



# Obituaries

## Edward Alley

Edward Alley, age 94, of Trenton, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, widower of Gustava Dean Alley, died Friday, February 12, 2010, in the Southshore Hospital, in Trenton, Michigan.

He was born November 14, 1915, in Alliance, a son of the late Lee and Lizzie Akers Alley. He was a retired inspector for Ford Motor Company, a World War II Army Air Corps veteran, a deacon of the Little Ida Old Regular Baptist Church, in Ecorse, Michigan, and attended Alice Lloyd College, in Pippa Passes.

He is survived by two sons: Ronald Alley, his wife Carol, of Rochester, Minnesota. Gary Alley, his wife Icie Marie of Lincoln Park, Michigan; one daughter, Phyllis Nemeth, her husband Richard of Trenton, Michigan; one sister, Mary Bolton, her husband Gilbert of Melvindale, Michigan; four grandchildren and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services for Edward Alley were conducted Tuesday, February 16, at 1 p.m., in the Pilgrim Home Regular Baptist Church, in Grethel, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Lee Alley Cemetery, in Grethel.

Visitation was after 9 a.m., Tuesday, at the Church.

Pallbearers: Ron Alley, Gary Allen, Ricky Nemeth, Richard Nemeth, Ralph Martin, and Carmel Newman.

Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, is caring for those arrangements. (Paid obituary)

## Eugenia Renee Booth

Eugenia Renee Booth, 39, of Rush, died Friday, February 12, 2010, in Carter County.

Born August 29, 1970, in McDowell, she was the daughter of Pearl Newman Booth of Ashland; and the late Phillip Booth. She was a homemaker.

In addition to her mother, survivors include one son, Matthew Shawn Hall, of Rush; one daughter, Kandase Nicole Vears of Melvin; two nieces: Kristin Booth and Breanna Easterling; three nephews: Bryan Booth, Nathan Booth, and Coty Booth; one great-nephew, Braden Hall; aunts and uncles: Linda and Norman Bradley of Ashland; Glenda Bucki of Southgate, Michigan; Georgia Quisenberry of Louisa, Alabama; Aileen Franks of Haleyville, Alabama; Rhodan and Elmer Johnson of Bevinsville; Wendell Newman of Ashland; Berman and Terri Newman of Bevinsville; and Russell and Pat Newman of McDowell.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her

grandparents: George and Flora Newman; and Eugene and Cora Booth; and one brother, Phillip Bryan Booth.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 17, at 11 a.m., at the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, in Hi Hat, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

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

Visitation was at the church. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, is in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

## Wanda Lou Prater Caudill

Wanda Lou Prater Caudill, 39, of Flemingsburg, died Friday, February 12, 2010, in the Fleming County Hospital.

Born January 28, 1971, in Lawrence County, she was the daughter of Claude and Flora Adams Prater of New Boston, Ohio. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Frankie Caudill.

Other survivors include one son, Charles Phillman Caudill of Flemingsburg; two brothers: Jay Bentley and Claude Prater, both of Manford, Ohio; and three sisters: Connie Osborne of Otway, Ohio; Fay Horsley of Tolesboro; and Shelia Bertram of Greenup.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Linda Lee.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 16, at noon, at the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church, in McDowell, with Jimmy Hall and Deane Moore officiating.

Burial was in the Caudill Family Cemetery, in McDowell.

Visitation was at the church.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

## Pacilla Conn

Pacilla Conn, age 58, of Banner, wife of Russell Conn, passed away Sunday, February 14, 2010, at her residence.

She was born April 18, 1951, in Pikeville, the daughter of the late Bert and Clara Phillips Allen. She was a homemaker and a member of the Sutton Baptist Church.

In addition to her husband Russell, she is survived by one daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Conn of Banner; and two brothers: Herbert Allen of Vera Cruz, Mexico and Randy Allen of Harrodsburg.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, February 18, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens,

in Ivel.

Visitation is after 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, at the funeral home, under the kind and professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin. (Paid obituary)

## Goldie Clemons Fitch

Goldie Clemons Fitch, age 87, of Wayland, widow of the late Arnold Fitch, passed from this life on Monday, February 15, 2010, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

She was born November 10, 1922, in Breathitt County, the daughter of the late Moses and Lula Allen Clemons. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by a daughter, Sally (Morris) Wallace of Elkhorn City.

Funeral services will be held Friday, February 19, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home in Martin, with Tommy T. Taulbe officiating.

Burial will be in the Johnson Memorial Park in Pikeville, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, in Martin. (Paid obituary)

## Ronald Pete Hensley

Ronald Pete Hensley, age 65, of Melvin, a native of Salt Rock, West Virginia, passed away Saturday, February 13, 2010, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg.

He was born January 28, 1943, in Salt Rock, West Virginia, the son of the late Christopher Hensley and Ethel Kiser Ross. He was a coal truck driver for many years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Ronald Hensley Jr.; one brother, Marshall Hensley; and two sisters: Dottie Cordell and Irene Cooper.

He is survived by his wife, Edith Faye Hensley of Melvin; one son, Lonnie Ray (Leigh) Hensley of Rutledge, Tennessee; one brother, Carlos (Wanda) Hensley of Milton, West Virginia; two sisters: Dorothy Ellen Ward of West Virginia; and Loraine Stewart of Salt Rock, West Virginia; four grandchildren: Brandon Akers of Prestonsburg; and Shawna Hensley, Christopher Hensley, and Mikie Hensley, all of Rutledge, Tennessee.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 17, at 11 a.m., at the Hall and Jones Funeral Home Chapel, in Virgie, with Church of Christ ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation will be at the funeral home chapel after 6 p.m., Monday, and all day Tuesday, with services nightly at 7 p.m.

Hall & Jones Funeral Home of Virgie, is in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

## Beatrice Lowe

Beatrice Lowe, 76, of Warren, Michigan, died Monday, February 8, 2010, at the Henry Ford Hospital, Michigan.

Born August 8, 1933, in Endicott, she was the daughter of the late Jeff and Mary Belle Jarrell Jervis. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Glen Lowe.

Other survivors include two sons: Dan (Monique) Lowe and Dennis (Yvonne Sorrell) Lowe; one brother, Earl Jervis; and two sisters: Delcie Endicott and Pearl (Jimmy) Johnson.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by six brothers: Ornes Spears, Cecil Jervis, Curtis Jervis, Zenis Jervis, Ellis Jervis, and Roosevelt Jervis; and two sisters: Ivory Mae Jervis and Lula Belle Reed.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 13, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Delmer Jervis officiating.

Burial was in the Jervis Cemetery, in Endicott.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

## Winfield "JR" Moore Jr.

Winfield "JR" Moore Jr., 66, of West Salem, Ohio, died Friday, February 12, 2010, in Rittman, Ohio.

Born January 28, 1944, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Winfield Sr., and Callie Boggs Moore. He was a grinder/truck body MFG, and a member of the Pleasant View Regular Baptist Church, in Rittman, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife, Geneva Johnson Moore.

Other survivors include one daughter, Patricia Stanley of Melvin; three sisters: Mary Mosley of Wheelwright; Loretta Hall of Rittman, Ohio; and Brenda Newman of Lexington; four grandchildren: Dustin, Christena, Joshua, and Veronica; and two great-grandchildren: Breann and Leland.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Bascom Moore and James Moore; and six sisters: Norlean Moore, Elvie Moore, Emma Jean Moore, Oma Moore, Nellie Moore, and Opal Hall.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 17, at noon, at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Louis Ferrari officiating.

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

Visitation is at the church. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, is in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)



## Dixie Mullins

Dixie Mullins, age 78, of Columbia City, Indiana, passed away Friday, February 12, 2010, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Born July 1, 1931, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of Johnnie D. and Maxie Rhode (Lawson) Caudill.

She moved from Kentucky to Huntington in 1957, moving to Columbia City in 1960.

On June 30, 1947 she married Glines Mullins in Floyd County; he passed away March, 1981.

She was a waitress, cook and bartender at Bamboo Lounge, Wonder Bar, Hallway, 10 Pen, Billy Goat Tavern, and Moose Lodge. She was an avid

coffee drinker, loved people and helping people; cooking, and cleaning fish.

Survivors include her four children: Sundra "Sunni" (Stephen) Watson; Debra Lynn (Michéal Strifler) Mullins; Jeffrey Glen (Sheila) Mullins; and Marty Johnneine (Todd) Clingerman, all of Columbia City; three grandchildren: Travis E. (Heather Civiletto) Grunawalt and Grady L. Clingerman, both of Columbia City; and S. Wesley Watson of Fort Wayne; and one step-grandson, Christopher Strifler of Columbia City; two great-grandchildren, Cole Civiletto of Columbia City; and infant girl due in April; six brothers and sisters: Jack Caudill of Mount Vernon, Illinois; Dorothy Hand of Eden, North Carolina; Mary Hamilton of London; Maudie Osborne of Hi Hat; Benjamin Caudill of Prestonsburg; and Jimmie Caudill of Columbus, Mississippi; and several beloved nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Donna Maxine Mullins; brothers, Johnnie "Jr." Caudill, Edward, Ralph, Audrey, and Robert Andrew Caudill.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 17, from 2-7 p.m. at DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, 600 Countryside Drive, Columbia City, Indiana.

Funeral services will be held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 17, at the funeral home with Pastor Ross O'Dell of Trinity Evangelical Presbyterian Church officiating.

Burial will be at Greenhill Cemetery, in Columbia City.

Memorial gifts may be given in memory of Mrs. Mullins to the American Heart, Stroke and Lung Association; Whitley County Humane Society; or Black Pine Animal Park. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Please visit: www.demoney-grimes.com to send family condolences, or sign the guest register book. (Paid obituary)

## Lorraine Syck Reynolds

Lorraine Syck Reynolds, 58, of Banner, died Monday, February 15, 2010, at her residence.

Born December 28, 1951, in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Don and Ersu Gross Syck. She was a disabled nurse aid and a member of the Cow Creek Freewill

Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roger Reynolds Jr.

Survivors include one son, Brian (Melissa) Reynolds of Banner; one daughter, Christi Reynolds of Columbia, South Carolina; four brothers: James Syck of Stanville, Rollen Syck of Wisconsin, Freddie Syck of New York, Floyd Syck of West Virginia; three sisters: Betty Syck of Ohio; Nellie Bradford of Tennessee and Cathy Hand of Taylorsville; three grandchildren: Tyler, Alexis and Trenton Reynolds.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Willard Syck and Clell Syck; one sister, Mary Lou Syck.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, February 18, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Nathan Lafferty and George David Garrett officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

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The family and friends of Valerie "Missy" Spurlock would like to sincerely thank all those who sent flowers, food, prayers, gifts, and any other expressions of sympathy to us. A special thank-you goes out to Middle Creek Baptist Church, Pastor William Hunt, Jeremiah Swiger, Justin Hyden, and all others who sang or otherwise took part in the services. We also wish to thank Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home staff, the pallbearers, and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance. Everyone's thoughtfulness and presence has comforted us throughout this time, and we send our heartfelt appreciation to you.

Valerie Spurlock's Sons: Shamron and Preston Thacker  
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The Spurlock Family

## Card of Thanks

The family of Randy Caudill would like to express our appreciation to all who sent flowers or perhaps said a kind word, sent a floral arrangement, food, or spoke a word of kindness, or said a prayer. We especially want to thank the Old Regular Baptist ministers; the Floyd County Sheriff's Department; and the Kentucky State Police, for traffic control. We would also like to express a very special thank-you to the Mayor of Martin, Thomasine Robinson; all Martin city employees; the Martin Volunteer Fire Department; and all local fire departments, for the beautiful ceremony; and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional services. All the love and kindness that was shown to our family will never be forgotten.

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**Ethel D. Shepherd**

Ethel D. Shepherd, 91, of Warsaw, Indiana, formerly of Claypool, died Friday, February 12, 2010, at Parkview-Noble Hospital, in Kendallville, Indiana.

Born January 18, 1919, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Smith and Audie (Poe) Johnson. She was a homemaker and a member of the Pentecostal Lighthouse Church, in Warsaw, Indiana.

She married Odus Shepherd in Kentucky in 1935. He preceded her in death on

September 22, 1995.

Survivors include three sons: Arnold (Cindy) Shepherd, John (Sandy) Shepherd, and Donald (Patty) Shepherd, all of Ligonier, Indiana; one sister, Grethel Gibson, and one brother, Butler Johnson, both of Warsaw, Indiana; two daughters-in-law: Jayne Shepherd of Silver Lake, Indiana; and Elaine Shepherd, of Fairborn, South Dakota; 20 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two sons; three sisters; two brothers; one grandson; and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 17, at 11 a.m., at the Pentecostal Lighthouse Church, 125 Fawley Street, Warsaw, Indiana, with Pastor Glen Hughes, Pastor Rick Johnson, and Pastor David Cripe officiating.

Burial will be in the Graceland Cemetery, in Claypool, Indiana.

Visitation is Tuesday, February 16, from 2 to 8 p.m., at the funeral chapel; and one hour prior to service, at the church.

To sign the guestbook or send condolences electronically, go to:

mchatonsadlerfuneralchapels.com (Paid obituary)

**Phyllis Jean Spradlin**

Phyllis Jean Spradlin, 72, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, February 12, 2010, at St. Mary's Medical Center.

Born September 30, 1937, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Roy and Mavis Nichols Hammonds. She was a retired office worker, and a member of the Pleasant Home Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, David Spradlin of Pikeville; one daughter, Tammy Mullins of Prestonsburg; one sister, Helene Branham of Prestonsburg; and two grandchildren: Kaitie Mullins and Shala Spradlin.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Bill Hammonds; and one sister, Mary "Tiny" Hammonds.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 16, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Tommy Reed and Mark Tackett officiating.

Burial was in Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

**Albert Earl Jr. Younce**

Albert Earl Jr. Younce, 75, of Melvin, died Saturday, February 13, 2010, at the Cabell Huntington Hospital.

Born August 1, 1934, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Albert and Usley Newsome Younce. He was a disabled coal miner.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ida Gibson Younce.

Survivors include six sons: Paul (Cathy) Younce of Melvin; Johnny (Sharon) Younce and Kenneth Younce, both of Virgie; Ricky (Mary Jane) Younce of Pikeville; Terry (Patricia) Younce of Indiana; and Sammy (Lori) Younce of Michigan; five daughters: Janet (Paul) Hall of Michigan; Sherry (Bufford) Thomas of Hazard; Glenda (Gene) Amburgey of Louisa; Peggy Edwards of Indiana; and Brenda (Tommy) Hall of Weeksbury; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sons: Melvin Jr. Younce and Gary Younce; and numerous brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 16, at 11 a.m., at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church, in Melvin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Andy Little Cemetery, in Melvin.

Visitation was at the church.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

**AG seeks details on abusive posts, removal fees from Topix.com**

FRANKFORT — After receiving dozens of calls and complaints from Kentuckians, Attorney General Jack Conway last week asked Topix.com, an interactive message board website host, to provide information regarding its policies dealing with abusive posts that violate the website's terms of service.

Conway's Office of Consumer Protection has received calls and complaints from concerned citizens who allege that false and defamatory information about children, as well as adults, has been posted on the Topix website. They have also complained that the tools provided by Topix to remove the abusive posts are ineffective unless consumers agree to pay a \$19.99 fee.

In a letter sent today to Topix.com CEO Chris Tolles, Conway and Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, chair of the National Association of Attorneys General Multistate Task Force on Internet Safety, expressed their significant concerns with the Topix.com "Forums and Polls" pages and the website's \$19.99 fee for "priority review" of inappropriate posts that violate the website's terms of service. An initial investigation by the attorneys general reveals that the "Forums and Polls" section is used to post derogatory

information and appears to operate without moderators. In fact, a large percentage of the posts in some Kentucky forums contain explicit, vulgar, obscene and defamatory posts about citizens, including children.

"Abusive or negative posts can have a devastating impact on youth. Tragically, many teenagers today turn to suicide as a way to escape abuse or cyberbullying on the Internet," Conway said. "I have heard from parents, consumers and officials from across Kentucky who have complained about the outrageous comments that are allowed to be posted and not policed by Topix. General Blumenthal and I find it deplorable that any website would deliberately create an environment where false and derogatory comments about children, or anyone, would be permitted and then allowed to remain on the website."

Conway and Blumenthal urged Topix to remove abusive posts as soon as possible and not try to profit from their removal. The attorneys general also caution that requiring consumers to pay to remove posts that violate the site's terms of service poses serious consumer protection concerns. Even though the website allows users to "flag" posts for removal, consumers have found that to be ineffective in removing posts. Consumers are also

given the option of paying \$19.99 for an "expedited review," which does appear effective in having the post removed. The attorneys general also complain that the website is confusing and appears designed to steer people toward payment of the \$19.99 option.

"How outrageous that targets of false and obscene posts may be victimized twice — first by the abusive comment and then by the charge to remove it. Topix should reward, not rip off, consumers and victims who report abusive posts, particularly any targeting children, that violate the website's own policies," Blumenthal said.

The attorneys general say they respect a person's First Amendment rights and the protections afforded to internet service providers by federal law; however, the First Amendment does not protect libelous comments. In their letter, they ask Tolles to contact them to respond to the concerns they have expressed.

"We hope that Topix will address our concerns in a constructive and positive way," said General Conway. "We were successful in working with social networking giants MySpace and Facebook and with Craigslist in making changes to their websites that benefit children. We hope Topix will respond in a similar manner."

**Bill to boost transparency at KACo, KLC heads to Senate**

FRANKFORT — The House approved legislation Friday that would bring more transparency to financial and personnel actions of the taxpayer-funded Kentucky Association of Counties and Kentucky League of Cities.

HB 325, sponsored by Rep. Arnold Simpson, passed the House by a vote of 95-0 and now goes to the Senate for consideration. The bill would require KACo and KLC and any statewide association of local governments to open their meetings and records-including budget and spending records-to the public, adopt stricter personnel, procurement and compensation policies, improve handling of alleged ethics violations, provide legal and financial training for members, adopt a code of ethics and be audited every year.

A state audit of KACo and KLC last year raised questions about spending and personnel practices at both associations.

"Much has been written and much has been stated about certain events that transpired in the past several years relative to expenditures of those funds," said Simpson, D-Covington. "We all know what was done, and we know the path that should be taken to correct those transgressions."

Both KACo and KLC, which are governed by boards

of local elected officials, provide many local governments in Kentucky with insurance, financial and other services funded with taxpayer dollars. House Local Government Chairman Rep. Steve Riggs, D-Jeffersonton, said HB 325 is needed to provide oversight of the organizations' multi-million-dollar operations.

"It's very important that not

just open records but other rules be set in place," Riggs said. "Requiring an ethics policy is very important, (as is) the requirement that there be embracing of the whistleblower statutes, so that if people ... see wrongdoing again they will feel comfortable reporting it without being under the threat of being fired or some other problem."



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 THE BOOK OF ELI (R), Mon.-Sun. 9:15; Fri. (4:15) 9:15; Sat.-Sun. (4:15) 9:15.  
**Cinema 2—Held Over**  
 TOOTH FAIRY (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 3—Held Over**  
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**Cinema 4—Held Over**  
 LEGION (R), Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:05-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (2:05-4:25) 7:05-9:25.  
**Cinema 5—Held Over**  
 FROM PARIS WITH LOVE (R), Mon.-Sun. 6:55-9:20.  
 ALVIN & THE CHIPMUNKS 2 (PG), Fri. (4:15); Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:15).  
**Cinema 6—Held Over**  
 DEAR JOHN (PG-13), Mon.-Sun. 6:55-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 6:55-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:55-4:20) 6:55-9:20.  
**Cinema 7—Held Over**  
 VALENTINE'S DAY (PG-13), Mon.-Sun. 6:50-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 6:50-9:25; Sat.-Sun. (1:50-4:20) 6:50-9:25.  
**Cinema 8—Starts Friday, February 19**  
 SHUTTER ISLANDS (R), Mon.-Sun. 7:45; Fri. (4:45) 7:45; Sat.-Sun. (1:45-4:45) 7:45.  
**Cinema 9—Held Over**  
 THE WOLFMAN (R), Mon.-Sun. 7:15-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:15-9:30; Sat.-Sun. (2:15-4:30) 7:15-9:30.  
**Cinema 10—Held Over**  
 EDGE OF DARKNESS (R), Mon.-Sun. 6:55-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 6:55-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:55-4:20) 6:55-9:20.

# Viewpoint

Amendment 1

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

## Guest View

### Scouting benefits far exceed camping

The Boy Scouts of America turned 100 last week amid speculation that the group might be losing relevance in these modern times.

Scouting has endured similar periods of disparagement in the past, as well as challenges to their promotion of faith and religion and opposition to homosexuality. The organization also has had to endure scandals that have erupted when leaders turned out to be predators.

Such cases have been rare, however, and Scouts and parents alike know that Scouting is so much more than campouts and helping little old ladies across the street.

While it has held true to its core values, Scouting has changed with the times. After all, it couldn't be faithful to its motto of "Be Prepared" without making adjustments for modern life.

The program began in England, essentially by providence. Robert Baden-Powell, a British intelligence officer, became a national hero through his resourcefulness in leading successful campaigns during the Boer War in Africa. Using knowledge of the area and creative deceptions, he withstood a 217-day siege against a much larger force. Afterward he wrote a training manual so that other soldiers could learn how to use their knowledge and wits to use their resources successfully.

After the war, his book was made available to the general public. The manuals became popular — not so much by the adults who would be recruited for any militia, but by youngsters and teachers who enjoyed the skills the manuals offered.

In response, Baden-Powell began the Scouting program not for warfare, but for self-reliance and community service.

Camping and outdoor skills remain a big part of modern-day Scouting, but the program's merit badges — and dozens of patches and pins awarded to Scouts — recognize proficiency in a wide variety of skills that include law, graphic arts and computer knowledge. Certain badges are required for Eagle Scout, most of which remain oriented on survival, service and citizenship.

The primary goal of Scouting is not just the acquisition of skills, however. It is to give young men the knowledge and confidence they need to solve problems they will encounter in adult life. It also encourages them to use their resourcefulness to identify needs in their homes, communities and nations and work toward mitigating them. As they gain knowledge and skills, the young Scouts gain the self-reliance and confidence that helps them meet challenges they might face.

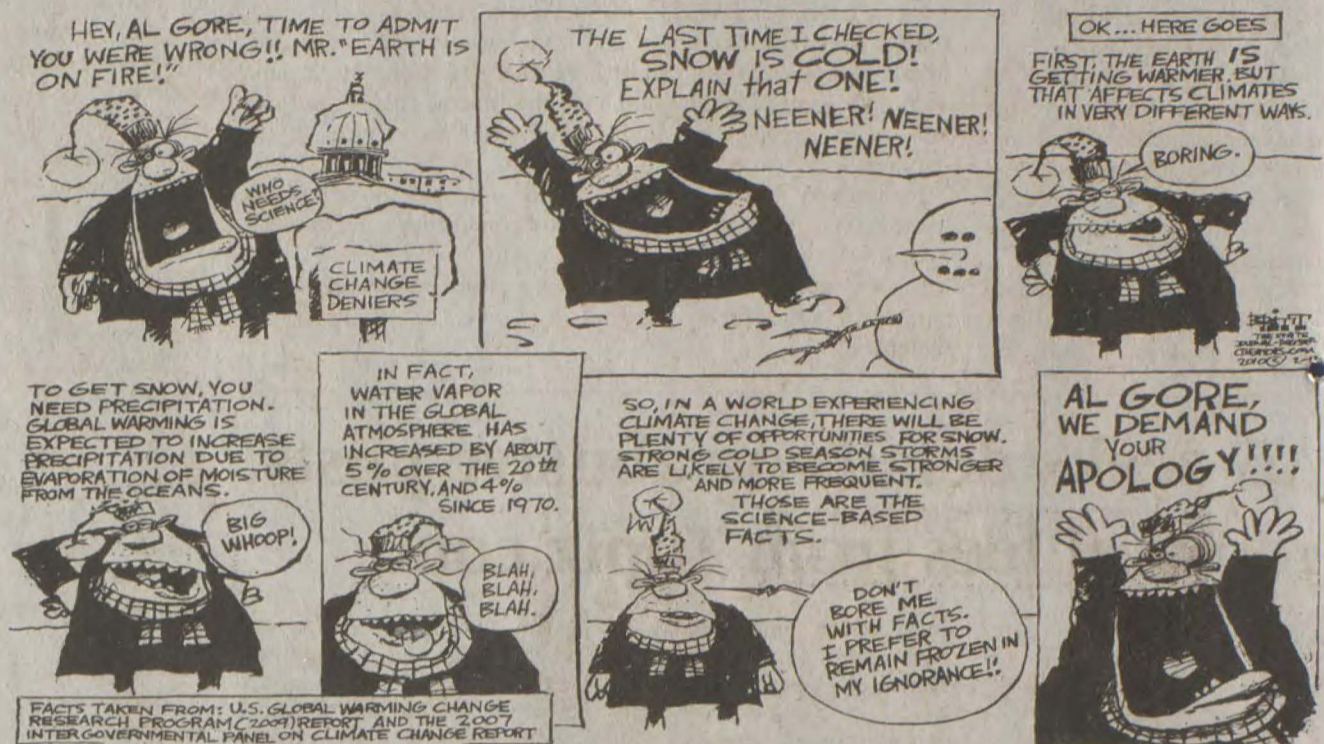
The value of Scouting is just as great as it ever has been. As long as it continues to teach boys, young men and women to value the outdoors, become good citizens and be active in community service along with developing skills that help them succeed in those endeavors, Scouting will always remain relevant to developing character in our young people.

— The Jacksonville (N.C.) Daily News

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Reason is the natural order of truth; but imagination is the organ of meaning.

— C.S. Lewis



## Guest Column

### House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

Domestic-violence legislation took a significant move forward this week when a House committee approved a bill package to beef up protections for dating partners in abusive relationships and expand the list of crimes that can be prosecuted under the state's domestic-violence laws.

The omnibus package, filed as House Bill 189, includes provisions allowing state courts to grant domestic violence restraining orders to dating partners, whether or not the couple is living together, has lived together or has a child together. Currently only partners who meet those criteria are able to seek a DVO against one another.

Other changes would require counseling assessment for anyone under a DVO, require statistical reporting of domestic violence crimes, create the crime of "domestic violence shelter trespass," require that law enforcement officers receive domestic violence training once every two years, and include intentional strangulation under the state's definition of physical assault.

Now HB 189 goes to the House floor for consideration. It seems likely that the House — which earlier voted unanimously to pass "Amanda's Bill," allowing GPS tracking to enforce restraining orders — will lend this latest measure its support despite state budget constraints.

Concerns about difficulties among a growing number of Kentucky combat veterans were also aired before a House committee this week. Emotional problems caused by years of war and multiple deployments have led some veterans to commit criminal acts — acts that some lawmakers believe could be avoided by providing vets with additional help for post-traumatic stress disorder and other post-deployment adjustments. HB 377, approved by the House Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee, would give veterans that extra help by requiring

combat veterans under arrest to be identified by pretrial officers and connected immediately to already-available assistance. The bill now goes to the full House.

Increased penalties for drunk drivers who receive a first-time DUI conviction also came to lawmakers' attention this week when the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee approved a bill requiring them to have a breath-sensing "ignition interlock" device installed in their vehicle. HB 58, which now goes to the full House, would also expand the list of factors that trigger higher DUI penalties and require a person's license plates be impounded on a first or subsequent DUI offense. Under current law, the courts can impound a DUI offender's plates on second or subsequent offense while their license is suspended and may order an interlock device be installed in their vehicle once their license suspension ends.

Legislation that would allow gubernatorial candidates to choose their running mate before or after primary elections also got a green light in committee last week. HB 247 would let candidates select their running mate as late as the second Tuesday in August. The bill cleared the House Elections, Constitutional Amendments and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee and now goes to the House floor.

An issue on nearly every Kentuckian's mind is the economy and the state's growing unemployment rate, which has forced the state to borrow millions from the federal government to keep its unemployment insurance trust fund afloat. The House hopes to get the trust fund out of the red with a bill it passed on a 97-0 vote. House Speaker Pro Tem Larry Clark, the sponsor of HB 349, said Kentucky has had to borrow over \$640 million from the federal government to pay unemployment benefits because of a structural imbalance in the fund that his bill hopes to correct. Should the bill become law, Kentucky could beef up the fund by raising the taxable wage base that determines how much employers pay into the fund and by reducing the percentage of weekly wages paid by the fund as of 2012, among other changes.

Other bills that passed the full House last week were:

■ HB 283, a bill that would allow the state to issue coal mining permits more quickly by raising certain permit fees. HB 283 passed the House 80-15 and now goes to the Senate.

■ HB 70 would allow Kentucky voters to approve a constitutional amendment that would automatically restore the voting rights of thousands of Kentuckians with prior felony convictions, with the exception of violent felons convicted of intentional murder, sexual contact with a minor, rape or sodomy. The measure — which has passed the House in prior sessions but stalled in the Senate — passed the House by a vote of 83-16 and now goes to the Senate for consideration.

■ HB 321 would require public agencies to verify a potential employee's immigration status through federal employment verification programs and prohibit public agencies — including state and local agencies and school districts — and their contractors and subcontractors from hiring unauthorized, or illegal, alien workers. The bill passed the House 93-3 and now goes to the Senate for consideration.

House leaders continue to try to reach consensus on possible state budget scenarios, and could bring a budget bill to the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee for a vote in a matter of days. The situation remains fluid. You can stay informed of action in the House budget committee and all other legislative action during the 2010 Regular Session by checking our website, [www.lrc.ky.gov](http://www.lrc.ky.gov), or by calling the LRC toll-free Bill Status Line at 866-840-2835. To find out when a committee meeting is scheduled, check the website or call the LRC toll-free Meeting Information Line at 800-633-9650.

If you would like to share your comments or concerns with me or another legislator about a particular bill under consideration this session, please feel free to call the Legislative Message Line at 800-372-7181. You can also write to any legislator by sending a letter with your lawmaker's name on it to: Legislative Offices, 701 Capitol Ave., Frankfort, KY 40601.

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## Letters

### Restaurants should be proactive

Consumers are looking for more detailed information about the food they eat and the time is right for restaurants of all sizes to start providing nutrition information. As obesity rates rise and more consumers are seeking a healthier lifestyle, food service establishments that provide

nutrition information will not only comply with pending national legislation, but will appeal to health-conscious customers.

According to the National Restaurant Association, a uniform national nutrition standard will allow consumers access to detailed nutrition information that meets their needs while providing clarity, consistency and flexibility for restaurants in how that information is provided. They are urging members of Congress to co-sponsor the Labeling Education and Nutrition Act (LEAN Act), which will

provide a national nutrition labeling standard for food service establishments with 20 or more locations.

By highlighting healthier options, restaurants can distinguish themselves by meeting the growing demand for nutrition information, establish a competitive edge over their competitors and, most importantly, provide an important service to their customers.

Laura Walsh RD, LDN  
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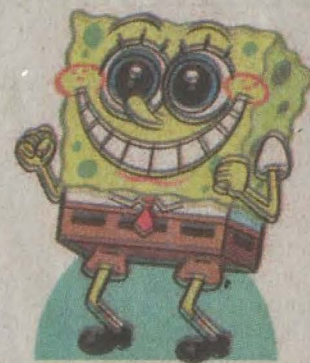
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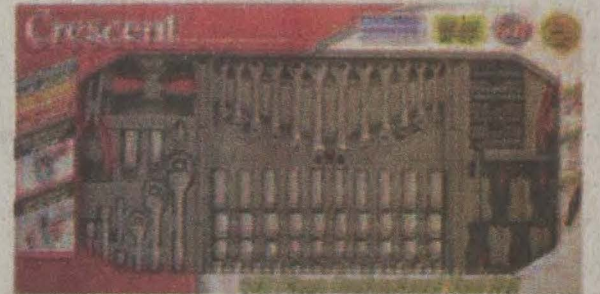


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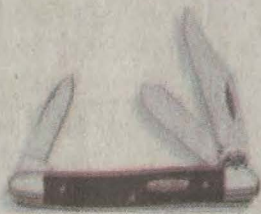
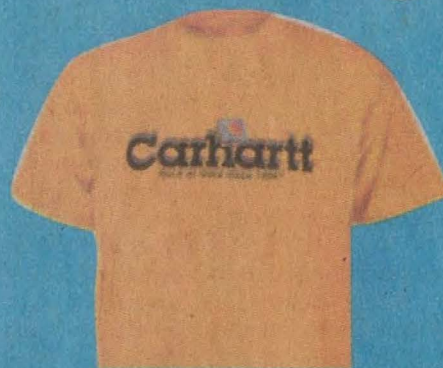
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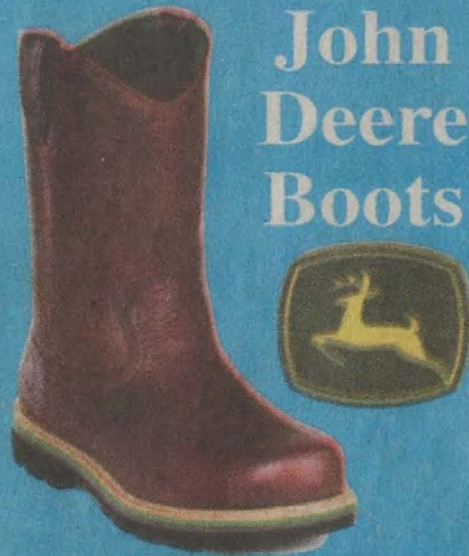


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## Symposium to bring medical professionals together to discuss prescription drug addiction, safety

**HAZARD** – A host of state and national experts in the field of prescription drug addiction and workplace safety will lead discussions during a symposium for medical professionals on Saturday, March 6.

The free forum – sponsored by Operation UNITE, the Kentucky Medical Association and the University of Kentucky Center on Drug and Alcohol Research – will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Forum in Hazard. Lunch will be provided.

Continuing Education Units for participants have been approved by the state boards for physicians, pharmacists, nurses, dentists, social workers and certified alcohol and drug counselors.

“We want to engage participants in an open and frank discussion about current drug trends in southern and eastern Kentucky, issues related to addiction that these practitioners must face on a daily basis, and learn about safety concerns posed by addicts to healthcare workers,” said Karen Engle, director of UNITE. “Our ultimate goal is to develop both immediate and long-term strategies to deal with these problems.”

The forum is in response to

concerns raised by the tragic murder of Dr. Dennis Sandlin, who was gunned down at the Leatherwood-Blackey Health Center in southern Perry County in December 2009.

“Almost immediately after Dr. Sandlin’s death we started receiving calls from medical providers asking how they can avoid unwittingly becoming part of the problem,” Engle noted. “They want to know what they can do in their own practices, how they can recognize substance abuse, and what help is available if problems are suspected.”

UNITE has arranged for an outstanding group of experts to present information and participate in both morning and afternoon panel discussions.

Presenters and their topics include:

■ Dr. Sharon Walsh, director of the UK Center on Drug and Alcohol Research, will discuss “The Rising Tide of Prescription Opioid Abuse: Science of Addiction and Treatment.”

■ Dr. Carl Leukefeld, chair of UK’s Department of Behavioral Science, will present information about “Current Prescription Drug Abuse Trends.”

■ Dr. Michelle Lofwall,

assistant professor of psychiatry in the UK College of Medicine, will discuss “Safe Opioid Prescribing: The Viewpoint of an Addiction Medicine Physician.”

■ Bill Abney, principal partner/consultant with TRACE Fire, Safety & Risk Management Consultants, LTD, and Dr. Beverly G. Hart, professor of baccalaureate and graduate nursing at Eastern Kentucky University, will discuss “Dealing With Aggressive Patients & Workplace Safety.”

■ Dr. Lynn R. Webster, board certified in anesthesiology and pain medicine and medical director for Lifetree Clinical Research in Salt Lake City, Utah, and Registered Nurse Marsha Stanton, a volunteer educator for the Center for Lawful Access and Abuse Deterrence in Salt Lake City, Utah, will discuss “Safe Opioid Prescribing: The Viewpoint of a Pain Management Physician.”

■ Dave Sallengs, a registered pharmacist and branch manager for the Drug Enforcement and Professional Practices Branch within the Kentucky Office of Inspector General, will discuss “Using the KASPER (Kentucky All-Schedule Prescription

Electronic Reporting) system.”

■ Bob Neri, senior vice president and chief clinical officer for WestCare in Florida, will discuss “Innovative Approaches: SBIRT, A Blended Model of Primary Healthcare and Substance Abuse Treatment.”

“We believe we have pulled together a tremendous line-up of professionals whose knowledge and research are respected nationwide,” Engle said. “This will be a quality program as is evidenced by our having secured continuing education units from six state accreditation boards – and it’s all free.”

The following CEU/CME credit hours have been approved: Physicians, 3 Category 1 CMEs by the Kentucky Medical Association; dentists, 3

Category B CEUs by the Kentucky Board of Dentistry; CADCs, 5 CEUs by the Kentucky Board of Certification for Alcohol and Drug Counselors; nurses, 5 CEU contact hours by the Kentucky Board of Nursing and Southeast Kentucky Community & Technical College; pharmacists, 5.5 CEUs by the University of Kentucky Healthcare CE

CEUs by the Kentucky Board of Social Work.

In order to ensure enough materials and lunch, anyone interested in attending the forum is asked to RSVP by Friday, February 26, by calling toll-free 1-866-678-6483 or e-mailing UNITE@centertech.com.

For more information about Operation UNITE visit their website at [www.operationunite.org](http://www.operationunite.org).

## Nominations sought for arts awards

**FRANKFORT** — The Kentucky Arts Council is currently accepting nominations until March 1, 2010, for the 2010 Governor’s Awards in the Arts. Gov. Steve Beshear will present the 2010 awards at a special public ceremony and reception in the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort in October 2010.

The awards are the state’s highest honor in the arts, recognizing individuals and organizations with extraordinary achievement in the arts or making outstanding contributions in Kentucky through the arts. Any individual, organization or business may make nominations.

The nine award categories (Artist, Business, Community Arts, Education, Folk Heritage, Government, Media, Milner and National) recognize the broad range of support the arts

enjoy in Kentucky.

To be eligible to receive a Governor’s Award in the Arts, a candidate must be a Kentucky resident or a Kentucky organization, business, media outlet, school or government agency. The National Award and the Government Award allow for exception to Kentucky residency. The National Award is bestowed upon a Kentucky native son or daughter who has achieved national or international acclaim in the arts. A Kentucky native son or daughter, an individual Kentucky resident or an agency located in Kentucky advancing the arts through government action is eligible to receive the Government Award.

“The Governor’s Awards in the Arts bring attention to the positive work that many individuals, organizations and

institutions do for Kentucky through the arts,” says Lori Meadows, executive director of the Kentucky Arts Council. “We encourage nominations from all parts of Kentucky. We value the diversity of people and the broad range of art forms found in our Commonwealth.”

To nominate, go to [www.artscouncil.ky.gov/guide/prog1/ga\\_gdl.html](http://www.artscouncil.ky.gov/guide/prog1/ga_gdl.html). For more information about the Governor’s Awards in the Arts program, contact Dan Strauss at [dan.strauss@ky.gov](mailto:dan.strauss@ky.gov) or 502-564-3757, ext. 474.

The Kentucky Arts Council, the state arts agency, creates opportunities for Kentuckians to value, participate in and benefit from the arts. Kentucky Arts Council funding is provided by the Kentucky General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts.

## Meeting

had cracked and given way by several feet, while the prospect of a larger slide had city officials concerned for possible city-wide power outages, as the power lines for the city ran primarily out of Branham Street.

Since the evacuation, at which time the city and county

both declared emergencies, mining officials have visited the area of the city and declared the site an emergency situation, while federal officials have been gaining permission from home owners to go onto the property to attempt to fix the problem. However, families will receive no com-

pensation, according to federal officials.

Engineers from the Office of Surface Mining have said the abandoned mine behind the homes is the cause of the slide.

The town hall meeting is scheduled to start at 6 p.m.

## Grants

cultural opportunities of the region by providing a place for young and aspiring actors to gain experience and perfect their craft,” Stumbo said.

The Mountain Arts Center received a check for \$39,578 from the grant program.

“This wonderful center serves as more than a concert hall,” Turner said. “The Mountain Arts Center is active in educational programming, offers a commercial recording studio and also has visual art exhibits to promote local artists.”

The Mountain Arts Center provides a venue for concerts and other performances, along with offering arts education in a variety of artistic

disciplines.

Also receiving grants were Appalshop, a multidisciplinary arts, media, education and cultural center located in Whitesburg, and the Appalachian Artisan Center of Kentucky.

Appalshop received \$59,621, the largest amount awarded by the grant program. The Appalachian Artisan Center, located in Hindman, received \$19,375.

The Kentucky Arts Council is a state arts agency that creates opportunities for Kentuckians to value, participate and benefit from the arts.

## Energy

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tainable and cleaner burning, as well as being more economically stored, conveyed and processed in existing equipment.

Others speaking the Tuesday summit were Phil Osborne with the Faces of Coal, Frank Moore with the Division of Biofuels, Charles Carlton with the Pike County Judge-Executive’s Office and Haven King on behalf of Coal Mining Our Future and Friends of Coal.

## Charges

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with a bat and broke her arm and wrist.

“When she was talking to police, she had pieces of skull in her hair,” Marcum said. “She is still in critical condition at a hospital in Tennessee.”

Holbrook is also charged with second-degree disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, second-degree burglary and fourth-degree assault. The case is now under consideration by the grand jury.

## Porn

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zine, Marcum said.

From here, Marcum said police then secured a search warrant and searched the home, finding three more pictures of the alleged victim, all of them nude, taken when she was a minor.

“He also had a list of websites of underage girl porn that was found,” Marcum said, “and magazines like ‘Barely Legal’ and that kind of stuff.”

Salisbury was in court Monday for a preliminary hearing and is now being held at the Floyd County Detention Center on a \$50,000 cash bond. He has pleaded not guilty to the charge.

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# Free vascular screening scheduled March 11 in Prestonsburg

PRESTONSBURG — One in five Americans over age 65 suffer from peripheral artery disease (PAD), but only about 20 percent get the recommended treatment, according to the American Heart Association. PAD is a serious condition that, left untreated, could lead to amputation or death.

King's Daughters Medical Center, in cooperation with the Kentucky Heart Foundation (KHF), is offering a free screening to detect PAD. The screening will begin at 8:30 a.m.

March 11 on the KDMC Mobile Health Unit at the First Presbyterian Church, 1430 N. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky.

King's Daughters nurse practitioner Deb Cummings will review results with participants immediately following the screening. Appointments are required and may be made by calling 1.888.377.KDMC (5362).

The screening is open to persons over the age of 50 and is recommended for those who:

- have leg pain when walking that goes away when at rest;
  - have a family history of vascular disease;
  - use or have used tobacco products;
  - have poor circulation or swelling (edema) of the legs and ankles.
- Additional screening criteria apply, which allow KDMC to see those most at risk for PAD.

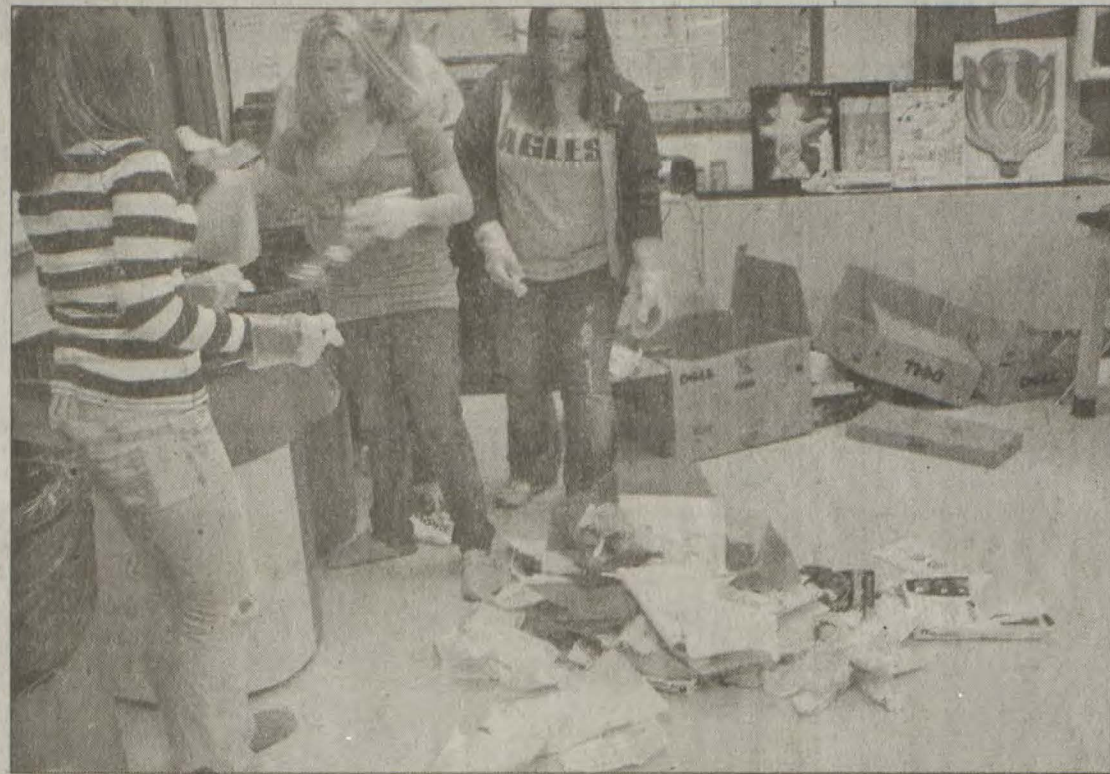
- Fasting lipid profile - This test will give a breakdown of HDL and LDL cholesterol, triglycerides and total cholesterol
- Ankle brachial index (ABI) screening - Blood pressures measurements are taken at the ankles and arms and compared to determine whether there is decreased blood flow to the legs
- Blood glucose - Level of sugar in the blood. Studies have shown those with diabetes are at increased

risk for vascular disease.

■ Electrocardiogram (EKG) - A non-invasive test to measure electrical activity to the heart by attaching electrodes to the skin

KHF is a nonprofit organization working to improve the life expectancy of people affected by cardiovascular disease. The foundation oversees cardiac research, education and prevention programs and is closely linked with the heart and vascular specialists at KDMC.

## GO GREEN



Students sort paper and plastic as part of the recycling program at Betsy Layne Elementary. Their main goal of recycling is saving trees and raw material for generations beyond. If everyone does their fair share, all can reduce the amount of unnecessary waste

Kristen Neeley, Heather Iricks, Burgundee Justice, and Madison Hall, students in Tammy Meade's science classroom recently began a recycling program at Betsy Layne Elementary. Not only are they promoting the importance of going green through recycling, they are putting words into action. Labeled cans have been placed throughout the middle school hallways in order to encourage students to be a part of the Go Green solution.



## Spring forest fire hazard season begins

FRANKFORT — Kentucky law designates Feb. 15 through April 30 as spring forest fire hazard season. During this time, it is illegal to burn anything within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland between the daylight hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The law is intended to prevent forest fires by allowing outdoor burning only after 6 p.m. when conditions are less likely to cause a wildfire to spread.

"Recent snowfall may make for an uneventful start to our fire season; however, the many snow events this winter have caused additional trees and limbs to accumulate on the forest floor and increase the danger for wildfire," said Leah MacSwords, director of the Kentucky Division of Forestry (KDF). "Likewise, citizens often burn woody debris and yard waste this time of year, and we want to remind everyone to heed caution and follow all outdoor burning laws in order to lessen the chance of starting a wildfire."

To help prevent and reduce the risk of wildfire, KDF recommends the following guidelines when burning debris or yard waste:

- Clear a safe zone that is wide enough to prevent the escape of fire.
- Keep a supply of water

and a rake or shovel readily accessible.

- Do not leave a fire unattended.
- Burn only when the wind is calm and the humidity level is high.
- Extinguish fire completely if conditions become windy.
- Keep burn piles small to allow quick control of the fire if necessary.
- Locate burn piles an adequate distance from structures and utilities.

■ Obey all outdoor burning laws including forest fire laws, air pollution regulations and local ordinances.

Although unsafe debris burning is a significant problem, arson remains the leading cause of wildfire in Kentucky. To help combat this criminal offense, citizens are asked to report any suspicious acts of arson to the nearest Kentucky State Police post or the Target Arson Hotline at 1-800-27-ARSON.

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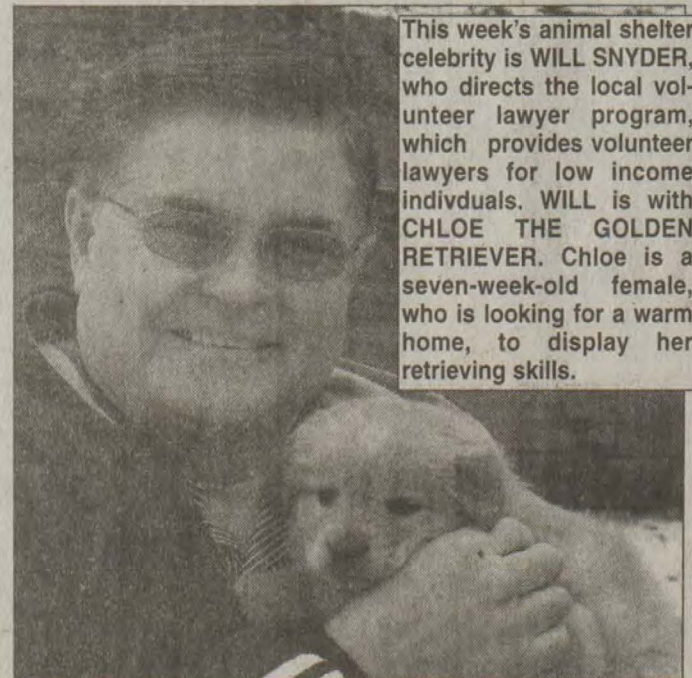
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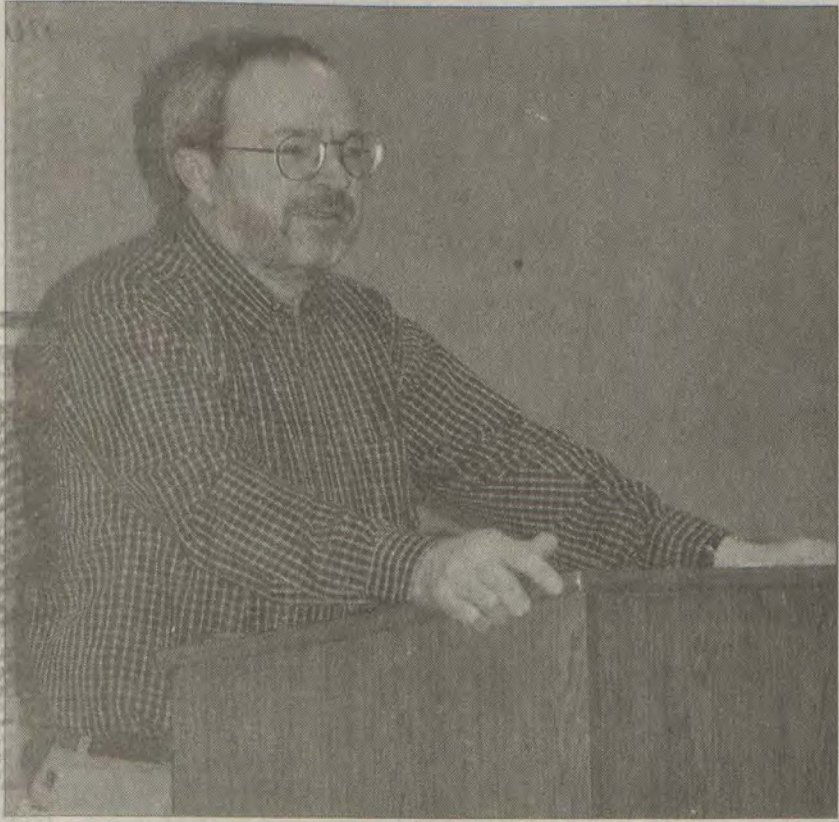
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ABOVE: Recent graduates of the Kentucky Coal Academy's New Miners Cohort Program include (from left) James Cook, Blaine Greene, Jonathan Stacy, Joseph Bays, and Matthew Jordan Irick. AT LEFT: Dennis Hatfield, president of Booth Energy Group, was a special speaker for the Kentucky Coal Academy's 18th New Miners Cohort program graduation at Big Sandy Community and Technical College's Hager Hill Campus.

# New generation of coal miners on the rise

## 'Cohort' program at BSCTC partners with coal company to produce workers

by JENNIFER McDANIELS  
KENTUCKY COAL ACADEMY

It's not often that your boss attends your graduation. What's even more unusual is that he's your guest speaker.

There's nothing ordinary, however, about Big Sandy Community and Technical College's new miners Cohort program, which recently conducted its 18th graduation ceremony at the Hager Hill campus. Part of the Kentucky Coal Academy's mine training initiative, Big Sandy's Cohort program is an unprecedented approach in producing efficient and better prepared miners for the coal industry's workforce. The Cohort program involves a unique partnership between a leading coal company in the region and Big Sandy Community and Technical College. Through its nontraditional yet proven effective training style, the Cohort program has been successful in better preparing miners for careers in the coal fields.

Dennis Hatfield, president of Booth Energy Group, the Martin County-based mining company that partners with the college's Cohort program, was the guest speaker for the class' most recent graduation, which was held on Friday, Feb. 5. For the last few weeks, the graduates have also been working at his mines as part of the Cohort's on-site training. Hatfield said capable, impressive miners that were five years ahead of most beginning miners were being provided for his company through the Cohort program, which is funded in part by the Kentucky Coal Academy.

"These guys are super prepared," Hatfield said of the five graduating participants that have joined the ranks of Kentucky Coal Academy-trained miners. "They've got the training and the potential that I never had when I first started out in this industry. That's what this Cohort program, in partnership with the Kentucky Coal Academy, does. Once the training

program is completed, these new miners are capable of working on a higher level. They know how to work safer and better, and that's what employers are looking for."

Kentucky Coal Academy Executive Director Dr. Bill Higginbotham also attended Friday's graduation, and told the new miners that they "were the workforce of the future."

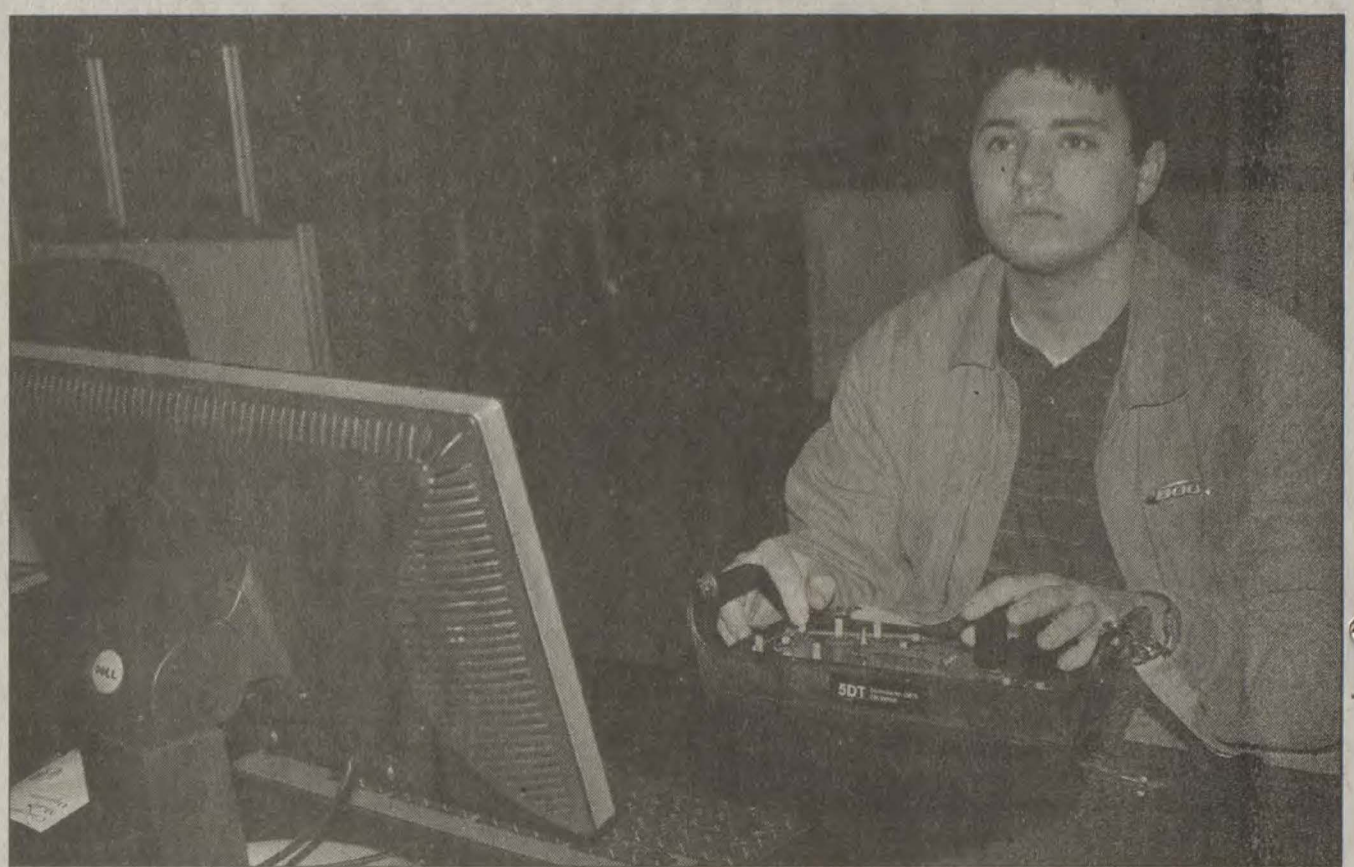
"It's no secret that while the coal industry is progressing, our workforce is aging," Higginbotham said. "And that's the goal of the Kentucky Coal Academy. We not only want to produce more miners, we want to produce better miners - well educated and highly qualified."

Higginbotham said it was the unique structure of the Cohort program, as well as the Kentucky Coal Academy in general, that resulted in its many success stories.

"This is a new day and age for the coal industry," Higginbotham said. "We want to keep everything - including mine training and education - on the 'cutting edge', so to speak. Through the training that our students receive with our state-of-the-art technology and equipment, like our multi-million dollar mining simulators, it's only expected that coal companies like Booth Energy are anxious to employ Cohort and Kentucky Coal Academy graduates."

While the Kentucky Coal Academy's mine training degree and certification programs are offered at four of Kentucky's Community and Technical Colleges, the Cohort program is exclusive to Big Sandy. Hatfield said it was Booth Energy's founder and owner, Jim Booth, who envisioned the Cohort program and worked in partnership with college officials to bring the idea to fruition. He said Booth was concerned about training the next generation of coal miners, equipping them with good skills, a good education, and a good livelihood.

"And since the beginning, it's been a very successful partnering



Kentucky Coal Academy graduate Jonathan Stacy displayed the controls of one of the academy's multi-million-dollar mining simulators.

venture," Hatfield said. "We've gotten excellent workers out of this program. We've gotten equipment operators, repair men, as well as underground miners. Over time, we expect to get foremen out of this program, too."

Big Sandy's Cohort program is set up as an accelerated, 30-week training and working commitment, which rotates weeks spent in the classroom and weeks spent working in the mines with a mentor. Participants interested in joining the Cohort program first take an assessment test. College and Booth Energy officials team up to review applications and assessments, then select a small number - usually five to 10 participants - for the class. While attending the 30-week training program, the selected participants are also paid wages by Booth Energy. Upon graduation and certification, participants are once again interviewed and evaluated by Booth Energy representatives before being offered full-time employment at the coal operation.

Kentucky Coal Academy Instructor James Warrix, who has been in the coal industry for 35 years and has been teaching the last three years, described this Cohort class as "really green."

"Although most of their parents and grandparents have worked in the mines, they still didn't know much about the industry," Warrix said. "I've had a lot of firsts with these guys, but they are really fascinated by the whole mining scene. A few years ago, you didn't see young people taking an interest in coal. But now, we're seeing more of it. We're seeing this generation embracing what their fathers and grandfathers did and wanting to be a part of that legacy."

Recent Cohort graduate Joseph Bays of Salyersville said as a young child he couldn't comprehend what his father and grandfather did for a living.

"When I was about 12 years old, my dad told me in depth what he did for a living and how the past three generations of our family were underground coal miners," Bays said. "At that moment, something sparked inside of me and I knew what I was supposed to do."

Bays said he got "detoured," however, after graduating high school and ended up working as a mason. That lasted until his father invited him over for dinner one night and told

him about the Kentucky Coal Academy.

"I was so excited something like this was around for someone like me," he said. "Going through the Coal Academy has given me a huge advantage. I believe what I have learned here in seven months would have taken someone close to 10 years to learn from underground experience. This program has given me the confidence I need to make a great underground miner."

Cohort graduate Matthew Jordan Irick said the day he received a call from the Kentucky Coal Academy changed his life. He said he was working "your average nine-to-five job" with a natural gas company and was becoming concerned because work was slow. At an area job fair, he met Big Sandy Community and Technical College representatives with the Kentucky Coal Academy.

"The rest is history," Irick said. "During this program, I never fathomed the things I would learn or the goals I could accomplish within such a short span of time. My dad was never a coal miner and my papaw passed away when I was young, so I never knew anything about coal mining, but I was always interested. The Kentucky Coal Academy has helped shape the man I have become. It has shown me that someone with just a high school education and a few college credit hours can make a good, honest living by the sweat of his brow."

Recent Cohort graduates Jonathan Stacy, Blaine Greene, and James Cook said they were new to the mining industry, too, and were at first intimidated when starting the program.

"The only thing I knew about it was that my dad and grandpaw were coal miners and that's what I wanted to be," said Stacy. "Now that this program is over, I have a general idea how to troubleshoot electrical circuits on equipment. Underground, I know how to build an overcast, brattice, lay track, take up track, change axle on the little rides and many more things."

Greene added to his class' list of capabilities.

"I've learned to adjust belts, work on water sprayers, set timbers, and I have learned that coal miners are hard working people who look out for each other and everyone's safety comes first," Greene said. "I hope to work in a coal mine the rest of my

life." Cook said the Kentucky Coal Academy through the Cohort program has given him hope that he can remain home in the hills of eastern Kentucky and still be successful.

"My family for once in my life is extremely excited for me and is hoping the best for me," Cook said. "My plan for the future is that I study to become an electrician and hopefully get my bossing papers and every type of certification I can."

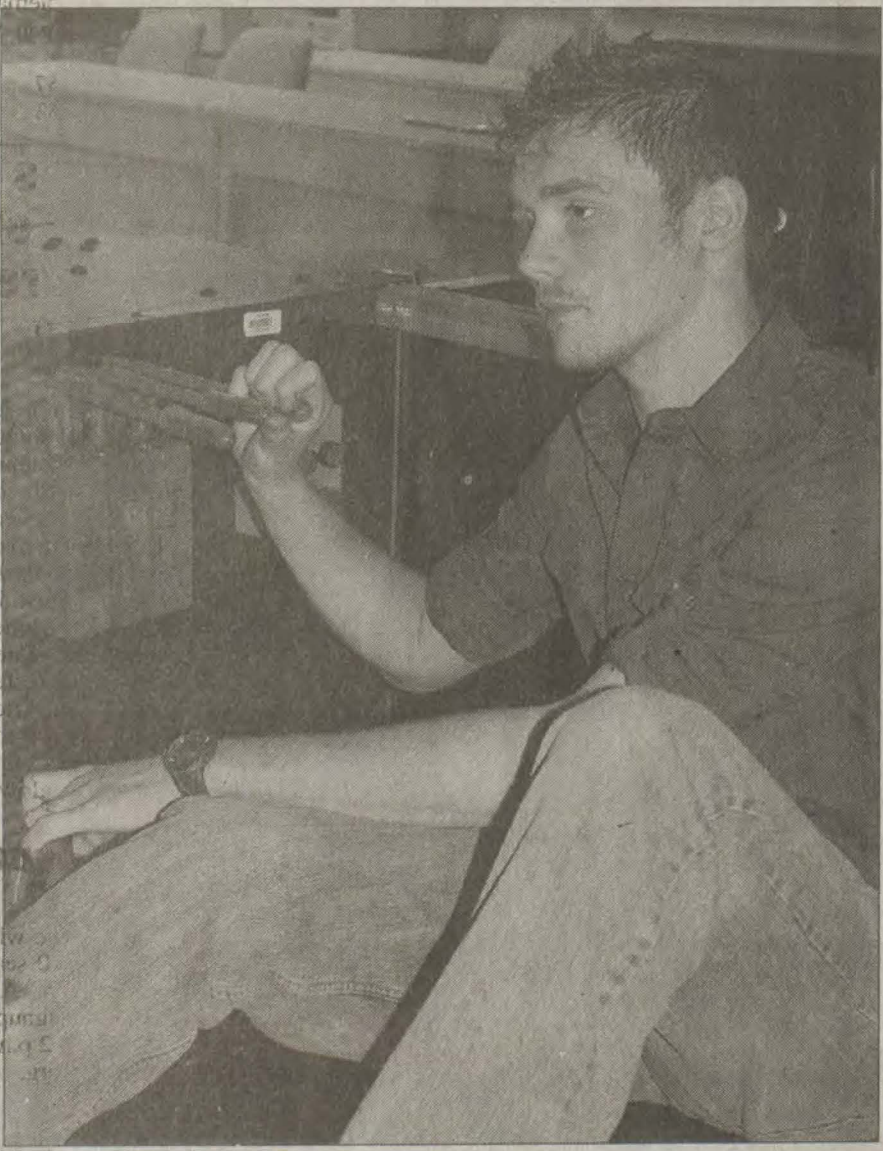
Besides providing top-notch mine training and helping to rebuild the state's aging coal industry workforce, another attribute of the Cohort Program and the Kentucky Coal Academy, according to Warrix, is that it also produces safety-conscious coal miners.

"I've seen a time in my 35 years of mining where there were 300 fatalities a year nationally," Warrix said. "We've come a long way since then. Last year, according to MSHA numbers, there was a reported 18 fatalities. Today's coal miner is intelligent, capable, and diligent. And through the Kentucky Coal Academy, we're training even more safety-conscious coal miners. There's solace in that."

Harold Burton, the Kentucky Coal Academy Director at Big Sandy Community and Technical College, said the Cohort program was growing in popularity and that applications were on the rise since it began just a few years ago. Even though Cohort Class No. 19 has just begun, Burton encouraged those interested in undergoing state-of-the-art mine training through the partnering efforts of the Coal Academy and Booth Energy to contact his office.

"It's a good, solid program," Burton said. "We're very proud that we can offer a program like this at Big Sandy Community and Technical College and not only be a part of the rebuilding efforts of our coal workforce, but to be a part of improving the lives of our young people, here, who want to stay home and make a good living by being coal miners. It's a rewarding endeavor."

Those interested in learning more about the Cohort mine training program at Big Sandy Community and Technical College should contact Martha Blair at (606) 788-7940. Information about the Kentucky Coal Academy can be accessed by logging onto its new website at coalacademy.kctcs.edu.



Kentucky Coal Academy graduate Matthew Jordan Irick said one of the best qualities of the mine training program was its state-of-the-art training equipment, which he said gave students a three- to five-year advantage.

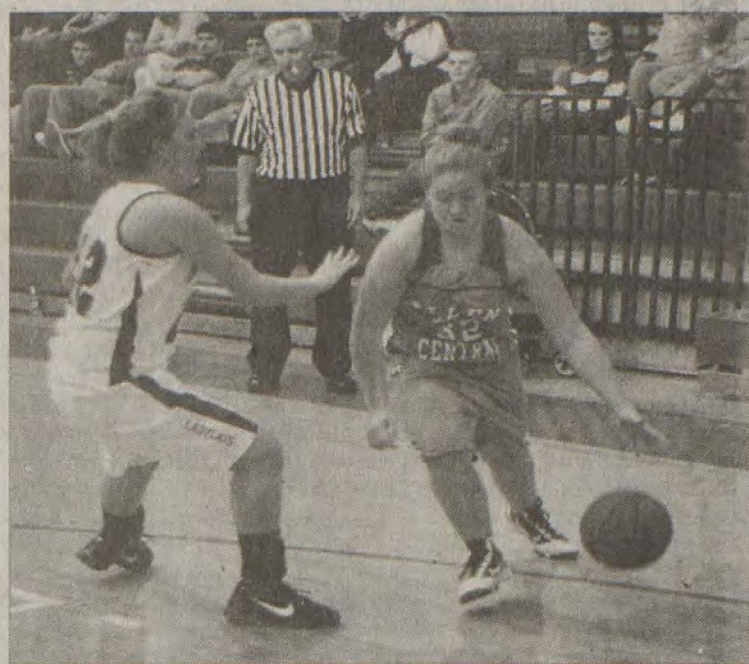


# FLOYD COUNTY Sports



## 58TH DISTRICT GIRLS' BASKETBALL

BETSY LAYNE (pictured in regular-season action with Allen Central) will await the winner of the winner of the Allen Central-Piarist School game in the 58th District Tournament. The 58th District girls' and boys' basketball tournaments will be held next week at Prestonsburg High School. Brackets for both tournaments will appear in the Friday, Feb. 19 edition of The Times.



## Betsy Layne handles Pike Central

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK — The Betsy Layne Bobcats remained hot down the stretch part of the regular-season late last week. Visiting Betsy Layne posted its seventh straight win Friday, defeating Pike County Central 76-57.

Bryce Adkins and Jordan Newman scored 21 points apiece as Betsy Layne grounded the Hawks. Nathan Martin and Casey Adkins pushed in 10 points each as victorious Betsy Layne won convincingly.

The matchup between border rivals quickly slipped away from the host Hawks. Betsy Layne outscored Pike County Central 15-9 in the first quarter and coasted into halftime ahead 38-21.

Eight players provided scoring for the Bobcats.

Steven Johnson scored eight points while three other players — Derek Tackett, Colt Stumbo and Andrew Roberts — chipped in two points apiece for Betsy Layne.

The Bobcats owned multiple leads in the second half. Betsy Layne finished strong, outscoring Pike County Central 21-15 in the fourth quarter.

Pike County Central senior guard Hobo McCoy led all scorers with a game-high 36 points. McCoy was one of two Pike County Central scorers to reach double figures. Cody Luster followed McCoy in the Pike County Central scoring column, contributing 12 points.

Betsy Layne was scheduled to visit East Ridge Tuesday evening. The Bobcats are slated to host Pikeville on Friday in a regular-season finale.

Betsy Layne 76,  
Pike Co. Central 57  
Betsy Layne (15-6) — B. Adkins 21, Tackett 2, Martin 10, Newman 21, C. Adkins 10, Stumbo 2, Roberts 2, Johnson 8.

Pike Co. Central (9-13) — McCoy 36, Smith 2, Coleman 2, Luster 12, Meade 3.  
BL.....15 23 17 21-76  
PC.....9 12 21 15-57

## Campbellsville pulls away from host Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — No. 8 Campbellsville invaded the East Kentucky Expo Center and rolled through No. 13 Pikeville Thursday night, winning 74-58.

The Tigers, which moved to 19-6 overall, stood alone atop the Mid-South Conference standings with a 7-2 record following the win. Pikeville fell to 19-5 overall, down into a second-place tie with Georgetown (6-3 Mid-South Conference).

It was a game that was one-sided from the start. Pikeville led by as many as four at 13-9 after junior Andre Thornton hit two free throws, but from there, Tigers took over. Campbellsville tied the game at 15 and never looked back, lead-

(See PIKEVILLE, page ten)



ALLEN CENTRAL SENIOR CHRIS STUMBO (11) WENT UP STRONG against Belfry Friday night in a road game. Belfry outlasted visiting Allen Central 77-66.

## Bobcats beat P'burg for district win

### Newman leads Betsy Layne over Blackcats

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Betsy Layne held Prestonsburg to fewer than a dozen points in the opening half Thursday when the two teams hooked up in a 58th District/Floyd County Conference regular-season finale. The Bobcats used a scoring edge over Prestonsburg in each quarter to gradually pull away from the home team. Betsy Layne won a low-scoring matchup 50-35, claiming its sixth straight win.

Jordan Newman scored 15 points. Nathan Martin pushed in 12 and Bryce Adkins added 10 for the Bobcats.

Betsy Layne excelled on the defensive end early in the game, outscoring Prestonsburg 12-4 in the first quarter. The Bobcats led 21-11 when the game broke for recess. Betsy Layne, which fell to Prestonsburg in the 15th Region All "A" Classic before eventually sweeping the Blackcats in the regular-season district series, remains in the top half of the 15th Region standings.

The Bobcats finished strong in the second and final regular-season district game, outscoring Prestonsburg 14-

10 in the fourth quarter.

In addition to the three scorers in double figures, Casey Adkins scored seven points and Derek Tackett, Colt Stumbo and Steven Johnson chipped in two apiece.

Senior guard Michael Burchett paced Prestonsburg with 20 points. Burchett was alone in double figures for the Blackcats. Junior forward Warren Blackburn added seven points as Prestonsburg dropped the district game.

Senior forward Cameron Tincher tossed in four points and junior forward Caleb Petry added three for the Blackcats.

Seth Carter, a junior forward, scored for Prestonsburg after connecting from the free throw line.

Betsy Layne will face Allen Central at 6 p.m. in the opening game of the first round of the 58th District Tournament on Feb. 24. In the nightcap, Prestonsburg will battle South Floyd. The 58th District Tournament championship game is set for 7 p.m. on Feb. 26

Betsy Layne 50,  
Prestonsburg 35

Betsy Layne (50): B. Adkins 10, Tackett 2, Martin 12, Newman 15, C. Adkins 7, Stumbo 2, Johnson 2.

Prestonsburg (35): Burchett 20, Blackburn 7, Carter 1, Tincher 4, Petry 3.

BL.....12 9 15 14-50  
P'burg.....4 7 14 10-35

### 15th Region Girls' Basketball Standings

Team	Record
Sheldon Clark	17-4
Belfry	17-7
Betsy Layne	14-7
South Floyd	14-7
Lawrence County	13-7
Shelby Valley	12-8
Pikeville	11-11
Pike County Central	10-10
Magoffin County	10-13
East Ridge	10-13
Piarist School	8-10
Johnson Central	8-15
Prestonsburg	8-17
Paintsville	7-11
Phelps	5-15
Allen Central	5-19

(Tuesday's games not included in records.)

### 15th Region Boys' Basketball Standings

Team	Record
Shelby Valley	22-3
Pikeville	18-7
Lawrence County	17-5
Betsy Layne	15-6
Belfry	12-8
Phelps	11-6
Sheldon Clark	11-10
East Ridge	9-10
Johnson Central	8-12
Pike County Central	7-14
Allen Central	6-16
Paintsville	6-18
Magoffin County	5-19
Prestonsburg	4-18
South Floyd	4-18

(Tuesday's games not included in records.)

## South Floyd girls rout Riverside, Wolfe Co.

### Lady Raiders set school record for wins in a season

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — The South Floyd Lady Raiders posted a pair of wins late last week. South Floyd has now won a school-record eight straight games. The Lady Raiders are scheduled to visit Pikeville tonight

and venture to Perry County Central on Saturday for a regular-season finale. South Floyd defeated Riverside Christian and Wolfe County as part of a four-win week last week.

South Floyd 78, Riverside Christian 39: Visiting South Floyd didn't waste any time jumping out in front of Riverside Christian Friday. In less than three quarters, Andrea Conn recorded a triple-double for the Lady Raiders. Conn scored 13 points, pulled down 10 rebounds and handed out 10

assists for South Floyd in the road game.

Kiana Hall led South Floyd with 23 points. Eight different South Floyd players broke into the scoring column. South Floyd shot 53.4 percent (33-of-63) from the field.

Gabrielle Bailey scored 13 points and Chelsie Tuttle tossed in 10 as four different South Floyd scorers reached double figures.

Miranda Johnson scored seven points, Kayla Hall contributed five, Janel Brown netted four and Kennady Newsome added three for the

Lady Raiders.

South Floyd owned the boards, hauling in 52 rebounds as part of a dominating performance.

South Floyd 79, Wolfe County 63: South Floyd defeated Wolfe County for the second time in one week over the weekend. The Lady Raiders pulled away and defeated Wolfe County 79-63 on Saturday in Compton.

South Floyd moved to 14-7, setting a new school record for wins in a season. The Lady

(See RECORD, page ten)

## Blackcats edge East Ridge

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

LICK CREEK — Senior Michael Burchett scored a game-high 28 points and junior Warren Blackburn added 12 as visiting Prestonsburg upended East Ridge 57-53 Friday night in a late regular-season non-district boys' high school basketball game.

The Blackcats got back into the win column following a loss to 58th District/Floyd County Conference foe Betsy Layne one day earlier.

East Ridge (9-9) dropped its fourth straight game.

Prestonsburg used a 23-14 run in the third quarter to claim the road win. The Blackcats led 13-10 at the end of the opening quarter. Prestonsburg, however, scored just five points in the second quarter. East Ridge outscored the Blackcats 14-5 in the second quarter to take a 24-18 lead into halftime.

As Burchett and Blackburn led the way, Prestonsburg moved back out in front during the second half. The Blackcats concluded the game on a 16-15 run in the fourth quarter.

Freshman Bryson Williams made a strong showing and aided Prestonsburg in the win, scoring eight points.

Prestonsburg halted a three-game losing skid that included losses to Lawrence County, Allen Central and Betsy Layne.

Junior center Jake McClanahan paced East Ridge with 20 points. McClanahan was the lone East Ridge scorer to reach double figures. Senior guard Robert Coleman narrowly missed reaching double figures for the Warriors, finishing with nine points. Chris Coleman, a senior forward, contributed eight points for host East Ridge in the loss. Another enior guard, Corey Fields, chipped in with seven points for the Warriors.

Prestonsburg 57, East Ridge 53  
Prestonsburg (4-18): Burchett 28, Blackburn 12, Gearheart 2, Carter 2, Tincher 4, Key 1, Williams 8.

East Ridge (9-9): Fields 7, Williams 2, Lawson 5, C.Coleman 8, McClanahan 20, R.Coleman 9, Miller 2.

P'burg.....13 5 23 16-57  
ER.....10 14 14 15-53

## Kinzer finishes 20th in World of Outlaws feature

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBERVILLE, Fla. — Veteran driver Brandon Kinzer and the No. 18 Kinzer Motorsports Late Model team entered the first World of Outlaws Late Model Series event of the 2010 season on Thursday at Volusia Speedway Park. Kinzer timed in 10th fastest in World of Outlaws Late Model Series qualifying and later earned the third and final transfer spot through his heat race. After starting 16th in the 10,000-to-win feature event, Kinzer finished 20th in the final rundown of the 50-lap race.

### P'burg Little League to host signups

Prestonsburg Little League will conduct signups for the 2010 season on Feb. 20 and 27. All Prestonsburg Little League signups will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Dairy Queen in Prestonsburg.

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# New state record certified for bull elk with non-typical antlers

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Kentucky has a new state record for a bull elk with non-typical antlers.

Harrodsburg resident Terrell Royalty's 7x7 elk scored 372 6/8 in the Boone and Crockett Club scoring system, besting the old record of 367 7/8 taken in Harlan County in 2008. Royalty took his record elk from a wildlife management area in Knott County on Oct. 4, 2009.

"This new state record shows the quality elk hunting we have on our public lands," said Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commissioner Jon Gassett. "In addition to the great elk hunting on private lands, Kentucky boasts world-class elk hunting on public lands as well."

A non-typical rack means the tines are not located in a typical location. Royalty's elk had seven tines each on either side of its rack. The score is the totaled measurements of the main beams, tines, width and mass. The trophy could not be officially scored until after a 60-day drying period.

"I've hunted all of my life,

I've had buck fever and all, but this bull was by far the biggest adrenaline rush of my life," said Royalty, 52. "Once it hit the ground, I felt like I was being stabbed with a million needles and it lasted two or three hours. I was almost in shock."

Royalty said he scouted the area with help from his friend Paul Moore, who participated in the 2008 cow elk hunt. "We started scouting well before the hunt and found this bull," Royalty said. "Paul and I grew up together, and he helped me a bunch."

The first week of the 2009 bull elk season started Saturday, Oct. 3. Royalty's hunt proved fruitless for a day and half. Then, about 2 p.m. Sunday, Royalty, who was hunting with his best friend, Brad Smith, and guide Bob Hunter, heard a bugle.

"After we heard that bugle, we moved to get out front and downwind," he said. "We tracked and tracked to stay out in front of this bull. About 5 p.m. or so, a cow calf came out and we cow called back and forth. Then, the one cow calf turned into about nine. The cows came out in twos and got

older and bigger as they came out."

The trophy bull then appeared in the clearing around 6 p.m. and bugled at another bull in the distance. "He turned broadside and everything was perfect," Royalty said. "It took 15 minutes to get the right angle on him."

Royalty, who estimated that he was 340 yards away from the bull, aimed his .300 Winchester Short Magnum rifle and shot only once.

Tina Brunjes, big game coordinator for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, was not surprised to learn the record had been broken. "Kentucky continues to produce new state records with regularity," she said. "Each year drawn hunters can reasonably expect a chance to beat the state record."

Applications for this year's hunt are now on sale online at fw.ky.gov, the official Web site of Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. It costs \$10 to apply, and a hunter may apply only once. The drawing for the elk quota hunt is open to residents and non-residents. The deadline to apply for this year's hunt is April 30.

# Getting organized for upcoming fishing season

by LEE McLELLAN  
KENTUCKY AFIELD

FRANKFORT — It happens every spring. On the first few fishing trips of the year, I'll start looking for the bait that I invariably left at home. "I know I bought some peanut butter and jelly colored jigs last fall," I'll think to myself, "but they aren't in my jig box. I would love to throw one right now, but I can't find them."

While I'm out fishing, I tend to scatter my jigs, soft plastics and other fishing lures in shirt pockets, any open pouch on my soft-sided tackle box, my lunch cooler or just about anywhere other than where they belong. I get too excited to take the time to put lures back in their rightful spot in my tackle bag. I may not find that certain jig until I stick my hand in the pocket of my jacket in June.

This stretch of bleak, dreary winter weather is a good time to make sure the peanut butter and jelly jigs are in your fishing box instead of your jacket pocket. A little organizing now will make for better fishing later.

I love to float streams for trout and smallmouth bass. I enjoy wading for them as well and I enjoy fishing from a boat. After a year of doing all three, my lures for wading and floating for smallmouth bass get mixed up with my trout lures and my boat fishing lures. So, when I am enjoying a summer Sunday afternoon floating for smallmouth

bass, I often pine for lures that I left in my boat fishing tackle box, fishing vest or stored with my trout lures.

The best way to avoid this situation is to organize your lures by the species of fish that you're after. Try using a small chest equipped with plastic drawers to separate your crappie, trout and smallmouth bass lures. Grab a marker and some masking tape and label each drawer. You'll thank yourself later.

Now is a good time to buy a new tackle bag. The tackle bags with several utility boxes inside them are the best organizing system for your lures. The big bulky tackle boxes from the 1970s and 1980s with extending trays for lures and tackle are on their way to extinction. Every time you knock one of those over or it is thrown in the back of a truck, all of the lures in the trays become mixed together. You often don't realize it happened until the next time you open the box and find your lures in a tangled mess.

Tackle bags with utility boxes keep different style of lures separate from one another. You can take the same masking tape and marker and label each box with the type of lures in it. A couple of my friends label each box for the species of fish the lures in the box would entice.

This system also allows me to travel light if needed. If I know I am going to share a boat with a couple more anglers, bringing just a couple of boxes and two rods saves valuable storage and

floor space. I know I've often stumbled, kicked and stepped on many tackle bags and boxes when I am fishing three in a boat. Plus, if I know I am going to fish jigs that day for largemouth bass, I just need to grab my jig box and stick a couple of bags of soft plastic trailers in my pocket and I am ready to go. Or, if I am fishing for strippers, I can just grab my box for striped bass and leave the other stuff at home.

I know some anglers who think that it's fine to fish with the same spool of 6-pound line for the entire year. However, old line is a major source of tangles, fish breaking off and frustration. Take the time this winter to replace the line on all your reels with fresh monofilament or fluorocarbon. Your line is the only connection that you have with a fish. Why would you want to short-change that connection and risk breaking off a trophy fish?

You can put fresh monofilament line on two reels for roughly the cost of one crankbait. If you buy bulk spools of monofilament, you can replace the line on the reel for about the cost of a soft drink. Fluorocarbon is more expensive, but refilling the spool on a reel with it is still one of the cheapest outlays for fishing.

Take the time now while the weather outside is frightful to organize your lures and put new line on your fishing reels. That way, you'll have your peanut butter and jelly colored jigs in your box, not in the closet.

# Eagles earn conference win over IU-East

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — Sophomore forward Nick Brumback scored 20 points, including a key basket down the stretch, to propel host Alice Lloyd College to a thrilling 69-68 victory over Indiana University-East Saturday. With the win, ALC avenged a loss from earlier in the season.

Alice Lloyd trailed by as many as eight points in the first half before Brumback heated up offensively. Brumback scored 16 points before the intermission, leading Alice Lloyd to a 34-33 lead at the break.

In the final 20 minutes, IUE, behind the play of All-KIAC guard Tyler Rigby, reclaimed the lead. A Brent Burris three-point field goal with only 6:38 remain-

ing gave the visiting team breathing room at 63-58. IU-East, however, only scored five points the rest of the way.

Alice Lloyd then got a big bucket and a free throw from junior Daniel Combs to slice the deficit to just two points. After an IUE miss, Alice Lloyd's Brumback scored with 1:35 remaining to tie the score at 68.

A missed Red Wolf shot was corralled by Eagle forward Brandon Hayes, who was fouled with 1:02 left. Hayes connected on 1-2 from the charity stripe to put the Eagles up one.

IUE missed three attempts on its next possession, but ALC fumbled the ball out of bounds. The Red Wolves looked to go ahead with: 30 remaining, but solid Eagle defense held them

scoreless once more.

Forced to foul, IU-East put ALC on the line with :09 remaining. When Eagle Michael Lindon rimmed both shots out, the Wolves were afforded one last opportunity.

Alice Lloyd denied the ball to Rigby, which forced Indiana's Bijon Jones to take a contested 15 footer. The shot bounced off the mark as time expired.

For ALC (7-17; 2-8), in addition to Brumback, Combs reached double figures with 12 points. Junior forward Will Jones and Hayes just missed double figures with nine points apiece. Hayes registered a game high 11 rebounds.

For IUE (12-12; 4-6) Rigby paved the way with a game-high 23 points.

# Spring soccer registration to start Saturday

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Youth Soccer Association has announced that registration for the spring 2010 season will be held on two upcoming Saturdays — Feb. 20 and 27 — at the McDonald's located in the Prestonsburg Village Shopping Center. Volunteers will be at McDonald's to accept registrations between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The registration fee is \$40 per child. Parents may also register their

children by accessing the league website at [www.ekysoccer.org](http://www.ekysoccer.org). The registration form posted online should be printed, completed by the parent and mailed to Robin Simpson Smith, Registrar, P.O. Box 746, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. A check or money order in the amount of \$40 for registration should be mailed with the completed application. Floyd County Youth Soccer is not responsible for mail delivery and registrations are accepted on a "first

come, first served" basis. All children at least four (4) years of age, but no less than nineteen (19) years of age on Aug. 1, 2009 are eligible to participate in recreational soccer. Players in the Under 6 and Under 8 divisions play against other Floyd County teams. Teams in the Under 10 division and older play teams from surrounding counties. For more information, contact Robin Simpson Smith, Registrar, at 886-9562.

# St. Catharine shoots past Lady Bears, 68-65

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPRINGFIELD — Senior Erin Rogers poured in 26 points and grabbed seven rebounds to lead St. Catharine College to a 68-65 win over Pikeville College Saturday afternoon.

Rogers hit four-of-seven shots from beyond the arc (all in the first half) and had five rebounds off of the offensive glass to lead the undermanned Lady Patriots to only their eighth win of the season.

St. Catharine (8-18, 2-8 in the Mid-South Conference) led the entire way, with the Lady Bears tying the game, 61-61. But coming out of that set Kyleigh Kreyenbuhl beat the shot clock with a three-pointer from the corner and the Lady Patriots were never headed.

Pikeville (14-12, 2-8) fell into a tie for sixth-place in the league standings with St. Catharine with four games remaining.

Pikeville, which turned it over 22 times in the loss, placed three players in double figures. Junior Natiera Hinton led the way with a double-double, scoring 21 and pulling 10 rebounds. She also had four steals, two assists and two blocked shots.

Junior Larkia Bailey had 14 points and six rebounds, with five of them being off the offensive glass. Junior Whitney Compton added 13 points and five rebounds.

Reena Haliburton scored 16 points while Sa'de Mullins had 10 points and nine rebounds for the winning team.

Pikeville will be back in action on Thursday night when it travels to Georgetown College. St. Catharine will host Rio Grande. Both games will tip at 6 p.m.

Campbellsville University 85, Pikeville 67 College: Eighth-ranked Campbellsville University survived a close first half to knock off Pikeville College 85-67 in a Mid-South Conference women's basketball game on Thursday night.

Pikeville (14-11, 2-7) scored the first five points of the game and led 10-6 after sophomore Megan Mosley hit a three with 16:38 left. The game was tied four times — including at 18 with 11:28 left — before the Lady Tigers went on a 10-0 run, ending on a three-point basket by freshman Mackenzie Lee with 7:04 remaining to make push Campbellsville in front 34-23.

The Lady Bears immediately responded with a 13-2 run, beginning with a layup and ending with a three by junior Whitney Compton to tie the game at 36 with 42 seconds left. Campbellsville took a 41-38 lead to the break when junior Melly Heaton hit a three-pointer at the horn.

The second half was all Campbellsville. After junior Natiera Hinton opened the half with a jumper to pull Pikeville within one, Campbellsville used an 18-8 run to get some breathing room. Heaton had eight during the run, including a three with 14:54 left to make it 59-48.

Campbellsville (24-1, 9-0) eventually led by 24 points before the final settled at 18.

Hinton paced Pikeville with 23 points. She hit eight-of-nine shots from the field and all six of her free throw attempts. Hinton also tied for leading rebounder honors with senior Alexis Johnson. Each player had six rebounds each. Johnson also added 10 points.

Mosley tossed in 11 points to go with five assists and four rebounds.

Messer paced the Lady Tigers with 22, hitting five-of-seven shots from beyond the arc. Heaton followed with 16 points, four assists and three steals. Junior Whitney Ballinger, who has been national player of the week three times and league player of the week seven times, including the last four weeks, delivered 15 points, nine rebounds, five assists and five steals.



CHAD NELSON (52) AND BRAXTON TACKETT (42) were active on the offensive end for Allen Central on Friday night in a non-district game at Belfry. Mark Martin (not pictured) is in his second season at the helm of the Allen Central boys' basketball program. Allen Central will face Betsy Layne in the opening round of this year's 58th District Tournament. Prestonsburg High School will host both the boys' and girls' district tournaments.

# Wall named SEC Freshman of the Week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky men's basketball player John Wall was named the SEC Freshman of the Week as announced by the league office on Monday.

Wall, a 6-4 guard from Raleigh, N.C., averaged 23.0 points, 7.0 rebounds and 2.5 assists in wins over Alabama and No. 12 Tennessee. He recorded his third double-double of the season with 22 points and 10 rebounds against Alabama. It was the first time this season he had recorded a double-double with points and rebounds. Wall became the first Wildcat in school history to record double-doubles in points and rebounds and points and assists. He followed that effort with a 24-point outing against

Tennessee, his most points in an SEC game.

The honor is the fifth Freshman of the Week award for Wall this season.

The Wildcats have now received a league record 12 weekly awards from the SEC this season. In addition to Wall, freshman DeMarcus Cousins has been honored four times (which includes one SEC Player of the Week) and Eric Bledsoe twice. Patrick Patterson was named SEC Player of the Week in week two.

Kentucky returned to action on Tuesday at SEC West leader Mississippi State. Results from the game were unavailable at press time.

Tyndall challenges MSU fans to pack Johnson Arena: Morehead State University men's basketball coach Donnie Tyndall has chal-

lenged MSU fans, both students and in the community, to pack Johnson Arena for Wednesday's regionally televised game against arch-rival Eastern Kentucky.

"They had 5,600 fans in attendance when we played them in Richmond, and a good portion of those were our fans," Tyndall said. "So I have every confidence in the world that our fans can do the same or better Wednesday at Johnson Arena."

The game, which tips at 7:07 p.m. will air on Wazoo Sports Television. The Eagles are currently in second place in the OVC race at 18-8 overall and 12-3 in league play and are fighting to finish in the top two. Eastern Kentucky is battling for a home game in the OVC Tournament first round and is currently in third place just behind MSU.

# Record

Raiders also established a new record for consecutive wins.

Kiana Hall led South Floyd offensively, scoring a game-high 29 points for the Lady Raiders. Andrea Conn con-

tributed 21 points while Gabrielle Bailey and Kayla Hall tossed in 12 apiece.

The Lady Raiders were 24-of-33 (72.7 percent) from the free throw line.

South Floyd (14-7) is currently tied with 58th District/Floyd County Conference rival Betsy Layne for third-place in the 15th Region standings.

# Pikeville

ing by as many as 21 twice before it settled at 16.

The Tigers hit 12 three-point shots, holding the Bears to an uncharacteristic 3-of-13 from the arc.

Senior Nestor Colmenares

led the way with 17 points and seven rebounds. Senior T.J. Bishop followed with 16, hitting 4-of-11 from downtown.

Junior Shawn Savage followed with 15 points, hitting five-of-nine attempts from

beyond the arc. Junior Caleb Harris tossed in 10.

Pikeville had one player in double figures as senior Maurice Thomas came off the bench and provided 20 points and 11 rebounds.

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### NOTICE TO UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ELLANOEL HOWES WARNING ORDER

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned attorney has been appointed to notify the Defendant, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ELLANOEL HOWES, that a civil action has been filed against her in Floyd Circuit Court, Division II as C.A. No.: 10-CI-00088. 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

### NOTICE

I, Jimmy C. Webb, a duly licensed attorney practicing in Floyd County, Kentucky, have been appointed by the Floyd Circuit Court as Warning Order Attorney for Barbara M. Hopkins. The Order is to notify Barbara M. Hopkins that a legal action has been brought against her the same being Floyd Circuit Court Civil Action No. 09-CJ-646 regarding property at Gas Fork, Floyd County, Ky. The legal action is brought by KEC Land Assets.

Notice is hereby given to Barbara M. Hopkins that her failure to respond to the Plaintiff's Complaint could result in a loss of any interest in the property that was stated herein. As Warning Order Attorney, in response must be filed within fifty (50) days of January 11, 2010.

Jimmy C. Webb  
 Attorney at Law  
 187 E. Court Street  
 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653  
 (606) 886-8899

### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 09-CI-00788

### AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. PLAINTIFF

### VS. DEFENDANTS LORI LOWE NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 27th day of October, 2009, in the above cause, for the sum of \$27,881.72 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 18th day of February, 2010, at 9:15 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:  
 Beginning at an iron pin on the East side of the driveway, said pin being a corner of Jim Thompson and Tim Blevins; thence down the edge of the driveway N 29° 30' W 34.82 feet to an iron pin; thence leaving said driveway N 02° 07' E 12.62 feet to an old fence post of the Hurley line; thence still with the said Hurley fence line N 25° 02' E 42.87 feet to an old fence post; thence continuing with said Hurley fence line N 34° 03' E 53.76 feet to a 36' oak tree; thence up the hill S 68° 42' E 62.70 feet to an iron pin; thence around the hill with the line of Jim Thompson S 37° 33' W 86.36 feet to a 14' sycamore tree; thence still with the Jim Thompson line back to the point of beginning, containing 0.15 acres, more or less.  
 Being the property conveyed in General Warranty Deed from Don Cox and Janice Cox, spouse, to John Christopher Lowe and Lori Lowe, spouse, dated 05/15/2004, recorded 05/19/2004, in Deed Book 498, Page 501, in the County Clerk's Office for Floyd County, Kentucky.  
 A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% percent of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of sixty (60) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum form the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.  
 B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price  
 C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.  
 Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.  
 Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 09-CI-01174 TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS 1, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. LARRY CONLEY; SAUNDRA SUE CONLEY; CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), NA; and COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON RELATION OF JOHN FARRIS, SECRETARY OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 11th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$1,153.60 as of December 28, 2007; \$903.54 as of December 28, 2007; and \$699.87 as of June 11, 2008 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of March, 2010, at 9:45 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:  
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 Parties of the first part hereby reserve the necessary right of way for normal and usual utility connections and lines with ingress and egress for maintenance over and upon the property conveyed herein.  
 Being the same property conveyed to Larry Conley and Sandra Sue Conley, husband and wife, from Cathy Gibson, widow, Cathy Gibson, guardian for Kevin Lee Gibson, and Cathy Gibson, guardian for Olivia Jean Gibson, by deed dated December 19, 1980, and recorded in Deed Book 256, Page 79, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.  
 A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$3,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum form the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.  
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 Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

### COMMONWEALTH OF KENUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II C.A. NO. 09-CI-00876 TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS 1, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. MAGGIE WATSON SLONE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MAGGIE WATSON SLONE; and COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON RELATION OF JOHN FARRIS, SECRETARY OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of December, 2010, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, for the sum of \$801.95 (2005 having a face amount of \$421.99 and 2006 having a face amount of \$379.96) as of December 28, 2007 with interest thereon, 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 18th day of February, 2010 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:  
 A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Right Beaver Creek and being the same land conveyed to the first parties by James Duff and Ted Duff, his wife, by deed bearing date October 17, 1966, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 191, Page 425, Floyd County Court Clerk's office containing 0.07 acres more or less, and being the same property conveyed and described in Deed Book 191, Page 425, and Deed Book 167, Page 128 containing 0.07 acres more or less, and to which reference is hereby made for a specific description hereof.  
 Being the same property conveyed to Maggie Watson Slone from James P. Slone, Joe R. Hayes and Jackie Lawson, by deed dated October 29, 1976, and of record in Deed Book 228, Page 5, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.  
 A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$3,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum form the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.  
 B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**

C.V. Reynolds, Attorney at Law, 112 West Court Street, Suite 100, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, has been appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Floyd Circuit Court to notify Alan Duncan of the nature and pendency of a certain lawsuit, filed on or about October 5, 2009, in which Alan Duncan was named as a Defendant. Said suit has been filed in Division Number II of the Floyd Circuit Court, and is represented by Civil Action No. 09-CI-01039. The basis of the suit is a Complaint to enforce a lien on certain real property to secure against delinquent taxes.  
 Alan Duncan shall have fifty (50) days from the date of the Warning Order to file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk if he desires to do so. If he does not appear in the suit and defend it, a Judgment will be entered at the discretion of the court.  
 Anyone having information concerning Alan Duncan, please contact Hon. C.V. Reynolds at (606) 886-1020.  
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 C.V. Reynolds Law Offices, P.S.C.  
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 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that PIA Company, Inc., P.O. Box 1590, Martin, KY 41649, has applied for Phase I bond release on Increment No. 3 of Permit No. 836-0337, which was last issued on June 11, 2007. Increment No. 3 covers an area of approximately 15.34 acres, and is located 1.55 mile southeast of Blue Moon, in Floyd County. The surface area is owned by Terry Hall and Snehal Desai  
 The operation is located on Little Mud Creek, approximately 0.80 mile south from the junction of Morgan Fork (CR) with Little Mud Creek (CR), and between Morgan Fork and Lower Wolfpen Branch.  
 The bond now in effect for Increment No. 3 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of twenty six thousand and nine hundred dollars (\$26,900.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$26,900.00 is included in this application for release.  
 Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching, completed in September 2009.  
 Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, by March 16, 2010.  
 A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. This hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 16, 2010

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
 FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
 DIVISION II  
 C.A. NO. 09-CI-00915  
 TAX EASE LIEN INVEST MENTS 1,  
 LLC  
 VS.  
 ESTATE OF MARIE STOUT; UNKNOWN HEIRS,  
 DEVISEES, AND LEGATEES OF MARIE STOUT; and  
 COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF  
 FLOYD  
 BY AND ON RELATION OF JOHN FARRIS SECRETARY  
 OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION  
 CABINET  
 DEFENDANTS  
 NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

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 BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of December, 2010, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, for the sum of \$789.99 (\$411.51 for 2005 and \$378.48 for 2006)) as of December 28, 2007 with interest thereon, 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 18th day of February, 2010 at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:  
 A tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Otter Creek of Left Beaver Creek in the town of Wheelwright and being Lot No. Three Hundred Ninety-Four and One-Half (394 ?) including the building and the appurtenances thereunto belonging located on said lot or parcel of land of the Wheelwright Subdivision as shown by the Wheelwright Subdivision Map of Plat in File No. 348 of the records of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.  
 Being the same property conveyed to Marie Stout, a single person, from Delcia Slone, widow, by deed dated April 19, 1989, and recorded in Deed Book 327, Page 246, of the records of the Floyd County Clerk.  
 A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$3,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.  
 B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.  
 C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.  
 Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.  
 Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
 FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
 DIVISION NO. I  
 C.A. NO. 09-CI-753  
 SHARON MCKINNEY, ET AL  
 PLAINTIFF  
 VS.  
 TRACY FREEMAN, ET AL  
 DEFENDANTS  
 NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

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 By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the  
 7th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of March, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:  
 A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky on Mink Branch of Big Mud Creek and being the same land conveyed to Palmer McKinney and Alice McKinney, his wife, from Hazel Hamilton, widow of Squire McKinney, by deed dated March 15, 1978 and appearing of record in Deed Book 235, Page 26, Floyd County, Kentucky Court Clerk's Office, containing 6 acres, more or less.  
**BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**  
 Beginning at an oak tree standing on bank at upper side of road, thence running from tree down to road; Then running along upper side of road, as it now runs up Mink Branch to a small drain at the line of Eric Frasure Jr's line; thence up drain with said Frasure's line to a marked stone. Thence running straight around lower edge of flat with said Frasure's line to the big drain, then down big drain to the Mink Branch, thence up Mink Branch to a marked stone, at Mary Howell's line, then to a marked Black Oak tree, then running on with said Howell's line to the top of point joining Robert Howell's line at a marked chesnut oak tree with a jack stake in front of marked tree. Then running down point right handed to a marked pine tree under point, tree marked with 3 ax marks on left side of tree coming down hill then to a stake about 8 ft. from pine tree on right side of stake then to a jack stake drove in right of way of gas line, then from stake a direct straight line to a cross X mark on rock; then straight down hill to an oak tree on side of bank with jack stake drove behind it looking from county road above Mink Branch, then down to the upper side of road the beginning point.  
 A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% percent of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.  
 B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.  
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 Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 16-2009-DR-009657-FMXX  
 DIVISION: FM-E

IN RE THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF  
 AIDYN OSBORNE DEMAIO

**NOTICE OF ACTION OF PETITION AND HEARING TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS PENDING ADOPTION**

TO: Daniel Keith Osborne  
 Last Known Address: 152 SR 1428, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Joint Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Adoption of a minor child, Aidyn Osborne DeMaio, a female child, born on September 8, 2004, at Jacksonville, Florida has been filed in the above-styled case. There will be a hearing on the Joint Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Adoption on **Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2010, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.** before the Honorable W. Gregg McCaulie, at the Duval County Courthouse, Room 503, 330 East Bay Street, Jacksonville, Florida. The Court has set aside ten (10) minutes for the hearing.

You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the Adoption Entity whose name and address is Michael A. Shorstein, Esquire, Shorstein & Kelly, Attorneys at Law, P.A., Post Office Box 10007, Jacksonville, Florida 32247, telephone (904) 348-6400, and file an original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court at 330 East Bay Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202, telephone (904) 630-2111, on or before the 3rd day of February, 2010.

UNDER SECTION 63.089, FLORIDA STATUTES, FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THIS NOTICE WITH THE COURT OR TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING CONSTITUTES GROUNDS UPON WHICH THE COURT SHALL END ANY PARENTAL RIGHTS YOU MAY HAVE REGARDING THE MINOR CHILD.

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
 FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
 DIVISION NO. I  
 C.A. NO.  
 09-CI-759**

**FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK OF PRESTONSBURG, INC. PLAINTIFF  
 VS.  
 PATRICIA MURPHY, ET AL DEFENDANTS  
 NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

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 By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 23rd day of December, 2009, in the above cause, for the sum of \$48,175.06 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 18th day of February, 2010, at 9:45 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:  
 Being certain tracts or parcels of land lying all Steel's Creek of Right Fork of Beaver Creek at Wayland in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

**TRACT 1**  
 Lying and being at Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky beginning at a point on the southern edge of concrete walk on a line midway between House 1099-1100 and House 1101-1102, witnesses N 51 10W18.02 feet to the southwest corner of House 1099-1100 and N 61 30 E 18.02 feet to the southwest corner of House 1101-1102; thence with the line midway between House 1099-1100 and House 1101 -1102 N 5 10 E 63 feet to a stake; thence S 84 50 E 58 feet to a stake; thence S 5 10 W 63 feet to a point on the southern edge of a concrete walk; thence with the southern edge of a concrete walk N 84 50 W 58 feet to the beginning, containing 0.08 acres, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Patricia Murphy, by deed from Roe Turner and Belle Turner, his wife, dated June 10, 1969, of record in Deed Book 199, page 218, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

**TRACT 2**  
 Beginning at a point on the south edge of a concrete walk on line midway between House No. 1097-1098 and House No. 1099-1100, witness N 51:10 W 18.02 feet to the southeast corner of House No. 1097-1098 and N 61:30 E 18.02 feet to the southwest corner of House No. 1099-1100; thence with line midway between House No. 1097-1098 and House No. 1099-1100 N 5: 10 E 63 feet to a stake; thence N 84.50 W 58 feet to a stake on line midway between House No. 1097-1098 and House No. 1095-1096; thence with line midway between House 1097-1098 and House No. 1095-1096 S 5:10 W 63 feet to a point on south edge of concrete walk thence with south edge of concrete walk S 84.50 E 58 feet to the beginning and containing 0.08 acres, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Patricia Murphy by deed from Edward Bentley and Myrtle Bentley, dated September 28, 1984 of record in Deed Book 288, page 538, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

**TRACT 3**  
 Beginning at a point on the south edge of a concrete walk on a line midway between House No. 1097-1098 and House No. 1099-1100, witness N51 10W 18.02 feet to the southeast corner of House No. 1097-1098 and N 61 30 E 18.02 feet to the southwest corner of House No. 1099-1100; thence with line midway between House No. 1097-1098 and House No. 1099-1100 N 5 10 E 63 feet to a stake; thence S 84 50 E 58 feet to a stake on a line midway between House No. 1099-1100 and House No. 1101-1102; thence with line midway between House No. 1099-1100 and House No. 1101-1102 S 5 10 W 63 feet to a point on south edge of concrete walk; thence with south edge of concrete walk N 84 50 W 58 feet to the beginning, containing 0.08 acres, more or less.

Being the same property acquired by Patricia Murphy from her mother, Lillian Louise Roop Murphy, by inheritance as evidenced by affidavit of descent dated April 27, 1994, of record in Deed Book 376, page 629; by deed from Don Murphy, et al, dated April 27, 1994, of record in Deed Book 376, page 630; and by deed from Charley Murphy, single, dated April 27, 1994 of record in Deed Book 376, page 637, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% percent of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.


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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION NO. 08-CI-1493  
C.A. NO. II  
INEZ DEPOSIT  
BANK PLAINTIFF  
VS.  
MARTY HAMILTON, JR., SINGLE,  
and COUNTY OF FLOYD DEFENDANTS  
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE  
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By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 28th day of December, 2009, in the above cause, for the sum of \$37,212.27 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 18th day of February, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:

Lying and being on the Right Fork of Bull Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, being more particularly described as follows:  
Beginning at a metal rod at the creek corner to property line of Duane Branham and Leatrice Branham; thence running with the Duane Branham and Leatrice Branham line to a metal rod on the ridge; thence running with the ridge to a marked yellow Oak tree on the ridge to Henry Wallen's line; thence a straight line with Henry Wallen's line back to the creek to a marked rock; thence running with the creek to the metal rod at the creek, the point of beginning.

To include a 1986 Fleming Mobile Home, ID#NTA084724.  
And being the same land conveyed to Marty K. Hamilton, Jr., by deed from HLT Properties, Inc., by deed dated May 17, 2002 of record in Deed Book 480, Page 292, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% percent of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum form the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION NO. II  
C.A. NO. 09-CI-01014  
KENTUCKY HOUSING  
CORPORATION PLAINTIFF  
VS.  
BRYAN D. ADAMS, ET AL DEFENDANTS  
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE  
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By virtue of a In Rem Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 11th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$52,793.67 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of March, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:

Property Address: 100 Hunter Branch Road, Printer, Kentucky 41655  
Parcel ID#: 050-00-00-096.01

Beginning at the point where Bill Sammons' property line ceases to run along with the county road line; thence along with the county road property line toward Stumbo Hollow to the point where Hunter Branch intersects with the county road line; thence along with Hunter Branch to the point where Hunter Branch intersects with Left Beaver Creek; thence along with Left Beaver Creek to the point where Bill Sammons' property line intersects with Left Beaver Creek; thence along Billy Sammons' line back to the beginning. Being a part of B.B. and Virgie Salisbury Estate of Hunter (Branch) on Left Beaver Creek.

Being the same property conveyed to Bryan D. Adams, single, by Deed dated August 29, 2005, of record in Deed Book 516, Page 321, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of ninety (90) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum form the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION NO. II  
C.A. NO. 09-CI-00555  
BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. fka  
COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P.  
PLAINTIFF  
VS.  
JULIE HALL  
TAX EASE INVESTMENTS,  
LLC DEFENDANTS  
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE  
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By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 12th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, for the sum of \$94,900.36 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of March, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:

Beginning at a stake at the creek and running a straight line across the bottom to a small drain, thence up the drain to a wire fence, thence south around the hill with said fence to the line of J.E. Hall and Ollie Hall line, thence down the hill with said line following a ditch and fence of J.E. Hall and Ollie line to the creek, thence down the creek to the beginning point. Kenneth Akers reserves the right to use this property until he is deceased.

Property Address: 5782 KY Route 3379  
Map ID No: 11-00-00-021.00  
Said property was conveyed to Julie Hall by Kenneth Akers (Zellie Akers, deceased), Kenneth Akers (Administrators) on August 10, 2005, by a deed recorded November 15, 2006, in Deed Book 530, Page 27, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum form the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

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# Kentucky receives nearly \$10 million for eHealth

FRANKFORT — Kentucky has been awarded funding to expand and build a statewide health information exchange, receiving nearly \$10 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding to enhance the state's health information technology efforts. The funding will be administered by the Governor's Office of Electronic Health Information Technology and will bolster initiatives to build a state health information exchange.

Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and Labor Secretary Hilda Solis announced the award to Kentucky as part of a total of nearly \$1 billion in ARRA funds awarded across the country.

"This is a tremendous award for the state of Kentucky in terms of advancing our efforts to build a statewide health information exchange," said Gov. Steve Beshear. "The funding is a great economic opportunity

for Kentucky and will result in many high-tech jobs for our state."

"We believe Kentucky is poised to be a leader in the effort to advance electronic health information technology," said Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services Secretary Janie Miller. "The funding will help Kentucky improve coordination of care, deliver health care more efficiently, and improve patient health outcomes."

This award will allow Kentucky to expand the Kentucky Health Information Exchange (KHIE), which is being funded by a Medicaid transformation grant. Plans call for the KHIE to be piloted this spring by six hospitals and one clinic.

Sec. Sebelius announced \$761 million in HHS grant awards, part of a federal initiative to build capacity to enable widespread meaningful use of health IT. (An additional \$227 million in ARRA funds was awarded in Department of Labor grants, bringing the total

of ARRA funds awarded to nearly \$1 billion.)

This assistance at the state and regional level will facilitate health care providers' efforts to adopt and use electronic health records (EHRs) in a meaningful manner that has the potential to improve the quality and efficiency of health care for all Americans.

Of the over \$761 million investment, \$386 million will go to 40 states - including Kentucky - and qualified State Designated Entities (SDEs) to facilitate health information exchange (HIE) at the state level.

"Health information technology can make our health care system more efficient and improve the quality of care we all receive," said Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius. "These grant awards, the first of their kind, will help develop our electronic infrastructure and give doctors and other health care providers the support they need as they adopt this powerful technology."

## SOLDIER HONORED



SSG Chris Howell, right, formerly of Frasure's Creek, received the Bronze Star — the military's fourth-highest award for bravery, heroism or meritorious service — in January from Captain Johnny Ulsamer, Commander of Alpha Co. at Joint Service Station Ur. Howell is currently completing his third tour of duty in Iraq and is expected home this month. He will be stationed at Fort Campbell upon his return. Howell is married to the former Hazel Collins, and the couple have two children, Christian, 4, and Rebekka, 3. Howell is the son of Jack and Lynn Howell, of Camden, S.C., and the grandson of Troy Howell, of East McDowell, and Loretta Howell, of Mechanicsburg, Ohio.

# Social Security adds 38 new compassionate allowance conditions

Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner of Social Security, today announced that the agency is adding 38 more conditions to its list of Compassionate Allowances. This is the first expansion since the original list of 50 conditions - 25 rare diseases and 25 cancers - was announced in October 2008. The new conditions range from adult brain disorders to rare diseases that primarily affect children. The complete list of the new Compassionate Allowance conditions is attached.

"The addition of these new conditions expands the scope of Compassionate Allowances to a broader subgroup of conditions like early-onset Alzheimer's disease," Commissioner Astrue said. "The expansion we are announcing today means tens of thousands of Americans with devastating disabilities will now get approved for benefits in a matter of days rather than months and years."

Compassionate Allowances are a way of quickly identifying diseases and other medical conditions that clearly qualify for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability benefits. It allows the agency to electronically target and make speedy decisions for the most obviously disabled individuals. In developing the expanded list of conditions, Social Security held public hearings and worked closely with the National Institutes of Health, the Alzheimer's Association, the National Organization for Rare Disorders, and other groups.

"The diagnosis of Alzheimer's indicates significant cognitive impairment that interferes with daily living activities, including the ability to work," said Harry Johns, President and CEO of the Alzheimer's Association. "Now, individuals who are dealing with the enormous challenges of Alzheimer's won't also have to endure the financial and emotional toll of

a long disability decision process."

"This truly innovative program will provide invaluable assistance and support to patients and families coping with severely disabling rare diseases," said Peter L. Saltonstall, President and CEO of the National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD). "On behalf of those patients and families, I want to thank Commissioner Astrue and his enthusiastic team for creating and now expanding a program that will have a direct impact on the quality of life of thousands of individuals."

"The initiative not only assists those whose applications are quickly processed, but also assists those whose applications need more time and attention from SSA adjudicators," said Marty Ford, Co-Chair, Social Security Task Force, Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities. "We are pleased to see today's expansion and look forward to working with Commissioner Astrue on further expansion of this decision-making tool and other ways to expedite determinations and decisions for disability claims."

"We will continue to hold hearings and look for other diseases and conditions that can be added to our list of Compassionate Allowances," Commissioner Astrue said. "There can be no higher priority than getting disability benefits quickly to those Americans with these severe and life-threatening conditions."

Social Security will begin electronically identifying these 38 new conditions March 1.

For more information about the agency's Compassionate Allowances initiative, go to [www.socialsecurity.gov/compassionateallowances](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/compassionateallowances).

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**EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE**

**A beauty takes a bath**

by **SANDY MILLER HAYS**  
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I don't mean to shock you, but about a year ago, something happened to me that doesn't often happen to "ladies of a certain age": I fell in love. Now, don't worry that you're about to hear anything especially torrid, because my husband fell in love at exactly the same time, and with exactly the same "girl." Her name is Indra (we call her "Indy" for short), and she's a classic 1974 sailboat--slim, elegant, graceful, a real beauty inside and out.

Fortunately, the previous owner had done a lot of restoration work, but even if you're buying a new sailboat right out of the boatyard, it's going to take a lot of time and often a lot of money getting her "just right." And no, you wouldn't be the first one to break the news to me that "BOAT" stands for "Break Out Another Thousand."

This past weekend, Brian and I spent a frigid four hours down in Indy's cabin, trying to figure out why a particular brand-new part (if you really must know, it's the float switch for the bilge pump--aren't you sorry you asked?) would work just fine in one situation (hooked up to the entire bank of eight batteries, which would eventually require recharging via shore power), but wouldn't work at all when hooked up to its single stand-alone battery. The bilge pump float switch happens to be a part that you really want to have working 24/7, but leaving all the batteries turned on all the time isn't really doable.

It wasn't until we were driving our frozen selves home from the marina that we had one of those "smack yourself on the forehead" moments: Maybe that single battery that runs the part "the rest of the time" ... was dead. The lesson here: Always look for the simple solution (like a dead battery) first.

That's why I was so intrigued when I read about a treatment devised by Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientists to treat Rhizoctonia, a fungal disease that plagues many ornamental plants. This is so simple that it's mind-boggling: You can eliminate Rhizoctonia in azaleas by placing plant cuttings in ... hot water!

Yes, that's all there is to it. The ARS scientists found that placing the azalea cuttings in water at 122 degrees Fahrenheit for 20 minutes is the most effective method of eliminating Rhizoctonia without damaging the plant, thus eliminating the need for treatment with chemical fungicides. The pathogen can be killed in less time if you use hotter water, but as the water temperature goes up, so does the risk of damaging the cutting.

Unfortunately, Rhizoctonia--like death and taxes--seems to be always with us. Rhizoctonia web blight is an annual problem in azalea cultivars grown in containerized nursery production in the southern and eastern United States. This fungus can live on all plant surfaces as well as pine bark soil, and it thrives throughout the year. But it only causes plant damage in July and August when heat and humidity are at their highest levels.

However, the disease is already doing its damage well before that, attacking the azalea's internal leaves in June, with signs often unseen by the grower. What can't be missed is the stage when a plant goes from looking healthy to having one-third of its leaves rapidly turn brown and die, often in a 24-hour period.

You can't see Rhizoctonia, so it's easy for this fungus to hitch a ride on stem cuttings used to propagate new plants, enabling this pathogen to circulate within nursery stock for years. Right now, nurseries try to fight back by dipping stem cuttings in a disinfectant or a fungicide solution, but even that hasn't controlled the spread of this fungal pest. New methods are definitely needed!

Hot water doesn't solve the prob-

(See **SCIENCE**, page five)



**BIG SANDY IDOL**

**Allen Central High School finalists named**

by **JARRID DEATON**  
FEATURES WRITER

**EASTERN** -- Allen Central High School now has its representatives for Big Sandy Idol, as 10 students were chosen put their vocal talents on display from a pool of 28 who auditioned earlier to be part of the showcase.

Of the 10 participants selected, Kaitlyn Vanderpool was the second-place semi-finalist and Tyler M. Stephens was the first-place finalist. Big Sandy Idol is a talent and scholarship

competition that offers two winners from each school a chance to compete in the regional Big Sandy Idol event. The winner will have the opportunity to record a demo CD, a full album, and a \$1,200 vocal scholarship to attend Big Sandy Community and Technical College. The winner will also earn a spot with the Big Sandy Singers.

The competition is organized by the music department of Big Sandy Community and Technical College in partnership with the Mountain Arts Center.

The regional section of the Big Sandy Idol competition will be held at the Mountain Arts Center on March 12, for the second-place winners, and March 13, for the first-place winners and the championship round.

Tickets for Big Sandy Idol are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. The tickets will be available for sale at the Mountain Arts Center on Feb. 9.

For more information on purchasing tickets, contact the Mountain Arts Center at 1-888-MAC-ARTS.



The first academic team in Wesley Christian School's history placed second in quick recall at the 84th District Governor's Cup Competition. Maggie Wilkes placed second in language arts and fifth in arts and humanities. Sydney Hackworth placed third in social studies and third in English composition. McKenzie Akers placed fifth in Math. Wesley Christian's Academic Team is coached by Mrs. Angie Wilkes.

**AAA offers tips for driving on slick roads**

Overconfidence is motorists biggest danger, says AAA. Drivers should keep watching their speedometers when traveling today and avoid being overconfident that they can handle the conditions. When roads are icy or snow-covered, drivers often start out cautiously, driving at a speed appropriate to the conditions, but when nothing goes wrong they start to get overconfident and unconsciously increase their speed. But an increase

in speed of just two miles per hour can, make the difference between controlling your vehicle and crashing, if you lose traction and slide. Drivers, particularly those in 4WD vehicles, also think that because they have good traction when they start moving, the conditions aren't too bad. However, it isn't how fast you can travel, but how quickly you can stop that regulates the speed at which you should drive. And 4WD vehicles stop no quicker than regu-

lar ones.

- AAA offers the following tips:
- Reduce speed to match the conditions.
- Keep watching the speedometer.
- Increase following distance to 8-10 seconds.
- Look well ahead and anticipate having to stop at lights and intersections.
- Brake and steer very gently.
- If you start to slide, look for a

safe place on the road, then steer toward it, and use your brake and gas pedals to control the car.

■ Think about how quickly you will be able to stop when deciding what speed to travel.

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# OUR YESTERDAYS

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

## Ten Years Ago

(Feb. 13, 16 and 18,  
2000)

While recognizing the immediate need for more funding, the Floyd County E-911 Executive Council decided to put a temporary hold on reinstating the E-911 surcharge. Chances are it will soon be back on Floyd County phone bills.

Curtis E. Meyer, of Bypro, received several hours of community service and jail time, after he pleaded guilty to a charge of cruelty to animals in Floyd District Court. He plead guilty to the charge after jurors heard much of the case against him on Friday.

Three police officers and two suspects were transported to area hospitals after a Thursday night altercation inside the Floyd County Detention Center. Prestonsburg police officers Bryan Hall and Steve Little, and Floyd County deputy Herman Morris, sustained minor injuries when Joseph Patton Jr., 40, and Jessica Rice, 25, both of Spurlock, allegedly became involved in a scuffle with the officers as they exited the jail's elevator.

On Thursday, citizens from the Big Sandy region had an opportunity to have input into a regional rural transportation concept/plan that will address some of the transportation needs for the next 20 years.

A vote on one of the most hotly debated issues of the 2000 General Assembly could come in days. Testimony both for and against the bottle bill continued in Frankfort, while the state's grocers and bottlers initiated a substantial advertising campaign against the proposed legislation.

The citizens of Bill Hall Branch, near McDowell, got some good news during Monday evening's Beaver Elkhorn Water District meeting. Charles Byers with Summit Engineering, told board members Tommy Hall and Paul Gayle Bailey that the construction work has been completed on the project, and citizens will be able to hook on the county water system as soon as the booster pump station is installed.

A far-reaching anti-litter bill filed by majority floor leader Greg Stumbo made it out of committee yesterday, but just barely. The bill, which would make garbage collection mandatory statewide, and place a deposit fee on beverage containers, was approved by the House Appropriations and Revenue committee by a 15-14 vote.

Audits for the park board, the Mountain Arts Center, and the City of Prestonsburg, were presented for the city's council's approval, Monday evening. Mayor Jerry Fannin reported that the city and the park board both finished the year in the black, but the Mountain Arts Center was reported finishing \$257,868.22 in the red.

Crews will be back on the job ready to complete the StoneCrest Golf Course, the second week of March, said Jack Sykes of Summit Engineering. With weather permitting, Ranger Construction Industries expects to complete the golf course in mid to late May, he said in Monday's meeting of the Prestonsburg Properties Commission.

The McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital took on a sea of red, Monday, as hospital employees, friends, and local citizens, continued their drive to help Brian Hughes in his fight with leukemia.

After serving a little over six months of a five-year sentence for crimes related to having sex with a minor, James David Howell, 31, of Harold, is asking to be set free. Today, Howell will be in court again, asking for shock probation. The charges all stem from a sexual relationship Howell had established with a teenage girl under of age of 16.

Despite its defiance of court rulings prohibiting the posting of the Ten Commandments in public buildings, it does not appear that the Floyd County Fiscal Court will become the target of a lawsuit seeking the document's removal anytime soon.

A vision of vision for Prestonsburg was presented to the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission yesterday. Fred James and Sam Blankenship asked the commission to consider mapping out the future of Prestonsburg at length.

The Columbia Gas Transmission Plant at Warco, will soon go the way of other older structures—it will be torn down, ending 75 years of service to the company and community.

Charles E. Stephens, 32, of Endicott, was indicted on multiple charges, including DUI, driving on a suspended license, violating a protective order, second-degree cruelty to animals, improper registration, no insurance, invalid registration receipt, disorderly conduct, falsely reporting an accident, and third-degree criminal conduct.

"The Way Things Work," a hands-on science exhibit conducted by the Louisville Science Center and presented by the East Ky. Center for Science, and the Mountain Arts Center, continues tomorrow at the MAC.

There died: Harve Johnson, 81, of Beaver, Thursday, February 10, at McDowell ARH; Zetta Justice, 97, of Pikeville, Friday, February 11, at her residence; Franklin Delano Music, 67, of Frankfort, Thursday, February 10, at his residence; Bill Isaacs, 70, of Topmost, Friday, February 11, at his home; Eunice Howard, 86, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, February 13, in the

Mountain Manor Nursing Home, in Prestonsburg; Malta Music Rice, 81, of Little Paint, Sunday, February 13, at the Hazard Nursing Home; Boone Bentley, 74, of Wayland, February 11, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Dayton Caller Hall, 61, of Galveston, Saturday, February 12, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; William E. Wright, 56, of Ashley, Indiana, formerly of Betsy Layne, Friday, February 11, at Dekalb Memorial Hospital; Goldie B. Akers, 80, of Hi Hat, Friday, February 11, at HRMC; Scottie Crum, 51, of Martin, Thursday, February 10, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, in Lexington; Helen Beatrice Lewis Hunt, 73, of Banner, Monday, February 14, at her residence; Lora Conley, 92, of Mousie, Wednesday, February 9, at HRMC; Susie Stanley Bryant, 73, of Melvin, Tuesday, February 15, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Avenell Adkins Boyd, 62, of South Amherst, Ohio, Monday, February 14, at Community Health Partners.

## Twenty Years Ago

(Feb. 14 and 16, 1990)

An order by the state Correction Cabinet to limit holding time in the Floyd County Jail to four days may dramatically increase prisoner transportation costs for the county and require rapid county action to build a new jail. Floyd County Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo received a letter Friday, informing him of the Cabinet's decision to reduce the jail to a 96-hour prisoner holdover facility, beginning March 1.

Members of the Prestonsburg City Council spoke as one, Monday, night, when they voted on a resolution to ask the Floyd County School Board to reconsider a decision to replace Prestonsburg High School with a new county high school outside the city.

A routine check of a parked vehicle at the intersection of KY 3 and US 23, Sunday, by Prestonsburg police, resulted in the discovery of a stolen vehicle and two juvenile runaways, and the arrest of a Paintsville man.

State regulations, recommended by Gov. Wallace Wilkinson's office, may shut down the Floyd County landfill, and dozens of other landfills across the state.

Only one out of five persons applying for an entertainment license at the Floyd County Court hearing, Thursday, was approved. Jack Patton, who operates Jack's Place near Hueysville, had his renewal application for a bar carryout, with pool table and jukebox, approved by Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo.

The first official step to address long-term water problems in the Weeksbury, Melvin, and Burton areas of southern Floyd County was taken by the state Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet this week.

There died: Gaynell Clark May, 85, Stephens Branch Road, Martin, Feb. 13, at her home; Mary Margaret Richmond Webb, 84, Prestonsburg, Feb. 8, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Oma Lee Clarke, 73, Manassas, Virginia, formerly of Auxier, Feb. 13, at Prince William Hospital; Otto Fannin, 92, Martin, Feb. 12, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Isaac Lee Case, 89, New London, Ohio, formerly of Honaker, Feb. 12, at his home; Thomas Jay Hunt, 69, Stanville, Feb. 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Daisy Harris McCarty, 78, of West Prestonsburg, Feb. 9, at HRMC; Thomas Jefferson "Jeff" Vaughan, 85, Prestonsburg, Feb. 7, at HRMC; Richard Akers, 63, of Norwalk, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Feb. 11, at the home of his sister, Opal Maynard; Luther Hensley, 76, Melvin, Feb. 10, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington; Virda Jones, 89, Prestonsburg, Feb. 8, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Raymond Hicks, 84, Hippos, Feb. 13, at HRMC; Winona Tufts Fitzpatrick, 64, Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Estill, Feb. 7, at Riverside Hospital, Columbus; Opal G. Wiley, 73, Homer, Michigan, formerly of Ivel, Dec. 30, at Oaklawn Hospital in Marshall, Michigan; Edna Mae Conley, 89, Bypro, Feb. 11, at her residence.

## Thirty Years Ago

(February 13, 1980)

A coal company operating in this county has become the first in the nation to be given approval by the Office of Surface Mining to create an alternative approach to one of the environmental production standards of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act.

City officials will meet with members of the Floyd County Solid Waste Inc., with a view to discussing the possibility of Prestonsburg participating in the proposed countywide trash collection system.

Lack of supervision at the John M. Stumbo Grade School has resulted in older students abusing younger students on some occasions, according to Sally Adkins, who presented her complaint to the Floyd County Board of Education last week. Her suspicions were confirmed by Dr. Ellen Joyce, of the Mud Creek Clinic, who has treated said students.

State Rep. Greg Stumbo introduced a resolution to the House, this week, concerning trains blocking railroad crossings in the county. His action followed the death of a Dwale woman being transported by an ambulance, last November, that was halted on the way to the hospital for 20 to 25 minutes by a train, Stumbo is hopeful that passageways beneath or above

the tracks may be provided.

Schools are scheduled to reopen tomorrow, after a 12-day layoff, because of snow and ice on some roads. The 2-3 inch snowfall, Saturday night, compounded travel problems for school buses. Main highways had been cleared of an earlier 7-inch snowfall, but some secondary roads were still covered.

There died: Maryland (Joe) Hall, 93, of Banner, Tuesday, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Delphia Smallwood, 79, of Melvin, Thursday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Lonzo Vanderpool, 53, Monday, February 4, at his Gunlock home; Bishop McKinney, 84, of Printer, Sunday, at MARH; Lura G. Cox, 86, of Lima, Ohio, formerly of Garrett, Feb. 3, in Lima; Margaret Gibson, 91, of Wayland, last Wednesday, at the home of her daughter; Bess Marshall Osborne, 84, Sunday, at her home in Town Branch; June Cook, 84, of Frenchburg, formerly of Knott County, Friday, at the U.K. Medical Center; Benjamin Shepherd, 84, of Salt Lick Creek, near Hueysville, Friday, at Riverview Manor; Bill W. Hall, 63, of Teaberry, last Wednesday, at MARH; Philmon Johnson, 53, of Wayland, en route to HRMC; Mandy Jane Edwards, 69, of Hi Hat, Tuesday, at her home; Nancy Amburgey, 80, of Prestonsburg, Feb. 1; Claude Short, 54, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Malle, Thursday, at Mount Carmel Hospital, in Columbus.

## Forty Years Ago

(February 19, 1970)

Floyd County's rural roads, usually in poor condition at this time of year, are now possibly at their worst, County Judge Henry Stumbo said Monday.

Expanded home mail delivery, principally in small communities, has been implemented by a new postal service program which affects 80 eastern Kentucky towns, 22 of which are in Floyd County.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been asked by Sheriff Frank Leslie to join in the investigation of wire thefts in the county which have affected companies in interstate commerce.

First Sgt. Ronald B. Osborne, formerly of Martin, has been awarded the Bronze Star for combat duty in Vietnam.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Gregory, of Martin, a son, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital;

to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Younce, of Melvin, a son, Feb. 8, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Forest Rivers, of Allen, Feb. 8, a son, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

There died: Mrs. Esther Bond Bever, 66, of Winter Haven, Fla., formerly of Prestonsburg, Feb. 9, at Winter Haven; Melvin Green, 46, of Wayland, Sunday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Allie Collins Burchfield, 60, native of this county, Saturday,

in Utah; Mrs. Rosa Lily Ward, 85, of Van Lear, Wednesday, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Mrs. Maggie Ward Goble, 76, Floyd County native, Sunday, at Louisa; Mrs. Maudie McGuire Scutchfield, 88, of Munith, Mich., formerly of this county, last Tuesday, at Munith; Kelly Frasure, 48, last Thursday, at his home here; Lawrence Tackett, 67, of Melvin, Saturday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Everett T. Moore, 49, Sunday, at his home at Price; Jack Stanley, 75, of Garrett, Feb. 9, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

## Fifty Years Ago

(February 18, 1960)

That Old Man Winter still packs a wallop was evident, last week, when a 10-inch snowfall blanketed eastern Kentucky, and brought traffic to almost a standstill over a wide area. Schools reopened Thursday, only to be closed at noon by the second blast of snow that struck today (Thursday).

As announced in last week's paper, residents of Wayland and Prestonsburg will be able to call each other without going through an operator.

The town of Martin not only is ready for urban renewal involving a parking area, but also has set in motion the machinery to bring to it, low-rent public housing. Work on the project is expected to start in a matter of a few months.

The first meeting of the newly-organized Jenny Wiley Drama Association is scheduled here Sunday. Some of the huge problems to be resolved are organization, housing facilities for tourists, production, and many others. The access road from Hager Gap should be finished soon.

Kentucky made a historic break with the past, Wednesday, when Governor Bert T. Combs presented a billion-dollar budget to the General Assembly. Spurred by his interest in low-rent public housing Tom O. McGuire recently looked in on such a project at Mt. Sterling. This week he gave an enthusiastic report on his findings.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Howard of Lake Drive, a daughter, Margaret Virginia, at Prestonsburg General Hospital.

There died: Osie Kendrick, 55, Allen, at Pikeville Memorial Hospital; Noah Harris, 84, Prestonsburg, at Beaver Valley Hospital; B.D. Friend, 91, Prestonsburg, at Franklin, Tenn.; Mrs. Perlina Ousley Prater, 69, of Blue River, at the home of a daughter; Mrs. Dona Caudill, 49, of Bypro, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin.

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## ROUTE AVAILABLE

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# MORNING GLORIES

## Rise and Dine

FAMILY FEATURES

**G**ot a case of the breakfast blahs? Cure it with a hot breakfast bursting with big flavors.

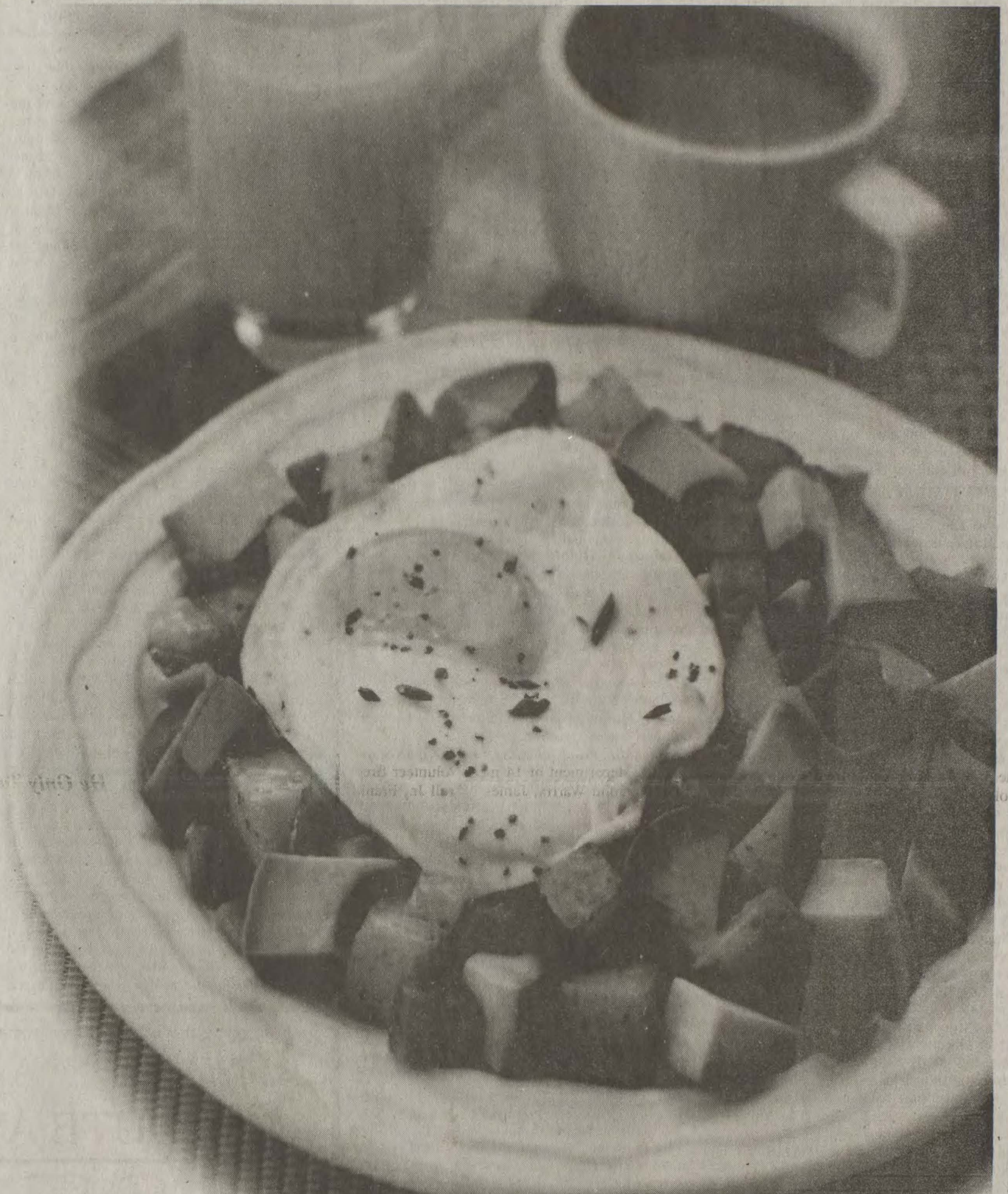
Any day is off to a good start with a delicious avocado-bacon pita sandwich or crisply browned potatoes, folded into a frittata. What's more, you're doing yourself a favor when you take time for a nutrient-packed breakfast rather than grabbing something sugary — or, even worse, skipping the meal altogether. Studies show that eating breakfast not only leads to higher energy levels and better concentration throughout the morning, but also helps out with weight control by reducing hunger pangs later on.

With the right makings on hand, it's easy to whip up a nutritious meal. For instance, a serving of potatoes not only generates quick energy but delivers as much potassium as two bananas and as much vitamin C as an orange — who knew? Avocados, another great breakfast ingredient, are rich in fiber, potassium, B-vitamins and more — in all, nearly 20 vitamins, minerals and other nutrients.

Most people don't think about eating avocados in the morning, but their rich buttery flavor offers a break from the same old boring breakfast routine. Avocados originated in Mexico and over centuries growers have perfected their cultivation. Mexican avocados (the Hass variety) are ripe when their pebbly skin turns dark and yields to gentle pressure. This talented fruit slips out of its skin in seconds, ready to be sliced or diced for a big-flavor breakfast.

Everybody loves potatoes and they cook in just a few minutes, even faster in a microwave — and take to all kinds of flavors. To maximize the nutritional benefits of potatoes, leave the skins on. Wisconsin grows many varieties, from russets to yellow flesh potatoes (each with a unique flavor and texture) and you can count on finding them in your supermarket year-round. Potatoes cost just pennies a pound, and keep extremely well when stored in a cool, dark place with adequate humidity and ventilation.

What's for breakfast, once you're stocked up? Here are some ideas guaranteed to get your morning off to a delicious start.



Cure the breakfast blahs with Avocado and Potato Hash.

### Putting the sizzle back in breakfast

Try some fast, treat-yourself-right breakfast options that won't make you want to hit the snooze button.

- Spread whole-wheat toast with mashed avocado. Sprinkle with salt and add a squeeze of lime juice. Or eat half an avocado, seasoned the same way, right out of the shell, one spoonful at a time.
- Bake or boil extra potatoes to enjoy the next morning. Heat briefly in a microwave oven, mash in some cottage cheese, ricotta, or plain yogurt, and season with salt and pepper.
- Make a tasty burrito filled with homemade hash brown potatoes, avocado, ham and shredded cheese — so portable!
- Slice avocado onto bagel halves. Top with red onion slices and smoked salmon.
- Quarter cold cooked potatoes, and brush with olive oil. Broil or grill until browned. Serve with scrambled eggs and sliced tomatoes.

#### Avocado and Potato Hash

*Sauté a skilful of potatoes, onions and bell pepper, and finish with avocados, ham and a fried-egg topper — delicious!*

Yield: 4 servings (about 5 cups)

- 1 pound small Wisconsin red or yellow potatoes (about 5)
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup diced sweet red bell pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
- Hot pepper sauce, to taste
- 2 fully ripened avocados from Mexico, halved, pitted, peeled and cubed
- 1/2 cup ham cut into strips
- 4 large eggs

Prick potatoes with fork; place in microwave; microwave until fork tender, 4 to 5 minutes; cool; cut in 1-inch pieces.

In large skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat; add onion and red pepper; cook, stirring occasionally, until tender, 5 to 7 minutes. Stir in salt, thyme and hot pepper sauce; cook, turning occasionally, until hot, about 5 minutes.

Gently stir in avocado and ham. Serve with fried eggs sprinkled with chopped chives, if desired.

**Per serving:** 486 calories, 15 g protein, 39 g carbohydrates, 32 g total fat, 24 g unsaturated fat, 8 g fiber

#### Potato and Spinach Frittata

*Instead of plain old scrambled eggs — what a yawn! — whip up this easy frittata with the great flavors of browned potatoes and cheddar cheese.*

Yield: 4 portions

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 cups Wisconsin red potatoes cut in 1/2-inch cubes (about 1 pound)
- 1 teaspoon salt, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 6 cups baby spinach
- 1/2 cup chopped red onion
- 8 eggs
- 1/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese, optional

In large skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil until hot; add potatoes; sprinkle with 1/2 teaspoon of the salt and the pepper; cook, stirring occasionally, until lightly browned, 10 to 12 minutes.

Add spinach and onion; stir until beginning to wilt, about 1 minute.

In medium bowl, lightly beat eggs with remaining 1/2 teaspoon salt; gently pour over potatoes. Cook, gently lifting edges with spatula to let uncooked egg flow underneath, until golden on bottom and moist on top, 5 to 7 minutes.

Lower heat to medium; cover skillet; cook until top is set, about 4 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese. Serve immediately.

**Per serving:** 345 calories, 18 g protein, 25 g carbohydrates, 19 g total fat, 11 g unsaturated fat, 6 g fiber

#### Avocado Breakfast Pitas

*Recipe for breakfast bliss: Two fabulous ingredients, avocados and crisp bacon, tucked into a take-and-go sandwich.*

Yield: 4 portions (about 2 cups)

- 4 slices bacon
- 1 fully ripened avocado from Mexico, halved, pitted, peeled and diced
- 1 tomato, diced
- 2 tablespoons roughly chopped cilantro or flat-leaf parsley
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 (6-inch) pita breads, cut in halves

In large skillet over medium heat, cook bacon until crisp, about 8 minutes.

In mixing bowl, place avocado, tomato, cilantro, lemon juice and salt.

Remove cooked bacon from skillet; crumble; add to avocado mixture; toss to combine.

Remove all but 1 teaspoon bacon drippings from skillet; add avocado mixture to skillet; heat until warm, about 1 minute. With large spoon, stuff each pita half with about 1/2 cup avocado mixture.

**Per serving:** 211 calories, 6 g protein, 21 g carbohydrates, 12 g total fat, 8 g unsaturated fat, 3 g fiber

**For more great breakfast ideas ...** Visit [www.wisconsinpotatoes.com](http://www.wisconsinpotatoes.com) and write to request Wisconsin Potato Sensations Cookbook, Dept. FF, P.O. Box 327, Antigo, WI 54409-0327. Please include a check or money order for \$8 and allow 3 to 6 weeks for delivery.

Visit [www.avocadofiesta.com](http://www.avocadofiesta.com) and be sure to follow [guacgrl](https://twitter.com/guacgrl) on Twitter for more great tasting easy-to-make recipes.

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and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by the office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00. Must provide proof of income and ownership.

**Benchmark Family Services family care support**

Benchmark Family Services is a private, non-profit therapeutic foster care agency seeking caring and compassionate foster parents in eastern Ky. Free flexible training schedules, 24-7 support monthly financial compensation, financial bonuses, and mileage reimbursement available. Call: 606-886-0163. www.benchmark-familyservices.org

**McDowell High School Class of 1990 reunion**

The McDowell Class of 1990 will hold a 20-year class reunion on Saturday, June 12, 2010. The location for the event is Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Pines Building. There will also be a family

outing scheduled for that morning. Cost for the reunion is \$40.00/couple or \$20.00/single. Checks may be mailed to: McDowell Class of '90, P.O. Box 23, Minnie, KY 41651. If you should have information or questions, please contact Stephanie (Allen) Johnson, 606-377-7811 sjxray@yahoo.com or Scott Shannon 606-377-7742 scott.shannon45@yahoo.com. You may also join the classmate groups on Myspace and Facebook.

**FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes**

The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall gentle exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. at May Drive, just off 1428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg.

Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

**Become a Volunteer with Victim Services Program**

You are more likely to be hurt by someone whom you know rather than be assaulted on Kentucky's streets by a total stranger. Learn to assist victims of sexual assault, child abuse and domestic violence by becoming a Volunteer with Victim Services Program. Call today to receive an application for our free training program.

Call the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-4323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

**OutPatient Drug Treatment Program and Education**

Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse.

Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208.

www.drugsno.com

**Duff Kindergarten**

**Registration**

Kindergarten registration will be every Wednesday, from 9:00-12:00 at James A. Duff Elementary. Call the school at 358-9420 or 358-9878 for the required items necessary for kindergarten registration.

**Higher education begins here**

The Kentucky Adult Education Learning for Life program offers GED, Adult Learning, Tutoring and College Preparation classes. These classes are managed by Big Sandy Community & Technical College. All classes are free to anyone 16 years old or older.

Along with GED preparation, we offer adult learning, tutoring and college preparation for people who have high school diplomas or GED equivalent who want to continue their education. The (GED) classes are offered at various locations throughout Floyd County five days a week, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Evening classes are also available from 5-8 p.m. at some locations. There are no registration fees; all classes and materials are free.

For more information about

the times and locations of these classes, call 606-886-7397, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information about home study for your GED is also available. Please call today, our instructors are waiting to assist you!

**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.

**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 infor-

mation.

**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 889-8260 for more information.

**Need Help With Home Repairs?**

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

Yesterdays

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**Sixty Years Ago**

(February 16, 1950)

Purchase of the Glogora Coal Company buildings at Glo, this county, by George E. Evans Jr., and associates, was announced here, this week

The school "recess" in protest against failure of the legislature to provide funds asked by teachers began in Floyd county shortly after noon Thursday, with the closing of the Martin Consolidated School

Floyd County officers and U.S. deputy marshals, Friday, reduced the number of moonshine stills by four, and the possible weekend supply of liquor, by the destruction of approximately 750 gallons of mash

The Floyd County jail, this week, had its largest population in several years, with 53 prisoners on the jail register, Tuesday noon

The Floyd County Board of Education voted, Wednesday afternoon, its official acceptance of the Prestonsburg Board of Education's plan for county ownership and administration of the Prestonsburg and Floyd County High School

The Floyd County Fish and Game Club, this week, announced winners of its 1949 fishing contest. They are Billy R. Fannin, first; Charles E. Holbrook, second; and Mrs. Clark L. Pelphrey, runnerup, in the bass division. Circuit Judge Edward P. Hill was winner in the pike division

The Prestonsburg VFW Ramblers, state champions for two consecutive years, suffered its first defeat in nine starts here, Monday night, by the New York Colored Clowns, 73-66. High scorers for the local team were Tommy Blackburn, 17, and Adrian Blackburn, 10

The Wayland Wasps defeated the Martin Purple Flash, 61-55, Friday night, and Prestonsburg, 86-66, Saturday night

Garrett Black Devils blistered the McDowell Daredevils, 66-40, Friday night

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Burchett, a daughter, Ruth Ann, on February 4, at Prestonsburg General Hospital

There died: Mrs. Ada Conn Layne, 40, at her home at Hunter, Monday; Mrs. Belle Langley Flanery, 89, native of Spurlock, in a Washington, D.C., hospital; Thomas M. Hereford, Sr., 73, of Cliff, in Prestonsburg General Hospital, Tuesday; William Henry Collins, 22, of Van Lear, last Thursday, at the home of his grandparents at Melvin; Mrs. Julia Stumbo Mosley, 92, at her home at Emma,

Monday; Miss Etta Perkins, 21, at her home at Manton, Friday; Mrs. Sarah Jones, 62, at her home near Odds, in Johnson County.

**Seventy Years Ago**

(February 15, 1940)

Wayland, considered by many a prominent contender for the championship of the 58th basketball district (Floyd County), and Auxier, are the only teams to play in the first round of the net tournament to begin at Garrett, February 29

Supertendent Town Hall, Saturday was authorized by the County Board of Education to contact Levi J. Dean, architect, of Huntington, for plans for a new gymnasium at Wheelwright Junction, which will serve Wheelwright High School

Continuing the fight for an improved fire department here, to comply with requirements of the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau, and thus to gain a reduction in fire insurance rates, the Prestonsburg Co-Operative Business Association, Friday evening, organized a volunteer fire department of 14 men. Volunteer firemen are John Warrix, James Morell Jr., Frank H. Layne, Richard Spurlock, S.L. Isbell, A.W. Lawson, Marvin Music, Wes Howard, Martin Lee May, Burl Spurlock, Bob Francis, Elza Conley, N.M. White Jr., and J. D. Harkins Jr

If the Floyd Fiscal Court accepts lowest bids on WPA commodity deliveries to the warehouse here, and on to the 26 distribution points of the county, the work will be done at a total cost of only \$1,320 a year

For 25 cents, a woman bought a baby boy at Garrett, Floyd County health department records reveal

Tuesday night, at Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg, after losing to Garrétt, Saturday, came back to trounce the Paintsville team, 38-26

Five rural teachers who did outstanding work in the county last year were named this week. They are: Mrs. Elsie Prater, Mrs. Norma Stepp, Mrs. Genevieve Robinette Hays, Miss Kelsa Gearheart, and Miss Gladys Flannery

There died: Mrs. Margaret Baldrige Compton, 60, native of Abbott Creek, at her home near McGuffey, Ohio, Thursday, Feb. 1; Geneva Smiley, 13, Tuesday, at Betsy Layne; Mrs. Lucille Kuykendall Loar, 81, former teacher at Betsy Layne, at her home in Pittsburgh, Pa., last Thursday; Scott Hall, 90, of Amba, died at the home of his son-in-law, John Compton, at Martin.

Science

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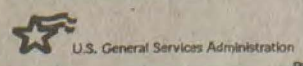
lem forever, because there's always the potential for the plant cuttings to become recontaminated again at some later point in the production procession. But the ARS scientists haven't ended their search for answers: Now they're busy identifying the steps in production that pose the greatest risk for recontamination.

Stay tuned for a complete game plan for stopping this fungus in its invisible tracks!

The Agricultural Research Service is the chief in-house scientific research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. You can read more about ARS discoveries at <http://www.ars.usda.gov/news>.

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**Happy 23rd Birthday Anthony Paul Osborne**

Feb. 19, 1987 - Nov. 10, 2006



Heaven must be rejoicing  
Angels singing  
Presents abound  
Perfect in every way  
You are turning 23 today

But we miss you  
In our hearts you'll stay  
Right where you've always been  
Today we miss you even more  
Have a wonderful birthday  
Don't forget how much you're loved and missed  
And remember, Anthony, we'll be together soon  
You're our own special Angel up above

**He Only Took My Hand**

Last night while I was trying to sleep, my son's voice I did hear, I opened my eyes and looked around, but he did not appear.

He said: "Mom, you've got to listen, you've got to understand, God didn't take me from you, Mom, He only took my hand.

When I called out in pain that day, the instant that I passed, He reached down and took my hand, and pulled me to His side, at last.

He pulled me up and saved me, from the misery and pain, My body was hurt so badly inside, I could never be the same.

My search is really over now, I've found happiness within, All the answers to my dreams, and all that might have been.



I love you all and miss you so, and I'll always be nearby, My body's gone forever, but my spirit will never die!

And so, you must all go on now, live one day at a time. Just understand— God did not take me from you, He only took my hand." (author unknown)

We love you, and miss you more every day.  
We love you, always,  
Mom, Dad, and all the family.

**Free Vascular Screenings**

King's Daughters Medical Center, in cooperation with the Kentucky Heart Foundation, is offering a free vascular screening to those 50 and older beginning at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, March 11, on the KDMC Mobile Health Unit at First Presbyterian Church, 1430 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. KDMC nurse practitioner **Deb Cummings** will review your results immediately following your screening.

Tests include:

**Lipid profile:** A breakdown of cholesterol levels, including HDL, LDL, triglycerides and total cholesterol.

**Blood glucose:** Level of sugar in the blood.

**Ankle brachial index (ABI):** A measurement of blood pressure at the ankle to check for signs of peripheral artery disease (PAD).

**Electrocardiogram (EKG):** A non-invasive test to measure electrical activity of the heart by attaching electrodes to the skin.

Appointments are required by calling 1.888.377.KDMC (5362). Fasting is required, and additional guidelines may apply, which help us see those most at risk for vascular disease.

Thursday  
**March 11**

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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](mailto: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.

**First Presbyterian Church to host "The Inn Thing" Saturday, February 20**  
Once again the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg is hosting "The Inn Thing." This is a relaxing candlelit evening of great food and entertainment on Saturday, February 20, at 6 p.m. Bring your sweetie, best friend, etc. Don't miss out. Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased from the church. All proceeds benefit the Floyd County Ministerial Association Emergency Relief Fund. Come enjoy this wonderful catered dinner and help benefit a worthy cause. For information about purchasing tickets, please call the church at 886-2214.

**Zebulon Lodge 273, F&AM changes meeting dates**  
Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM has changed the dates of its stated communications from the first and third Saturday, to the second and fourth Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m. All Master Masons are invited to attend these meetings.

**Jenny Wiley Chapter AARP Offers free tax service**  
AARP Tax Aide volunteers, members of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, will provide free tax assistance for elderly (60 and over) and low-income persons at the Floyd County Library each Tuesday, beginning February 2, through April 13, from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Bring your last year's income tax return and current tax information.

**Home Cleaning Products... Safe, Healthy, Green and Money Saving**  
This lesson taught Monday, February 22, at 1 p.m. by Stephanie Derifield, Lawrence County FCS Agent, will focus on how to be more conscious of healthy green living. Come learn some easy and fun ways to clean and care for your house and family the green way. Call Dottie at 886-2668 to register.

**Schedule Change for Floyd County**  
A Veterans benefits field representative will be at the **Floyd County Library, on the first Wednesday each month from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., effective March 1, 2010.** Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing

for Federal and State veterans benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, call toll free 1-866-847-2926 to speak with a Veterans Benefits Field Representative.

**Camp Nathanael presents: Dinner and a movie February 20, at 6:30 p.m.**  
Take a mid-winter break and join us at Camp Nathanael for an adult get-together. After a delicious meal, we will be watching the movie "Flywheel" from the producers of "Facing the Giants" and "Fireproof." This humorous look at the life of Jay Austin, owner of a used car lot, is sure to inspire all who attend. There is no charge for the evening, but to assist us in having a well-planned event, please register by phone: 251-3231 or e-mail: [smmmky@tgetel.com](mailto:smmmky@tgetel.com).

**Floyd County Retired Teachers to hold business meet, March 4**  
The Floyd County Retired Teachers will be having a business meeting on March 4, at the Floyd County Library, Prestonsburg, at 11 a.m.

**Third Avenue Freewill Baptist to hold Revival, Sun., Feb. 14**  
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, 195 S. Central Ave., Prestonsburg, will hold a revival beginning Sunday night, February 14. Service is 6 p.m., Sunday night; 7 p.m. through the week. Pastor Larry Blair will be preaching. Church is located between the old courthouse and the Floyd County Times, downtown Prestonsburg. Everyone welcome. More information, Pastor Phillip Ramey, (606) 791-6099.

**Betsy Layne High School announces upcoming events**  
Betsy Layne High School would like to announce the following up-coming events:  
**Saturday, February 13th:** Basketball Homecoming and Recognition of the 1994 Betsy Layne High School Regional Baseball Championship Team. Coaching staff and team members are invited to attend.  
**Friday, February 19:** Hall of Fame Game and Senior Night.  
We would like to invite everyone to attend these events.

**Highlands Regional Medical Center "Living Well with Diabetes" Support Group**  
"With Every Beat of Your Heart"  
Learn about heart healthy habits to reduce your risk of Heart Disease.  
Thursday, February 25, 2010  
Meeting will be held in the Medical Office Building Rooms A & B 5:00 p.m.-6:00 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?

**Highlands Regional Medical Center March 2010**  
**Bariatric Program March 3rd**  
Meeting Place B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Living Well With Diabetes March 25th**  
Meeting Place A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
For more information concerning the support groups please contact Highlands Educational Services Department at 1-606-886-7424.

**Auxier Center Spring Classes begin Monday, March 8**  
**Basic Computer Classes**  
March 8—Mondays, 9 a.m. to noon, instructor Gordon Scott  
March 11—Thursdays, 5-8 p.m., instructor Jerry Hatfield  
Limited to 12 students per class.

(Free computer\* with class completion).  
**Microsoft Office 2007**  
Instructor Frank Richter  
March 8, Mondays, 5-8 p.m.  
March 9, Tuesdays, 5-8 p.m.  
Computer Classes Cost \$30.  
**Sewing Classes**  
8 weeks, instructor Donna Woods  
March 8, Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., \$20  
March 11, Thursdays, 5-8 p.m., \$20  
**Quilting Classes**  
8 weeks, Instructor Nancy Froschauer  
March 8, Mondays  
Afternoons 1:30-4:30 p.m., \$20  
Evenings, 5:30-8:30 p.m., \$20  
**Lil' Bit of Everything Class**  
Starts March 12-6 weeks  
Soap Making, Scrap Booking and more.  
Instructor, Judy McGuire, (Floyd County Extension Office)  
Second Friday of each month 1 to 2 p.m. Cost: 410  
Scholarships available to those who qualify.  
Call 606-886-0709 for reservations.

**The Auxier Center**, a program of Hand in Hand Ministries, located 21 South River Street, in Auxier.  
\*One computer per family—students must meet income guidelines and not have a computer of their own.

**Highlands Regional Medical Center February 2010**  
**February 9th**  
Sr. Advantage, Highlands Medical Office Building, Meeting Rooms A & B, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
**February 25th**  
Diabetes Support Group, Highlands Medical Office Building, Meeting Rooms A & B, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
**February 25th**  
Living Well With Diabetes, Highlands Medical Office Building, Meeting Place A & B, 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**Free Tax preparation available in Big Sandy**  
Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is once again offering **FREE** help for eligible tax filers in preparing and electronically filing tax

returns. The service, made possible through funding from Community Action Kentucky and the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, is available in Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, Floyd and Pike Counties.

BSACAP has IRS-certified staff to prepare and file tax returns, and offers the service **free** to low-income residents in the Big Sandy area. To schedule an appointment, call (606) 789-3641.

**AMiss Southeast Kentucky Pageant is set, Feb. 27**  
The Miss Southeast Kentucky Pageant will be held February 27, at 2 p.m. at the Guest House Inn, in Hazard. For more information, contact: Tara Smith, 606-269-7988.

**The Auxier Learning Center offers home repair aid**  
Need help with home repairs? The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help. We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you or someone you know are **low income** (See **CALENDAR**, page five)

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225+ each surgeon	Each cardiovascular surgeon performs more than 100 open heart surgeries per year	100	?
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