.m. Thursday, at the Morehead United Methodist Church with the Rev. Bruce Nettleton officiating. Burial will follow in Lee Cemetery. Visitation will be after 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, at Northcutt & Son Home for Funerals.

He is survived by one daughter, Kerry Conrad and husband

Dale of Falmouth; one son, Robert (Cray) Stephenson and wife Michelle of Milton, Fla.; and four grandchildren, Brandon Stephenson and wife Hailey, Megan Ross, Patrick Stephenson, and Kelton Stephenson. Also surviving are one brother, Michael Stephenson and wife Mary of Bardstown; and one sister, Sue Crouch of Cold Spring.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the MSU Foundation, designated to the Larry Stephenson SGA Endowment Fellowship, Palmer Development House, Morehead, Ky. 40351 or the Morehead United Methodist Church Memorial Fund or Building Fund, 227 West Main Street, Morehead, Ky. 40351.

Umpires needed for upcoming season

PIKEVILLE — The Big Sandy Umpires Association is currently seeking umpires for the 2009 high school baseball and softball seasons. If interested in umpiring area baseball and softball games during the upcoming season, call Robert Staggs at 606/432-1807 or 606/218-5357.

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Verizon to sponsor Penske Nationwide No. 12 in 2009

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOORESVILLE, N.C. — Penske Racing announced Monday that it will team with Verizon Wireless to field a full-season entry in the 2009 Nationwide Series. The No. 12 Verizon Wireless Dodge will be driven by Justin Allgaier, the 2008 ARCA Re/Max Series champion. Allgaier, 22, made four Nationwide starts for Penske Racing in '08 after joining the team in late September.

Penske Racing will also continue its participation in the Cup Series with the No. 12 Dodge driven by David Stremme. He will be joined by teammates Kurt Busch in the No. 2 and Sam Hornish Jr., driving the No. 77 in the three-car effort. Stremme, the 2003 Nationwide Series rookie of the year, also promises to be extremely competitive in the coming season in Cup Series competition. The

No. 12 Cup Series team also retains Roy McCauley as its crew chief and will debut a new paint scheme in 2009, beginning with the Budweiser Shootout on Saturday, Feb. 7.

"Penske Racing enjoyed a productive, winning relationship with Alltel over the last decade," said Roger Penske, chairman of Penske Racing. "We look forward to building on that solid foundation and in sharing many future successes with our new partner, Verizon Wireless."

"Everyone at Verizon Wireless is very excited to join the Penske Racing team," said Mike Lanman, chief marketing officer for Verizon Wireless. "Innovation, reliability and technology are the cornerstones of our business and we know our partners at Penske Racing value those same ideals. We can't wait for the start of the 2009 racing season."



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Beshear declares emergency following snow and ice storms

Declaration enables state resources to be mobilized against winter storm

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear declared an emergency Tuesday in Kentucky because of a powerful winter storm. The declaration enables state resources to be mobilized to assist cities and counties in coping with power outages and other damage wrought by ice and snow.

"When winter weather hits, it is crucial that our citizens know that their state government is doing everything possible to ensure their safety and well-being," the governor said in a news conference. "We are prepared to use every available resource to help Kentuckians make it through these rough

conditions, whatever may come."

A winter storm that blew into Kentucky on Monday has much of the commonwealth encrusted in ice and snow today. Some 60,000 Kentuckians are reported without power this afternoon, mostly in western Kentucky. Outage reports have come mostly west of Interstate 65 and south of I-64.

Gov. Beshear said primary areas of concern are roads, electric power, heating assistance and shelter.

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet road crews worked through the night and are still

working today to keep main routes at least passable. Crews have been hampered by downed trees and sagging power lines in many areas, especially in the Jackson Purchase and Pennyriple. At one point this morning, plows were out in 105 counties.

Snow turning to rain this afternoon raises the danger of more ice tonight and an additional hazard of water ponding on roadways.

In his news conference at the Transportation Operations Center (TOC), in Frankfort, Gov. Beshear said he and Transportation Secretary Joe Prather have directed all

Department of Highways district offices to directly contact local government leaders to offer assistance and ensure efforts are coordinated.

The governor said the Kentucky Division of Emergency Management (KYEM) has been tracking this weather system since late last week and has maintained open communications with the National Weather Service Offices and state and local officials. Emergency Management regional response managers will continue to monitor their counties and facilitate any local official's request for assistance.

As of noon today, no weather-related injuries or deaths had been reported. However, 11 counties had declared states of emergency. Elsewhere, Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government imple-

mented its snow emergency plan, mostly to assist road crews. A shelter was opened in Hopkins County at the First Methodist Church, Madisonville, and is housing nine people.

Gov. Beshear also drew attention to the state's Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), a short-term aid program that is now in its "crisis" phase. Assistance during this component helps families facing home heating emergencies.

Community Action Kentucky (CAK) administers LIHEAP benefits through its network of 23 community action agencies under a contract with the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Every county has at least one community action agency office.

The crisis component runs through March 31 or until funds are depleted. In the crisis assistance phase, maximum benefits vary depending on families' fuel source.

As of mid-January, more than 49,500 applications had been approved for crisis assistance. Assistance may take the form of utility payment, service reconnection, blankets, space heaters on loan or deliveries of fuel like firewood, coal or propane. Relief is provided within 48 hours, or 18 hours in an emergency.

The governor also announced that nonessential state government employees were being sent home at 3 p.m. today and encouraged to use their best judgment about reporting to duty stations on Wednesday. "Safety is our top priority," the governor said.

Work

aged by Best Companies Group, is based on an internal employee survey. The idea behind part of the program is for companies to use the surveys as guidelines for how to

improve the workplace for employees.

At its core, the program is based on the well-known Fortune magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work for in

America" list.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Kentucky has more than 14,000 privately-owned businesses with 20 or more employees.

Board

by Hall.

"I'm excited to be part of this team and to get started," Hopkins said.

The second member to take the oath of office was Rhonda Meade, who replaces long-term member Carol Stumbo. Stumbo did not seek reelection to the position.

Meade was the first new board member to participate, seconding a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia to adopt the agenda for the meeting.

The final member to take

the oath of office was Jeff Stumbo, chair of the board of education. Stumbo was praised by Hall and by other board members, and was reelected to another term as chair at the end of the meeting. Linda Gearheart was selected to serve as vice-chair.

Also at the meeting, Steve Little, an officer with the Prestonsburg Police Department, accepted recognition from the board for the Shop With a Cop program. The program provided a

Christmas shopping spree for 67 children in 2008.

May Valley Elementary School was also honored at the meeting, with Supt. Henry Webb presenting Principal Tonya Williams and her staff with a large medallion for being a Blue Ribbon School.

The Blue Ribbon Schools Program is a United States government program created to honor schools. The Blue Ribbon award is considered to be the highest honor that an American school can achieve.

Obituaries

Burial will be in Brushy Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation is Tuesday, January 27, 2-7 p.m., at the funeral home.

View a video tribute or send condolences to the family at www.youngfamilyfuneral-home.com (Paid obituary)

Petty Leon Thompson

Petty Leon Thompson, 80, of Richmond, died Saturday, January 24, 2009, at the VA Hospital, in Lexington.

Born February 6, 1928, in Pike County, he was the son of the late Marvin and Bertie King Thompson. He was a retired district sales manager for Gordon Foods retiring after 32 years. He was a member and past master of Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM; a member of Prestonsburg, Chapter No. 182, Royal Arch Masons. He was a 50-year charter member of the Floyd County Rescue Squad; a member and past worthy patron of Adah Chapter No. 24, Order of the Eastern Star; the AmVets; and was former Civil Defense Director of Floyd County. He was also an U.S. Army veteran.

He was twice married, first to AlvaNell Clarke Thompson who preceded him in death; and later to Alice Jane Thompson, who survives.

Other survivors include a son, Kenneth Leon Thompson of Portsmouth, Ohio; a stepson, Rick (Renee) Azbill of Richmond; three brothers: Lem Thompson (Betty) of Piketon, Ohio, Donald Thompson (Carol) of Portsmouth, Ohio, and Ronald Thompson of Sciotoville, Ohio; two sisters: Pattie (George) Hefner of Canton, Ohio, and Marcella (Donald) Tomilison of Lucasville, Ohio; his grandchildren: Alisha Renee Thompson of Chillicothe, Ohio, Derek (Melissa) Thompson of Georgetown, Ohio, and Tiffany Thompson (Duane) Johnson of Chillicothe, Ohio; and his stepgrandson, Kevin Azbill of Richmond.

In addition to his first wife and parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Oliver Thompson.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 27, at noon, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Chester Varney officiating.

Burial was in Richmond Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was Monday, January 26, at 5 p.m., at the funeral home with a Masonic service at 7 p.m.

Pallbearers: Members of the Floyd County Rescue Squad.

Honorary pallbearers: John Paul King, Denver Lee Thompson, Nathan Kimberlain, Dan Slone, Ralph Childers, Billy Ray, and Nelson Ballard.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Floyd County Rescue Squad, in memory of Petty Thompson. (Paid obituary)

Howard Waddles

Howard Waddles, 73, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, January 23, 2009, at his residence.

Born August 13, 1935, in Martin, he was the son of the late Martin Luther and Mae Allen Waddles. He was a gen-

eral laborer.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty McCoy Waddles.

Survivors include four sons: Howard (Rebecca) Waddles, Danny Lee Waddles (Nicole), Michael Waddles (Molly), and Dennis Waddles, all of Prestonsburg; a sister, Sarah Wallen of Dwale, and 12 grandchildren: Jess, Erica, Tamara, Latisha, Shea, Danny, Jimmy, Stephanie, Ted Alexis, Michael II, and Zachary.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by three great-grandchildren: Mekka, Pheobe and Jacob.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 27, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Andy Wright officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)


The Floyd County Animal Shelter
PET OF THE WEEK



This week's celebrity is Kathy Prater. Kathy is a well-known and popular columnist whose articles appear in the local newspapers. Kathy is holding Snuggles and Herald, who are two very affectionate eight-week-old beagle mixes. Herald is a boy and Snuggles is his sister.

The Floyd County Animal Shelter is located at Sally Stephens Branch in West Prestonsburg
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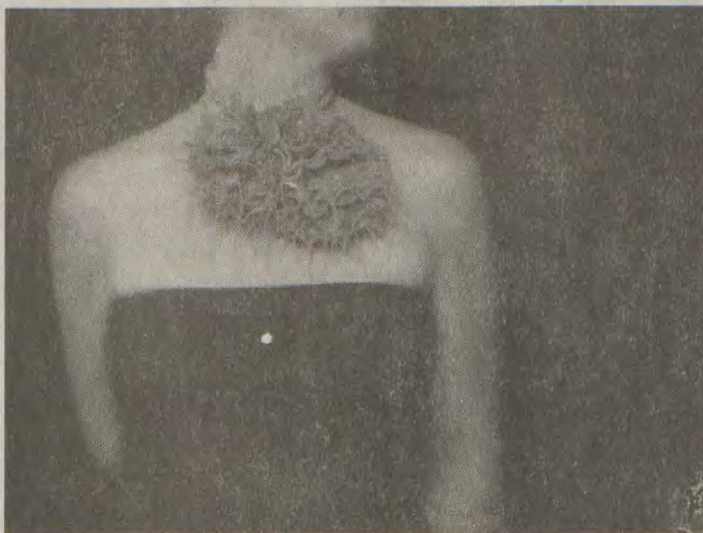
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Jewelry artist featured at Pikeville College's Weber Gallery

PIKEVILLE — For jewelry artist Courtney Starrett, her work blurs the boundaries between art, craft, fashion, fibers, metalsmithing and jewelry design. Her creative approach also includes a special interest in alternative materials, computer aided design and rapid prototyping technologies.

Starrett's works will be featured in Pikeville College's Weber Art Gallery beginning Monday, Feb. 2, with an opening reception at 10 a.m. and an artist lecture and demonstration at 11 a.m. The show, titled RubberMade, will be on display through March 5. The campus and community are cordially invited to attend.

RubberMade is a collection of wearable objects created by exploring materials and forms from the kitchen and the laboratory. The 1950s were a time defined by new and exciting products for the home thanks to government-funded wartime projects and research scientists, Starrett explained, adding that Tupperware(r), Technicolor and the ranch-



Domestic Goddess, 2008, Silicone Rubber and Grommets.

style house with the private yard were "must-haves" in order to keep up with the Joneses.

"In the last 60 years, these tokens of the ideal lifestyle have become ubiquitous elements of the American Dream," Starrett said. "It is impossible to live life in America free of pop culture influence and stereotype stigmas. A young girl is either

influenced to be like her mother or rebel against the model she witnessed growing up. I spent my younger years as a tomboy, certain that I would never be a wife who enjoyed baking, keeping house and reading Martha Stewart."

"Years later, when I married and moved into my own 1950s suburban home, I found that I had an inexplicable desire to collect kitchen tools, wear a

bright colored apron and bake sweet treats for my new husband," said Starrett. "Fascinated by my desire to do all the things that I had always rejected, I started to contemplate the internal conflicts that arise when social pressures and personal preference differ. I realized that I now have choices; the apron no longer represents the woman's expected place in the kitchen, but the freedom to be there if I so desire. The objects I create are meant to provoke questions about the social standards and how they came to

be." Starrett currently serves as assistant professor of metals/jewelry at Winthrop University in South Carolina. She earned a bachelor of fine arts in design, with emphasis in jewelry and metals, from the University of Kansas. The artist continued her education in Philadelphia where she earned a master's degree in fine arts from Tyler School of Art. Starrett has participated in exhibitions across the United States and in Germany and her work is included in the permanent interactive collection at

the Museum of Contemporary Craft in Portland, Ore. Her art and research have been published in Art Jewelry magazine, Lark Books "500 Necklaces," and was most recently featured on the cover of the August 2008 Metalsmith Magazine Exhibition in Print.

For more information on the featured artist or for Weber Art Gallery hours, please contact Rae Goodwin at (606) 218-5759 or e-mail rgoodwin@pc.edu, or contact Pat Kowalok at (606) 218-5758 or e-mail pkowalok@pc.edu.

State transportation alliance names officers, directors

LOUISVILLE — A Prestonsburg man has been named to the governing body of the Kentuckians for Better Transportation.

Burl Spurlock, of Prestonsburg, representing First Commonwealth Bank was named to the board of directors during the 31st annual Kentucky Transportation Conference Jan. 21-23.

In addition to Spurlock, others elected to the board include Jim Adams, Louisville, American Commercial Lines, Inc.; Mike Agee, Nashville, Rogers Group, Inc.; Alan Bernard, Leitchfield, Mid-Park, Inc.; John Carr, Frankfort, Wilbur Smith Associates; R. R. Dawson, Jr., Lexington, R.R. Dawson Bridge Co.; Crissy Fiscus, Lexington, Dean, Dorton & Ford, P.S.C.; Greg Hensley, Louisville, Hinkle Contracting Corp.; Henry Hinkle, Paris,

Hinkle Contracting Corp.; Larry Judy, Cynthiana, Judy Construction Co.; Charles Lovorn, Frankfort, KAHC, Mike Pepper, Louisville, Independent Concrete Pipe Company; Allen Priest, Louisville, Cotton & Allen, PSC; Gene Snowden, Jr., Louisville, Brandeis Machinery & Supply Co.; Arthur Walker, Jr., Mt. Sterling, The Walker Company; and David Willmoth, Jr., Mayor, City of Elizabethtown.

In other news, Charles "Skip" Miller, Louisville Regional Airport Authority, was elected chair of Kentuckians for Better Transportation. He succeeds Greg Hensley, Louisville.

Other officers elected were first vice chair, Mark Willis, Lexington, Burgess & Niple, Inc.; second vice chair, Luther Deaton, Jr., Lexington, Central

Bank & Trust Co.; secretary, Monty Boyd, Louisville, Whayne Supply Co.; treasurer, Charles Lovorn, Frankfort, Kentucky Association of Highway Contractors; and director at large, David Haydon, Bardstown, Nally & Haydon, LLC.

KBT works with opinion leaders on the local, regional, state and national levels to encourage the development and maintenance of a safe, interconnecting transportation system with adequate highway, airport, rail, riverport, and public transit interface to enhance future economic growth. The alliance includes in its membership industry, business, chambers of commerce, local governments and development agencies, and representatives of all modes of transportation — air, highway, public transit, rail and waterway.

Kentucky Folklife Program collecting documentation of inaugural celebration

FRANKFORT — Did your organization or church record a sermon or oration about the significance of President Barack Obama's inauguration? The American Folklife Center (AFC) would like to receive a copy of recordings made between Jan. 16 and Jan. 25 to include in their collection.

In an effort to document this historic time around the country, the AFC is seeking as wide a representation of orations as possible, including religious and secular celebrations. Audio and visual recordings in any format, photos, and printed programs will be accepted by the AFC and will become part of the Library of Congress American Folklife Center collections.

The Kentucky Folklife Program (KFP), an interagency program of the Kentucky Historical Society and the Kentucky Arts Council, joined the initiative of the AFC by collecting recordings of local orations and sermons regarding the significance of the inauguration from citizens in the commonwealth.

If you have a recording of a local inaugural event and would like to submit it to the AFC, please call the staff of the KFP for assistance. Required release forms and information sheets can be found on the AFC Web site at www.loc.gov/folklife/inaugural/index.html.

The KFP staff can assist with the required forms and mailing regulations for any interested parties that submit

recordings by Feb. 26.

The mission of the KFP is to identify, document, and conserve the state's diverse cultural traditions, generally referred to as folklife. The KFP strives to increase awareness of the state's folklife through diverse cultural pro-

gramming.

For more information about the KFP or for assistance with submitting inaugural documentation to the AFC, contact Bob Gates, KHS folklife program director, at 502-564-1792, ext. 4481 or by email at bob.gates@ky.gov.

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February is American Heart Month

February 6th marks the 6th annual American Heart Association's **Go Red for Women Day!** Join the millions of women who will wear red to help raise awareness of heart disease as the No. 1 killer of women. Show your support of the **Go Red For Women** movement by wearing red and becoming a part of reducing heart disease in America's women.

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POISON OAK

On a Sunday afternoon

by CLYDE PACK

With old familiar hymns bouncing from one hill to another in true Bible belt fashion, one of the most exciting community events when I was growing up in eastern Kentucky was a baptism. I say "community event" because practically everybody, church-goers and dirty-dog sinners alike, seemed to forget the war raging in Europe and thus the absence of most of their young men between the ages of 17 and 30, and would assemble on those summer Sunday afternoons to participate in, or simply watch, the familiar religious rite.



Clyde Pack

Since few churches in those days had baptistries, most of the time baptismal services for the Thealka Free Will Baptist Church were conducted in the muddy

waters of the dammed-up creek that ran in front of the church house. Young boys sat with their feet dangling over the edge of the bank, and little girls, all dressed up in their Sunday finest, and the adults, stood anywhere there was a place level enough for them to stand. Sometimes, if it was real hot, some of the older women held umbrellas over themselves to keep the sun off the backs of their necks, while they waved funeral home fans with their free hands.

As the crowd would edge closer to the water, each person trying for just a little better view, someone, usually one of the half dozen preachers in the crowd—but not necessarily one who could carry a tune—would begin, "Shall we gather at the river, the beautiful, beautiful river..." and knowing the words by heart, those who wished would join in.

Actually, there was very little beauty to our "beautiful river," just a few unidentified weeds and a saw briar or two, now hidden by the 50 or so onlookers who filled the afternoon with song. Ours was the same "river" from which, Monday through Saturday, we'd seine for minnows and crawdads with an old split coffee sack, it was the same "river" from which we'd get on our bellies and drink, if we got hot and thirsty from playing. But when the crowds would gather, as far as we were concerned, the now thigh-high-to-a-grown-man water was the mighty Jordan.

Most of the baptisms I remember were the result of a week-long (or longer) revival, usually held by a big preacher from off. And most of the time, at least a dozen or more newly-saved (or back-sliders) Christians, after having been convinced by the word of God, or dragged kicking and screaming from their pews (the Free Wills have been accused from time to time of being overly persuasive), would take the plunge.

Anyway, we young boys in the community thoroughly enjoyed a good baptismal service, and perhaps, without really meaning to, rated each immersion. It's not like we held up numbered cards like at the Olympics, but we'd say things like, "Boy, he really shouted a lot didn't he?" Or, "Well, she sure didn't shout much."

"Yeah, that's the way she done the last time."

That's what we did sometimes on a Sunday afternoon. Nowadays, we just go to the mall.



Students from May Valley Elementary recently visited the National Science Center's Mobile Discovery Center van at Allen Central Middle School. The van was scheduled for multiple visits at several county schools, but the snowy weather caused the cancellation of school on those dates.

CURIOUS MINDS

Snow day can't keep May Valley students from science exercise

by JARRID DEATON
 FEATURES WRITER

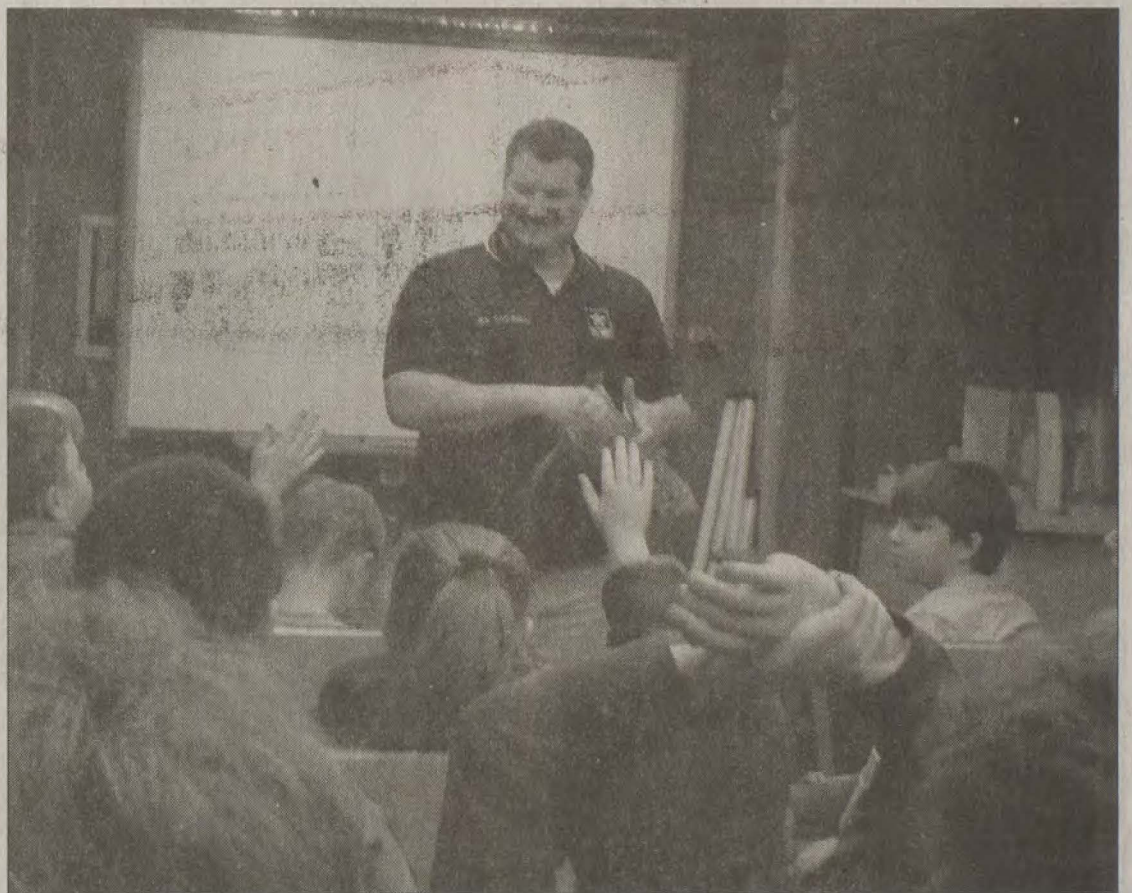
The winter weather has kept the doors of Floyd County schools closed for the majority of the month, but some students from May Valley Elementary recently took advantage of a relatively fair day to visit the National Science Mobile Discovery Center at Allen Central Middle School.

The mobile unit is housed in an 18-wheeler van that is staffed by the U.S. Army and Department of Army civilian personnel. The van serves as both a classroom and an exhibit hall, promoting science, technology, and math to the students at the schools that it visits.

"Discovering the wonders of science and math comes in many forms and can be accomplished in a variety of ways," said Waymon Steward, program manager for the Mobile Discovery Center. "When the National Science Center's Mobile Discovery Center van visits schools, students and teachers alike are immersed in the excitement of hands-on science."

The Discovery Center was originally supposed to visit Allen Central Middle School, Allen Central High School, Duff Elementary School, May Valley Elementary School, and Osborne Elementary School, but the bad weather and road conditions caused the cancellation of school on all the scheduled dates.

The group of May Valley students, from third and fifth-grade, asked plenty of questions during the time that they spent with the Discovery Center van and its staff, and were able to participate in hands-on science demonstrations, small interactive exhibits, and other displays. Each presentation takes around 50 minutes, with up to six sessions conducted each day on a normal schedule. The sessions can accommodate around 40 students per visit.



"We hope they will be able to come back when the weather gets better," said Beverly Crissman, director of community education for the Floyd County Board of Education. "It's a great thing and the kids from May Valley really enjoyed it." The Mobile Discovery Center programs are

made possible by a partnership between the U.S. Army and the National Science Center, Inc. For more information about the programs and services offered by the National Science Center, visit the website at <http://www.nationalsciencecenter.org>.

InHarmony: women's community chorus begins new year

PRESTONSBURG — All Eastern Kentucky women ages 13 plus are invited to join The Big Sandy Community and Technical College community-based female singing group, InHarmony, as they begin a new semester of rehearsals and performances. Ladies can join the group by attending the first rehearsal on either Monday, Feb. 2, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Gearheart Auditorium, Pike Building, Prestonsburg Campus. There are no auditions and no fee to join. Choir Director Laura Ford Hall welcomes girls of all ages. "We welcome our students, faculty, staff, and especially community members to join us. We have a wonderful women's chorus, and I look forward to a new



semester of good music and fun." InHarmony will be singing a variety of music this semester including pop, country, oldies, and gospel. Songs include a medley of 80's tunes that include "Walk Like an Egyptian," "Mickey," "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun." The group will

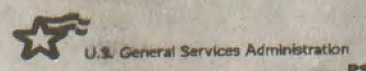
also be singing "All American Girl" by Carrie Underwood, "Listen to the Music" an oldies favorite, as well as Sarah Brightman and Andrea Bocelli's "Time to Say Goodbye" and much more! "Any lady can join InHarmony," Hall said. "We would love to have

beginners and experienced singers, as well as everyone in-between." The choir serves the BSCTC campuses of Pikeville, Prestonsburg, and Paintsville, so all eastern Kentucky citizens are welcome. However, those wishing to join should be thirteen or older. The choir is accompanied by Alicia Hughes, pianist for the Kentucky Opry Orchestra, with Tim Cooley Technical Director.

The group will meet every Monday at the same time until the final performances during April and May. Music and a performance shirt will be provided for each member. Questions can be directed by emailing Hall at laura.hall@kctcs.edu.

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YESTERDAYS

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Ten Years Ago

(Jan. 22 and 27, 1999)

Richard H.C. Clay, President of the Kentucky Bar Association, is in town today to meet with local attorneys, and speak to young people. The Louisville lawyer will meet with the area's volunteer lawyer organization at 8 a.m., and with other members of the Floyd County Bar Association at 8:30, in the Justice Center.

Floyd County Board of Education members took almost six hours to deal with the items on the regularly-scheduled board meeting at Adams Middle School, Tuesday night, and Wednesday morning, with the meeting adjourning after midnight.

The Central Kentucky Blood Center is sponsoring its fifth annual Children's Art and High School Scholarship Essay Contest, with the theme "Give Blood—The Gift of Life."

Although it closed the Adams Middle School parking lot, a diesel spill early Thursday morning did not stop school from starting on time. Prestonsburg firefighters used sand to stop the spill from spreading and then used orange cones to cordon off the area.

Pam Blackburn has been working long hours since the first of the month, learning the Floyd County tax collection system and helping her husband, Sheriff John K Blackburn, in his role as the county's tax collector. Whether she can receive pay as a full-time, regular employee of the sheriff's office is still up in the air.

Last weekend, Jodi Shepherd's dance team made their third trip to St. Louis' old Union Station, and for the third straight year they have returned home national champions. But this year, they are the Grand National Champions.

The case of Billy J. "Bainey" Little, 57, of Town Branch Road, arrested earlier this month on a charge of conspiracy to commit murder, will go before a Floyd County grand jury. That was the ruling yesterday of District Judge Eric Hall who presided at the pretrial hearing.

The board of Floyd County Solid Waste officially turned the organization's finances over to the county's administrative office at Monday

evening's meeting. In an agreement with Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, the solid waste group passed a resolution to let the fiscal court handle its assets and pay its payroll and other debts.

Even though the water and sewage problems facing the city were not on the agenda for Monday night's regularly-scheduled meeting, the topics came up several times during the Martin City Council meeting.

State Senator Benny Ray Bailey, prison officials, and local leaders were on hand, Thursday, as about 250 visitors witnessed the dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony for Otter Creek Correctional Center's (OCCC) 256-bed expansion at Wheelwright.

If predictions from the Kentucky State Data Center hold up, Floyd County will continue to lose population in the next census, and well beyond.

Floyd County sports editor Ed Taylor says that Floyd County's grade schools basketball tournament is the "greatest show in the county."

East Kentucky Women in Leadership will present the second annual Vision for East Kentucky Women Award, in conjunction with the 12th annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference, April 23-24.

There died: Emma Wakeland, 96, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, January 19, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Anna Elizabeth Gibson Caudill, 90, Floyd County native, of Colorado Springs, formerly of Lexington, January 18; Maudie Vance Hall, 95, of Grethel, Wednesday, January 20, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Henry Boleyn, 76, of Proctorville, Ohio, formerly of Hueysville, Tuesday, January 19, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, W.Va.; Ellis Marshall, 71, of Warsaw, Indiana, formerly of the Kosciusko Community Hospital; Elsie Pack, 84, of Martin, Saturday, January 23, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin; James Daniel Skiles, 93, of Weeksbury, Thursday, January 21, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Burieta Greenwade Spradlin, 92, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, January 26, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Brady Marshall Collins, 77, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, January 26, in

Highlands Regional Medical Center; Betty Sue Yates Hagan, 59, of Springfield, Illinois, formerly of Wheelwright, Wednesday, January 6, at St. John's Hospital, Springfield; Josephine Hurd, 79, of Prestonsburg, Monday, January 25, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Bobby L. Damron, 63, of Tram, Friday, January 22, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Joan D. Weldon, 77, formerly of Martin, Saturday, January 23, at the Frankfort Regional Medical Center; Lonnie Dallas Lawson, 60, of Michigan, formerly of Drift, Friday, January 22, in Michigan; Forrest Davis, 63, of Willard, Ohio, formerly of Hippo, January 22, at his residence; Linda Hall, 59, of Bevinville, Thursday, January 21, at her residence; Horace Clifton Howell, 82, of Harold, Sunday, January 24, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Magdalene Edmonds, 81, of Ratliff's Creek Road, January 21, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; SaBrina Jones, 69, of Wheelersburg, Ohio, a native of Knott County, Sunday, January 24, at Mercy Campus of Southern Ohio Medical Center.

permit at a site on US 23, north of Prestonsburg. Sneezes and sniffles abounding in the school district, prompted officials to close school for the rest of the week.

There died: Lewis Adkins, 86, of Martin, January 18, at the Mountain View Health Care Center.

Ollie F. Ellis, 44, of Prestonsburg, January 17, at St. Joseph Hospital; Joe H. Gayheart, 67, of Garrett, January 16, at the Veterans' Hospital in Lexington.

Charles H. Johnson, 56, of Minnie, January 21, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Vernon Hall, 78, of Wheelwright, January 18, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Harvey Hall, 72, of Grethel, January 19, at McDowell; Ersile Little, 69, of Melvin, January 23, at Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital; Alice Faye Moore, 47, of Garrett, January 20, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Clarence Thomas O'Neil, 61, of Prestonsburg, January 20, at his residence; Algie Osborne, 74, of Martin, January 18, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Rex Tackett, 23, of Grethel, January 22, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; and Christine Wysocki, 65, of Lexington, January 18.

Twenty Years Ago

(January 25, 1989)

Mare Creek resident Albert Devon Scalf filed to run for Floyd County Judge-Executive in the May Primary, in an effort to get other candidates to challenge his right to run, because Mare Creek sits smack on the Pike-Floyd County line.

Although Environmental Protection Agency investigators found no evidence of emissions over regulatory limits, some Dwale residents maintained that fumes were escaping from a plant in the area.

James Poston Jr., 29, of Abbott Creek, and Ronnie D. Hall, 29, of Galveston, were convicted of the first degree robbery of a store at Toler Creek.

Hearing officer Susan Johnson, a Paintsville attorney, recommended that the State Department of Surface Mining drop its case against Gary Branham and Triple B Mining, which had been accused of mining without a

Thirty Years Ago

(January 24, 1979)

Several hundred Floyd County residents were indirect sufferers from the Big Sandy River which, last week, threatened, but did not reach flood stage.

After receiving a consultant's report on the asbestos situation at Prestonsburg High School, the task force named by Governor Carroll recommended, Monday, that the Floyd County Board of Education move immediately to remove the cancer-causing agent from the school.

Alternating freezes and thaws, snow and rain, have created road conditions that actual flooding would have found hard to match, it was indicated, this week, in reports from vari-

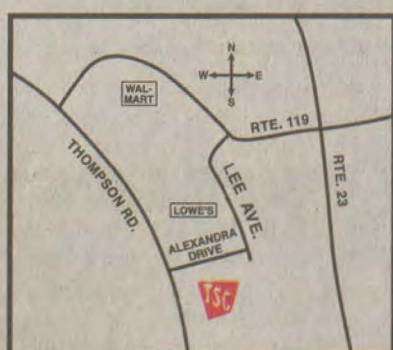
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Yesterdays

ous sections of the county
A hillbilly is someone who can't look out his window without seeing the big hills, and feeling small and big at the same time, because of them

There died: John Bee Hunt, 88, of Stanville, at his residence; Elizabeth Howard, 59, of Hueysville, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; William R. Hall, 57, of Knott County, in Clyde, Ohio; James C. Woods, 49, of Emma, at his home; Mattie Slone Stamper, 74, of Knott County, at the June Buchanan Clinic in Hindman; Hatler Mitchell Turner, 63, of Spring City, Tenn., formerly of Floyd County, in Dayton, Tenn.; Hatler Akers, 47, of Dana, at his residence.

Forty Years Ago
(January 23, 1969)

An effort on the part of Martin citizens to halt con-

struction of the Right Beaver High School, at Eastern, has apparently failed, and the future of Martin High School remains to be decided

Consolidation of three of its five divisions into a group to be known as the Island Creek Group, headed by Stonie Barker Jr., as group president, was announced, this week, by the Island Creek Coal Company

As conjecture arose about the future of various so-called poverty programs under the new Nixon administration, confidence was expressed, last week, by John Whisman, states' representative on the Appalachian Regional Commission, that Congress will pour added funds into the ARC program in eastern Kentucky, this year

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Kedrick Blevins, of Maytown, a son, Steven Ray, January 15; to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kay Keen, of Auxier, a daughter, Jan. 14; to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nelson Jr., of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Jan. 14; to Mr. and Mrs. Pete W. Hayes, of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Jan. 14; to Mr. and Mrs. Ray

Bolen, of Garrett, a daughter, Jan. 14; to Dr. and Mrs. A.M. Jamadar, of McDowell; a son, Jan. 17; to Dr. and Mrs. Raleigh Archer, formerly of Prestonsburg, a son, David Kirkpatrick, Jan. 18, at a Lexington hospital

There died: Mrs. Virgfe Mullins Cook, 76, of Topmost, when struck by a truck as she crossed the highway in front of her home; Mrs. Mary Alice Dawson, 57, Tuesday, at her home at Hi Hat; Ival Reynolds, 48, of Ligon, Tuesday, at Veterans' Hospital, Huntington, W.Va.; Mrs. Maudie Sanders, 68, formerly of Weeksbury, Saturday, at Taylor, Mich.; Mrs. Mary Conley, 60, of Harold, Jan. 15, in a Lexington hospital; Mrs. Hattie Amburgey, 71, formerly of Floyd County, Tuesday, at Charleston, Ind.; Mrs. Minerva Belcher, 64, Jan. 16, at Augusta, Mich.; Charlie Bradley, 67, of Hueysville, Jan. 17, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Daisy Shepherd Allen, 76, of Prestonsburg, last Thursday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital.

Fifty Years Ago
(January 22, 1959)

Supporters of Judge Bert T. Combs, of Prestonsburg, candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, were jubilant upon receipt, Wednesday morning, of the news that Wilson Wyatt, of Louisville, had withdrawn as a candidate for Governor, and had announced he will become a candidate for Lieutenant-Governor on an anti-administration ticket, with Combs

Elimination of unsightly structures to make way for large building sites to form a new residential section, streets and sidewalks, and a large municipal parking lot—these are included in preliminary plans for urban renewal at Martin, it was said here, this week, by Clifford B. Latta

Jarvis Allen, former Floyd County Court Clerk, last Thursday, was named assistant to County Attorney Robert S. Wellman

A contract was let, this week, on four duplex cottages at Jenny Wiley State Park

Virginia state police and Wise County (Va.) sheriff's deputies, early Sunday, arrested 37 persons and confiscated an estimated \$10,000 worth of gamecocks at a Virginia cock-fighting arena, reportedly owned by a Left Beaver resident

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Hershell B. Flanery, a son,

Phillip Ray, Jan. 11; to Dr. and Mrs. William Wilson Cottrell, a son, Johnson Tipton, Jan. 14, at West Palm Beach, Fla.; to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wright, of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Suzanne, Jan. 19; to Dr. and Mrs. Winston Layne Burke, of Corbin, a daughter, Jan. Elizabeth, Dec. 31, at Corbin

Sixty Years Ago
(January 27, 1949)

A petition bearing the signatures of 329 residents of Prestonsburg and West Prestonsburg, was filed, Monday, asking County Judge Alex L. Davidson to call a local option election, here, for Saturday, March 26

Bert Shepherd, 29-year-old Hueysville miner, is the second Floyd man to die as the result of revolver fire, within the period of a week. His death followed by six days, the slaying on Abner Fork, of Matt Johnson

Dr. George P. Archer was named, Tuesday evening, at a banquet sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Kiwanis and Lions Clubs, Prestonsburg's outstanding young man for the year 1948

An attempted take-off, Saturday afternoon, of a plane near Knotly Hollow, four miles south of here, resulted in a "pancake" crash, smashing its landing gear, and ripping the fabric covering, while the pilot suffered nothing more than a severe jolt

There died: John Riley

Hall, 79, Friday, at his home at Hite; John B. Prater, 64, Friday, at his home at Garrett; Samuel R. Gearheart, 52, formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, at Tampa, Fla.; Melvin T. Bush, 82, of Toler Creek, Sunday, at the home of a daughter at Betsy Layne.

Seventy Years Ago
(January 26, 1939)

County Judge E.P. Hill, Friday, accompanied to the Greendale Reform School, three youths whom he had sentenced to imprisonment there—"just to see what kind of place we are sending them to," he explained

Wesley "Red" Campbell, of Martin, was named, Saturday, as one of five representatives of the United Mine Workers of America from the district, to attend the wage conference with operators, which starts in New York City March 14

Winning six of eight debates within the last week, Prestonsburg High School's debate team brought their record up to eight victories over three defeats, for the season

Members of Prestonsburg's debate team are Alice Grey Burke, Betty Jean May, Ann Allen, Robert Runnels, Bill Dudley

McHone, and Patty Rimmer

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John Allen, of Prestonsburg, twin sons, on Jan. 19, at Gearheart Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Webster Harvey, of Honaker, twin daughters at Gearheart Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Riffe, a daughter, Mary Carleen, at Paintsville Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bond, Jan. 5, a daughter, Dorothy Ellen

There died: Miss Georgia Martin, 21, at Garrett; Dr. R.W. Raynor, 52, president of the Beaver Valley Hospital, after a five-day illness of pneumonia; John Sherman Hammond, 55, Wheelwright, at Carlton.

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Cinema 3—Held Over
HOTEL FOR DOGS (PG), Mon.-Sun. 7:00-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 7:00-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:15) 7:00-9:15.
Cinema 4—Held Over
GRAN TORINO (R), Mon.-Sun. 7:00-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:00-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:25) 7:00-9:25.
Cinema 5—Held Over
THE UNBORN (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 6—Held Over
PAUL BLART: MALL COP (PG), Mon.-Sun. 7:00-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 7:00-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:15) 7:00-9:15.
Cinema 7—Starts Friday, Jan. 30
NEW IN TOWN (PG), Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 7:05-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (2:05-4:20) 7:05-9:20.
Cinema 8—Starts Friday, Jan. 30
TAKEN (PG-13), Mon.-Sun. 7:10-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:10-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (2:10-4:25) 7:10-9:25.
Cinema 9—Starts Friday, Jan. 30
THE UNINVITED (PG-13), Mon.-Sun. 7:10-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:10-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (2:10-4:25) 7:10-9:25.
Cinema 10—Held Over
BRIDE WARS (PG), Mon.-Sun. 7:10-9:10; Fri. (4:10) 7:10-9:10; Sat.-Sun. (2:10-4:10) 7:10-9:10.



Kayla Whitney Sheppard plans to attend her junior spring 2009 semester in Dijon, France where she will be studying the French language and culture through the KIIS program. She has received scholarships to study abroad from the KIIS program and MSU Foreign Language Department. She is the recipient of the Presidential Scholarship at Morehead State University where she has maintained a 4.0 status on the Dean's List. Kayla spent her primary education years at Warfield Elementary School and is a 2006 graduate from Allen Central High School. Kayla's awards include being a 2005 Governor's Scholar, salutatorian of her class, and student marshal of the MSU 2008 winter commencement. Kayla is the daughter of Anita Derosette Bailey, stepdaughter of Kerry David Bailey, of Prestonsburg, and Dwayne Sheppard, of Lovely. She is the granddaughter of Jack and Joann Derosette of, Dingess, W.Va., and Agnes and the late John C. Cline, of Lovely. Kayla is the step-granddaughter of Arnold and Geneva Bailey, of Hippo.



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Real Estate

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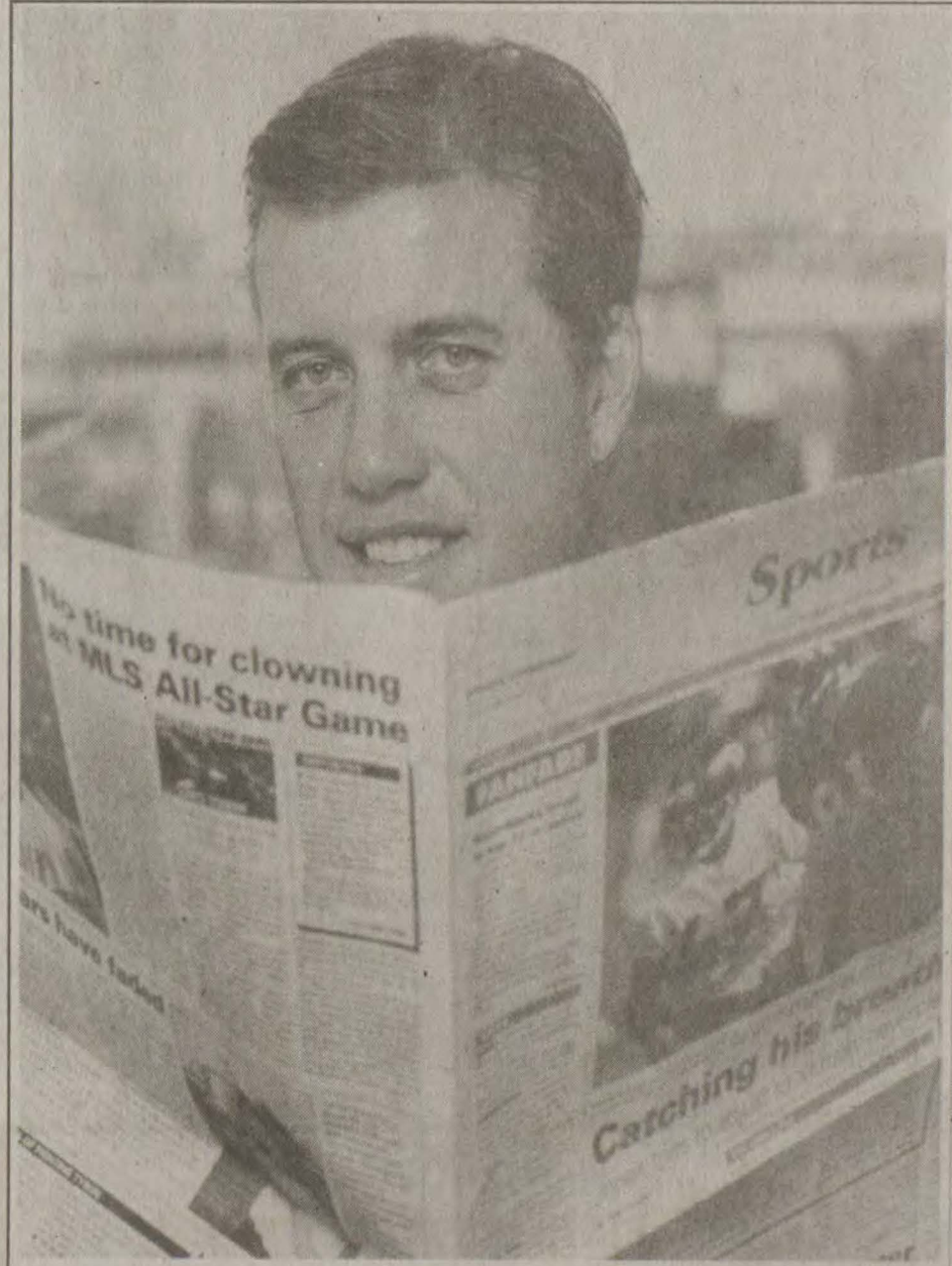
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Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 5th day of February, 2009, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Parcel No. 094-20-01-004.00
Legal Description: The following described property located in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Situated in the Big Mud Creek in the town of Harold, Floyd County, Kentucky, further described as follows:

Beginning at an iron stake, corner to the Clarence Kidd line; thence a south-westerly course with the Kidd line 200 feet to an iron stake; corner to Opal Slone; thence north-westerly course with the Slone line to the creek; thence with the creek to an iron stake in the Clarence Kidd line; thence with the Kidd line a southerly course 232 feet to an iron stake, to the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Randall Carroll, an individual, by virtue of a deed from Marsha Goodman, an unmarried individual, dated September 25, 2000, filed September 26, 2000, recorded in Deed Book 451, Page 529, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky.

Property Address: 382 Evergreen Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements.

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

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT Division I C.A. No. 08-CI-00878

First Guaranty Bank Plaintiff vs.

April Gayheart and Jackie Gayheart, husband and wife; Capital One Bank (USA), NA; Cavalry Portfolio Services, LLC; Portfolio Recovery Associates, Inc.; City of Martin; and Floyd County, Kentucky

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 13th day of January, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$21,957.32, 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 12th day of February, 2009, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Being Lots 5 and 6 in Block 1 Osborn Addition to Martin, Ky., Map of Same is filed with clerk of the Floyd County Court Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to Ada Wilson from D.K. Perry and W.E. Perry by deed dated November 1, 1943, and recorded in Deed Book 121, Page 320, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Further reference is also made to Will of Ada Wilson, recorded in Will Book N, Page 23, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed to parties of the first part Valerie Ousley, a single person and Johnene Newsome, a single person by Deed bearing date 15th day of July, 1996, and recorded in Deed Book 396, Page 642, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk.

Terms of Sale: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 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 2009, 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

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT Division No. 1 Case No. 07-CI-182

Freda Sue Gayheart, single; Judy Gayheart Varney, single; Danny Gayheart and Ann Gayheart, his wife; Debra Gayheart, single; Vicki Gayheart Rose and John Rose, her husband; Fayus Gayheart, Jr., single; Sarah Gayheart Caudill and Chris Caudill, her husband; Ricky Gayheart, single; Phyllis Ann Gayheart, McKinney and James McKinney, her husband; Billy Gayheart and Marie Gayheart, his wife; Thena Faye Gayheart Jones and Fred Jones, her husband; Ronald Gayheart and Linda Gayheart, his wife; Sandra Gayheart Samons, single; Trisha Marlene Gayheart, single; Tony

Gayheart, single; Jackie Gayheart and Tammy Gayheart, his wife; Randall Gayheart, single; and Randy Gayheart, single

Petitioners vs. Roger Gayheart and Kathy Gayheart, his wife; and Randolph Gayheart and Susan Gayheart, his wife; Randall Gayheart and Unknown Spouse of Randall Gayheart Respondents

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF Amended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 12th day of January, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, 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 12th day of February, 2009, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Parcel 1: A certain tract or parcel of land, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Frasures Creek, containing 2 acres more or less.

Beginning at a point where present county road is located as of October 3, 1968, thence running east with Jack Gayheart line to fence, thence running north with Jack Gayheart line to Pay Hamilton line, thence running west with Pay Hamilton line to present county road, thence running south with county road present to the beginning.

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

Parcel II: A certain tract or parcel of land, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Frasures Creek, containing 2 acres more or less.

Beginning at a point where present county road is located as of October 3, 1968, thence running east with Jack Gayheart line to fence, thence running north with Jack Gayheart line to Pay Hamilton line, thence running west with Pay Hamilton line to present county road, thence running south with county road present to the beginning.

Terms of Sale: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for 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 Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2009, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the costs of sale and for the master commissioner.

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

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd Master Commissioner

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD

CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II C.A. No. 07-CI-00777

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-1

Plaintiff vs. Christina Tackett

Marty Tackett Alice Owens Martin KEC Land Assets Green Tree Financial 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 7th day of April, 2008, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$114,770.32, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 29th day of January, 2009, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a Corner to The Route 777 right-of-way and the Buck Martin property access driveway: Thence running with the East side of Route 777 ascending Turkey Creek for a distance of approximately 675 feet to a Stake, Thence turning Left so as to cross the bottom with The Ben Moore property line to the channel of Turkey Creek; Thence continuing across Turkey Creek and up the ridge line; Thence turning Left, around the hill so as to cross the head of a shallow hollow, a straight line to the existing Marty Tackett/Buck Martin property line; Thence turning Left, back down the hill with the present Tackett/Martin line to the point of beginning, at the East side of Route 777.

Said property was conveyed to Marty Tackett and Christina Tackett, husband and wife, by Marty Tackett and Christina Tackett, husband and wife, on November 12,

1999, recorded in Deed Book 451, Page 529, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky.

Property Address: 382 Evergreen Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Bid Proposals are requested for Water Line, Waste Drain and Boiler/Water Heater replacement at our Town Center location. The proposal needs to include all costs to replace all water lines, drain lines and boilers/water heaters serving 28 apartments. The proposal needs to include the price for material and installation, references for the past 10 years, and a Bid Bond.

The successful bidder must furnish Insurance certificates, plus Payment and Performance bonds. Wages must be paid in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local wage requirements, plus other documents as required for working in public housing.

For more information, please contact Bruce Coleman, Housing Authority of Martin, P.O. Box 806, Martin, KY 41649, 606-285-3681.

All proposals must be received at the housing authority office by 2:15 p.m., Local time, January 29, 2009.

The housing authority reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals.

NOTICE (OF FINAL SETTLEMENT)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD...SCT

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said settlements must do so on or before February 28, 2009, at 10:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	06-P-00261	BelleS. Sturgill	Carla Burchett	12-30-08
Final	07-P-00249	Mabel Allen	Woodrow Allen & William Allen	01-05-09
Final	08-P-00027	Ellis Slone	Josephine S. Muncy	01-08-09
Final	08-P-00222	Carlson Reffett	Laudy Reffett	10-07-09
Final	08-P-00285	Elmo Allen	Jency Allen	01-07-09

NOTICE TO JOHN G. STEPP, UNKNOWN HEIRS, LEGATEES, AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE WARNING ORDER

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned attorney has been appointed to notify the Defendant, John G. Stepp, Unknown Heirs, Legatees, and Unknown Spouse, that a civil action has been filed against him in Floyd Circuit Court, Division I, as C.A. No. 08-CI-00831, Said Defendant must immediately file an Answer in this matter, otherwise, judgment may be entered against him. Said Defendant should contact the undersigned attorney immediately.

Anthony Craig Davis
Davis Law Office
104 Hays Complex
P.O. Box 220
Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605
Office: (606) 478-1002

LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS

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
12-29-08	08-P-00473	Barry R. Collins	Melissa Collins	Thomas Moak
12-30-08	08-P-00474	Glofia Gaye Porter	Clyde Porter	
01-05-09	09-P-00001	Eula N. Conley	Janet L. Conley & LaNeva Hall	
01-05-09	09-P-00002	Evelene Booth	Jackie M. Booth	
01-05-09	09-P-00003	Marie C. Mullins	Paul E. Mullins	
01-07-09	09-P-00005	Maxine Mullins	Maryon Sue Johnson	
01-08-09	09-P-00006	Maggie T. Howell	Mylessia Little	
01-08-09	09-P-00007	Elmer Greer	Bertha Greer	
01-08-09	09-P-00008	Ida Akers	Stevie A. Akers	
01-09-09	09-P-00009	Bryan David Tackett	Gary Tackett	
01-09-09	09-P-00010	Green Howell	Sylvia Howell	
01-09-09	09-P-00011	Daily Robinson	Lida Bentley	Jimmy C. Webb
01-12-09	09-P-00012	Paul Sherman Mullins	Casey Delaney	
01-13-09	09-P-00013	Anna V. Banks	Paul Banks	
01-13-09	09-P-00014	Shawn David Allen	Gary Allen	
01-14-09	09-P-00015	Henry J. Wright	Nathan Joel Wright	
01-15-09	09-P-00016	Graden R. Jarvis	Betty Jarvis	
01-16-09	09-P-00017	Michael E. Fannin	Michael N. Fannin & Neil E. Fannin	
01-20-09	09-P-00019	Mobie Justine Slone	Ruth Ann Salyer	
01-20-09	09-P-00020	Pamela Rizzo Gannon	Delena G. Ratliff	
01-20-09	09-P-00021	Hansetta Rena Federspiel	Evelene J. Edmonds	
01-20-09	09-P-00022	Ersha Deskins Layne	Susan Akers	
01-20-09	09-P-00023	Astor Clay Collins	Alice Faye Collins Simpson	William S. Kendrick

2005, by a deed recorded on November 28, 2005, in Deed Book 518, Page 538.

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 2009, 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 Number 836-9028

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Landfall Mining, Incorporated, P.O. Box 376, Shelbyana, Kentucky 41562, has applied for a permit for a surface refuse recovery operation and reclamation operation, affecting 31.1 acres, located 0.1 mile northeast of Wayland, in Floyd County.

The proposed application is approximately 0.4 mile northeast from KY 7's junction with KY 1086, and located 0.2 mile north of Steele Creek. The latitude is 37°26'44". The

longitude is 82°48'01".

The proposed application is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the refuse recovery method of mining. The surface area to be affected by the operation is owned by Town of Wayland. The operation will not underlie any land.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resource's Pikeville Regional Office, 121 1/2 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Department for Natural Resources, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II C.A. No. 04-CI-00004

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg Plaintiff

vs. Lennix "Cola Ray" Akers, et al.

Defendants NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Findings of Fact,

and Judgment, and Order of Sale, referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 19th day of June, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$28,047.02, plus interest at the rate of 12% per annum from June 11, 2007, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 29th day of January, 2009, 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 the same property conveyed to Lenix Akers and Patricia Akers, his wife, by deed dated December 22, 1980, recorded in deed book 252, page 671, and also by quitclaim deed dated August 22, 1995, from Patricia Ann Akers to Lennix Cola Ray Akers, which is duly recorded in deed book 388, page 795, all of which are of record in the office of the Floyd County Clerk, and is more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying and situated in the Hatcher Hinchman Subdivision of Harold, Kentucky, in Floyd County, Kentucky. Being all of lot No. 15, Block 4, as shown on a map entitled, Hatcher Hinchman Subdivision, located at Harold, Floyd County, Kentucky, scale 1"=40' by Everett Johnson, dated September 6, 1971, of record in file folder No. 972, Floyd County Clerk's office.

assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2009, 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

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I C.A. No. 08-CI-1250

Kentucky National Bank of Pikeville, now known as Citizens National Bank Plaintiff

vs. Jerry Marvin Kidd; Leatha Kidd;

Branch Banking & Trust Company; Capital One Bank; K.E.C. Land

Tract No. 1 This parcel of land will begin (95) ninety five feet

south of Ethel Branham's line and following the road south (150) one hundred and fifty feet, Thence running east (150) one hundred and fifty feet to a stake, Thence running north (150) one hundred and fifty feet to a stake (95) ninety five feet from Ethel Branham's line, Thence (150) one hundred and fifty feet west to the highway the beginning point.

Tract No. 2 Beginning at a marker at Highway 979 with Brennan Newsome's line, running 150 feet East; thence running 150' feet South to a marker; Thence running East to Big Mud Creek Waters; thus running North with Mud Creek water 245' feet to Ethel Hamilton's line, thus running West with Ethel Hamilton's line to Highway 979; thus running South 95' feet to the beginning of Brennan Newsome's line.

Being the same property conveyed to Jerry Marvin Kidd and Leatha Kidd, his wife, by deed from Brennan Newsome, et ux dated September 17, 1996, lodged for record in Deed Book 399, Page 225, Floyd County 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,

Assets Inc.; Commonwealth of Kentucky, Division of Child Support; Bayview Franchise Mtg. Acceptance Co.; JP Morgan Chase Bank; Long Lane Master Trust 4

as assignees of Coleman Oil Co.; Kentucky Petroleum Supply, LLC; United States of America, Department of Revenue; and Floyd County, Kentucky 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 8th day of January, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$21,410.20, 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 5th day of February, 2009, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly de-scribed as follows:

Tract No. 1 This parcel of land will begin (95) ninety five feet

south of Ethel Branham's line and following the road south (150) one hundred and fifty feet, Thence running east (150) one hundred and fifty feet to a stake, Thence running north (150) one hundred and fifty feet to a stake (95) ninety five feet from Ethel Branham's line, Thence (150) one hundred and fifty feet west to the highway the beginning point.

Tract No. 2 Beginning at a marker at Highway 979 with Brennan Newsome's line, running 150 feet East; thence running 150' feet South to a marker; Thence running East to Big Mud Creek Waters; thus running North with Mud Creek water 245' feet to Ethel Hamilton's line, thus running West with Ethel Hamilton's line to Highway 979; thus running South 95' feet to the beginning of Brennan Newsome's line.

Being the same property conveyed to Jerry Marvin Kidd and Leatha Kidd, his wife, by deed from Brennan Newsome, et ux dated September 17, 1996, lodged for record in Deed Book 399, Page 225, Floyd County 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.

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 Purchase and learn how to use fire extinguishers safely

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Nearly 3 in 4 people killed in home heating fires used space heaters

Nearly three in four people killed in home heating fires in 2006 died in fires that involved (stationary or portable) space heaters, according to a new report released by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

In 2006, heating equipment was involved in an estimated 64,100 U.S. home structure fires, 540 civilian deaths, 1,400 civilian injuries, and \$943 million in direct property damage. The peak months for home heating fires are December, January and February. NFPA urges the public to be cautious when using heating equipment.

Other key findings from Home Fires Involving Heating Equipment report:

■ Home heating fires are more likely to occur in the evening and peak between 6:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

■ Fatal home heating fires are more likely to occur between midnight and 10:00 a.m.

■ The leading factor contributing to home heating fires was when heating equipment was left too close to things that can burn.

■ Sixty percent of the confined chimney and flue fires (2003-2006) occurred because the chimney was not cleaned.

NFPA offers the following heating safety tips.

■ Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment, such as the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable heater.

■ Only use heating equipment that has the label of a recognized testing laboratory.

■ Never use your oven for heating.

■ Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water

heaters, or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.

■ Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them cleaned and inspected annually by a qualified professional.

■ Turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.

■ For fuel burning space heaters, always use the proper fuel as specified by the manufacturer.

■ Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to prevent sparks from flying into the room and burn only dry, seasoned wood. Allow ashes to cool before disposing in a metal container, which is kept a safe distance from the home.

■ For wood burning stoves, install chimney connectors and chimneys following manufacturer's instructions or have a professional do the installation.

■ Make sure all fuel-burning equipment is vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning.

■ Install and maintain car-

bon monoxide (CO) alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning.

■ If you smell gas in your

gas heater, do not attempt to light the appliance. Turn off all the controls and open doors and windows. Call a gas serv-

ice person.

■ Test smoke alarms at least monthly.



Delmas Saunders celebrated his 96th birthday Jan. 11 at the home of Jimmy and Karen Marcum. Pictured with Saunders are Seth Marcum, front, Noah Marcum and Mollie Saunders (granddaughter of Delmas who lives in Nashville).

IRS recruiting for positions in Lexington, Louisville

INDIANAPOLIS — The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is seeking qualified Revenue Officer candidates for positions in the Lexington and Louisville IRS Offices.

Applicants must apply by Feb. 20. See www.usajobs.opm.gov for more information on how to apply.

Interested applicants must be a United States citizen and have a bachelor's degree (with superior academic achievement — 3.0 or higher overall or 3.5 or higher in major) or equivalent work experience or a combination of education and related work experience.

Examples of related work experience include:

■ Reviewing individual/business financial condition, ability to pay debt

■ Evaluating assets, equity and credit

■ Collecting delinquent payments

■ Establishing or operating a small business and/or administering a budget

■ Counseling individuals on tax filing and paying obligations

■ Dealing with various

legal instruments (i.e.: leases, wills, deeds and trusts)

Revenue officers are trained in both tax law and collection techniques necessary for the collection of delinquent taxes and delinquent tax returns.

Duties include conducting research, interviews, investigations and analysis of financial information for assigned cases, often at the taxpayer's home or business. Revenue officers counsel taxpayers on their tax obligations and determine how they can best resolve their delinquencies, while also ensuring that their rights are protected.

Starting salary varies by geographic area based on costs of living adjustments and range between \$38,177 to \$44,976.

Individuals interested in a challenging career with excellent benefits, training and strong growth potential are encouraged to apply. Get the details at www.jobs.irs.gov/home.html. Application information is available at www.usajobs.opm.gov. The IRS is an equal opportunity employer.

Five highway deaths on Kentucky roads last week

FRANKFORT — Preliminary statistics indicate that five people died in five separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, Jan. 19, through Sunday, Jan. 25.

All of the crashes involved motor vehicles and two of the victims were not wearing seat belts. Single-vehicle crashes occurred in Green, Marshall, McCracken, Shelby and Warren counties. One crash involved the suspected use of alcohol.

Through Jan. 25, preliminary statistics indicate that 38 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2009. This is 12 fewer than reported for this time period in 2008. Of the 35 motor vehicle

fatalities, 19 victims were not wearing seat belts. Three pedestrian have been killed. A total of 10 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.

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