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DRUGS

Wheelwright man arrested on drug charges

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

WHEELWRIGHT — A man is behind bars after police arrested him in Wheelwright this past weekend on suspicion of drug trafficking.

Wheelwright Police Officer Randy Johnson said the incident that led to the arrest of Minnie resident Shane Mosely started with a loud noise outside city hall Saturday.

"I was in city hall when it sounded like somebody threw something and hit the side of the building," Johnson said.

Johnson said when he went outside and entered his police cruiser, he noticed Mosely standing above city hall along an old mining road.

"I turned around and started up there and he came out of there on a motorcycle," said Johnson. "I caught him at the swimming pool."

At the Wheelwright Swimming Pool, Johnson took Mosely into custody, and, while doing so, says he discovered that the Minnie man was in possession of more than imagined.

In a fariny pack attached to his waist, Johnson said he found a "big bag of marijuana" and then found another two bags in one of Mosely's shoes. In the other shoe, Johnson said was a bottle of pills.

Inside the bottle, police retrieved some 20 methadone tablets and approximately 10 Xanax tablets.

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2 DAY FORECAST

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Reports say UK has their man

by STEVE LOMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky continued its courtship of John Calipari Tuesday evening, as anxious fans in two states awaited official word amid a flurry of reports that the Memphis coach was undecided where he would coach next year.

Calipari, who just wrapped up his ninth season as Memphis head coach, ranks as one of college basketball's best. Many

national media outlets, including several in Memphis, were reporting Tuesday evening that Calipari had accepted the Kentucky job. Those pronouncements appeared premature later Tuesday afternoon, as reports described the coach as having "difficulty" with the decision.

By Tuesday evening, reports out of Memphis confirmed that Calipari would soon be calling Lexington home.

Kentucky AD Mitch Barnhart acted quickly in pursuit of Calipari following the firing of two-year Wildcats head coach

Billy Gillispie. Gillispie, who posted a 40-27 overall record in two seasons, was notified he would not be retained as UK coach Friday afternoon. When the news broke of Gillispie's firing, Calipari's name was one of the first mentioned as a possible replacement, along with Florida's Billy Donovan.

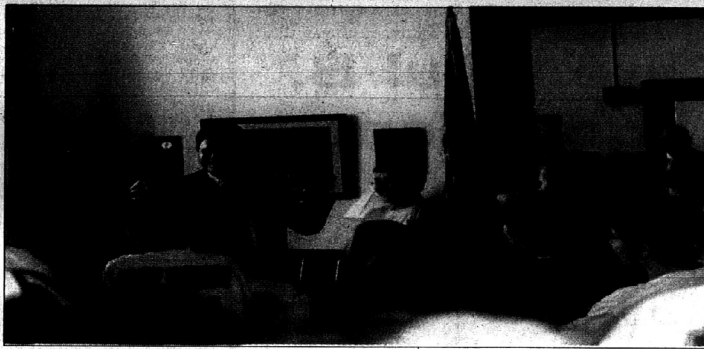
University of Memphis Athletic Director R.C. Johnson said Monday that he has been contacted by Barnhart and



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John Calipari

CIVICS LESSON



House Speaker Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, gives students from May Valley Elementary a tour of his office in the State Capitol on March 26, the final day of the General Assembly's 2009 session.

LRC photo by Bud Kraft

Fingers fly as horse trail hits snag

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Trail club members anxious to see a park manager put in place at German Bridge to reopen the area for trail riding, hunting, fishing and camping are saying they may soon seek donations from the private sector to finish certain tasks.

Jimmy Goble, president of the Big Sandy Trail Riders Club, says there is a "hold up" in seeing a trailer placed at the campground that would serve as living quarters for a park manager.

"We're having some problems," Goble said Tuesday. "The county was supposed to buy a trailer for people to live in to run the campground and they've run into a problem. They don't want to buy the trailer."

Goble, who said his understanding of the situation came about after conversations with Floyd County District 1 Magistrate John Goble, said one of the problems was a disagreement about which trailer to purchase.

"It's just like, 'I'll take my marbles and go home,' over there at the fiscal court," said Goble. "I'm going to go to the next meeting and tell them if they're going to act like 5-year-olds they shouldn't run for office. That's the big hold up. Now we're at a standstill because we really need a camp manager."

However, Magistrate Goble says the club itself was supposed to prepare the trailer and that he had suggested a certain trailer to purchase but the county has already went "above and beyond" the original scope of what was required.

"The only thing I know is the club was supposed to prepare the trailer," Magistrate Goble said. "I've helped them with paying the light bill and moving grass and worked with them from ground zero, but I've not been invited to a meeting yet."

Magistrate Goble said he has limited knowledge of exactly what steps are being taken or need to be taken because the club has not called a meeting or invited him to a meeting where those things could be discussed.

"The hold up is actually on their end," said Magistrate

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Chop shop defendant pleads

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

LONDON — A Betsy Layne man has pleaded guilty to 13 charges against him for a "chop shop" operation uncovered in Floyd and Pike counties last year.

Gary Keathley, 52, pleaded guilty to the charges in U.S. District Court in London last week.

Keathley, along with Marty Keith Hamilton, 50, was indicted on 104 counts of operating a

chop shop in July of last year. In October, Hamilton pleaded guilty to his role in the chop shop operation, including stealing more than 60 vehicles.

According to the original indictment, the charges against Keathley and Hamilton included possessing vehicles with altered vehicle identification number plates, removing VIN plates and replacing them with other VIN plates, transporting stolen vehicles in interstate commerce, disposing stolen vehicles across state lines, and

a criminal conspiracy charge.

Hamilton was accused of stealing over 50 automobiles from Walters Automotive Group, where he was formerly a contract employee.

Hamilton also pleaded guilty in October to a criminal forfeiture count in the amount of \$200,000, which represents the amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offenses charged in the indictment. Moreover, Hamilton's plea agreement

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ATV safety to be focus of event at Archer Park

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The frequent reports of death and serious injury caused by ATV accidents has prompted a local organization to create an event designed to promote education and safety when it comes to the use of the popular recreational vehicles.

The Families First ATV Child Safety Event is scheduled to be held at Archer Park on April 25.

"We want to make people in the area aware of the ATV accidents and the injuries that come from not wearing helmets," said Lois Lawson, with the Big Sandy Area Development District. "There will be vouchers for helmets, and we hope that parents will teach their children to not ride without the protec-

tive gear."

Kentucky led the nation in ATV-related deaths in 2007, and many experts that deal with the injuries caused by the vehicles, including Dr. Andrew Bernard, a trauma surgeon at the University of Kentucky, believe that a lack of education in relation to the dangers of improperly operating ATVs is a major factor in the accidents. According to many of the accident reports, the operators of the vehicles appeared to have ignored important safety guidelines.

Education is the main focus of the upcoming event, which will include vendors of ATVs and safety equipment, knowledgeable emergency responders, hospital officials and others. Booths

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INJURY ACCIDENT

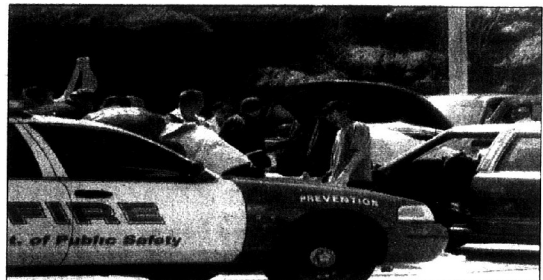


photo by Sheldon Compton

A two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Route 114 and U.S. 23 just outside of downtown Prestonsburg left several people injured Monday afternoon. The wreck occurred at the traffic lights just off the exit from U.S. 23 when a truck and car collided at the intersection. Police have not yet said what exactly caused the accident.

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Obituaries

Margaret Elliott Branham

Margaret Elliott Branham, age 86, of Betsy Layne, widow of Jack I. Branham, passed away Monday, March 30, 2009, at her residence.

She was born May 10, 1922, in Asheville, North Carolina, the daughter of the late M.B. Elliott and Mary Trivette Elliott. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Vogel Day United Methodist Church, in Boldman.

Survivors include three sons: Steve (Judy) Branham of Betsy Layne, Bob (Carolyn) Branham of Pikeville, and Barry Branham of La Herradura, Spain; two daughters: Mary Lee (Russell) Frazier of Betsy Layne, and Debbie (John) Wallingford of Knoxville, Tennessee; 14 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, and parents, she was preceded

in death by two brothers: Harrison and John Elliott; and a sister, Dorothy Coy.

Funeral services for Margaret Elliott Branham will be conducted, Thursday, April 2, at 1:00 p.m., at the Vogel Day United Methodist Church, in Boldman, with Clergyman Dennis Love officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, with Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is after 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, at Hall Funeral Home, and after 11:00 a.m., Thursday, at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Appalachian Hospice Care, P.O. Box 277, Hager Hill, KY 41222, or Vogel Day United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 134, Harold, KY, 41635. (Paid obituary)

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Victor Earl Harper

Victor Earl Harper, 63, of Bevsinsville, died Sunday,

March 29, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born August 18, 1945, in Parkersburg, West Virginia, he was the son of Paul Lowers and the late Betty Savley Lowers. He was a carpenter, and a member of the Tackett Fork Freewill Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Arlene Bates Harper. In addition to his wife and father, survivors include two sons: Victor (Chrissy) Harper Jr., of Garrett, and Chris Harper of Bevsinsville; a granddaughter, Hope; and two special friends: Rhona and Janet.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, April 2, at 11 a.m., at the Tackett Fork Freewill Baptist Church, in Beaver, with Larry Tackett and Freddy Johnson officiating.

Burial will be in the Arlis Bates Cemetery, in Bevsinsville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

Pallbearers: Curt Light, Brian Adams, Alan Osborne, Mike Tucker, Joe Tucker, and Larry Cross. (Paid obituary)

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Patsy Ann King

Patsy Ann King, 56, of Harold, died Saturday, March 28, 2009, at her residence.

Born October 2, 1952, in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Lee and Mary Elizabeth Hamilton. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Jack Thomas King.

Other survivors include two daughters: Jackie A. Hightower and Janice D. King, both of Harold; two brothers: Clois Hamilton of Teaberry, and Carter Hamilton of Hi Hat; a sister, Clara Bell King of Harold; and a granddaughter, Lecann E. Hightower.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Elijah Hamilton.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 1, at 1 p.m.,

at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Edward Lee Blankenship Cemetery, in

Teaberry, (Tinker Fork), under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Card of Thanks

The family of Wheeler Shepherd wishes to express our sincere appreciation to all those family members, friends, and neighbors for all the help during our time of loss. Thanks to those who sent flowers, food, or prayers during this difficult time. A special thanks to Clergyman Jerry Manns for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and to the Hall Funeral Home for the kindness that was shown to our family. To anyone who may have helped in any way, we say thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF WHEELER SHEPHERD

Card of Thanks

The family of Dorothy Mae Williams would like to express our appreciation to all who sent, food, flowers, or perhaps said a kind word, and for the prayers that were spoken on our behalf. We especially want to thank the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Old Beaver Regular Baptist Church for all their love and support that was shown to our family; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care. All the acts of kindness will never be forgotten. Thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF DOROTHY MAE WILLIAMS

Card of Thanks

The family of James "Jimmie" E. Goble would like to humbly thank each and everyone who helped in any way during our recent loss. To those who sent beautiful floral arrangements, food, or even words of encouragement. A special thanks to Clergyman Earl Waugh and Freddie Goble for their kind words of comfort at the service; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home staff for making our loss a little easier to bear. For anyone who may have helped in any other way, we lovingly say, thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF JAMES "JIMMIE" E. GOBLE

Card of Thanks

We, the family of Judith Ann Osborne Ward, would like to sincerely say thank you to all of our wonderful friends and neighbors who helped to comfort our family during this difficult time; those who sent flowers and food, or came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Clergyman Randy Osborne and Terry Adams for their comforting words, the Garrett First Baptist Church for all their love and compassion that was shown to our family; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and to the staff at Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. To all we say thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF JUDITH ANN OSBORNE WARD

UnitedHealthCare, Paul B. Hall sign new agreement

PAINTSVILLE — UnitedHealthcare, a UnitedHealth Group (NYSE: UNH) company, and Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center signed a new two-year agreement that provides commercial health plan customers who reside in the Paintsville-area expanded access to affordable, quality health care.

The new contract, effective immediately, covers all com-

mercial health plan products. Included in the agreement are the services of many of the hospital's physicians who practice in various specialties. The addition of Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center increases access and choice to UnitedHealthcare's extensive health care provider of more than 6,400 physicians and 100 hospitals throughout Kentucky.

"We are pleased with the signing of our new contract with UnitedHealthcare," said Deborah Trimble, Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center president and CEO. "This agreement allows us to offer UnitedHealthcare customers in the community the opportunity to receive in-network provider benefits locally at our hospital." "This partnership with Paul

B. Hall Regional Medical Center expands our network for Paintsville customers and those in surrounding areas," said Jack Tillman, vice president, UnitedHealthcare of Kentucky. "We're happy to offer long-term stability for our customers who look to Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center to deliver quality and specialized care."

Third Energizing Kentucky Conference focuses on education, energy

LEXINGTON — The third Energizing Kentucky Conference, focusing on the role of education in energy production, distribution and conservation, will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, April 15 and 16, at the Lexington Hyatt Regency.

The conference — the third in a series organized by Centre College President John A. Roush, University of Louisville President James R. Ramsey, Berea College President Larry D. Shinn and University of Kentucky President Lee T. Todd Jr. — will feature remarks by Carol Browner, President Obama's assistant for energy and climate change and head of the Environmental Protection Agency under President Clinton.

The Wednesday night session, which opens the conference, includes a keynote address by renowned scholar Jared Diamond, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "Guns, Germs, and Steel" and "Collapse: How Societies Choose to Succeed or Fail." In addition to being a bestselling author, Diamond is an evolu-

tionary biologist, physiologist and lecturer. The winner of a MacArthur Foundation "genius grant" and the National Medal of Science, Diamond also is a professor of geography and physiology at UCLA.

Thursday morning will begin with an overview of Gov. Steve Beshear's energy plan, presented by Energy and Environmental Matters Secretary Leonard Peters. President Shinn will then lead a discussion of the plan with panelists:

Rep. Rocky Adkins, majority floor leader in the Kentucky House of Representatives; state Sen. Robert Stivers; Tom Fitzgerald, director of the Kentucky Resources Council; and Admiral John J. Grossenbacher, director of the Idaho National Laboratory.

The conference will include two sets of break-out sessions. The first set, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., will include discussions of energy and sustainability at American Colleges and Universities and may include a meeting of the state legislature's Special

Subcommittee on Energy.

During lunch, team of students from elementary, middle and secondary schools and institutions of higher learning from around the Commonwealth will host a poster session highlighting energy education that is now taking place in Kentucky.

The second set of break-out sessions includes discussions of ways to teach wise energy use to Kentucky's elementary, middle and high school students; sustainability efforts at Kentucky's colleges and universities; and civic partnerships that can help agencies and communities use energy wisely.

The two earlier conferences, held last June and September in Louisville, prompted praise from business leaders and government officials for bringing together a variety of often competing interests and generating ideas


regarding one of the most critical issues facing Kentucky and the nation at large. Thomas L. Friedman, author of "The World Is Flat," keynoted the second conference.

Check for the latest scheduling information and additional background on the third Energizing Kentucky Conference online at www.energizingkentucky.org.

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PET OF THE WEEK



The celebrity of the week, Robert Allen, is Senior Vice-President at First Commonwealth Bank. He is very active in community and church activities, and resides in Prestonsburg with his wife and children. He is shown here with Colonel Sander, a male Lab mix.

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Our View

Better late than never

In May 2005, this paper was highly critical of the sudden closing of the Jenny Wiley golf course, noting "while the Jenny Wiley course was certainly hurting, we don't believe it was quite dead, yet."

So when the city of Prestonsburg voted last week to fund the improvements necessary to reopen the course, we were understandably delighted — even more so when we learned that several of our ideas for saving the course in 2005 would be implemented in its reopening.

Key to the course's future will be how successfully it can be rebranded as not merely an alternative to Stonecrest, but as a unique course, worthy of play in its own right.

In 2005, we had suggested converting Jenny Wiley to a par 3 course — something that is not available elsewhere in the Big Sandy Valley. Today, plans call for reopening Jenny Wiley as an executive course, which differs from a par 3 course primarily in that it will offer at least one par 4 hole, but otherwise offers the same faster, shorter course that allows a busy golfer to squeeze in a quick game.

We also suggested when Jenny Wiley closed that the course could have been an ideal location for a partnership with The First Tee — a highly successful, national program that not only introduces children to golf, but also teaches them the program's "Nine Core Values" of honesty, integrity, sportsmanship, respect, confidence, responsibility, perseverance, courtesy and judgment. We have heard unofficially that such a partnership is in the works. If it does indeed happen, that will make Jenny Wiley a huge regional draw, as there are only four First Tee locations in Kentucky, none of which are within two hours' drive.

The closure of the Jenny Wiley golf course robbed the community of a place where children and even adults could learn the game. Simply reopening it as it was before would do much to rectify that situation, but the plans we're hearing will greatly enhance the course and make Floyd County attractive to tourists and future residents alike.

That's a win for our community, even if it is coming a little late.

— The Floyd County Times



Guest Column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

The end of a legislative session is always a time when my colleagues and I look back at what we accomplished during the weeks of hard work to live, work and play. As we adjourned the 2009 Regular Session Thursday, I think we all took satisfaction in knowing we left our state better than we found it when we convened back in January.

When the session began, Kentucky faced a \$456 million shortfall this fiscal year that required immediate action. Lawmakers acted swiftly and in a bipartisan manner to eliminate the shortfall through increases in revenue from the sale of tobacco and alcohol, targeted spending cuts, and fund transfers. We were able to avoid deeper cuts in agency budgets across state government by reaching agreement on the budget bill so early in the session, while protecting base funding for public schools, Medicaid and other services.

Bipartisan agreement between the House and Senate led to another success in mid-March when the House and Senate agreed upon a \$3.7 billion state road plan. Our approval of state and federal funding—including around \$440 million in recently-approved federal stimulus dollars—to plan, design and build road projects across the state will put thousands of people to work in badly needed road construction throughout the Commonwealth. And we didn't stop there.

We made strides in education by agreeing to replace the CATS testing system in public schools by the 2011-12 school year, with a test that better measures individual student achievement without using cumbersome essay responses and writing portfolios

as testing tools.

We made improvements to our criminal justice system and helped reduce the state's nearly \$450-million annual Corrections costs by passing bills like Senate Bill 4, which will allow felony drug offenders to avoid jail or prison by successfully completing a pretrial drug treatment program. Serious offenders could voluntarily enter a secure treatment facility created by the new law for at least 90 days—with up to two years supervision—and have their charges dismissed if they stay off drugs. A new law that gives prisoners convicted of non-violent, non-sexual offenses credit toward their sentence for time spent on parole, and a resolution to set up a subcommittee to reform the state Penal Code, were also passed.

To protect our children, we strengthened state law protecting minors from Internet predators by increasing penalties for those who contact children via electronic communications and made it a Class A misdemeanor for registered sex offenders to use social networking web sites like MySpace or other web programs that grant access to children. We also made it a felony for individuals to intentionally "phish," or cause someone to give personal information about themselves by pretending to be someone else.

We helped those in need of health care assistance by allowing dentists and optometrists to provide charitable services in more locations and by allowing physicians or osteopathic providers licensed in other states to provide charitable services in Kentucky. And we helped the hungry by passing a law creating a program that would use surplus produce from Kentucky farmers and vendors to supplement Kentucky's food banks, which serve over 300,000 Kentuckians annually.

Along with the food bank bill, we helped our agriculture community by creating a new Agricultural Program Trust Fund that will be funded by vol-

untary contributions of \$10 on farm truck registration and renewals. The new fund will be used for programs administered by the state Department of Agriculture that not only benefit our farmers, but our retail establishments and those of us interested in healthy eating and supporting local food growers.

For our Armed Forces or National Guard members, we passed legislation that offers full driving privileges to deployed enlistees under age 18 who have had their instruction permit for at least 180 days. We also helped our National Guard by passing a new law that will allow the governor to authorize active duty pay for Guard members injured during the state's 2009 winter storm, with payments reduced by worker's comp and other benefits received.

Consumer protection got a boost with the passage of a new payday lending bill, now law, that will require a state database be created by July 2010 to track customer loans. Lenders that violate the state's two-loan/\$500 or less per-customer limit will incur penalties, and any new payday stores will be prohibited from opening for 10 years.

These are among the more notable bills passed last session. But more than 100 pieces of legislation were passed during our 29-day working days, and I think we all take satisfaction in knowing we passed measures to make Kentucky an even better place to live and raise a family. Some have already taken effect, like the budget shortfall elimination measures and state road plan, while many will take effect this summer.

Although the 2009 session has concluded, you can stay informed about legislative activity during the upcoming interim by logging onto the Legislative Research Commission website at www.lrc.ky.gov. The web site also lists all bills that have become law, along with their text. It's a valuable resource for citizens to stay involved in their government.

again. Under House Bill 383, every high school coach will be required to take a course in student safety, including training in how to prevent student injuries. Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, one coach who has successfully completed a safety course must be on hand at every game or practice. Coaches currently must complete a CPR course, but injury prevention could help save lives.

Approximately three in 1,000 babies born in the United States are born with permanent hearing loss, making hearing loss one of the most common birth defects in America. House Bill 5 addresses audio logical assessment by establishing mandatory reporting from audiologists who volunteer to be on an approved list of pediatric audiology sites in Kentucky. Parents would be given the list in the hospital at discharge and via mail. This legislation would improve follow-up reporting, assure babies get a full hearing test before three months of age and will increase the number of children who are referred to early intervention services to help them develop to their highest potential.

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Senate week in review

by SEN. JOHNNY RAY TURNER

By any measure, the legislative session we wrapped up Thursday should be considered the most successful "short (odd-year) session" of the five we have had. We have reformed our end-of-year school exams. We have instituted a bold, comprehensive plan to end the cycle of drug abuse that is ruining our society and wasting tax dollars on prisons. We approved a road plan that will allow us to leverage federal stimulus money into more than \$4 billion of transportation infrastructure improvements. We addressed this year's budget shortfall — and got the budget back in balance.

You have heard about these bills because of the widespread coverage in the media, but since we have concluded the 2009 session of the General Assembly, I want to ensure that you are told about some lesser-known accomplishments.

We took several strong steps to rein

in sex offenders. While the state sex offender registry at www.kentuckystatepolice.org tracks names, addresses, photos, and certain other information, we know that sexual predators are not restricted to their local neighborhoods anymore. Thanks to the Internet, they can make contact with children anywhere in the world. House Bill 315 will require sex offenders to register their e-mail addresses, screen names, and other online IDs so we can make sure they cannot target children anywhere from the shadows of their own home. HB 315 also bans registered sex offenders from MySpace, Facebook, and other social networking sites where children can meet them. Sex offenders are the most likely of any felons to slip into their old habits, so we must be vigilant about keeping them away from temptation. It is the safest way to protect everyone involved.

On the subject of protecting children, we also made headway in keeping our student-athletes safer. The death of a Jefferson County football player during practice last fall made national headlines, and we wanted to reduce the risk that any family, school or community has to face that tragedy

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- Two letters of reference

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- An essay on why the applicant feels they should receive the award

For further information or to pick up an application, applicants may contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Services Office in your county.

Completed applications and required documentation must be received no later than 4:30

pm on Friday, June 19, 2009. BSACAP staff or family members are not eligible to apply.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Office locations are as follows:

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Calipari

that he granted Kentucky permission to confer with Calipari in regards to the Wildcats head coaching position.

"We have given Kentucky permission to talk with John (Calipari) about their position," Johnson stated on the school's official athletics web-site. "However, I will tell you that we are elated with the job John has done as our head coach and we will do everything in our power to retain his services at Memphis."

Currently, Calipari is second on the list for most wins in NCAA history through 16 seasons. He has coached in one NCAA championship game, two Final Fours, five Elite Eights and seven Sweet Sixteens.

Missouri defeated Memphis 102-91 on Thursday. With the loss, Memphis had an

impressive 27-game winning streak halted. The Tigers finished the season 33-4, securing their fourth straight 30-win campaign.

Calipari guided Memphis to a runner-up NCAA finish in 2008. Most everyone around the state and many across the nation have followed the Cats' coaching saga. That includes a Floyd County native who played in the 1975 Final Four as a member of the storied UK men's basketball program.

"As the Final Four teams converge upon Detroit, I reflect back as a freshman while at UK in '75 and visualize the preparations and demands required by not only the coaching staff and players, but all who surrounded the program," said Betsy Layne High School graduate

Dan Hall, a former UK player.

"The university and the basketball program have risen to a level of excellence. Not by chance or luck, but by demand, perseverance and commitment within. During our NCAA trip to the finals in 1975, Coach (Joe B.) Hall and then University President Otis Singletary would always remind and reiterate that we represent the University, the basketball program and most importantly, the people of this state. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience I will always cherish."

"As we seek a new coach for the basketball program to replace Billy G., I am sure there will be no stones left unturned throughout this process. I think Coach Gillispie accepted the position unaware of the complete

demands and expectations associated with the job as head coach at Kentucky. The job became overwhelming. We all have heard rumors of various coaches, all of whom have specific qualifications, experience and connections. But the one I think will thrust the program back into a position to dominate is none other than John Calipari.

"My prediction? The state of Kentucky should prepare itself for a basketball frenzy and rivalry that will be unprecedented as two Italian stallions will compete for dominance on the court and bragging rights in a state addicted to basketball greatness."

Calipari posted a 252-69 record in nine seasons at Memphis. The veteran coach is 445-140 overall. Calipari is the reigning Sports Illustrated coach of the year. He was the Naismith coach of the year last season. Calipari and Duke's Mike Krzyzewski are the only

two coaches to be named Naismith coach of the year winner twice.

The similarities between Calipari and former Cats coach Rick Pitino number many. Both have college and professional coaching stints on their respective resumes. Calipari coached the NBA's New Jersey Nets for two-plus seasons until being dismissed early on in the 1998-99 campaign. He was also an assistant on the staff of the Philadelphia 76ers for one campaign, working under mentor Larry Brown.

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Calipari has a book — *Bouncing Back: Overcoming Setbacks to Thrive in Business and in Life* — due to be released in the fall. The accomplished coach could add a Kentucky chapter or begin work on another book should he choose to join the Big Blue Nation.

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Senate

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We put real teeth into the state law that limits payday loan borrowers to \$500 total. There is currently no way for payday lenders to know whether a borrower has already reached the limit — they have to rely on their word instead. We have seen from the subprime mortgage crisis what can happen when money is borrowed without documentation. HB 444 creates an electronic database so that payday lenders statewide can make sure their borrowers are eligible.

SB 33 will require local

governments, as well as the state, to purchase only U.S. and Kentucky flags made in the United States. HB 480 makes sure that teachers who were promised loan forgiveness for teaching in high-need areas can count on those promises being kept before we start granting new loans. There were many people helped by the legislation we passed this session, but the large media outlets cannot report on all of it. I wanted to make sure you were aware.

Of course, every year there are some good bills that just run out of time. Adequate funding for prosecuting attor-

neys and public advocates, a wide range of economic development incentives to help boost business in Kentucky, and others will simply have to wait. I hope that in the next session we will be able to address.

We will hold interim meetings beginning in June to continue studying these and other issues facing our Commonwealth. Let me know how you feel. As always, you may call our Legislative Message Line at 1-800-372-7181, follow our work online at <http://www.lrc.ky.gov> or e-mail me at johnnyray.turner@lrc.ky.gov.

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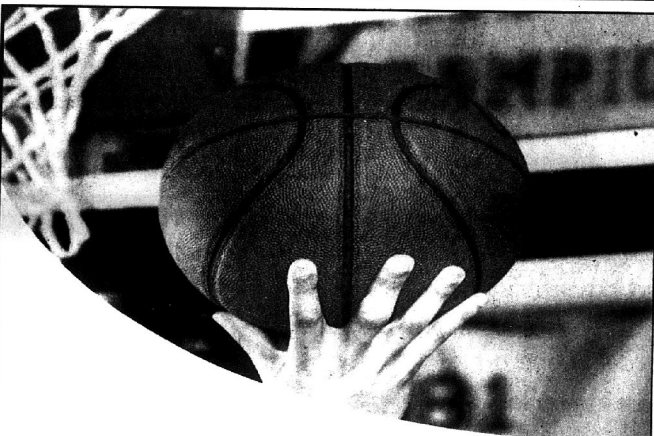


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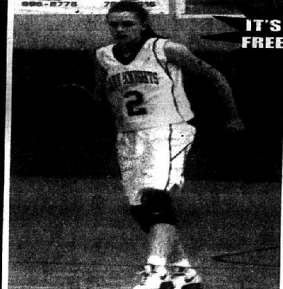
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FLOYD COUNTY Sports

Bill requires high school coaches to receive sports safety training

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear signed HB 383 sponsored by Rep. Joni Jenkins and passed during the 2009 session of the Kentucky General Assembly. The new law includes a measure that requires high school coaches to complete a sports safety course on how to prevent common injuries.

"This is an important piece of legislation that I hope will protect the health and safety of

our student athletes," Beshear said. "I applaud the sponsors for their efforts to protect our students from the dangers of heatstroke, illness and injuries incurred while participating in sporting events through the bill's requirements for proper training and equipment."

Rep. Jenkins was the primary sponsor of HB 383, which will require high school coaches to complete a 10-hour course in emergency planning, heat and cold illnesses, emergency recognition, head

injuries, neck injuries, facial injuries and principles of first aid. The course must be taught by a qualified professional who must be a certified athletic trainer, registered nurse, physician or physician assistant licensed to practice in Kentucky. All coaches must pass a test after the course. Beginning in 2009-2010 at least one person who has completed the course must be at every high school athletic practice and competition.

Also included in the legis-

lation, the Kentucky High School Athletics Association, with assistance from the Kentucky Department of Education, are required to staff and coordinate a study of sports safety to be completed no later than Oct. 1, 2009. This study, among other things, will collect data regarding sports injuries, by sport, in Kentucky and examine data reporting requirements and responsibilities for oversight when injuries occur.



THAI-LEE FRANCIS was the Beaver Junction Motocross Rider of the Month for the month of March. Beaver Junction Motocross is scheduled to return to action during the upcoming weekend.

Herrick, Knights win Indiana tournament

TIMES STAFF REPORT

COLUMBUS, Ind. - Led by individual champion Brooks Herrick, the Bellarmine men's golf team braved winter-like conditions and won the University of Wisconsin-Parkside Invitational today at Otter Creek Golf Club.

The Knights' 36 hole total of 603 was two better than runner-up Wisconsin-Parkside. Herrick, who fired a two-under par 142, was the only player to finish in red numbers. The Prestonsburg High School graduate enjoyed a stellar showing. Runner-up Andy Hansen of Wisconsin-Parkside was even. Bellarmine senior Kyle Leach finished fourth at 150.

To help cope with extreme weather conditions, the tournament's first 27 holes were played on Saturday, with the final round consisting of just nine holes.

Team Results - Bellarmine: 603; Wisconsin-Parkside: 605; Missouri-St. Louis: 616; Kentucky Wesleyan: 633; St. Joseph's (IN): 633; Lewis: 642.

Top Individuals - Brooks Herrick (BU): 142; Andy Hansen (WP): 144; Tim Cochran (MSL): 149; Kyle Leach (BU): 150; Bob Tierney (WP): 150.



CATCHER ERICA MEADE has helped lead the Prestonsburg High School softball team to a 2-2 start. Prestonsburg, under the guidance of first-year head coach John DeRossett, own wins this season over Pike County Central and Paintsville.

Betsy Layne opens season 2-1

by STEVE LEMASTER, SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - The Betsy Layne High School softball team opened the 2009 season 2-1 last week, posting wins over Sheldon Clark and Magoffin County.

Betsy Layne, however, stumbled out of the gate. Magoffin County defeated Betsy Layne 7-3 on Monday, March 23 in a season-opener.

Betsy Layne endured a slow start in the opener. The Lady Cats didn't score until the sixth inning. Betsy Layne plated one run in the sixth inning and a pair in its final plate appearance. Magoffin County scored three times in the third inning. The Lady Hornets extended their lead in the sixth inning, scoring four times.

Kendra Case and Lindsey Martin both had an RBI and a stolen base for the Lady Cats.

Keturah Tackett had a stolen base. She also pitched seven innings and faced 32 batters. Tackett only allowed two walks while giving up 12 hits and seven runs. Samantha Stewardson belted a home run for the Lady Cats.

Betsy Layne blanked Sheldon Clark 10-0 in five innings on Tuesday, March 24 for its first win of the season. The Lady Cats won despite having just two hits. Betsy Layne stole 23 bases.

Tackett had six stolen bases. Faith Reynolds swiped five and Amby Tackett and Megan Hamilton stole four apiece as Betsy Layne moved runners around the bases.

Hamilton, Stewardson and Lindsey Martin each had an RBI. Betsy Layne drew 14 walks.

Betsy Layne defeated Knott County Central 19-2 in four innings Wednesday. Betsy Layne won convincingly thanks in part to eight hits, 25 stolen bases and eight RBIs.

Reynolds led Betsy Layne offensively with an inside-the-park home run, four steal bases and two RBIs. Hamilton delivered two RBIs and stole four bases. Stewardson tapped a triple and drove in one run. Jessica Jarrell had three RBIs and a double for the Lady Cats.

Tackett pitched strong, giving up five hits and two runs. She fanned two of the 17 batters she faced.

"So far, we are playing a lot better than last year," said Betsy Layne Coach Gloria Mullins. "We haven't gotten to hit a lot during the games but when we do they are usually good hits. Our defense has improved greatly and with the addition of Jessica Jarrell this year has made the outfield even stronger. Also, Keturah Tackett is pitching much better this year. She has more confidence in herself as a pitcher. The team is settling into the season and is ready to compete and make some noise."

Beaver Junction Motocross Upcoming Schedule

- Round 2 - April 5
- Round 3 - April 11
- Round 4 - May 10
- Round 5 - May 31
- Round 6 - June 7
- Round 7 - June 28
- Round 8 - July 26

MSU, EKU split OVC doubleheader

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND - Morehead State University and Eastern Kentucky University split an Ohio Valley Conference baseball doubleheader Saturday afternoon at Turkey Hughes Field. EKU came from behind to win the first game, 6-3. Senior Tyler Bess pitched MSU to a 7-3 win in the nightcap.

Eastern Kentucky scored five times in their last three at bats to rally for the win in the

opener. The Eagles jumped on top 2-0 when J.D. Ashbrook led off the game with a triple and Paintsville High School grad Daniel Pugh followed with a home run. MSU led 3-1 in the sixth when the Colonels began their rally.

Every Eagle in the lineup had at least one hit. Ashbrook, Pugh, Drew Lee and Michael Bottoms each had two hits.

EKU's Anthony Otrando and Jayson Langfels each

drove in two runs. Colonel Aaron Barrows had four hits in as many at bats.

Reliever Matt Fyffe (1-1), a Johnson Central graduate, pitched the final three and a third innings to get the win. MSU starter Quentin Morgan (1-2) took the loss.

In the seven-inning nightcap, the Eagles scored their first run in the second on an RBI ground out off the bat of Travis Redmon that freed Cameron Flynn. Lee had an RBI single in the fifth inning.

They broke the game open in the sixth inning, scoring four runs, three coming on a bases-clearing double by Bottoms. MSU's final run came on a run-scoring single by Ashbrook.

The Colonels run came in the seventh inning on RBIs by Joey Stevens and Aaron Barrows and a wild pitch.

Bess (2-2) pitched the first complete game of the season for Morehead State. Colonel starter Jim Clancy (2-1) was the loser.

Spring turkey season among hunters

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT - Turkey hunters are about to reap the rewards of the best turkey reproduction on record.

"Last year was the highest number of poulters ever recorded in the 25-year history of our turkey brood survey," said Steven Doherty, turkey program coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "There are probably more turkeys on the ground now than at any time in recent history."

Doherty estimates the statewide turkey flock at 220,000 birds. Hunters can match their wits with those wild turkeys soon, with the upcoming youth-only season April 4-5, and the general spring turkey season April 18 - May 10.

"We'll have a lot of jakes on the ground this year. There will be a lot of opportunity to see a lot of birds, which makes for an exciting hunt," Doherty said. "However, patience will pay off if you want to go after an older tom."

Turkey numbers remain

high even after January's devastating ice storm. The resulting ice cover didn't last long enough to impact turkey populations.

"The damaging part of ice storms, for turkeys, is that it physically prevents birds from feeding," explained Doherty. "That period of ice cover, while it seemed long to us, from a wildlife perspective probably wasn't long enough to cause an impact on survival."

Last fall's mast (nut) crop, moderate in some areas and good in others, may impact where hunters find birds this spring. In areas where trees produced a lot of acorns, hunters should target the woods where nuts can still be found on the ground. Turkeys will be more scattered in areas that didn't produce as many nuts. Hunters should concentrate on fields in those locations.

Hunters who plan to hunt public land can learn a lot from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's online Teletcheck results, which show public areas with the highest turkey harvest. Go to fw.ky.gov. Teletcheck results from last

spring's season show several areas in the western half of Kentucky, such as Peabody Wildlife Management Area and Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, that posted high turkey harvests.

"As far as locations in general, the Green River Region has the highest production on a statewide basis," said Doherty. "They have plenty of habitat, agriculture and they have great reproduction every year. That's reflected in the harvest."

Tony Black, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's regional coordinator in western Kentucky's Purchase Region, said hunters should also check out Pennyrile State Forest in Christian, Caldwell and Hopkins counties.

"There are more than 16,000 acres there," Black said. "Pennyrile is a pretty good place to hunt."

Black cautioned hunters that wooded areas will be more difficult to navigate this year, as the ice storm left behind low-hanging branches and debris.

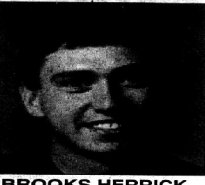
"Be careful in the woods this season," he said. "A lot of our areas still have broken branches hanging in the trees."

Marrowbone State Forest and Wildlife Management Area in Cumberland and Metcalfe counties is a newly opened southern Kentucky area. It holds a good population of turkeys and is open under statewide regulations for the spring hunting seasons.

The Daniel Boone National Forest in eastern Kentucky continues to be a productive area to turkey hunt. With fewer forest openings and more mountainous terrain, this area will give hunters a workout.

You may do more walking, but it's beautiful scenery, and there is low hunting pressure considering the amount of land," Doherty said.

For complete spring turkey hunting regulations, pick up a copy of the 2009 Kentucky Hunting Guide for Spring Turkey & Squirrel, available wherever hunting licenses are sold.



BROOKS HERRICK

UK women to host 'Hoopla'

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - The University of Kentucky women's basketball program will celebrate the 2008-09 season with its annual "Hoopla" event set for Monday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. ET in Memorial Coliseum.

Tickets are \$15 for Victory Club members and \$20 for non-members.

To reserve your seat, contact Stephanie Campbell in the women's basketball office at stephanie.campbell@uky.edu or 859-257-6046. Please RSVP by Wednesday, April 6. Parking is available in the E-lots located on both sides of the Coliseum.

Checks can be made out to UKAA and mailed to the women's basketball office at 338 Lexington Ave., Lexington KY 40506.

The Wildcats finished 16-16 overall, 5-9 in the Southeastern Conference and advanced to a school-record fifth consecutive postseason tournament with an appearance in the Women's Invitation Tournament. UK defeated Chattanooga in the first round in overtime, 81-76 before falling to Wisconsin on the Badgers' home floor, 49-45. Despite playing one of the toughest schedules nationally, (ranked No. 35 according to CollegeRPI.com), the Wildcats won at least 16 games for the fifth straight season.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Wildcats post gains in speed, strength

Brooks inducted into Northern Cal. Hall of Fame

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Legendary Arkansas Coach Frank Broyles once said, "Luck follows speed." If that's so, the Kentucky football team might be in for more "luck" in the 2009 season.

Results from the team's winter strength and conditioning program have been tabulated by Marc Hill, UK Director of Strength and Conditioning. The numbers show significant improvement in overall team speed and quickness, along with some gains in strength, as compared to the results of March 2008.

In the 40-yard dash, 27.5 percent of the Wildcats were timed at 4.63 seconds or better, up from 23 percent a year

ago.

The 20-yard shuttle, which measures lateral movement and ability to change directions quickly, featured 70.6 percent of the team timed under 4.5 seconds. That's a jump from 66.3 percent of the squad that was under 4.5 seconds last year.

20.8 percent strength progress was made in all three of the primary lifts.

— 30.4 percent of the Cats topped 500 pounds in the squat lift, up from 29.5 percent last year.

— 21 percent of the team hit 350 pounds in the bench press, up from 20 percent a year ago.

— 20.8 percent of the team hefted 300 pounds in the power clean, up from 18.2 percent in 2008.

An interesting note is that the speed testing is conducted in the Nutter Field House, which the playing surface was replaced last May. The new FieldTurf is much softer than previous hard surface, which

led Hill to suspect that this year's times would be slower than previous years. In fact, however, the opposite occurred.

Hill was concerned that the softer turf might lead to slower numbers but that didn't happen," Hill said. "The bottom line is that the coaches continue to recruit better players and better athletes, and that's showing up in our testing."

Brooks inducted into Hall of Fame: University of Kentucky head football coach Rich Brooks was inducted into the Northern California Sports Association Hall of Fame at the group's annual dinner on March 28 in Yuba City, Calif.

Born in Forest, Calif., Brooks' distinguished career in athletics began at Nevada Union High School, in Grass Valley, Calif., where he competed in football, basketball, track and boxing.

Brooks went on to Oregon State University, where he was a part-time starting defensive

back as a sophomore, then a full-time regular as a junior and senior. As a senior, he nabbed five interceptions for a team that went 9-2 and won the Liberty Bowl. He also was a reserve quarterback behind Heisman Trophy winner Terry Baker.

Brooks began his coaching career immediately after graduation. He was an assistant coach at Norte Del Rio High School, Oregon State, UCLA and with the Los Angeles Rams and San Francisco 49ers of the National Football League.

Brooks got his first head coaching job at the University of Oregon from 1977-94 and gradually rebuilt a down-trodden program. He took the Ducks to bowl games in four of his last six seasons. In 1994, Oregon won the Pacific-10 Conference championship and played in the Rose Bowl, earning Brooks National Coach of the Year honors from the Football Writers Association

of America (Bear Bryant Award). The Sporting News and ESPN. He also served in the dual role of athletic director and head football coach in his last two years at Oregon.

Brooks returned to the NFL as head coach of the St. Louis Rams in 1995-96, where he compiled the team's best two-year record in nearly a decade. He then spent the next four seasons as assistant head coach/defensive coordinator for the Atlanta Falcons, helping guide the team to the only Super Bowl appearance in the franchise's history.

Brooks took over at Kentucky on Dec. 30, 2002, inheriting a team burdened by the effects of a severe NCAA probation. After three years of patient coaching and tireless recruiting, Brooks' squad had a breakout season in 2006. The 8-5 record included a win over Georgia and a Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl triumph over heavily favored Clemson, UK's first bowl victory in 22

years.

The 2007 season produced another 8-5 mark and a Music City Bowl win over Florida State. The '07 campaign also featured upsets of No. 9 Louisville and No. 1 LSU, which went on to win the national championship.

Despite heavy graduation losses, the 2008 squad fought its way to another postseason appearance. The Wildcats went 7-6, capped by a victory over East Carolina in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl. In the process, Brooks joined Paul "Bear" Bryant as the only two coaches in school history to go to postseason action in three straight years, and marked the first time that UK won bowl games in three consecutive seasons.

This is Brooks' second hall of fame award. In 1995, he was inducted into the Independence Bowl Hall of Fame, in which two of his Oregon teams played.

Brooks on Maker's Mark bottle

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Building on the past success of the Maker's Mark/Keeneland charitable bottle series that supports projects at the University of Kentucky, Maker's Mark and Keeneland are continuing the program with the celebration of UK football coach Rich Brooks, whose likeness will be featured on the bottle label.

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This year, the coach will join forces with University of Kentucky Symphony Orchestra, Maker's Mark and Keeneland to raise money for a unique extension program highlighting the performing arts for elementary school-children throughout the Commonwealth.

"I can't tell you how excited I am and honored that I was chosen to be part of this and be able to help the music department and help the orchestra get out into the state of Kentucky and expose and make more future bright UK students to come here and learn in what is obviously a great department," said Brooks.

"We could not ask for a better example than Rich Brooks to be commemorating (the bottle) this year," UK President Lee T. Todd, Jr. said. "When I do write a book — and I do intend to write a book someday — there is going to be a chapter devoted to how we have turned around this football program with class, with character and with continuum improvement."

In an effort to better accommodate the growing legion of fans who attend the Maker's Mark bottle signing at Keeneland, a few guidelines and a ticketing system have been established. Security officials will begin distributing tickets Thursday evening, April 9, to fans in line who are 21 years or older. The ticket will allow each holder to have up to two of the 2009 commemorative bottles signed. Tickets will not be numbered and will not dictate a place in line, but will assure the holder up to two bottles will be signed. Anyone leaving the line after receiving a ticket will have to return to the end of the line. All ticket holders should be in line by 6:30 a.m. on Friday, April 10.

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"The performances around Kentucky funded by this program will be tremendous for our students in the UK Orchestra, the children who will participate in the programs, and the communities who will hear the concerts," said John Nardolillo, director of UK Symphony Orchestra.

"Maker's Mark and Keeneland are doing something which will have a lasting impact at the university and around the Commonwealth."

In a time when budgets do not allow for extensive arts programs in public schools, this three-phase program developed by Nardolillo will

introduce third and fourth grade students throughout Kentucky to the joy of music and the performing arts.

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MSU volleyball program announces team, satellite camps

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University volleyball coaching staff has announced the dates and information for their 2009 team and satellite camps. The varsity and junior varsity team camps will take place on July 10-12 on campus at Morehead State. Coaches again also have the unique opportunity to design their own camps at their own facilities, directed by the MSU coaching staff, with the MSU satellite camp option.

The team camps will consist of instruction from the MSU coaching staff and players, who are the back-to-back Ohio Valley Conference champions. Each day will feature team competition, followed by a camp tournament on the last day.

Cost of the team camps is \$150 per player that will reside in the residence halls or \$125 per player that will commute to MSU each day. Residential campers receive housing, three meals per day and a t-shirt. Commuters receive lunch and dinner and a camp t-shirt. There is also a \$150 team camp fee required to hold a spot for the camp, which covers the cost for two coaches. Payment of 50 percent of that fee is required by June 10.

The satellite camp option has three different set-ups, including a one-day, a two-day or a three-day format.

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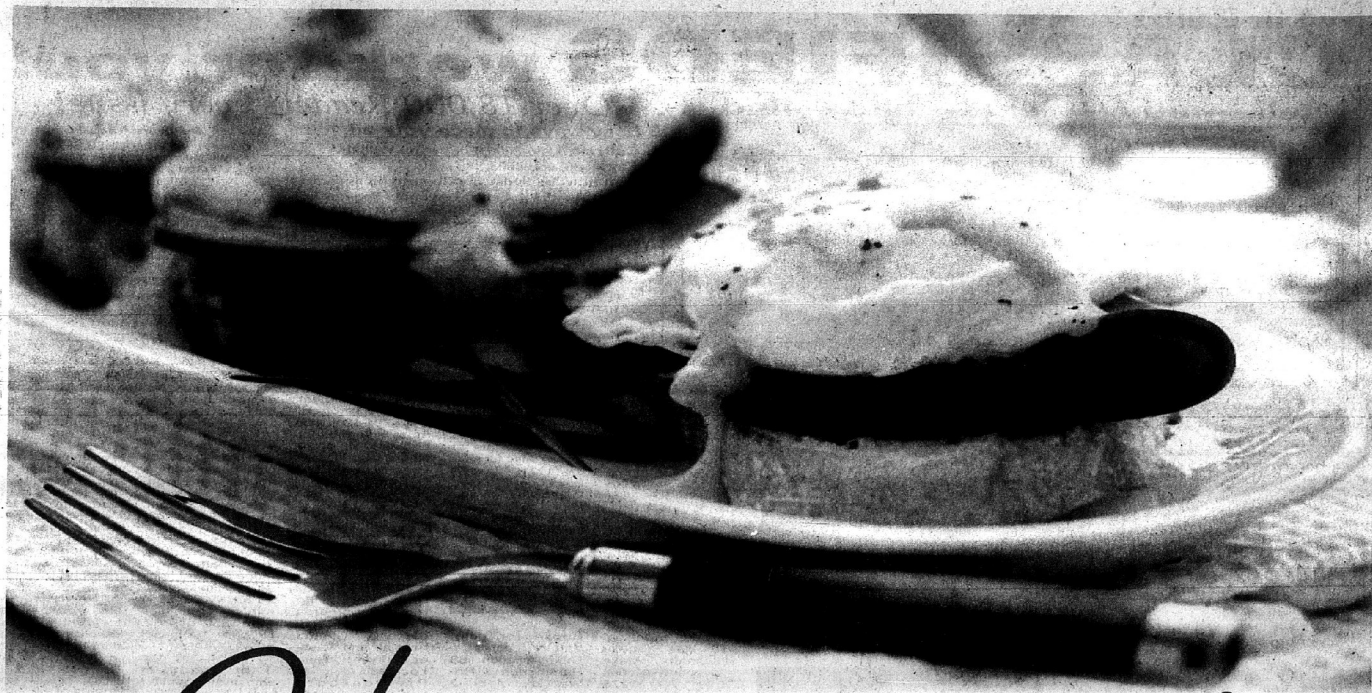
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Paula Deen's Easter recipes the whole family will love

FAMILY FEATURES

There's nothing quite like a delicious, spiral-sliced ham for Easter dinner — except maybe enjoying that ham's leftovers in other meals, too! Food Network celebrity cook Paula Deen has been busy cooking up ways to enjoy ham any time — for breakfast, lunch or dinner.

"Start with my Smithfield Crunchy Glaze Spiral Ham — it's so easy!" she says. Just heat the glaze in the packet, spoon over the top of the ham, then return it to the oven for 15 minutes. "You get a sweet, baked-honey crunch that is just fabulous!"

Use the leftover ham to make Rustic Orange Eggs Benedict or a Ham and Vegetable Frittata — perfect for a spring brunch.

For more recipes and Easter entertaining ideas, visit Smithfield.com.

Rustic Orange Eggs Benedict

Serves: 6

- 1 tablespoon white vinegar
- 1/2 cup butter, soft
- 6 slices of French baguette, 3/4 inch thick
- 6 slices Smithfield Crunchy Glaze Spiral Ham
- 8 eggs
- 1/2 cup orange marmalade
- Orange zest for garnish

Begin by filling a large skillet with water halfway up the sides. Add vinegar and bring to a low simmer.

While water is coming to a simmer, heat a large grill pan to medium hot. Spread butter on one side of each piece of bread. Grill bread and set aside to cool slightly. While bread is cooling, grill ham slices until heated through.

Break eggs into the water to poach. Remove with a slotted spoon when whites are cooked through but yolks are still runny (approximately 3 to 4 minutes) and place on paper towels to drain.

To assemble, spread grilled bread with orange marmalade. Top with 1 slice of grilled ham and one poached egg. Pour orange hollandaise over and garnish with orange zest.

Easy Orange Blender Hollandaise

- 2 egg yolks
 - 1 orange, juiced
 - 1/2 cup unsalted butter, melted
 - 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- Put egg yolks, orange juice, and salt in a blender and pulse to combine. Place butter in a microwavable bowl and microwave until melted. With blender running, gradually add melted butter into the egg mixture until smooth and frothy. Add a teaspoon of warm water if the sauce is too thick.

Ham and Vegetable Frittata

Serves: 6

- 4 to 6 slices Smithfield Crunchy Glaze Spiral Ham, cut into bite-size pieces
- 8 ounces mushrooms, sliced
- 1 zucchini, thinly sliced into rounds
- 1/2 red pepper, diced
- 1/2 green pepper, diced
- 3 green onions, thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 6 eggs
- 1 cup half and half
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary and/or fresh basil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 4 ounces cheddar cheese, grated
- 12 ounces Swiss cheese, grated

Preheat oven to 375°F. In medium sized bowl; toss together first six ingredients. Melt butter over medium-low heat in a 10 to 12-inch flame-proof skillet, allowing butter to coat bottom and sides. Place ham and vegetables in skillet; simmer on low heat for 5 to 7 minutes.

Using the same bowl, beat eggs together with half and half and milk, season with herbs, salt and pepper. Pour egg mixture over vegetables; add grated cheeses to vegetables in skillet, stir gently just to mix. Over medium heat, allow frittata to set in skillet for 5 to 7 minutes, then transfer to middle rack in the oven and finish baking 20 to 25 minutes. The frittata is ready when the center is set (not liquidy) and the appearance is golden. Cut into wedges and serve warm or at room temperature.



Peanut Butter Chocolate Easter Eggs

Makes: 20

- 2 cups creamy peanut butter
 - 3/4 cup butter, room temperature
 - 3 cups confectioners' sugar, sifted
 - 3 1/2 cups crispy rice cereal
 - 1 1/2 packages (18 ounces) dark chocolate chips (optional)
 - 2 tablespoons vegetable shortening
 - 1/2 bag (6 ounces) white chocolate chips (optional)
- Food coloring of your choice (optional)**
Coconut (optional)

In bowl of a standing mixer, combine peanut butter and butter until light and fluffy. Gradually add the sifted confectioners' sugar. Reduce speed to low and add crispy rice cereal just until combined. Cover and place bowl in refrigerator for about an hour (do not skip this step).

Line a baking tray with wax paper. Remove bowl from refrigerator. Shape mixture into approximately 20 egg shapes and place on baking tray. Place baking tray in freezer for a minimum of 30 minutes.

While eggs are freezing, use a double boiler and melt chocolate chips and



shortening over low heat. Remove eggs from freezer and, using toothpicks, dip eggs in melted chocolate. Place back on wax lined baking tray. (At this point, you can sprinkle eggs with coconut if you like.) Once all eggs are covered in chocolate, place tray in refrigerator to cool.

While eggs are cooling, use a zip-top plastic bag to melt white chocolate and any food coloring in the microwave.

Microwave for 10 seconds at a time, massaging food coloring into chocolate until completely melted. Remove eggs from refrigerator and allow to sit a minute. Snip end of zip-top bag and drizzle colored white chocolate over cooled eggs to decorate.

To serve, line a plate with coconut and place eggs on top.

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Town house apartment for rent. 2 br, 1 1/2 bath, stove, fridge, dw, w/d hook up, city limits at US 23 & Hwy 80. \$650 mth. plus utilities with \$350 deposit. No pets, 1yr lease. 806-237-4758.

3 br apartment with utility room for rent. No pets. Very spacious. All 2 br apartment with w/d hookups. No petal monthly deposit. Only. 606-889-9778.

3 br unfurnished 2nd floor apartment for rent. With access to heated swimming pool. Located on Rt 122 approximately 1 1/2 mile south of Martin across from Floyd County Technical center. Not HUD approved. Must furnish references. Call 285-9112 or 794-9485.

A Newly remodeled 1 br Apartment for rent. Located on old 114 behind the Mtn Arts Center in Prestonsburg. No pets and no HUD. Call 606-205-9510 or 806-283-4320.

Houses for Rent

NOTICE OF ACTION COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
 DIV. C.A. No. 08-CI-1546
 Big Branch Holding Company, LLC Petitioner vs.
 Mont & Mimma Ousley Heirs;

Sylvia Grum; Oscar Ousley Heirs; Biddy Prater Heirs; Nonnie Bradley Heirs; Sarah Ousley Heirs; Lisha Reffett Heirs; Lila Ousley Heirs; Lela Ousley Campbell Heirs; Unknown Heirs of Sina Davis; Lee Bradley and Mary Lou Bradley; Mimma Howard; James E. Ewalt; Jennifer Lee Ousley; Donnie Ousley and Rebecca Ousley; Mary Emma Ousley; Berley Edward Ousley; Ronald Campbell; Joe Bradley and JoAnn Bradley; Lella Lemay; Leo Bradley and Mary Sue Bradley; Betty Reffitt; Harold Reffett; Sylvia F. Schneider; Nelva Hawks; Mona G. Ewalt; James L. Davis; Burchell Davis, Sr.; Virgil Davis; Elizabeth Ann Dyer; Jennifer L. Bolton; Regina Dyer; Destry K. Shepherd; Christian R. Shepherd; Douglas Shepherd; Claudene Rice and Jerry Rice; Lila DeRossett; Eva Marie Baldrige and Andrew Baldrige; Henry H. Reffitt; Herbert Dale Reffitt and Janice Reffitt; Loretta Martin and Jimmy D. Martin; Myrtle Reffitt; Arnold Ray Reffitt; Jeanetta Sue Boyer and Roger Boyer; Mont Campbell and Rexine Campbell; Adrian Bradley; Sally Rossellen Bradley Kessie; James Andrew Bradley and Rose Marie Rife Bradley; Ronald Bradley and Jack Leo Robinson Bradley; Johanna L. Bradley Silveus; Renis Baldrige and Arthur Baldrige; Judith Gunnels and Jesse Gunnels; Ida Mae Parker; Maggie Allen and Bill Allen; Taylor Prater and Connie Prater; Washington Miller; Ricky Bradley and Mary Bradley; James Prater and Vicki Prater; Loretta E. Homard; Kathryn Ousley; Kathryn Ousley Peoples; Sarah Ousley Rudder; April Ousley; Tommie Reffitt; Dormal Ousley; Mavis Spriggs; Alma Jean Kost; Milley Ousley and Betty Ousley; Ella Rae Bradley; Sheila Crowe; Renae Myrtle McCartney; Avella Lynch; Dabra Click Walters; James Ousley; Delano Ousley; Benjamin Ousley; Phyllis Ann Rice and Jack Rice; Donnie Ousley and Rebecca Ousley; Danny Ousley and Glenda Ousley; David Randall Ousley and Jennifer Lee Ousley; Dixie Adkins, Anna Bradley, Arville Stone and Don Stone; Loretta Hurd and Jim Hurd; Arnold Ousley and Marceline Ousley; Darcus Bernette and Guy Bernette; Hermal Ousley and Rita Ousley; Dallas Ousley and Madgie Mae Ousley; Illa Dunlap and Willis Dunlap; Ray Reffitt; Eva Baldrige and Andrew Jack Baldrige; Juanita Bradford and Paul Bradford; Ina Mae Thornsbury; Gene Randall Frasure; Bill Reffitt; Dexter Reffitt; Ronnie Campbell and Peggy Campbell; Jeanie Caudill and James Caudill; Etta Scott; All unknown heirs of any of the above-named persons, and their unknown spouses;

NOTICE OF PETITION REQUESTING SALE OF JOINTLY OWNED REAL ESTATE

I have been appointed by the Floyd Circuit Court to attempt to locate and notify heirs of Mont and Mimma Ousley of an action pending in the Floyd Circuit Court that concerns surface property on Wilson Branch and Spring Branch of Caney Fork of Middle Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky. The Petitioner, Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, owns a 2/11 undivided interest in this property, and the Mont and Mimma Ousley heirs collectively own 9/11 undivided interest in this property. Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, is asking the court to sell this property because it cannot be divided among the many current owners (the petition lists in excess of 80 Mont and Mimma Ousley Heirs) and because of its configuration. Please be aware that I am not your attorney. I was appointed to notify you of this pending action. If you are an heir of Mont and Mimma Ousley, or an heir of any of the persons named above, then you may need an attorney to answer this petition on your behalf. You may request a copy of the petition from the Floyd Circuit Clerk. If you choose to answer the petition yourself, you should mail it to (1) Floyd Circuit Clerk, Justice Center, 127 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, and (2) Martin L. Osborne, Counsel for the Petitioner, Osborne & Heaberlin, 119 East Court Street, 2nd Floor, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.
Thomas W. Moak, Warning Order Attorney

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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

A walk back in time — with George Washington

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

If you've never been to Mount Vernon, you should definitely treat yourself to a trip there one of these days.

I know we tend to think of George Washington as the stiff-faced "Father of Our Country" (those teeth didn't help much), but when you're at Mount Vernon, you get a much better sense of Washington the man: farmer, neighbor, friend. Climbing the stairs of his house, pecking into his library, strolling in his garden, seeing the objects that he used in his everyday life—these all bring him to life in a way that the history books never can.

I've always said that George Washington's Mount Vernon was the original American "agricultural experiment station," because he was so passionately interested in agricultural innovation, trying out all sorts of new plants and methods of farming. So you could say he was the Founding Father not just of the country, but of the tradition of agricultural experimentation, a tradition carried on today by the scientists at the Agricultural Research Service (ARS).

Now some of those ARS scientists are returning the favor, in a sense, by making sure that the kinds of sheep that would have looked familiar to George

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POISON OAK

Ice-storm memories linger

by CLYDE PACK

As the weeks, and now the months go by, memories of the late-January ice storm are beginning to fade a bit. But until green leaves and snowwood blossoms begin to hide, what looks as if Paul Bunyan's blue ox, Babe, had gone on a tantrum and felled 100-year-old trees, as if they were mere twigs. I'm afraid a few of us will still remember. The sound of falling trees crashing to earth in a midnight environment, completely void of electricity, is likely to remain vivid a few days longer.

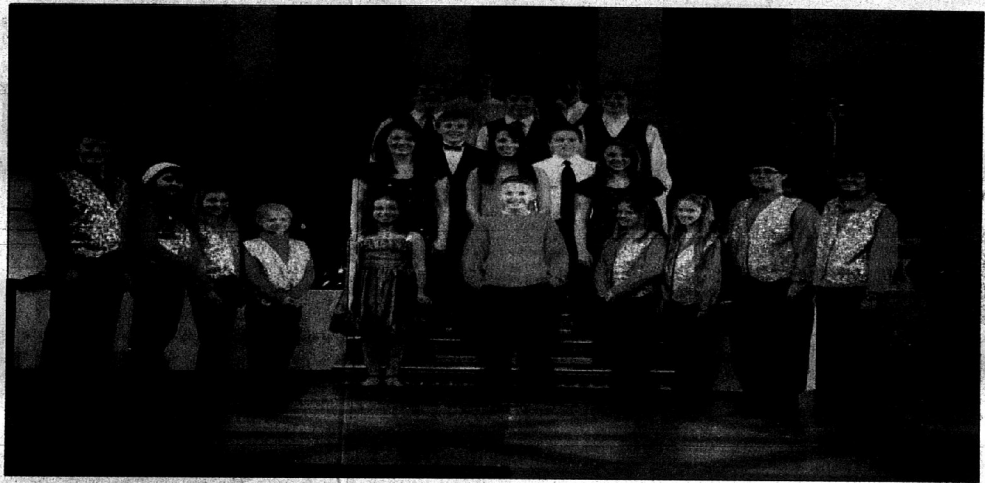


Clyde Pack

Not that we could have done anything to prevent it, but we might have been a little better prepared, had we not decided to take with a grain of salt, everything the weather forecasters told us. For once, they got it right. Jim Cantore on the Weather Channel kept telling us this was going to be a serious ice storm. Unfortunately he was dead on, and we were deaf to his warnings. I suspect that's pretty much how it will continue to be. In this day and time, we've decided that meteorologists are no more than just another bunch of TV talking heads, that stand in front of large maps of the U.S., clicking their little buttons, and saying things like "highs" and "lows" and "30 percent chance of showers."

Weather forecasting has likely always been a hit-or-miss thing, and our ancestors apparently got by,

(See OAK, page five)



Auditions for the Kentucky Opry Junior Pros will be held at the Mountain Arts Center on April 4.

PROS ALL THE WAY

Kentucky Opry Junior Pros holding auditions

by JARRID DÉATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Kentucky Opry Junior Pro hopefuls will get the chance to show their stuff on April 4, as open auditions are scheduled for both vocalists and instrumentalists between the ages of 6 and 16.

"I love the Kentucky Opry and the Junior Pros," said Kathy Hicks, of Pikeville. "I have a granddaughter who would love to audition, and I think it's such a great opportunity for the children of this area to really get involved with music. I think groups like the Kentucky Opry help to build talent and character."

The vocalist who are auditioning will be asked to sing a verse and chorus from "My Old Kentucky Home," and one other song that is appropriate for their age. They also have the option of singing with a karaoke CD, or bring sheet music a pianist that will be provided.

For the instrumentalists, two selections of their own choosing which best demonstrates their musical ability will be performed.

"Because of the musical variety format of this group, we are specifically looking for instrumentalists who can play one or more of the following: drums, bass, guitar, banjo, fiddle, mandolin, or piano as well as be able to sing either lead and/or harmony vocals," said Khrys Varney, director of arts education for the Mountain Arts Center.



The Kentucky Opry Junior Pros play in a wide variety of concerts, including holiday specials. Auditions for the group are scheduled for April 4.

The Kentucky Opry Junior Pros are a musical ensemble group that ranges from elementary to high school age performers. The group appears regularly as an opening act for Billie Jean Osborne's Kentucky

Opry at the Mountain Arts Center, as well as headlining performances for regional events. The Junior Pros have performed at the Kennedy Arts Center in Washington, D.C. and for Presidents Bill Clinton and George

W. Bush.

For scheduling an audition time or for additional information regarding auditions, contact Khrys Varney at (606) 889-9125.

Garden seed vouchers available next week

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program will be issuing garden seed vouchers to eligible households to purchase seeds/plants of their choice the week of April 6 through April 10, or until funds are exhausted. This is an excellent opportunity for people to supplement their income by means of a vegetable garden that will provide fresh produce for eating and canning. Household eligibility for the Garden Project program is determined by federal poverty guidelines. Applicants must provide Social Security

numbers for all household members and verify the prior month's income.

Applications will be accepted from 8 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, at all BSACAP Outreach offices listed below:

■ Floyd County, 193 East Court Street, Prestonsburg, 886-2929

■ Johnson County, 230 Court Street, Paintsville, 789-6515

■ Magoffin County, 131 South Church Street, 349-2217

■ Martin County, Roy F. Collier Community Center, Inez, 298-3217

■ Pike County, 478 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, 432-2775

Interested vendors can request an application by calling (606)789-3641.

The Garden Project is made possible through funding from the Community Services Block Grant program and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

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@floydcounty-times.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

PHS Class of 1969 to hold class reunion

The Prestonsburg High School class of 1969 will hold a class reunion on September 5, at Jenny Wiley State Park, May Lodge. Dinner will be from 6 p.m. till 8 p.m., in the dining room in lower level. The reunion will be upstairs behind check-in desk at lobby, from 5 till 11:30 p.m. Hope everyone will be able to attend.

P.S. If reservations are needed, the number for May Lodge is 1-800-325-0142.

"Clothes giveaway"

Sponsored by Middle Creek Women's Auxiliary. Free clothes will be given to anyone in need, on the following days, times, and location.

Friday, May 8th, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; Saturday, May 9th, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Location: Old Middle Creek Fire Department.

For more information, call: Dearl Faye Holbrook, 886-8489; Terri Dickerson, 889-0123, after 2:30 p.m.

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.

"Run For the Son 2009"

Saturday, May 2nd, The Ransomed Riders of Paintsville, invite the motorcycling community and you, to "Run For the Son 2009". Ride out and join us Saturday, May 2nd, at the Sonic Drive-In, Paintsville, for a 100-mile ride and bike show.

Price for participation is only \$15.00 for singles or doubles. Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. Bike Judging will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the Ride-out will be 1:00 p.m., rain or shine.

Trophies will be awarded in 10 separate classes, plus specialty trophies and door prizes will be given away.

"Run For the Son" is a mission of the Christian Motorcyclists Association. All proceeds go toward Christian missions.

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!

Martin Eastern Star Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by the Eastern Star of Martin. Saturday, April 4, at 1 p.m., at the Elk Horn Park (Floyd County) off of Rt. 680, ages 0-11. Prizes, free food. For more information, call 606-377-6658.

Highlands Regional Medical Center Community Calendar April 2009

GED Classes
April 1st, 6th, 8th, 13th, 15th, 20th, 22nd, 27th, 29th
Floyd Room, Highlands Regional Medical Center, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

GED Classes
April 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Floyd Room, Highlands Regional Medical Center, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Veterans Administration
April 10th
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Senior Advantage
April 14th
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Diabetes Education
April 18th
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Blood Drive
April 30th
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

For more information concerning the support groups, please contact: Highlands Educational Services Department at 1-606-886-7424.

Floyd County Luncheon programs Garden Pro Series

Location: Floyd County Extension Service, 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, (across from Brad Hughes Toyota).

Time: All sessions will be from 12-1 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

April 9—Home Lawns
The purpose of this program

is to help residents gain the knowledge and skills needed to maintain the home lawn, garden, and landscape.

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.

Education series planned for Alzheimer's sufferers

The UK Sanders-Brown Center on Aging, Alzheimer's Association, Pikeville Medical Center and the Kentucky TeleHealth Network present: Education series for family members and friends of those who suffer from memory disorders. All programs are on Thursdays, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

July 23, 2009
* Dying with dignity: Late-stage dementia care and end-of-life issues
* Palliative medical and behavioral care approaches
Registration is mandatory. Please confirm your attendance by registering with the Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900. Sites without registrants will cancel their participation in this event.

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

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

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

Support group for Guardians of Autistic Children will meet the first Thursday of every month at the Haven of Rest, 1601 Airport Road, Inez. Call 606-298-0520 for information.

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

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!

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

Need Help With Home Repairs?

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

Democratic Women's Club meets at May Lodge

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

Need help with addiction?

Lifeline of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:

Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.
Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.

Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.

Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

For more information, call Shirley Combs at (606) 434-8400, or Tom Nelson at (606) 478-2836.

Hope in the Mountains

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

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking free-

dom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society. Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

Prestonsburg Rotary Club

Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Made From Country at Heart. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354.

UNITE

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

"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on

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Saturday, April 4, 2009
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
at Prestonsburg Church of Christ

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- ★ Nursery Available (NOT ATTENDED)
- ★ Fellowship In Christ
- ★ Sound Guest Preachers
- ★ Sound Preaching / Singing
- ★ Recorded Lessons Available
- ★ Lunch Provided by Prestonsburg Congregation

Birth Announcement

Ronnie and Delores Baldrige of Blue River, proudly announce the birth of their first granddaughter, LilyAnna Kate, after three grandsons, Chase, Blake, and Reed Baldrige. Their daughter, JoyGina Rose, gave birth to a beautiful little girl on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, at 2:41 p.m. She weighed 7 lbs., 8 ozs., and was 19" long. Her father is Robert Dwayne Conley of Martin. Her maternal great-grandparents were the late Jay and Kittie Shepherd of David, and the paternal great-grandparents were the late Monroe and Ollie Baldrige of Blue River.



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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(March 26 and 31, 1999)

Floyd Countian Patricia Watson is among 45 educators selected by the State Education Department to teach the teachers in the state's voluntary assistance programs. "As a highly skilled Educator," she will work with teachers and staff of schools categorized as "in decline" because of student test scores.

Just weeks after a spokesperson said Pikeville Methodist Hospital was not making staff cuts, the hospital board has announced that 30 management positions have been eliminated. Leaders from throughout eastern Kentucky are expected to attend a conference on "Building Our Region," Monday, at Somerset's Center for Rural Development.

David Vincent Hall, 29, of Garrett, was indicted for murder in the stabbing death of Stephen Wicker, also of Garrett, on February 2. Hall allegedly attacked Wicker several times in the face and abdomen during an altercation at a trailer on Goose Creek in Eastern; Hall was also indicted on one count of first-degree assault for allegedly stabbing Okie Prater, also of Garrett.



Hayden RaeLynn Lazar, 6, is the granddaughter of Terra and Nathan Lazar, of Auxier. She is the granddaughter of Dana and Kenneth Lazar, of Auxier, and Tony and Edmona Calhoun, of Allen. She is the great-granddaughter of Violet McGuire, of Allen.

The Martin City Council took steps at its Monday night meeting to obtain reasonably priced health insurance rates for city workers, and discussed some options in dealing with businesses that have not purchased the proper licenses to operate in the city.

A group of Hueysville residents has filed a grievance over a local business's plan to haul in fill dirt and build up his property near the junction of KY 7 and KY 550. Jerry Martin has been granted a permit for the fill on the property of his Auto Bath location.

Local Shriners, Don Willis of Prestonsburg, Greg Ratliff of Maytown, Ruben Stephens of Prestonsburg, and Nelson Hagans of Maytown, known for their work with children who cannot walk on their own, presented Tori Handshoe with the gift of a motorized tricycle.

The Malt Beverage Education Corporation presented \$500 to Allen Central High School for the school's Project Education/Project From Activities. The organization was created two years ago to help fight under-age drinking.

Matthew R. Francis, a seventh grader at Mountain Christian Academy and Adrian N. Chafin, an eighth grader at Adams Middle School, have qualified to participate in the Kentucky Geography Bee on April 9, at the University of Louisville.

The Floyd County Republican Party is planning a meeting for Tuesday, April 6, at the Woodmen of the World building.

Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin has been appointed to serve on the Legislative Committee of the Kentucky League of Cities. The committee will review and make recommendations about legislation that may be proposed in the 2000 General Assembly.

A ban on outdoor burning went into effect, Tuesday, after local firefighters battled fires throughout a six-county region this weekend. Several hundreds of acres were affected by the blazes in the region.

Firefighters from the Kentucky Forest Services are battling a fire in the head of Ned's Fork, in McDowell, which has burned about 75 acres.

An election, last Thursday, to determine if registered nurses at Highlands Regional Medical Center would affiliate with a union had an unusual result: a tie. Forty-five nurses voted in favor of the representation by Service Employees International Union/1199; 45 voted against it.

In a special-called board meeting, Monday night, to discuss funding to finish Prestonsburg High School renovation, Floyd County Board of Education members learned that not only is there enough money to finish the project, but also that the project would come in under bud-

get. Another glitch has slowed down the closing of the Floyd County landfill at Garth. With drains installed, it turns out the collection tank on the site is attracting water from old mines that predate the landfill, when the drains are open, upwards of 300 gallons of water an hour can go into the tank, which has a 10,000 gallon capacity.

There died: Martha Jones Vaughn, 78, of Prestonsburg, March 20, at H.R.M.C.; Charles Edward Jarrell, 49, of Dana, Friday, March 19, at his residence; Mada L. Berry, 90, of Wabash, Indiana, March 22, in the Wabash Healthcare Center; Sayo "Micky" Deskins, 49, of Stanville, Tuesday, March 23, at her residence; Abt Irick, 79, of Harold, Tuesday, March 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; Barbara Ann "Big Barb" Johns Nason, 60, of Tucson, Arizona, March 16; Pauline Hall Allen, 88, of McDowell, Wednesday, March 24, at her residence; Lila Ann Tackett Little, 83, of Melvin, Thursday, March 18, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Ross Stanford, 82, of Auxier, Wednesday, March 24, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Vernis Moore, 73, of McDowell, Wednesday, March 24, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington; Cora Bell Adkins, 63, of Bradenton, Florida, formerly of Arkansas Creek, Friday, March 26, at Manatee Memorial Hospital; Victoria Clark, 83, of Garrett, Saturday, March 27, in Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bertha Couch, 79, of Brinkley, March 26, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Earl Murphy, 76, of Pikeville, at his residence; the funeral was Sunday, March 28; Cora Dyer, 77, of Hindman, Sunday, March 28, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Charles Osborne, 78, of Derna, Thursday, March 25, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Beulah Petrey Noble, 76, of Fisty, Friday, March 26, at Hazard Appalachian Hospital; Patrick "Pat" Greenville May, 95, of Auxier, Monday, March 29, at Salyersville Healthcare Center; Mary Martin May, 76, of LeHigh Acres, Fla., formerly of Allen, January 30, at the home of her niece, in Charlotte, Michigan; Claude Fuller, 58, of Emmalena, Sunday, March 28, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Jo Ann Homes Hunter, 69, of Las Vegas, Nevada, March 9, in Palm Springs, California; Rose Ellen Wright, 82, of Emma, Sunday, March 28, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Nelvin Hamilton, 64, of

Teaberry, Monday, March 29, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Anita Lewis, 36, of Van Lear, Sunday, March 28, at U.K. Medical Center, Lexington.

Twenty Years Ago

(March 29, 1989)

The Prestonsburg satellite office of the Kentucky Lottery Corp. opened this week in preparation for April 4, the first day of ticket sales for the new Kentucky Lottery. William O. Goebel III, is the newly-appointed section manager.

Wheelwright residents have asked officials of The Bank Josephine not to move the branch bank to McDowell. A Spurtlock Fork man was killed, Saturday, when the heating system in his home apparently malfunctioned. The body of Adis Ousley, 50, was discovered after neighbors asked state police to check. His wife, Dolly Ousley, was found unconscious, and transported to the University of Kentucky Medical Center for treatment.

A federal District Court petit jury, in Pikeville, overturned the verdict of a Floyd Circuit Court in a case involving two Floyd County men. Gary Thornsbury, 29, of Wayland, was awarded \$9,000 from Tommy L. Engle, 30, of Martin, whom Thornsbury accused of violating his civil rights, during a 1987 arrest incident.

There died: Grace Evelyn Harris Burchett, 77, of Allen; Sarah Burchett, infant daughter of James and Sharlene Burchett, at Cabell Huntington Hospital; Ransone Case, 65, formerly of Druit, at his home in Greenwich, Ohio; Joseph P. Davis, 43, formerly of Wayland, in Hurley Medical Center in Flint, Mich.; Vaughn Gayheart, 65, formerly of Floyd County in Tampa, Fla.; Timothy James Johnson, 39, formerly of Water Gap, of a drowning accident in the American Samoa Islands; William Lafferty, 77, formerly of Prestonsburg, at Southern Hills Hospital in Nashville, Tenn.; Levi McKinney, 74, of Craynor, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Retired teacher Jana Keathy McKinney, 67, of Harold, at Pikeville Methodist hospital; Adis Ousley, 50, of Prestonsburg, at his home; Susan "Sue" Parsley Rose, 74, formerly of Prestonsburg, at a Fairmont, W.Va., hospital;

(See YESTERDAYS, page four)



On March 18, members of the Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club participated in the Ky. Democratic Woman's Club Day at the Capital along with other women from Democratic Woman's Clubs across the state. Members of the Floyd County group were surprised when they were called for special recognition by Representative Hubert Collins and were presented to the legislature by House Speaker Greg Stumbo from his podium. Pictured left to right are Connie L. Parsons, Rep. Collins, Caroline Patrick, Speaker Stumbo, Tammy DeRossett, and current FCDWC President Charlotte George.

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Calendar

US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m. Living Free is a faith-based 12-step support group open to all who are searching for recovery. There is no fee to attend. For more info., contact Shirley Combs at 874-3388 or 434-8400.

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

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External Diploma Program Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in Theima, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday. EDP classes are also held at the Mullins Learning Center, in Pikeville, on Tuesdays, from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Contact Andy Jones at 606-788-7080, or 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment. GED classes are also available.

School Library. Special interest groups: Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild: 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Extension Office. Newbies Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office. (The Newbies do not meet during the months of January and February.)

Looking for a Support Group? •Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times. •Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call 886-6025 for more information.

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

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

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

•Domestic Violence Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call

886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt." •Disabled? You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

•A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Stone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7917 or email to: doslone@eastky.net

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

•East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

•Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.com.

Yesterdays

Jessie Ward, 49, formerly of McDowell, in St. Vincent's Medical Center in Jacksonville, Florida.

Thirty Years Ago (March 29, 1979)

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center was invited to town by a single vote. The Prestonsburg City Council had earlier responded to "vehement opposition" to the Corps' arrival, and went on record opposing a location here, but reversed itself later, approving by a one-vote margin, a resolution to invite the Corps' here.

An explosive was tossed in front of the First Methodist Church parsonage, and the incident was under investigation by the federal Department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

The state Department of Transportation planned to open bid April 20, on work on sections of new KY 80, in Floyd and Knott counties. There died: Howard Castle, 53, of Water Gap; Lawrence James Habern, 57, of Rochester, N.Y., formerly of Tram; Mrs. Artie W. Snyder, 70, of Garrett; Fairy Berie Tuttle, 56, of Topmost; Ronald Sheldon Goble, 18 months old; Ivel; William Riley Harris, 46, of Springboro, Ohio, formerly of Prestonsburg; Robert Fulton Davidson, 72, of North Ridgeville, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County; Robert E. Pitts, 77, of West Prestonsburg; Lala Bradley Hubbard, 89, of Prestonsburg; Rebecca Hopson Bays, 98, of Prestonsburg; Avery Rice, 63, of Cleveland, Ohio, formerly of Banner; Henry "Bully" Hamilton, 74, of Teaberry; Dorothy Arms Nelson, 69, of Prestonsburg; and Miriah L. Hammonds, 92, of Water Gap.

Forty Years Ago (March 27, 1969)

The Highlands Regional Hospital Development Fund went over the \$135,000 mark.

The embattled Floyd County Board of Education won on three fronts within the week, as construction of the consolidated high school at Eastern was approved in court here, but a decision as to incorporating Martin High School in the merger with Wayland, Garrett and Maytown high schools into one school at Eastern, was left to future adjudication.

Formation of the Kentucky Black Lung Association was affected, Sunday afternoon, in a meeting at Wheelwright High School, of miners, with Dr. J.E. Buff, West Virginia cardiologist.

Forest fires raged out of control last weekend, in this county, and only a late Sunday night rain saved a situation that veteran members of the Kentucky Forestry Department termed the worst in their experience. Upward of 5,000 acres were burned over.

There died: Henry DeRossett, 77, of Lancer; Ella Jane Allen, 80, of Pyramid; Dennie Rutliff, 80, of Johnson County; Jasper Clifton, 67, of Prestonsburg; Palma Johnson, 63, of Melvin; James Jones, 69, Wednesday, at home at East McDowell; Mrs. Vina Justice, 84, of Paintsville, Saturday, at the Paintsville clinic; Joe Woods, 76, of Allen, Tuesday, at his home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Minns of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Shepherd, of Drift, a son; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Gibson of Garrett; to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ward of McDowell, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Ballard Mosely of Minnie; a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thompson, a daughter.

Fifty Years Ago (April 2, 1959)

Senate Bill 743 to provide U.S. Bureau of Mines regulation of small mining operations, as well as larger mines, should not become law, say resolutions adopted, this week, by the Floyd Fiscal Court and transmitted to U.S. Sen. John Sherman Cooper and the Senate Subcommittee on Labor and Welfare.

Construction of four duplex cottages to serve vacationists and tourists, visiting Jenny Wiley State Park, will begin Friday, it was announced this week.

Ameilia Wiley, 11-year-old sixth-grade pupil at Betsy Layne, won the Floyd County spelling bee here Saturday, and she, and the runner-up, Eva Pauline Hamilton, 13, of Teaberry School, will represent the county in the regional finals in Huntington next month.

There died: Betty Lafferty, 67, at her home in Allen; Talby Freesley, 66; of Langley; Melvin Ward, 78, at Boons Camp; Mrs. Alice Crum, 73, of Banner.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. David B. Leslie, of Prestonsburg, a son.

Sixty Years Ago (March 31, 1949)

Prestonsburg will remain legally dry territory, for at least three more years, it was decided at Saturday's local option election. Dry forces won the election by a margin of 159 votes, carrying all three voting precincts, and registering a comparatively easy victory. Of the 1017 votes counted, drys polled 588 or 57.8 percent of the total to the wets' 429.

Plans for constructing a power generating plant in eastern Kentucky, to supply cheaper electricity to approximately 13 rural electric cooperatives in the section were given approval by the Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation.

Floyd County miners joined others over the country in resuming work, Monday, wherever their places of employment were in operation after a two-week layoff, called by John L. Lewis, had ended.

Fear of an unknown firebug who is regarded as responsible for the razing of two business buildings over the week-end, held Harold in its grip this week.

A big item in Inland Steel's outlay last year of \$32,022,877 for expansion and improvement of manufacturing facilities and the acquisition of raw material properties is the huge coal processing plant being constructed at Price, this county.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John P. Sammons, their second child, a son, March 21, John Phillip, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville.

There died: George Gilliam, 85, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Hunt, at Minnie; Tom Hogan, 46, Wheelwright, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington.

Seventy Years Ago (March 30, 1939)

In a letter praising the work of Mrs. Edith Fitzpatrick James in the organization of the "Plain-Song Chanters," and group dancers of the "running set," Miss Gertrude Knott, founder of the National Folk Festival, wrote: All of us who are interested in the folk field have for a long time known and appreciated Mrs. James' work in Kentucky in keeping alive, and calling attention to the dignity and beauty of the traditional expressions in Kentucky, because we were satisfied with what she did for us last year.

Citizens interested in the construction of the Turkey Creek-Stone Coal road, this week, sought from the state highway office at Pikeville, permission for building of a 30-foot road, instead of the full 60-foot right-of-way.

Foul play is suspected in the disappearance of a dozen chickens impounded, last week, as "evidence" against a Clear Creek man charged with chicken stealing. Morning of the trial, when officers went to bring "Exhibit A" into court, the fowls were gone.

Built by a half-Indian, the year of America's most significant, "social event"—the Boston Tea Party—was held, and two years before the minutemen stood at Concord's bridge, Kentucky's most ancient water mill still turns, what was once called maize.

There died: Smiling Stevens, 54 years old, Wayland, in a slate fall, in mine 29 of Elkhorn Coal Corporation; David Akers, 73, Banner, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Tom Scalf.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Prospector's hope
2 Lie up the phone
3 Distort
4 Eye layer
5 Have bills
6 Tower city
7 Stationer's quantity
8 "The ramparts ..."
9 "Meet Me - Louis"
10 Like debts
11 Thingie
12 Pigs' digs
13 Solidify
14 Harbor structure
15 Airy
16 George's brother
17 Exist
18 Headly quaff
19 Bliss
20 Sailors' hoosegow
21 Listener
22 "CSI" evidence
23 Balance
24 Sent packing, at a talent show
25 Bakery buys
26 2008 Texas hurricane
27 "I want for Christmas ..."
28 Caspian feeder

Grid for King Crossword puzzle with numbers 1-31 indicating starting points for across and down words.

- 29 worry
30 Mad monarch of drama
31 Being to Brutus
32 Power measure
33 Tagged player
34 Time of your life?
35 Conk out
36 Tulsa sch.
37 1962 Peck movie remade with De Niro in 1991
38 Numerical prefix

DOWN

- 1 Mentor
2 Microwave, e.g.
3 Bound
4 Grayish red
5 Tire company
6 Idolater's feeling
7 Opera composer
8 Arachno-phobe's

- 29 Millinery
30 "The Greatest"
31 Journey segment
32 Big bother
33 Raw rock
34 Split need
41 "Fuh-geddabou dit!"
42 Comic strip penguin
43 Pink-slip
44 Pinball no-no
46 Amorphous mass
47 Hebrew month
48 Eat in style
49 Mauna

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MSU summer, fall registration set for April 6-10

PRESTONSBURG. Now that spring break is over, current and future Morehead State University students are looking ahead to the summer and fall academic terms.

To accommodate a wider range of students, there will be four summer terms offered this year, including an intersession.

Registration for the general Summer term, Summer Intersession, Summer I and II, as well as Fall 2009 will be available online at MSU's Web site (www.moreheadstate.edu). Students may view course offerings and complete the registration process through the DataTel WebAdvisor, Monday through Friday, April 6-10. This year, registration will offer students expanded time to register.

It may be accessed from the MSU home page's current student link, then by selecting online services and finally WebAdvisor from the Quick Login drop-down box. Classes for the summer and fall will be offered online and/or at the Morehead campus according to the following schedule:

- Summer Intersession: Monday, May 18, through Friday, May 22.
- Summer: Monday, June 1, through Friday, July 24.
- Summer I: Monday, June 1, through Friday, June 26.
- Summer II: Monday, July 6, through Friday, July 31.

Oak

depending on nature to tell them what they needed to know. A brief look at early folklore tells us, for example, that if an old farmer saw his pigs gathering leaves and straw, he knew a big storm was on the way. Of course, his pigs weren't his only weather forecasters. A dog eating grass, birds all lined up on a telephone wire, and flies gathering heavily on a screen door, also meant a storm was imminent. And if ant hills were high in July, there'd be a lot of snow during the coming winter.

Of course, everybody is familiar with the woolly worms' stripes, predicting winter weather, and I read somewhere that early settlers would use their Thanksgiving turkeys for the same purpose. If the turkey's breastbone was purple, an extremely cold winter lay ahead.

Then there's the familiar little ditty, "if spiders build their webs by noon, beautiful weather is coming soon." Another simple little saying that helped long-range planning was "Warm Christmas, cold Easter." Guess we can test that one in a couple of weeks. As I recall, it was a bit on the chilly side last Christmas, so this year, Easter should be on the warm side.

Then again, guess we'll be better off depending on Jim Cantore, especially the next time he starts talking about ice storms.

31. ■ Fall: Monday, Aug. 17, through Friday, Dec. 11.

Registration can be made easier by planning ahead. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic adviser prior to registering, and then to register as early as possible while there is the best variety of classes available.

For those not yet enrolled who are considering attending MSU, there is still time to submit an application for the summer or fall terms. Prospective students may call the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781 opt #1 for admissions assistance.

Current students will register each day according to the established schedule. Graduate students and other post-baccalaureates will begin the registration process at midnight on Monday, April 6 through April 10.

Seniors may register at midnight on Tuesday, April 7 through April 10, and juniors from midnight on Wednesday, April 8 through April 10. On Thursday, April 9, registration will be open to sophomores from midnight until April 10, and returning freshmen may register on Friday, April 10, beginning at midnight.

New transfer students will be able to register, according to their classification. Registration will be closed April 15-19 and will open again April 20 and remain open.

Students also will be able to view and pay their summer bill(s) online via WebAdvisor. Fall 2009 billing will be available for viewing and payment shortly after July 1. Those who are registered for the summer and/or fall terms will receive a monthly electronic billing statement to keep them informed of their account sta-

tus. MSU's official means of delivering billing statements is e-mail. It is the student's responsibility to check their MSU assigned e-mail account on a regular basis. If you have questions or concerns about setting up an account, contact the Office of Information Technology at (606) 783-5000.

Although MSU no longer offers a deferred payment plan, students may take advantage of a different option to pay their bill at a later date, while at the same time, confirming that they will be attending classes.

If any student is unable to pay his or her full balance prior to the deadline, he or she may complete an online Statement of Intent, which explains payment requirements. The online statement must be completed by set deadlines to prevent a stu-

dent's class schedule from being canceled. This also applies to any student who receives financial aid or scholarships, or whose college expenses are being paid by an outside agency. Students may access the Statement of Intent via WebAdvisor.

The pay-in-full or Statement of Intent deadlines are as follows: May 11 for Intersession; May 26, Summer and Summer I; June 29 for Summer II; and Aug. 10 for Fall.

MSU offers online bachelor's degree "completer" programs designed primarily for graduates of the Kentucky Community & Technical College System (KCTCS). These programs are designed to allow KCTCS graduates to earn bachelor's degrees while continuing to meet work and family obligations and without traveling long distances. Courses are offered via the

Internet and at the regional campuses, providing busy adults the opportunity to complete class work at a time and place convenient to them.

Textbooks for the classes are available from the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus. Orders may be placed by calling (888) STORE-05 or via the Internet at www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu. Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000; Lula Bowling Ford, director of MSU at Prestonsburg locally at (606) 886-2406 or (800) 648-6372; MSU's distance education director at (800) 585-6781, option #3; or the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008.

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Typically when we think of species disappearing, we imagine some exotic creature in the Amazonian rain forest. But there are a surprising number of livestock breeds that would have been familiar to George and his fellow farmers, but that are no longer around or are in danger of disappearing forever. There's even an organization devoted to making sure that doesn't happen: the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC), which is a non-profit organization founded in 1977 to protect more than 150 breeds of livestock and poultry from extinction.

It was actually the ALBC that set in motion a project by ARS' National Animal Germplasm Program (NAGP) in Fort Collins, Colo., to preserve the germplasm of two breeds of sheep that, even if they didn't actually live on George Washington's farm, would have seemed very familiar to him. The NAGP preserves genetic material of sheep, cattle, chickens, pigs, aquatic animal species and other livestock, and has more than 516,000 samples, many donated by livestock producers throughout the United States.

The two Colonial sheep breeds of particular interest are called

"Hog Island" and "Leicester Longwool," and they're both descended from breeds raised during the Colonial era, before the advent of modern breeding techniques. They're smaller than modern breeds, with less meat and rougher wool, but they have characteristics that today's sheep may lack.

For starters, Hog Island sheep are as tough as nails, having lived for years on an uninhabited island off the coast of Virginia. But today there are fewer than 200 registered Hog Island sheep, and 54 of those live at Mount Vernon. The NAGP has teamed up with ALBC and Virginia State University to collect and cryopreserve 253 semen samples from Hog Island rams, so now those are saved for posterity.

The other breed, the Leicester Longwools, lives at Colonial Williamsburg. Once very popular, Leicester Longwools fell out of favor as new breeds with more desirable meat characteristics arrived on the scene. In fact, the last Leicester Longwools in the United States probably died out in the 1920s or '30s, but Colonial Williamsburg established a new population in 1990, using sheep imported from Australia.

NAGP hasn't yet acquired germplasm from the Williamsburg-based Leicester Longwools, but has obtained 92 blood samples from the flock, with the help of a Virginia State University professor.

The historical value of these breeds is undeniable, but they're more than just a curiosity; their genetic uniqueness could make them a valuable resource for American sheep in years to come.

There's no telling what the future will bring in terms of new or more virulent animal diseases, parasites or environmental conditions that make life hard for our livestock (and complicate the task of feeding the world). But having as many genetic "cards" as possible at our disposal, in the form of the unique genetic traits of these historic animals, is bound to be to our advantage as we face those challenges.

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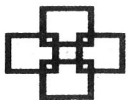
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Kentucky Hospitals' Economic Importance to Their Communities



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In Challenging Times, Highlands Region of Jobs and Economic Growth

In addition to enhancing the health and well-being of the communities they care for, Kentucky's hospitals contribute significantly to the area's economic health, according to a recent report prepared by the Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA). The report revealed that the estimated total annual economic impact of hospital spending on staff salaries and purchases of supplies and services totaled nearly \$5 billion in 2007.

"Besides their caring role, Kentucky hospitals are an important part of the state and local economies. Even during periods of economic recession, hospitals continue to employ personnel to meet the growing demands for services, and thus contribute to the overall economy," said Michael T. Rust, president of KHA. "Everyone knows that hospitals are the safety net for their communities — staffed and open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and ready to assist all patients regardless of whether they have insurance or can afford to pay — however, few realize the tremendous contribution hospitals make to the state's economy. Strong and economically viable hospitals are critical to our quality of life, and Kentucky's hospitals are an integral part of a community's well-being," said Rust.

Highlands Regional Medical Center is One of the Largest Employers

Highlands Regional Medical Center spent nearly \$26.3 million in 2007 on staff salaries and purchases of supplies and services. These dollars have a "ripple effect" as they move through the larger economy, supporting other businesses and jobs in the community as well as generating tax revenue used to fund state programs.

In 2007, Highlands Regional Medical Center provided more than 460 jobs in the community, generating approximately \$18.2 million in annual local payroll. That number has grown in 2008 and 2009. Over the last five years, the number of people employed by Kentucky hospitals has increased due to greater demand for inpatient and outpatient services, as well as service intensity. The \$18.2 million in wages and salaries Highlands Regional Medical Center pays their employees comprises nearly 5 percent of all wages and salaries in Floyd County.

Kentucky Hospitals' Economic Importance to Their Communities



Kentucky's hospitals make an important contribution to the economy of the state and, through the provisions of life-saving services, to the health of its citizens. In 2007, **Highlands Regional Medical Center** treated 25,506 people in its emergency department; cared for 6,846 inpatients; provided 58,857 outpatient visits; and welcomed 903 babies into the world. In addition to the vital health care services they provide, Kentucky's hospitals are important economic engines for the state and their local communities.

Hospitals are always there when you need them, they are staffed and open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Even in periods of economic recession, hospitals are continuing to hire personnel to meet growing demands for services. Hospitals employ a wide variety of skilled workers. In addition to clinical staff like nurses, therapists, and pharmacists, hospitals need dietary and maintenance workers, coders and billing staff, and administrators to operate their facilities. The goods and services hospitals purchase, the taxes that they pay, and the jobs they provide create economic value for the state and other businesses in the hospital's community.

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- Hospitals rank 7th highest among other industries in Kentucky in terms of jobs, but 5th highest in wages and salaries.
- In many communities, the local hospital is the largest private employer.
- Because hospital workers are highly trained, the average hospital employee wage in 2007 was fourteen percent higher than the average wage of all other private employers in the state.
- Because of the sheer number of jobs and their high pay, hospitals

remain one of the largest paychecks in Kentucky. Among industries defined at the comparable level of detail, only motor vehicle manufacturing and ambulatory health care services had greater total employee compensation.

- The \$18.2 million in wages and salaries Highlands Regional Medical Center pays their employees comprises nearly 5 percent of all wages and salaries in the county.

In 2007, Highlands Regional Medical Center

- *Cared for 6,846 people on an inpatient basis*
- *Welcomed 903 babies into the world*
- *Treated 25,506 people in its emergency department*
- *Had more than 58,857 outpatient visits*

Highlands Regional Medical Center Remains a Source of Economic Activity in the Big Sandy Community

In addition to the clinical staff needed at hospitals, such as nurses, therapists and pharmacists, hospitals employ dietary and maintenance workers, billing staff coordinators and administrators to operate their facilities. Because hospital workers are highly trained, the average Kentucky hospital employee wage in 2007 was 14 percent higher than the average wage of all other private employers in the state.

Kentucky hospitals paid approximately \$3.3 billion in employee wages and salaries in 2007. The wages and salaries Kentucky hospitals paid their employees comprise nearly 5.4 percent of all wages and salaries in the commonwealth. Kentucky's hospitals continue to rank fifth in wages and salaries paid to employees.

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Highlands Regional Medical Center is responsible for approximately \$3.2 million in state and local tax revenue through the taxes they pay directly and tax revenue generated from their employees.

- Highlands Regional Medical Center paid approximately \$1.6 million in provider taxes to the state to help support the Kentucky Medicaid program. When matched with federal funds, their provider tax supports \$5.2 million in state Medicaid spending.
- Kentucky receives \$1.7 million in income and sales taxes linked to the wages and salaries of Highlands Regional Medical Center employees.

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Funds spent by hospitals and their employees to buy goods and services flow to local businesses and then ripple throughout the economy. **Highlands Regional Medical Center is responsible for generating approximately \$14.4 million in local economic activity from the purchases they make and those made by their employees.**

- Highlands Regional Medical Center purchases many goods and services and generates nearly \$8.1 million annually in purchases to local companies.
- The employees of Highlands Regional Medical Center spend an estimated \$6.3 million in local purchases.

Kentucky's hospitals are the safety net for their communities. All patients presenting at a hospital are treated, regardless of whether they have insurance or they can afford to pay.

- In 2007, the unreimbursed cost to Highlands Regional Medical Center just for treating uninsured persons whose income was below the federal poverty level topped \$4.1 million, and the patients are not billed. This amount does not include additional charity care provided by the hospital to uninsured people with higher income, uncollectible bad debt, or the full cost of caring for Medicare and Medicaid patients that these two government programs do not cover.

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"This report from the Kentucky Hospital Association highlights the incredible impact a community hospital like Highlands Regional Medical Center can have within the area", says Chief Operating Officer Chris Hoffman. "We are not only improving the health and wellness of the people of the Big Sandy, but Highlands Regional Medical Center stimulates the strength of the economy as well."

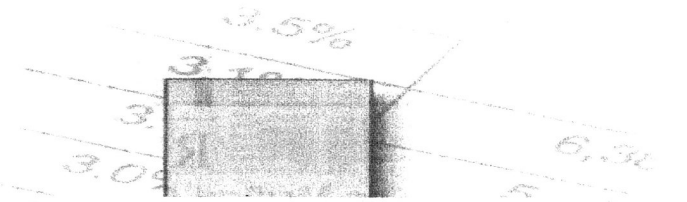
In addition, Highlands Regional Medical Center provided in 2008 close to \$3.6 million in benefits to the community through community benefit programs, education, and services to residents of the Big Sandy region of Eastern Kentucky.

Impact of Reimbursement Reductions

In addition to their caring role, Highlands Regional Medical Center is an important part of the state and local economies and economic development strategies. Therefore, it is important that they be financially strong and stable. Their financial strength is intimately tied to payments from Medicare and Medicaid because approximately 13 percent of their patients are covered by one of these programs. **Reductions in reimbursement from these government programs not only adversely impact hospitals and their employees, but state and local government and the broader economy.**

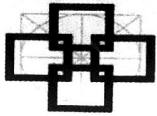
A 10 percent change in Highlands Regional Medical Center net patient revenue (the amount the hospital actually collects) resulting from payment cuts in Medicare, Medicaid or other programs, would:

- Reduce hospital employee wages and salaries by about \$1.8 million and result in some combination of lost jobs and reduced pay per job in the broader community.
- Reduce State and local government tax revenue by nearly \$364,000.
- The ripple effect to other businesses would be a loss of \$8.6 million in regional sales and a reduction of nearly \$2.3 million in regional wages and salaries.



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The Economic Importance of Our Hospital

estimate of annual activity, 2006 or latest available data

Highlands Regional Medical Center

City: Prestonburg
County: Floyd

Congressional District: 5
Area Development District: Big Sandy

Hospital Activity

Licensed Beds:	154
Acute Admissions:	6,846
Total inpatient days:	25,143
Cost of Care for Indigents below poverty:	\$4,081,425
Employees:	460
Wages and salaries:	\$18,229,349
Hospital's share of all wages and salaries in County:	4.7%

Estimated Taxes Paid

City government occupational taxes:	\$0
County government occupational taxes:	\$0
Public school occupational taxes:	\$0
Kentucky income and sales taxes linked to employee wages and salaries:	\$1,677,100
Kentucky hospital provider tax (estimated):	\$1,562,397
Total state and local taxes:	\$3,239,498

Estimated hospital purchases from local companies

TOTAL HOSPITAL LOCAL PURCHASES	\$8,072,770
Sum of commodities not shown	\$1,732,711
Real estate	\$886,476
Wholesale trade	\$803,421
Legal services	\$729,490
Food services and drinking places	\$649,616
Postal service	\$419,050
Services to buildings and dwellings	\$397,851
Management of companies and enterprises	\$339,818
Colleges- universities- and junior colleges	\$271,195
Maintenance and repair of nonresidential buildings	\$239,200
Office administrative services	\$225,182
Power generation and supply	\$206,659
Telecommunications	\$177,483
Cable networks and program distribution	\$170,615
Securities- commodity contracts- investments	\$147,193
Truck transportation	\$129,773
Management consulting services	\$119,151
Natural gas distribution	\$110,851
Commercial machinery repair and maintenance	\$106,862
Water- sewage and other systems	\$90,559
Advertising and related services	\$86,112

Estimated local spending by hospital employees

TOTAL EMPLOYEE LOCAL PURCHASES	\$6,319,774
Owner-occupied dwellings	\$1,515,444
Sum of commodities not shown	\$1,050,049
Hospitals	\$670,010
Food services and drinking places	\$498,278
Wholesale trade	\$387,429
Offices of physicians- dentists- and other healthcare	\$319,130
Depository credit institutions & monetary auth.	\$231,020
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	\$207,963
Food and beverage stores	\$194,587
General merchandise stores	\$169,994
Other ambulatory health care services	\$135,790
Colleges- universities- and junior colleges	\$119,902
Nursing and residential care facilities	\$116,143
Telecommunications	\$112,465
Building material and garden supply stores	\$102,162
Automotive repair and maintenance- except car	\$98,341
Legal services	\$85,483
Power generation and supply	\$83,352
Gasoline stations	\$80,028
Natural gas distribution	\$72,007
Health and personal care stores	\$70,197

Estimated regional economic impact of a 10% change in hospital's net patient revenue

Change in hospital wages and salaries	\$1,822,935	Change in regionwide wages and salaries	\$2,252,304
Change in regionwide sales of businesses	\$8,572,230	Change in state and local tax revenues	\$363,930

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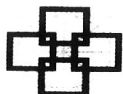
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