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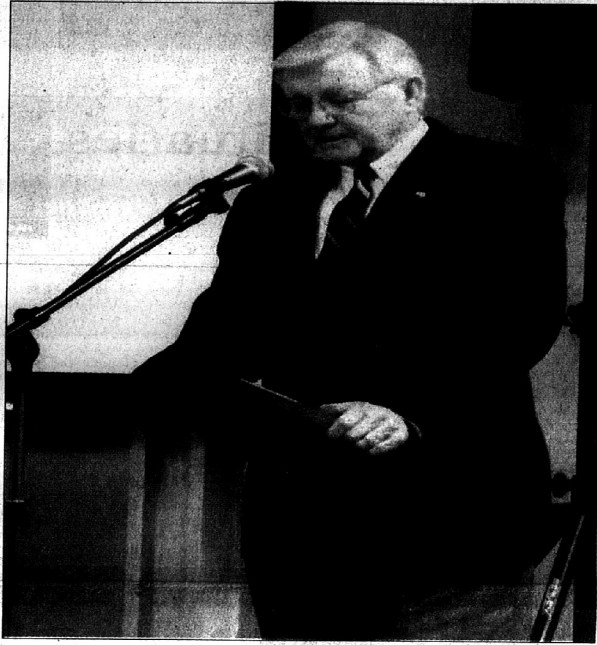
THE HUNT IS OVER!
Briefs
Honor choir reunion Friday

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — For the first time since coming together to honor the memory of former choir director Elizabeth Frazier in 2000, alumni of the Prestonsburg High School Honor Choir will gather at the Mountain Arts Center for a reunion and concert on Friday.
Greta Gilbert, current choir director, was one of Frazier's final students in 2000, and hopes that a large number of former choir members come to share the memories and participate in the concert.
"This will be the first reunion in nine years," Gilbert said. "Several hundred students have been members of the honor choir, and I really want to get the word out to all of them so they can attend."
The honor choir at Prestonsburg High School, founded in 1979 by Elizabeth Frazier, currently has 40 members.
Frazier served as the choir director until her death at the age of 52 in 2000. She also served as director of music for the First United Methodist Church, along with organizing the Mountain Harmony Handbell Choir and the Select Girls Chorus.
The Prestonsburg High School Honor Choir Spring Concert is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg. Tickets for the event are \$5.
For more information, contact Greta Gilbert at gdlgilbert@gmail.com, or call Prestonsburg High School at 686-2252.

STATE OF THE COUNTY

Webb sees continued improvement

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Schools Supt. Henry Webb introduced a familiar refrain Tuesday in his update to the community on the school district, saying the main goal driving every effort of the system he heads was to prepare students for life after the classroom.
Webb spoke of the district's continuing improvements and also of the tasks that lie ahead for a school system with some 6,000 students and the state's 19th largest staff.
To begin with, the county's top school officials stated plainly that any cuts that might come in the future would not be related to the current economic climate but would, as is custom, be related to the number of students in the classroom.
And that, he said, would most likely be minimal and generally standard for any school year.
"We will not be making any cuts," Webb said. "Any losses we have will be due to a drop in enrollment, and that I expect will be minimal."
Numbers, Webb said, usually "don't lie," and the numbers are showing a gradual and steady climb from what was in



During Tuesday's State of the County Address, Floyd Judge-Executive R.D. Marshall said the county was now seeing "the light at the end of the tunnel" as funding has now allowed officials to finish or begin numerous county projects and deals.

Judge says sewer is new priority

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — For the third time in as many years, making the gathering an official third annual event, a host of community leaders converged on the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg for Floyd County's State of the County Address Tuesday.
Among those speaking was Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall, who outlined several projects, plans and other priorities for the county in the coming months.
How did Marshall begin his talk to his fellow officials?
With optimism, of course.
"The county is seeing a light at the end of the tunnel," said Marshall. "At one time there was just no money to work with."
And though there is much work to be done, Marshall considers several projects and deals that are either underway or have been completed to be signs of improvement.

County's banks weathering recession well

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
With daily, if not hourly, spotlights from national news sources on the current plight of the national banking industry, local banks are "going very strong" says Greg Wilson, president and chief operating officer for First Commonwealth Bank.
"I personally feel there has never been a better time to be a customer at a bank in Floyd County," Wilson told a group of community leaders Tuesday. "Despite what's going on in the industry, the banks in Floyd County are going very strong and, as always, are here to serve our community."
Wilson, who was in attendance for the

Golf, bio-fuel on horizon for city

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — Two lease agreements were approved by Prestonsburg city officials Monday, relating to plans to bring golfing back to Jenny Wiley State Resrdt Park and a move to construct a bio-diesel plant in the city.
Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin

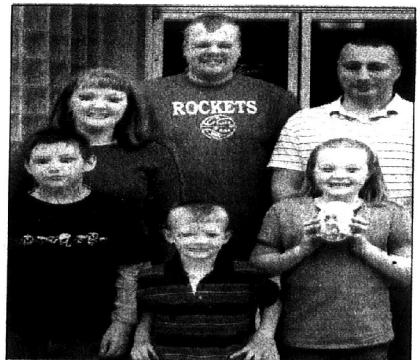
spoke briefly of both efforts at the Mountain Arts Center Tuesday morning during the State of the County address. City officials agreed to lease agreements during Monday's regular city council meeting.
The idea of bringing back golf to Jenny Wiley State Resort Park was mentioned late last month when Paul Hughes pitched the idea to city leaders.

The course will be reverted from a disc golf venue to what Hughes has referred to as an executive golf course. It will be made up of par three holes and at least one par four to allow those just starting to explore the game of golf a chance to take on a course that might be less "intimidating" as Fannin said Tuesday.

Family stakes second claim to Great Easter Egg Hunt

by RALPH B. DAVIS
MANAGING EDITOR
IVEL — The 2009 Great Easter Egg Hunt is over, and this year's result has a familiar ring to it.
A group composed of the families of Ronnie and Renea Samons, Kris and Drema May and Cora Tussey found the \$500 prize egg around 6 p.m. Saturday. It was hidden behind a rock and beneath a layer of leaves along Ivy Creek Road.
Ronnie Samons said that the group spent quite a bit of time searching several areas, before the 11th clue led the

group to Ivel. They searched the area Friday with no luck, then went out to eat and discuss the clues. On Saturday, Samons said he was near a mining company gate when he looked to the left and saw an area that looked like it hadn't been searched.
The group should be familiar to those who regularly follow the Great Easter Egg Hunt. During the 2008 contest, the group found the \$200 "Little Junior" egg. In that contest, clues to the egg's location were found exclusively



The 2009 Great Easter Egg Hunt ended Monday, when the winners claimed their prize at the Floyd County Times. In front are Allen Michael May, Rylee Samons and Mackynzie Samons. Behind are Renea Samons, Ronnie Samons and Kris May.

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Kentucky chosen as site for proposed domestic battery manufacturing and headquarters facility

FRANKFORT — Under-scoring his commitment to positioning the Commonwealth as the center of the nation's automotive industry of the future, Gov. Steve Beshear announced last week that Kentucky has been selected as the site for a proposed domestic battery manufacturing and headquarters facility.

The National Alliance for Advanced 50 Transportation Batteries (NAATBatt) has chosen Hardin County's Glendale as the home for a potential investment in excess of \$600 million to develop the first-of-its-kind manufacturing facility for lithium-ion battery cells. Kentucky was selected over Texas, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, New York, Pennsylvania and South Carolina.

NAATBatt is a not-for-profit industry consortium of more than 100 corporations, associations and research institutions dedicated to making the United States a world leader in the manufacture of advanced lithium-ion or Li-Ion battery cells for transportation applications.

"This proposal will put Kentucky in a prime position to be the country's leading manufacturer of the clean energy cars of the future," Gov. Beshear said Monday in announcing the proposal. "Kentucky's strong roots in the automotive industry, as well as its close proximity to suppliers, manufacturers and researchers, make it a natural fit for production of the next generation of hybrid technology batteries."

The 1,551-acre Glendale site, which sits adjacent to Interstate 65 and the CSX rail line, runs along what is commonly called "Auto Alley" and will be submitted as part of NAATBatt's application to the U.S. Department of Energy.

Under the federal stimulus plan, the Obama administration has set aside \$2 billion for electric drive vehicle battery and component manufacturing projects. President Obama has specifically noted the importance of developing lithium-ion batteries to ensure that the United States plays a central role in producing the next generation of clean technology automobiles.

If successful in securing federal funding, NAATBatt would establish a manufacturing campus in Glendale, which would consist of a headquarters facility, a manufacturing facility used to refine products and production processes, and a larger operation designed for mass battery manufacturing. Total square footage of the campus is expected to reach 1 million square feet.

This one-of-a-kind manufacturing operation could create as many as 2,000 new full-time jobs with an average annual wage exceeding \$40,000, and represent a capital investment in excess of \$600 million in Kentucky. An estimated additional 1,500 construction-related jobs would also be created for a period of 12 to 18 months.

"Hardin County is extremely excited to have NAATBatt choose to locate their facility in our community," said Greg Jenkins, chairman of the Elizabethtown/Hardin County Industrial Foundation. "To be

involved in this cutting edge, renewable energy project is a great opportunity for us and the jobs created for our citizens are most welcome during these challenging economic times.

NAATBatt plans to develop a large scale "flexible manufacturing" facility that will contract to manufacture Li-Ion battery cells of various chemistries, formats and designs for multiple battery companies.

NAATBatt will provide U.S. cell manufacturers of all stages of development with access to a national resource, which they may use to enter the Li-Ion market.

Production lines in both manufacturing facilities would house state-of-the-art equipment with flexibility to pursue multiple production ideas and products at one time. Alliance members would have the ability to run trials to demonstrate and validate their own technology on a cost-share basis with the rest of the alliance.

"Over the last few months, the leadership in the state under Gov. Beshear, Sec. Hayes and Sec. Peters has articulated a clear vision to establish Kentucky as the center for advanced battery technology for enabling electrification of the nation's transportation," said Sanford Kane, NAATBatt treasurer. "The announcement last week of the partnership between Kentucky and Argonne National Lab that will initially focus on lithium-ion battery manufacturing research and development is proof that the vision is starting to be realized. NAATBatt will continue the realization of this vision with the funding it will seek from DOE under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009."

Many experts believe that lithium-ion batteries will replace gasoline as a major source of energy in future cars and military vehicles. Today, United States automobile manufacturers and defense contractors depend upon foreign suppliers—increasingly concentrated in Asia—for lithium-ion battery cells.

Last week, Gov. Beshear announced the formation of a new national Battery Manufacturing Research and Development Center in central Kentucky to help develop and deploy a domestic supply of advanced battery technologies for vehicle applications.

The national center is a partnership with the Commonwealth, Argonne National Laboratory, the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville.

The Chicago-based Argonne was instrumental in the formation of the alliance, which began with 14 founding member companies in 1987 to compete with the Japanese. Sematech, now based in Austin, Texas, is credited with helping U.S. companies regain their footing by focusing on manufacturing and design advancements with funding from the federal government.

"We think Sematech was one of the best examples of collaborative intervention in

an industry," said Jim Greenberger, one of the founding members of the alliance.

"Today's development is further evidence of the strong momentum we're building here in Kentucky as we position ourselves to be a leader in this national initiative," Gov. Beshear said. "There is a tremendous opportunity to make Kentucky the battery technology capital of the U.S., bringing an infusion of 'green' technology jobs to the state. I plan to pursue every avenue to seize this opportunity."

In a statement, Sen. Mitch McConnell said of the NAATBatt announcement, "Today's announcement is a

major victory for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. I am excited that the people of Hardin County will be taking the lead in developing and promoting new energy technologies which will allow the citizens of Kentucky to play a key role in accelerating America's independence on foreign sources of oil."

NAATBatt must submit its application to the DOE by May 19, 2009, and anticipates a decision on awards to be made this summer. If successful in securing the required funding, the Kentucky facility could begin construction immediately.

Obituaries

Betty Sue Bentley Harris

Betty Sue Bentley Harris, age 51, of Lexington, formerly of Martin, passed away Thursday, April 9, 2009, at the St. Joseph Hospice Care Center in Lexington.

She was born January 3, 1958, in Floyd County, the daughter of Ann Smith Bentley of Allen, and the late Jimmy Bentley. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her mother, Ann Smith Bentley; three sons: Don Phillip Patton, John Cory Patton, and Joshua Ray Patton, all of Lexington; a daughter, Samantha Patton of Lexington; a brother, Randy Bentley of Allen; five sisters: Cindy Parsons of Allen, Stella Spurluck of Lexington, Mary Daniels of McDowell, Phyllis Hall of Blaine, and Kathy Bentley of Allen; and eight grandchildren.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by a brother, Daryl Bentley; and a sister, Margaret Hunter.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 13, at 1:00 p.m., at Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Kevin Spurluck officiating.

Burial was in the Martin Cemetery in Martin, under direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Jimmy Parsons, Keith Parsons, Fudd Parsons, Kevin Spurluck, Cory Patton, and Phillip Patton.

(Paid obituary)

Lonza "Phil" Parsons

Lonza "Phil" Parsons, age 61 of Riverside, Ohio, passed away, in his home, Thursday, April 2, 2009.

He was born April 27, 1947, in New London, Ohio, the son of the late Malcolm and Ethel Parsons. He was retired from RTA and was U.S. Army veteran, serving in the Vietnam war. He received a bronze star for his service.

He is survived by his three families: his natural family, his veteran family, and his RTA family.

Survivors include his brother Malcolm, and wife, Kim Parsons; a daughter, Natalie Moore, and husband, Jeremy Moore; a son, Sean Parsons, and wife, Christina Parsons; two grandchildren: Miranda Moore and Cassidy Parsons; and beloved friends and coworkers of RTA, ATU Local 1385.

He will be dearly missed by numerous family, friends, and hundreds of others he touched through the years.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Arthur; and a sister, Ossie Dean.

Funeral services were conducted Friday April 10, from 4-7 p.m., at Newcomer Funeral Home, 4104 Needmore Rd., Dayton, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the family at P.O. Box 4676, Arizona City, AZ 85223. Contributions will be donated to Phil's favorite charities.

(Paid obituary)

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He sent the angels for you, when He saw you were in pain. And my heart is sad and heavy, but my loss is Heaven's gain.

I know you're up there smiling, just sitting and waiting for me. And that's what keeps me going when I join you throughout eternity.

From your loving wife, Bertha Love from all your kids and grandkids

Card of Thanks

The family of Sidney P. Bryant would like to humbly thank each and everyone who helped in any way during our recent loss; those who sent beautiful floral arrangements, food, and words of encouragement. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; the Little Nancy Regular Baptist Church for all the love and support that was shown to our family; 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 SIDNEY P. BRYANT

Card of Thanks

The family of Herbert Ward would like to express our appreciation to all who sent flowers, or perhaps said a kind word, and for the prayers that were spoken on our behalf. We especially want to thank Clergyman Lawrence Baldrige for his comforting words; 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 HERBERT WARD

Card of Thanks

The family of Oakley Robinson will never be able to express our appreciation for the kindness and caring support that we received from family and friends. Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who offered their care, concerns, thoughts, and prayers during our difficult time of losing a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. A special thank-you to our dear friends and family for being there at our side to offer us support and to give us strength. A personal thank-you goes out to Bruce Coleman, Richard Bowns, and Roy Robinson, for taking care of the service. We would like to thank Hall Funeral Home for their courteous, helpful, friendly, and professional service. Oakley will be missed by the many lives that he touched, but the memories we have of him will always remain in our hearts forever.

In Loving Memory of

Brenda M. Shelton

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Most Precious Dear Loving Mother

I need to publish this poem, for all the world to read, I know there are many out there, who feel this kind of grief.

Perhaps they ask those questions of guilt, the ones with which we now must deal. Hoping we get all the right answers, the ones that will help our hearts to heal.

I held her hand and spoke softly, as she slowly faded away. The things I prayed she needed, to once again hear me say. Most precious, dear loving Mother, we'll be together again, someday.

I told her I will 'always' remember, the many times she pulled me through. That I couldn't have made it without her, I prayed she would know I was speaking the truth.

I didn't want to give her up, I needed her here, with me still. But I wouldn't try to hold her back, for the Father, had spoken His Will.

Her eyes were closed for sometime now, her breathing so shallow, I could feel the weight in my chest, As I spoke the last words to her, I could only watch as she took her last breath.

My tears are still flowing, the headache refuses to go away, But I know we'll be united in Heaven, and never more to stray.

I held her hand and spoke softly, as she slowly faded away. Most precious, dear loving Mother, we'll be together again, someday.

Sadly missed by: husband, daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and friends.



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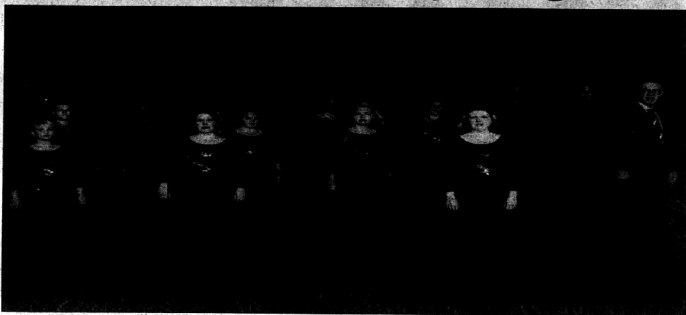
Audition slated for Big Sandy Singers scholarship at BSCTC

PRESTONSBURG — Auditions will be held for the Big Sandy Singers at Big Sandy Community and Technical College, on Saturday, April 25, from noon until 5 p.m. on the Prestonsburg Campus, Pike Building, in Gearheart Auditorium.

The Big Sandy Singers is the elite, auditioned, student singing ensemble from Big Sandy Community and Technical College and MSU on the BSCTC Campus. Those who are chosen from the audition process will receive a \$1,200.00 scholarship to attend BSCTC and recording experience on the Big Sandy Singers compilation album and solo recording experience as well.

Anyone interested in auditioning must be eligible to enroll at Big Sandy Community and Technical College or MSU on the BSCTC Campus for the Fall 2009 school year (graduating high school seniors, non-traditional students, current BSCTC students, current MSU at BSCTC students).

The Big Sandy Singers are directed by BSCTC Instructor and veteran Kentucky Opry



Auditions will be held for the Big Sandy Singers on Saturday, April 25, at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College Prestonsburg Campus. Anyone eligible to enroll as a student at BSCTC or MSU on the BSCTC campus is eligible to audition.

member Laura Ford Hall, with Timothy Cooley, album producer and technical director, and Clayton Case, assistant director. The group performs approximately 35 to 45 shows each year for various civic functions and performs two major concerts at Christmas and in the spring.

The Singers have performed several times on WYMT, at the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center and the Mountain Arts Center as well as many other venues. The Singers have sung for Naomi Judd, presidential candidate John Edwards and the Hal Rogers PRIDE Envi Awards. The group has opened for Rebecca Lynn Howard, the Grammy-award winning Gold City Gospel Quartet, The Isaacs, Charlie Sizemore, and others.

The group also takes shows

into area high schools and elementary schools, presenting a "go to college" and "drug free" message with the Big Sandy Idol program. The students who sing in the Big Sandy Singers serve as ambassadors for the college.

In addition to live performances, the Big Sandy Singers also record a group compilation CD each year. The group released its first album, "Down

to the River to Pray," in March 2005 and have sold over 1,500 albums, with all proceeds benefiting the college music and drama department and music scholarships. The Singers released their second album "Going Home," in December 2007. In November, the group released "Heal Our Land." In total, the Big Sandy Singers have sold over 5,000 albums locally. Group members will

also have the opportunity to record a solo album at no cost, and the solo album option is part of the scholarship given.

Anyone wishing to audition should arrive at Gearheart Auditorium on our Prestonsburg Campus any time between the hours of 12 noon and 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 25. Those auditioning will be taken into the audition on a first-come, first-served basis. Those auditioning should prepare one song (pop, country or gospel style) with a karaoke track. The track must be karaoke (without lead vocals). Karaoke tracks can be easily ordered through www.buycarokedownload.com or www.karaoke.com, and

are also available in the music section at Wal-Mart. Those auditioning will be judged on tone, pitch, vocal control, stage presence, blendability, and overall performance.

"We are excited about auditions this year," said director Laura Ford Hall. "We have so much fun and this is such a wonderful experience for students. Eastern Kentucky is full of talent, and we can't wait to hear what awaits us on April 25th."

If you have questions regarding auditions, call Hall at (606) 424-2498 or email to laura.hall@kctcs.edu. Visit the Big Sandy Singers online for more information at www.bigsandysingers.com.

Floyd County deputy graduates from DOJT basic training

RICHMOND — Floyd County Sheriff's Deputy Landon Hall graduated March 6 from basic training at the Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training.

The 24 officers of Class 402 completed 18 weeks of training, which consisted of more than 750 hours, recruit-level-officer academy instruction. Major training areas included homeland security, traffic operations, firearms, investigations, first aid/CPR, patrol procedures, orientation for new law enforcement families and mechanics of arrest, restraint and control.

Basic training is mandatory for Kentucky law enforcement officers who are required to comply with the state's Peace Officer Professional Standards Act of 1998. The Department of Criminal Justice Training provides basic training for city and county police officers, sheriffs' deputies, university police, airport police and others.

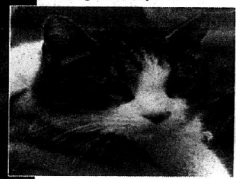
The Department of Criminal Justice Training is a state agency located on Eastern Kentucky University's campus. The agency is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies and was the first in the nation to be accredited under CALEA's

(See DEPUTY, page five)

The Floyd County Animal Shelter PET OF THE WEEK



This week's celebrity is GENE DAVIS. Mr. Davis is well-known Floyd County educator of 25 years and the former superintendent of the Floyd County school system. The pet of the week is "BRETT THE BRUISER." Brett is a four-year-old, male cat who is gigantic in size and has a gentle disposition.



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Our View Thank you for another good time

The Great Easter Egg Hunt has come to a close for another year, and as usual, this year all of the fun and excitement seemingly ratcheted up a notch. This marked the sixth time we have run the contest, and we are happy to report that it appears to have become not only a fun promotion for our paper, but also an event that Floyd Countians anticipate with glee and in which they participate with zest.

This year also marked another first in the contest, when we saw our first repeat winners. Ronnie Samons, Kris May and Cora Tussey found the winning egg the night before the final clue hit the streets. The trio and their families have made the hunt a family tradition and have done so with success. Not only did they find the \$500 grand prize egg this year, but last year they were able to grab the \$200 internet egg, dubbed "Little Junior."

Thankfully, we did not see a repeat of last year's hijinks, when some prankster planted more than a dozen fake eggs out in the community. But as always, there are still people looking to get a leg up on the competition. This year, one lady called to tell us that she knew exactly where the egg was, but she didn't quite know how to get there, so she wondered if we would be kind enough to give her directions. Needless to say, we didn't take the bait.

Once again, while we have as much fun putting this game together as you seem to have playing it, there is one group of people out there that deserves our thanks for making it all possible — our sponsors. We encourage you to let them know how much you appreciate their support for this contest, perhaps with continued business throughout the year, or maybe with a simple "thank you."

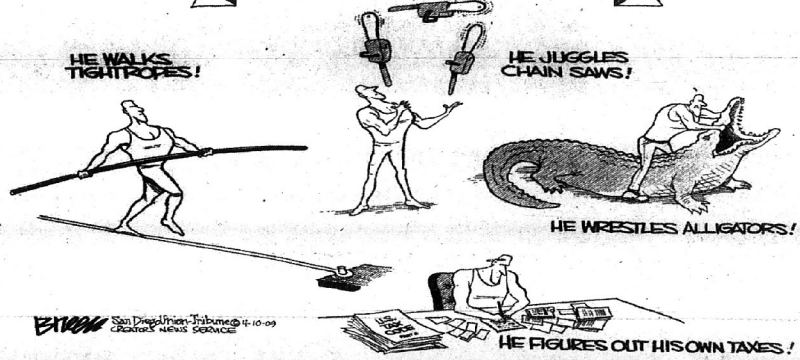
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Thank you to everyone involved. We'll see you back on the hunt next year.

And remember, when you're looking for our prize egg next year, you might want to keep an eye on this year's winners. Considering how good they've become at playing this game, they just might lead you in the right direction.

— The Floyd County Times

WORLD'S BRAVEST MAN



Guest Column

Two steps forward, one step back

by DAVE ADKISSON
PRESIDENT AND CEO
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Two steps forward. One step back. Perhaps that's the best way to characterize the impact of the recently concluded legislative session on Kentucky's prospects for progress. Clearly there was substantial progress made in key areas, but we fell short on some important matters.

First step forward
A particularly noteworthy step forward was the cooperation, in both words and actions, which marked the majority of the General Assembly's work. The open communication among the Senate, the House of Representatives and the Governor's Office resulted in a respectable list of accomplishments, not the least of which was plugging a sizeable hole in the state budget.

It also provided a stark - and welcome - contrast to the contentious and sometimes minimally productive nature of recent sessions. Just a year ago, in fact, our post-session review expressed the frustration of many Kentuckians about the often chaotic 2008 regular session.

Second step forward
The respectable list of accomplishments represents the other step forward as lawmakers enacted measures that will lead to progress in education, health and corrections. And, as is

often the case, the defeat of bills considered harmful was actually a positive result for the state's efforts to attract and grow jobs.

The one step back? Some important issues that were left on the table as time ran out. Among them:

- an overdue overhaul of the state's economic incentive programs to put a greater focus on small businesses, retrofitting manufacturing facilities and technology companies - all making Kentucky a better place to do business

- the Kentucky Transportation Infrastructure Authority, necessary to move ahead with several large-scale transportation projects around the state, including the Ohio River bridges in Louisville

- legislation clarifying Kentucky's discrimination laws to allow companies to provide incentives to encourage employees to stop smoking

Here is a closer look at the Kentucky Chamber's 2009 General Assessment of the Bottom-Line Assembly.

Pro Biz
Positives for the state's employers included:

- legislation to encourage better health and discourage smoking by increasing taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products

- changes to the state's education testing system to create new tests based on international standards and to ensure that students are ready for college and modern jobs; one area of concern is the interruption of school reporting requirements during the three-year period in which the new testing system will be developed
- the defeat of an effort to signif-

icantly reduce the threshold for filing lawsuits against employers over work-related injuries

- preservation of funds for road construction and maintenance

- the defeat of a number of costly mandates that would serve to increase health insurance costs for employers and citizens

- a brownfield redevelopment fund

No Biz
On the negative side of the ledger, in addition to the items noted earlier:

- a sales tax on beer, wine and spirits, an unfortunate development for one of our signature industries

- no tax credits for employers who implement employee wellness programs

- failure of a measure to encourage early high school graduation for qualified students

- no changes to the state's prevailing wage laws that increase the cost of public construction projects

- a failure to consider common-sense liability protections for employers

- no action on measures to increase students' physical activity

- no action on reasonable statutes of limitations for bringing lawsuits on wrongful discharge or other employment matters

The anticipation of another budget crisis is already spurring talk of a special legislative session. We have seen proof in recent weeks that bipartisan cooperation produces positive results for both citizens and their elected leaders. Here's hoping that this fresh, new, cooperative approach to addressing Kentucky's continuing challenges will become business as usual in Frankfort.

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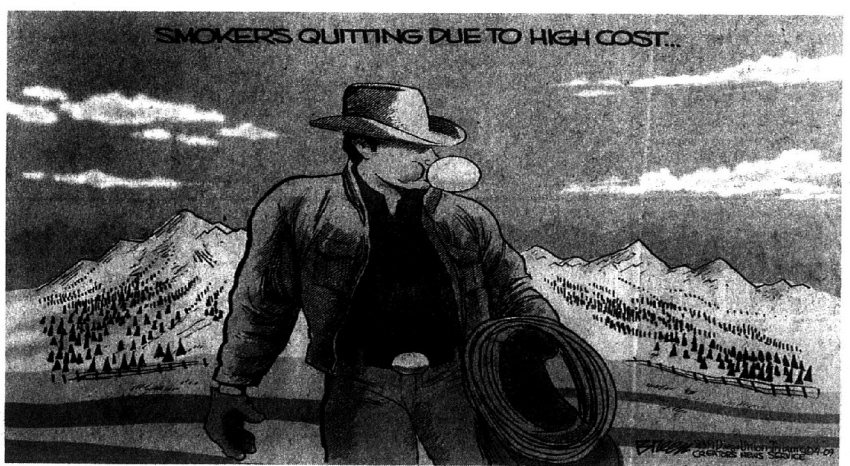
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Nominees sought for 'Excellence in Entrepreneurship' awards

SOMERSET — In today's trying financial times, analysts predict that small businesses and entrepreneurs can play a more important role than ever before in growing the economy of Southern and Eastern Kentucky.

This in mind, nominations are being sought for the 2009 Excellence in Entrepreneurship Awards (EIEA). These awards seek to celebrate success in entrepreneurship by recognizing businesspeople and entrepreneurs in 55 Kentucky counties-including Floyd County-who have created and are managing a successful enterprise.

The Excellence in Entrepreneurship Awards program is sponsored by Eastern Kentucky University's (EKU) College of Business and Technology, Kentucky

Highlands Investment Corporation, and The Center for Rural Development. It honors Southern and Eastern Kentucky entrepreneurs for their economic success, community contributions, and operational achievements in a business or non-profit organization.

Nominations will be received in four categories:

- **Business** (in existence five or more years with greater than 25 employees)
- **Small Business** (in existence five or more years with 25 or less employees)
- **Start-Up** (in existence less than five years)
- **Not-for-Profit Entity** (in existence at least six months)

Nominees are judged on the economic success of the enterprise, contributions to the community, job creation, and oper-

ational achievement as measured by innovative business practices, superior safety achievement, and superior technology.

To download a copy of the 2009 EIEA nomination form, please visit www.eiea.edu. A nomination form may also be downloaded from The Center for Rural Development's website, www.centerch.com, by clicking on the Excellence in Entrepreneurship link.

Nominations may be submitted by any individual or business and must be received by the EIEA nomination committee on or before the June 1 deadline. Interested parties can also e-mail the committee at cbt.eiea@eku.edu, or call the EKU College of Business and Technology at (859) 622-1409.

This year's finalists and award recipients will be recognized at a luncheon on Monday, Sept. 14, at The Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

"We've seen that small companies comprise the engine that drives most of our economy," Dr. Robert Rogow, dean of EKU's College of Business and

Technology, said. "We want to do whatever we can through our partnership to foster small-business development and recognize those who've been successful in developing companies in Eastern and Southern Kentucky."

"The world economy is in a state of flux and will be for the foreseeable future," added Jerry Rickett, president of Kentucky Highlands Investment Corporation. "Entrepreneurial businesses-both nimble and innovative-are best able to adapt to the rapid market changes and be successful."

"The EIEA program celebrates the region's best hope for long-term economic viability, a strong entrepreneurial spirit, and the people who embrace that spirit," Rickett said.

Lonnie Lawson, president and CEO of The Center for Rural Development, said supporting business and entrepreneurship is at the heart of The Center's mission to provide leadership that stimulates innovative and sustainable economic development solutions throughout the region.

"If The Center is to accomplish its mission, it's critical that we support our business leaders," Lawson said. "We must do everything we can to assist, encourage, and recognize these people for their successes, because this success will help stimulate and build our region's economy for years to come."

The EIEA program was established in 2001 to celebrate success and honor excellence in entrepreneurship throughout Southern and Eastern Kentucky.

Last year's EIEA winners were:

- **For-Profit Business:** Terry Forcht, founder/president/CEO, Forcht Group of Kentucky, Corbin.
- **For-Profit Small Business:** Steve Taylor, president, EST Tool & Machine Inc., of Broodhead.
- **Start-Up Business:** Bryan and Scott Floyd, brothers and owners of Floyd Industries, LLC, of Liberty.
- **Not-for-Profit Entity:** Debbie Long, executive director, God's Food Pantry of Pulaski County, Somerset.

To view in-depth video presentations on each of last year's winners, visit www.kyeon.org.

To be eligible for the Excellence in Entrepreneurship Awards competition, nominees must reside in or have their business or organization located within the following counties: Adair, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Boyle, Breathitt, Carter, Casey, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Edmonson, Elliott, Estill, Fleming, Floyd, Garrard, Green, Greenup, Harlan, Hart, Jackson, Jessamine, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Lincoln, McCreary, Madison, Magoffin, Martin, Menifee, Metcalf, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, Whitley, or Wolfe.

12 killed on Kentucky roads last week

FRANKFORT — Preliminary statistics indicate that 12 people died in 11 separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, April 6, through Sunday, April 12.

Ten of the crashes involved motor vehicles and six of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Single-fatality crashes occurred in Bell, Fayette, Laurel, Lawrence, Madison, Montgomery, Pike and Pulaski (2) counties. The suspected use of alcohol was a factor in three of the crashes.

One double fatality crash occurred in Casey County. Francisco Javier Marcial, 21, of Dunsville, was traveling southbound on U.S. 127 about 12:30 p.m. when he struck Jeffrey Stafford, 34, of Russell Springs, who was stopped in traffic. After striking Stafford's 1998 Dodge truck, Marcial's 2001 Chevy crossed the center line and struck a 2006 Toyota operated by Hannah Young, 17, of

Springfield. Young was pronounced dead at the scene.

One motorcycle crash occurred in Jefferson County and the suspected use of alcohol was a factor in the crash. The victim was wearing a helmet.

Through April 12, preliminary statistics indicate that 187 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2009. This is 12 fewer than reported for the same time period in 2008.

Of the 161 motor vehicle fatalities, 92 victims were not wearing seat belts. Twelve pedestrians have been killed. Twelve fatalities involved a motorcycle and two fatalities involved an ATV. A total of 45 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic driving to the Kentucky State Police toll-free at 1-800-222-5555.

Deputy

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public safety training program designation. In 2006, the academy also became the first law enforcement training academy in the nation to be named as a CALEA flagship agency.

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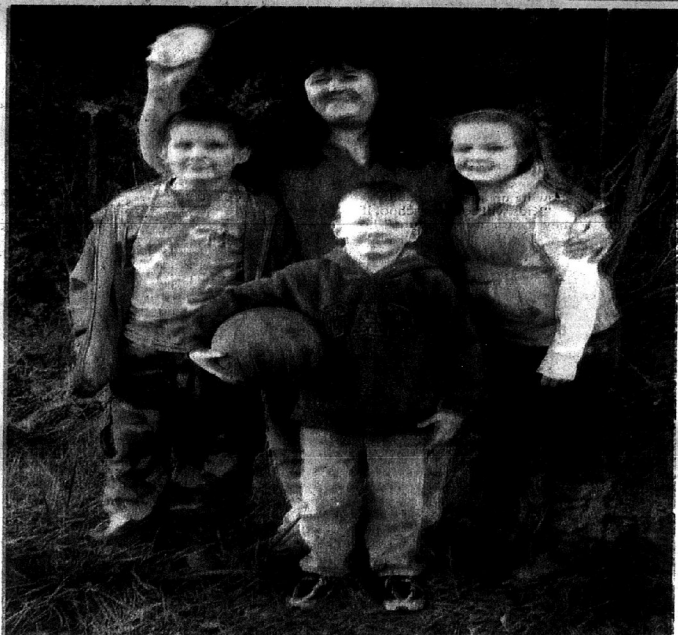
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Banks

State of the County address to represent local bankers, produced numbers to back up his claims. These statistics run contrary in comparison to the national forecast for financial institutions splashed across headlines in trade journals and publications such as the Wall Street Journal in the last several months.

The six banks in Floyd County have totaled \$471 mil-

lion in total deposits, according to Wilson, with the growth rate for deposits climbing 11 percent in the last four years. Also, Wilson said he fully expects that percentage to continue improving over the next year.

And this steadfast effectiveness of Floyd County's banks in a fledgling economic environment is being acknowledged by the banking industry

in general.

According to Bankrate.com's "Safe and Sound" service, a system to provide ratings on the financial strength and stability of U.S. commercial banks, two of the county's banks have five-star superior ratings, the highest awarded, while two others have four-star sound ratings and the remaining two are in three-star performing status.

Also, the Financial Management Consulting Group has ranked two Floyd County banks in the top 30 of the state's 179 banks, with three others ranked in the top 40.

Wilson says what were once seen as the challenges facing the small-town, com-

pany banking industry are now the foothold that has kept them stable in a volatile economy. He compared small, local banks to vanilla ice cream, while the other larger national chains as institutions offering 31 flavors, or conservative versus multi-layered.

"Suddenly vanilla tastes

pretty good," Wilson said, adding that Floyd County banks keeping afloat if not sailing steadily along without incident, is a business-as-usual aspect for the local industry for the past two decades.

"There's not been a bank that's failed in Floyd County in 20 years," he said.

County

ment and progress.

Among those Marshall pointed to Tuesday were the sale of East Kentucky Utilities to "get the county out of the gas business," the final closure of the county's landfill, a task some 20 years and \$20 million in the making, and completion of the first phase of the City of Martin Relocation Project.

Also, Marshall, who gave credit to past administrations for working on many aspects of several of the projects, said a bright spot that has appeared at the end of the tunnel since his taking office in 2004 has been bringing a wastewater plant to Eastern.

This plant, situated near Allen Central High School and serving the homes near there, provides septic services to 44

households.

"Those people now have a wastewater plant and septic service," Marshall said. "Of course, they're happy and so we're happy to say the least."

But what Marshall considers the biggest undertaking for county officials is the current Pride on the River project, another focus on septic service.

This project consists of extending a truck line for septic service along U.S. 23 to the Harold area and then branching off additional lines through areas such as Mud Creek and many of the outlying residential hollows and creeks.

But Marshall said he is aware of the hurdles presented in such an undertaking.

"It's going to be expen-

sive," he told the group, "but we do have funds available."

Those funds will be in the form of local severance tax money, said Marshall, and are certainly needed. In order to run one foot of sewer line, the cost for that section is approximately \$6 as opposed to \$1 per foot of water line.

Marshall also reported that 98 percent of households in Floyd County now have good drinking water, a primary focus of former Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, and said he wants the percentages for septic service to match in the years to come.

"Now that we have this, it's time to go with the sewer," said Marshall. "We're going quickly on that."

City

"I don't think disc golf took off like we thought it would, and Stonecrest can be intimidating when you first start," Fannin said. "We felt we could open that up and get youth involved, and produce some future golfers."

The city has now voted to move ahead on the project and also to implement a program called First Tee, an initiative aimed at offering young people instruction on golfing techniques.

Also given a green light and discussed during Tuesday's gathering at the MAC was a plan to construct a bio-diesel plant on the city's industrial site.

The city council signed a

lease a day earlier for leasing property for the plant and to begin further steps in seeing it become a reality.

"They're going to bring more people in and try to open up a market for it," said Fannin of bio-diesel conversion.

"We'll go to restaurants, for instance, and take vegetable oil and convert that into bio-diesel."

The project is being spearheaded by Nathan Hall and could encompass some 700 acres of land if all goes as planned.

Fannin did not mention dates on when future moves would be made on the project, only saying that it would bring jobs and be one of the first

plants of its kind for the region.

"Infrastructure in all forms is something Fannin says is a must for a growing community."

"Infrastructure is one of the biggest things," he said Tuesday. "You reach a point that if you continue growing, you have to develop property. We need private people to open businesses, too. Cities can only do so much."

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Schools

the past several struggles Floyd County schools faced.

In 2005, Floyd County's school district ranked 145 among the state's 175 schools. That number is now vastly different. As of today, Webb said the county's system ranks 64. In 2000, the district was ranked 167.

The jump is most readily attributed to the idea of partnership, according to Webb, who took time Tuesday to thank other administrations such as city and county governments in combining efforts on several fronts important to all citizens.

"Partnerships are essential," he said. "We're to reach

out. We're going to come to the table and ask others to come to the table."

Technology is a cornerstone of growth and advancement for today's students, Webb said.

"Every school in this county is currently considered 'smart classrooms,' and that's something that not many school districts in Kentucky can say," Webb said. "We want to prepare kids to work with technology by giving them the chance."

This effort involves, among other aspects, an improved student to computer ratio and hi-tech equipment made available to instructors, Webb said.

As for getting kids in the classroom, Webb said those numbers are improving as well. In the past few years, Floyd County schools have jumped 16 spots in state ranking for attendance, a trend Webb said can only translate into children receiving the full benefit of what the county's educational system has to offer.

Webb believes a close-knit school environment where a student's absence is noted can foster a desire for kids to make showing up a regular habit.

"Kids will come to school if they have a good culture," he said.

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by RALPH B. DAVIS
MANAGING EDITOR

It's that time once again, when we finally reveal the answers to all of the riddles in the Great Easter Egg Hunt:

Not where he was born or where he died, but where John was honored is where I hide.

The "John" in this clue refers to Col. John Floyd, who was born in Amherst County, Va., in 1750, and who died in Bullitt County in 1783. Most significantly for this contest, however, he is the person for whom Floyd County was named. Therefore, the egg was in Floyd County.

If you're stumped, go get some fresh air. While you're walking, you'll be in my hair.

The egg's "hair" was the outdoors, where you would go to walk if you were going to get some fresh air. The egg was outside.

If it's cold or rainy, I won't come to harm, because I have a thick blanket to keep me warm.

The thick blanket in this clue referred to the several

inches of leaves in which the egg was buried.

The furniture maker pulled off quite a feat, when he gave me a bed without a seat.

The bed of leaves in which the egg was hidden was not in the county seat, meaning that the egg was not in Prestonsburg.

"Director, director, give me a clue." "I'm sorry, son, there are no lines to cue."

There were no lines because the egg was not located near any city or county boundaries.

Fans of math might be sad, because this year there are no numbers to add.

In previous years, the egg was always hidden alongside a state highway, and a clue in each of those years would give the sum of the digits in the highway's route number. This year, however, there were no numbers to add because the egg was not hidden along a road with a route number.

Okay, here's a little math, just to be fair: Double the first, then look in the square.

This one confused quite a few people, but it was strictly a math question referring to the county's magisterial districts. To arrive at the answer, you would double the number one, giving two. Then you would square that answer to arrive at the number four. The egg was hidden in District 4.

These directions can be a beast: You must drive south to end up east.

This clue just lets you know that the egg was in the eastern end of Floyd County and refers to the fact that you must drive south on U.S. 23 to get there.

Start as if you're going to see a cop, but make a turn before you hit the drop.

Begin driving as if you're going to the Kentucky State Police Post in Pikeville, meaning head south on U.S. 23. However, to get to the egg, you would have to turn before reaching Dropping Lick Creek. The road right before Dropping Lick Creek is Ivy Creek Road.

Words are best considered before they're spoken, for at the mouth a promise was

broken.

To successfully decipher this clue, you would need to know a little local history. When the state of Kentucky was preparing to build the Mayo Trail, Col. James Hatcher donated the right-of-way at the mouth of Ivy Creek, where he owned a large chicken farm. In return, Hatcher asked that the state build a memorial to the Battle of Ivy Mountain, and the state Transportation Cabinet agreed. However, the memorial was delayed when the country entered the Great Depression the following year, and again when Hatcher died in 1939, thus breaking the promise. However, the promise was finally fulfilled in 2001, with the construction of the Battle of Ivy Mountain Memorial along U.S. 23. However, note that the clue only says the promise was broken at the mouth, not that the egg was located at the mouth. Therefore, the egg was hidden along Ivy Creek.

I think these glasses must be cursed, for I thought I saw Levi, but I was reversed.

"Levi" reversed is Ivel.

Move away from the mouth, or else you'll groan. In the dale left of the gate, I'm behind a stone.

The final clue zeros in on the egg's exact location. Referring to Ivy Creek again, it tells you to move away from

the creek. Along the way, there is a gate to a mining company, and to the left of that gate is a small valley with several large rocks. The egg was hidden behind one of the stones, covered in leaves.

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on the internet. Renea Samońs said the

group was lucky to beat out the competition during this year's

hunt. She said crowds of people were searching near the area at all times of the day.

"There were people with umbrellas and flashlights out with their kids on Friday night," she said.

The group has made the Great Easter Egg Hunt a family tradition for the past four years. During their first two years of playing, they came close to finding the egg, but came up empty.

The group has advice for those searching for the egg in future contests.

"We begin with the first

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clue and piece them together like a puzzle, until we know exactly where to go. We enjoy the annual Great Easter Egg Hunt and thank all the sponsors and The Floyd County Times, because it truly gets the chain of communication flowing from the workplace to home."

The group said they plan to split the money evenly among the families.

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FRANKFORT — The Kentucky State Parks are offering a coupon good for a free child's admission to its museums and historic sites.

Charities challenged to recruit blood donors

LEXINGTON — The deadline for charities to register for the S&S Tire Blood Donor Charity Challenge is Friday, April 17.

Kentucky charities can win cash by recruiting blood donors during the second annual S&S Tire Blood Donor Charity Challenge May 1-31.

S&S Tire, the title sponsor again this year, will award a total of \$15,000 in cash to the top six charities that recruit the most blood donors. This is a \$5,000 increase over the amount they committed in the first year.

Also, this year the competition will be regionalized. There will be a winner and runner-up from three regions: the Lexington, Pikeville and Somerset regions. Winners will receive \$3,500 while the three runners-up each will be awarded \$1,500.

Registration information, competition rules and the list of counties in each region can be found at www.kybloodcenter.org. Charities must register online for the competition by April 17.

Wayne Palmer of S&S Tire supports Charity Challenge for personal reasons. Seven years ago, his daughter was diagnosed with leukemia. She received blood and blood products several times during her 26 months of treatment. "My daughter is healthy and in complete remission now, partly in thanks to blood donors. That's why I would like to challenge others to become part of the S&S Tire Blood Donor Charity Challenge."

Blood donors must be 17-years-old (16 with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds, be in general good health and meet additional requirements. Sixteen-year-old donors must have a signed parental permission slip, which can be found on the Kentucky Blood Center's web site, kybloodcenter.org.

Those wanting to donate blood or to schedule an appointment to donate can call 1-800-775-2522 or visit kybloodcenter.org or blood drive and donor center details.

The Kentucky Blood Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring a safe, adequate blood supply for patients at nearly 70 Kentucky hospitals and clinics in more than 60 counties. In the past year, KBC processed and distributed 82,000 red blood cell units and 127,000 blood-components in total.

The coupon, available at www.parks.ky.gov or www.mykentuckybackyard.com through May 4, offers free admission for a child with a paid adult admission through Oct. 31, 2009.

"This is a great opportunity for families to learn more about our state's history," said Parks Commissioner Gerry van der Meer. "The Kentucky State Parks have some excellent museums and historic sites that help tell the story of our Commonwealth."

The coupon is good at the following museums and historic sites:

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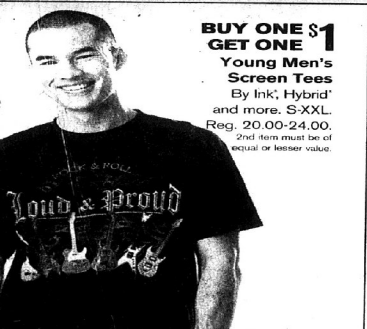


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FLOYD COUNTY Sports

ACMS wins Volleyfest Rebels upend P'burg in district road game

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN—Allen Central won its annual Volleyfest over the weekend, defeating Martin County, Elkhorn, Letcher and Belfry. Allen Central faced a tough challenge against Letcher. In the first game, Letcher prevailed convincingly. Allen Central battled back to beat Letcher in each of the next two games. The Lady Rebels won the third and decisive game 21-19. Belfry finished the tournament second, Letcher placed third and Paintsville finished fourth, claiming the top spot in the lower bracket.

"It was a great day of volleyball for the girls and those who attended," said Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard. "According to the new stat program I have, if we were giving a MVP, it would have been Courtney Hodge." The program Maynard referenced gave Hodge a 183 performance rating and Katie Dingus a 138 rating. Hodge pounded in 12 kills on 86-percent hitting. Dingus had 18 kills on 87-percent hitting with four blocks. Clara Jones landed nine kills, Laken Tackett slipped in eight and DeShea Elliott added six. Hodge served at a blistering 93-

percent, recording 17 aces. Dingus landed 16 aces at a 90-percent rate. Jones had eight aces. Molly Thornsberry recorded six. Elliott scored five and Tackett skidded in four. Thornsberry paced the Rebels with 16 assists. Jeni Dingus recorded seven assists in the championship effort. Elliott assisted in six kills and Rachel Moore set up three. Defensively, Hodge returned 90-percent of her passes and recorded five digs while Jones, recorded eight digs and returned 86-percent. Thornsberry earned four stops.

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG—Allen Central continued to play better Monday evening, posting a 14-3 win over host Prestonsburg in a pivotal Floyd County Conference/58th District baseball game. The Rebels have now won two straight and three of their last five. Allen Central opened the season 0-5. AC junior pitcher Chad Jackson picked up the win on the mound. The Allen Central starter only allowed two earned runs. On the offensive side, Allen Central continuously connected against Prestonsburg pitching. Allen Central batters stayed ahead in the count during many plate appearances. "Our offense showed up and carried us through the game," said first-year Allen Central Coach Josh Todd. "Chad pitched a great game, giving up two earned runs." Logan Crowder connected on a triple and drove in three runs for the Rebels. Josh Stone also drove in a trio of runs for Allen Central. Stone had a double as the Rebels pulled off the upset win. Chris Stumbo went 1-for-3 with an RBI in the Allen Central victory. In another Floyd County Conference/58th District game Monday evening, Betsy Layne slipped past South Floyd 3-2.

Blackcats get past Phelps, fall to Tigers

Schoolcraft records second win of season

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE—Prestonsburg opened the 15th Region All "A" Classic on a successful note Tuesday, doubling up Phelps 6-3. The Blackcats, however, bowed out of the regional tournament two days later. Paintsville ousted Prestonsburg 2-1 in five innings Saturday. Defending champion Paintsville will face Pikeville in the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game this evening. Senior pitcher Chris Schoolcraft picked up his second victory of the season as the Blackcats defeated Phelps. Schoolcraft went the distance, allowing seven strong innings. He gave up seven hits (all singles), walked one and struck out eight. Schoolcraft gave up three unearned runs.

"Chris had great control and was really hitting his spots," Prestonsburg Coach Randy Pugh said following the win over Phelps. "It was his best performance of the year so far."

The Blackcats were able to overcome some errors. "We really hurt ourselves again with errors," said Prestonsburg Coach Randy Pugh. "We had five in the game but somehow managed to always make the big play when we had to. We turned a great double play in top half of the fifth inning."

Prestonsburg junior Cameron Archer walked in the bottom half of the first inning, stole second and then scored on a two-out single from Seth Setser. The game was tied at 1-1 after the first inning.

The Blackcats scored again in the bottom half of the second inning when Schoolcraft delivered a two out single and Chris Hostie singled to left field.

The score was knotted 2-2 at the conclusion of the third inning.

Allen Craynon and Josh Blackburn opened the bottom half of the fourth inning with back-to-back singles for Prestonsburg. Schoolcraft then singled again, picking up an RBI. Hostie grounded out to third base but picked up an RBI when Blackburn scored.

Prestonsburg picked up two insurance runs in the bottom half of the sixth inning when Alex Griffith and Schoolcraft both walked. Kyle Gearheart was put up as a pinch runner and scored on a passed ball. Schoolcraft then scored when Chris Bostic singled up the middle for his third RBI of the game. Paintsville claimed an early lead and never blinked en route to the convincing win over the Blackcats.



FLOYD COUNTY SPRING SOCCER

The Floyd U19 team (Cobras) was victorious in its contest against the Belfry U19 team over the weekend. Floyd County defeated Belfry 6-1. Andrew Brown scored three goals, Ethan Filowiat netted two and Bradley Hicks delivered one for the Floyd County U19 unit. Floyd County goalkeeper Adam Kimbler notched several saves.

Above: Cobras midfielder Bradley Hicks (left) won this battle with the Belfry midfielder as teammate Coty Burgess looked on.

Middle: Speedy U19 forward Brad Stanley moved away from the Belfry defense.

Below: Cobras sweeper Coty Burgess (left) was victorious in a battle with Belfry forward Chaz Johnson for control of the soccer ball.



Beaver Junction Motocross hosts Round 3

Practice date set for Sunday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DWALE—Beaver Junction Motocross hosted Round 3 of the 2009 season Saturday. Fifty entries made up the third round. In addition, young riders hunted eggs on the day before Easter. Beaver Junction Motocross will host Round 4 on May 10. The track has a practice date scheduled for Sunday (April 19). Gates will open at 11 a.m. for the practice. The practice session is scheduled to get underway at noon. Admission is \$10 for participating riders and there is also a \$1 spectator fee. The practice session is expected to last three to four hours.

A breakdown of the Round 3 results follows.

Beaver Junction Motocross 2009 Series Round 3: 50 Open-1, Tyler Osborne; 50 Stroke Oil Injection-1, Connor Thacker; 50 Jr.-1, Tyler Osborne; Four Wheeler-1, Michael Gayheart; 125 AM 2 Stroke-1, Austin Withem; 2, Ricky Crider (DNF); 250 C-1, J. R. Chaney; 2, Joe Bush; 3, Austin Withem; 30-Plus-1, David Moore; 250 B-1, Greg Dawson; 250D-1, Justin Moore; 2, David Moore; 125 C-1, Joe Bush; 2, Justin Tackett; 125 D-1, Alvin Withem; 2, Scott Howell; 3, Anthony Johnson; 4, Justin Perry; 5, Sabrina Arnett; 65 Jr.-1, Tyler Haggins; 2, Matt Belcher; 3, Memphis Withem; 4, Christian Crider (DNF); 5, Chance Francis (DNF); 65 Sr.-1, Dawson Hamilton; 2, Ritchie Potter; 70-110 Auto-1, Chance Francis; Small ATV-1, Cage Hall; 85 Jr.-1, Kenton Hall; 2, Dalton Withem; 3, Jordan Haggins; 4, Rodrick Wallen; 85 Open-1, Brady Prater; 65 Open-1, Kenton Hall; 2, Dawson Hamilton; 3, Ritchie Potter; 4, Matt Belcher; 5, Dylan Bishop; 6, Christian Crider (DNF); C/D Unlimited-1, Austin Withem; 2, Justin Tackett.

Beaver Junction Motocross Upcoming Schedule Practice—April 19 Round 4—May 10 Round 5—May 31 Round 6—June 7

Bobcats edge South Floyd 3-2 in pitcher's duel

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN—Betsy Layne edged South Floyd 3-2 Monday evening in a Floyd County Conference/58th District baseball affair. Pitcher Brandon Mulkey picked up his first win for Betsy Layne. Mulkey won seven innings and recorded seven strikeouts. The Betsy Layne pitcher didn't allow a walk and both of South Floyd's runs were unearned. Betsy Layne notched the win despite committing three errors. "It has been a long time

coming," said Betsy Layne Coach Ricky Thacker. "I have a young core of boys who are hungry. We played a much-improved South Floyd team from last year."

South Floyd starter Tyler Mitchell tossed all seven innings and absorbed the loss. Mitchell pitched well despite being stuck with the setback. "Our bats were a little cold but we had solid defense which I have stressed all year," Thacker confided.

Junior Shane Case and senior Adam Slone provided clutch hits for the Bobcats. Slone went 2-for-3 with an

RBI for Betsy Layne. Tackett and Andrew Roberts also had an RBI for the Bobcats.

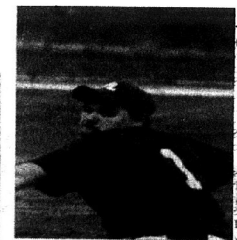
Defensively, Betsy Layne also produced highlights. Freshman shortstop Kory Jargell and Roberts, a freshman second baseman, turned a crucial 6-4-3 double play to end the top half of the sixth inning.

"We are finally becoming a complete team," Thacker said. "With game time experience for my younger guys and tougher practices we will earn respect and Betsy Layne will shine. We have to continue to improve on fundamentals."

"Also, we have been hit with injuries and that has cut our pitching down. But we are making improvements and getting better."

BETSY LAYNE BASEBALL
Upcoming Games

April 16 Prestonsburg, 6 p.m.
April 17 at Shelby Valley, 6 p.m.
April 20 at Pikeville, 6 p.m.
April 23 at South Floyd, 6 p.m.



Brandon Mulkey



Chris Schoolcraft

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Johnson men among six arrested for coyote, fox trafficking

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Kentucky and West Virginia conservation officers arrested six persons served summonses on two others and seized eight illegally possessed coyotes today, charging them with at least 831 counts of illegally buying, selling or possessing wild-caught foxes and coyotes, and in one case, cruelty to animals.

The 20-month undercover investigation, code named "Gyp-Sum", looking into the illegal practice of buying, selling and holding wild-caught foxes and coyotes for the purpose of sale, resulted in officers served warrants or summonses in five Kentucky counties and one out of state. Officers in Alabama, Virginia, Indiana, South Carolina and Florida contributed to the investigation.

Forest D. "Tony" Hall, 69, of Sitka in Johnson County, Elbridge Cook, 62, and Michael Ellis, 62, both of Corinth in

Grant County, James Auxier, 41, of East Point in Johnson County, and Charles Creech, 73, of Beattyville in Lee County were arrested in Kentucky.

Officers serving a summons to George Hill, 57, of Waco in Madison County, arrested him instead when they found him to be illegally in possession of eight coyotes.

Thomas Hymet, 78, of Irvine in Estill County, and Clustena Hall, 70, of Sitka, were served summonses to appear in Madison District Court and Johnson District Court, respectively.

The out of state arrest warrant remained unissued and officers expect to complete that arrest this weekend.

Officers in other states have heard of that practice, but this is the first time someone has actually demonstrated it to an officer, said a Kentucky undercover officer who witnessed the

steps at certain locations in Kentucky. Officers involved in that multi-state investigation provided Kentucky officers with GPS map coordinates of Blevins' visits and phone numbers of persons he was contacting.

Kentucky officers were assisting in several other states' investigations at that time, and in November 2007, Alabama Wildlife and Fisheries officers closed their own fox and coyote trafficking investigation with 18 arrests in three states, including Blevins for his involvement.

For the past 20 months, Kentucky undercover officers witnessed the illegal buying, selling and possession of live foxes and coyotes. They also witnessed Creech cutting the tails off live coyotes destined for use in chase pens.

"The tail is the first thing the hounds grab, so cutting it off makes it harder for the dogs to catch the coyote and extends the chase."

Creech is charged with seven counts of cruelty to animals, nine counts of illegally possessing wildlife without a permit, and seven counts of illegally buying wildlife. He was arrested and faces fines up to \$15,000 and up to seven years in jail.

The trade in foxes and coyotes stems from the practice of turning packs of fox hounds loose inside fenced enclosures ranging in size up to several hundred acres to chase foxes or coyotes. The chases may begin about sundown and may continue through noon or so the next day.

Officers say some chase pen operators need a continuous supply of foxes and coyotes and will pay as much as \$100 or more for each animal.

That sets off alarms for wildlife biologists concerned about creating a commercial

black market in Kentucky for the sale of coyotes and foxes to running pens.

The commercial trafficking of live-trapped coyotes inside Kentucky also runs the risk of spreading canine distemper, parvovirus, rabies, brucellosis, tapeworm, canine heartworm, canine hepatitis or mange by taking it from one area and spreading it to other wildlife, domestic pets and livestock.

Tony Hall faces up to \$135,000 in fines. He was arrested, and charged with 67 counts of illegally buying wildlife, 20 of illegally selling wildlife, and 96 of possessing wildlife without a permit. Cook, charged with 14 counts of illegally assisting in the sale of wildlife, 111 counts of illegally selling wildlife and 164 counts of illegally possessing wildlife for the purpose of sale, was arrested and faces a maximum of \$282,000 in fines. Ellis is charged with 73 counts of illegally assisting in the sale of wildlife, 18 counts of

illegally selling wildlife and 39 counts of illegally possessing wildlife for the purpose of sale. He was arrested and faces potential fines totaling \$93,500.

Auxier was arrested and charged with 36 counts of illegally assisting in the buying and selling of wildlife. He faces up to \$18,000 in fines.

Hill is charged with four counts of illegally buying wildlife and 11 counts of illegal possession. He was arrested and issued a summons and faces up to \$7,500 in fines.

Hymet is charged with four counts of illegally assisting in buying wildlife. He was issued a summons and faces up to \$2,000 in fines.

Clustena Hall is charged, with five counts of illegally possessing wildlife and faces up to \$2,500 in fines. Huffman is charged with 15 counts of illegally possessing wildlife and 15 counts of illegally buying wildlife. He was arrested and faces up to \$22,500 in fines.

Tryouts set for Kentucky All-Stars

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CAMPBELLSVILLE

Forty boys, and a near like number of girls, will descend on Campbellsville University April 17-18 when tryouts begin for their respective Kentucky Basketball All-Star teams.

Each team will pick 12 players and two alternates. Pike County players are among those poised to participate in the tryouts.

"It is an honor for Campbellsville University to work with the Kentucky Lions Club and host the All-Star tryouts," said Rusty Hollingsworth, CU director of athletics. "We want this to be a great event for players, coaches and spectators."

Tryouts are set for Friday and Saturday where the university will make available the Powell Athletic Center and the new Gosser Gym.

The girls will have open workouts from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Friday in Powell, Saturday from 9:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. in Powell and 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Gosser.

The boys will hold open workouts from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Powell, from 9:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. on Saturday in Gosser, and from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Powell.

"With the addition of the Gosser Gymnasium we now have two collegiate basketball courts that can be utilized for this type event," Hollingsworth said.

"There will be no down time for either team." The boys squad is coached by Apollo's Tony Hopper and Covington Catholic's Mike

Listerman. The girls are coached by Scott County's Steve Helton and Tommy Adams, Hart County.

The final squads will face Indiana in the state's summer series. Games are set for June 13 in Indianapolis and June 14 in Louisville.

Boys' invitees: Darren Ballou (Adair County); C.J. Penny (Anderson County); DeLon Butler (Apollo); Wesley Cox (Ballard); Jordan Hickman (Bardstown); Steven McFarland (Boone County); Charles Ashford (Bryan Station); Andy Blank (Buckhorn); Ridge Wilson, Alex Morris (Central); Corey Wilford (Christian County); Josh Crawford (Corbin); Chris Dowe (Eastern); Jonathan Ferguson, Ethan Faulkner, Evan Faulkner (Elliott County); Andy Donovan (Franklin County); Aaron Wilson (Fulton City); Prince Stewart (Henry Clay); Brandon Housley, JaMel Riley, Dominique (Holmes); Jordan Reeves (Hopkins County); Vee Sanford (Lexington Catholic); Ethan Spurlin (Lincoln County); Ramey Walker (Lyon County); Mister Basketball Jon Hood (Madisonville-North Hopkins); Jacob Jenkins (Manual); Russ Middleton (Moore); Tommy Carter (Muhlenberg North); Nick Hudson, Tyler Rogers (Paul Dunbar); Matt Clevenger (Pikeville); Bryon Ellis (Russell County); Corey Jackson (Shawnee); Chas Cox (Taylor County); Davyon Sloan (Waggener).

Girls' invitees: Jacy Bradley (Boone County); Clair Buchanan (Christian Academy); Courtney Clifton (Lexington Christian); Britany Coles (Henry Clay); Kayla Cunningham (Calloway County); Danielle Dixon (Henderson County); Leslie Eagle (Morgan County); Devin Fothergill (Pulaski Southwestern); Katie Fritts (Central Hardin); Rachel Greenwell (Owensboro Catholic); Lakin Griffith (Elliott County); Shelby Harper (Allen County-Scottsville); Lauren Hatter (Casey County); Hayley Hellyer (Boyle County); Lindsay Hester (Bullitt Central); Lindsay Highbaugh (Hart County); Jessica Holder (Marshall County); Hara Hopper (Butler); Elizabeth Horn (Berea); Caitie Jackson (North Laurel); Alex Jones (Elizabethtown); Avery Jones (Manual); Sharav Kincor (Letcher Co. Central); Mackenzie Lee (Montgomery County); Anna Martin (Lexington Christian); Miss Baskin Mathies (Iroquois); Asia Mathies (Iroquois); Catherine Montano (Mercy); Laura Perkins (Shelby Valley); Alyse Poindexter (Henderson County); Ashley Rainey (Warren East); Mariah Robinson (Ohio County); Stephanie Salyers (Pulaski Southwestern); Natalie Shumper (Paducah Tighman); A.D. Stone (Pike Co. Central); Chelsea Tolliver (Simon Kenton); Kourtney Tyra (Jackson County); Kayla Webb (Montgomery County); Derri Wendt (Davies County).



Floyd U16 fullback Zachary "Ron" Romans took control of the ball, and looked upfield for an open teammate Saturday during a game against Belvoir. Floyd County defeated the Belvoir Kkx 10-2.

Wildcats halfway through spring practice season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky football team is in the midpoint of the 2009 spring practice season on Monday with the eighth of 15 allotted practices.

The team practiced for two hours Monday morning on the Tim Couch Practice Fields. Much of the practice involved working on corrections following the major scrimmage held on Saturday.

"There were some really good things and there were some that weren't so good," Coach Rich Brooks said when asked to review what he saw on the scrimmage film. "The receivers need to get back to what they'd been doing in earlier practices, and that's catching the ball and making plays. We didn't see enough of that, we had too many dropped passes."

"Today was a good practice," Brooks continued. "We got the wheels turning

a little bit after looking at the film, trying to correct mistakes. The learning process needs to continue. We can't keep repeating the same mistakes, so that's what's important about getting progress. We'll tell a lot more next Saturday when we have another big scrimmage."

The Wildcats will return to practice Wednesday and Friday before the team's second major scrimmage on Saturday.

EKU football program holds first scrimmage; shoe drive set to start

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — The Eastern Kentucky University football team held its first scrimmage of the spring season on a crisp Saturday morning. The Colonels are scheduled for three more practices this week — Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. All practices are open to the public.

The remaining practice schedule is as follows: Practice No. 10 — Thursday, April 16, 3 p.m.; Practice No. 11 — Saturday, April 18, 1:30 p.m.; Practice No. 12 — Tuesday, April 21 at 3 p.m.; Practice No. 13 — Thursday, April 23, 3

p.m.; Practice No. 14 — Saturday, April 25, 1:30 p.m.; Practice No. 15 — Sunday, April 26, TBA.

All practices are open to the public and will be held at the practice turf facility located next to the Presnell Building.

EKU student-athletes hosting the shoe drive: Eastern Kentucky University student-athletes have partnered with the shoe charity Soles4Souls to collect gently worn footwear and/or donations to ship the shoes to persons in need. The shoe drive will kick-off at the Student-Athlete Celebration and Charity Kick-off Thursday, April 16.

Donations will be accepted for two weeks from April 16 through Thursday, April 30. Shoes can be dropped off in the Bratke Center, which is located in Room 103 of Alumni Coliseum. Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Any shoe or monetary donation will gladly be accepted.

Soles4Souls coordinated relief efforts for the Asian Tsunami and Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, netting more than one million pairs donated for these disasters.

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Beshear proclaims Volunteer Week in Kentucky

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear has proclaimed April 19-25 as Volunteer Week in the commonwealth.

"Volunteerism, community service and neighbor-helping-neighbor are cornerstones of Kentucky culture, and every day, volunteers across Kentucky serve without com-

penation to meet vital needs that may otherwise fall through the cracks," Beshear said.

From teaching children to read and making neighborhoods safer, to protecting vital natural resources and building affordable housing, volunteers enrich the lives of others and contribute real value to the state's financial and social stock.

"Because government, by itself, cannot solve all social problems, volunteers are among our greatest treasures and are vital to our future as a caring, productive society," Beshear said. "I'm pleased to proclaim Volunteer Week as a way to acknowledge Kentucky's long tradition of neighborliness and to honor the thousands of Kentuckians who give money, time and talent daily to make a difference all across this state."

A 2008 study by the

Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center reveals that 66 percent of Kentuckians volunteer. The estimated value of an hour of volunteer service is \$19.51, according to The Independent Sector, a national advocacy group for volunteers and community service groups.

The Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service (KCCVS) in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services administers Kentucky's AmeriCorps national service program and supports state volunteerism.

Sometimes called the domestic Peace Corps, AmeriCorps engages members in intensive community service. Currently, 270 AmeriCorps members serve with 12 AmeriCorps programs responding to unmet needs in Kentucky communities. KCCVS also sponsors the Volunteer Recognition

Program, which provides certificates and citations of achievement and appreciation signed by the governor for volunteers with nonprofit organizations.

Founded in 1997, the program continues to gain popu-

larity. In 2008, more than 3,000 certificates and citations were issued, a 57 percent increase from 2007.

Learn more about KCCVS online at www.volunteerKY.ky.gov



The harmonic, female singing group Serenade, from Big Sandy Community and Technical College, will perform at Hillbilly Days on Friday at 3:30 p.m. at the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center Stage, outside of the Main Street entrance, downtown Pikeville. The stage, sponsored by Tubel Studios, will be host to the group, as well as other performers throughout the day. Serenade will perform a mix of pop, country, and gospel music. Pictured are the members of the group (from left) Director Laura Ford Hall, Rachael Hayes, Lindsey Holliday, Haley Isaac, Kara Mills, Melanie Stapleton, Ashley Fleming, Nicole Pennington, and Paige Newsom.

Student finds job at career fair

There are many creative ways to help students and graduates find job opportunities, but in some cases all it takes is encouragement, a kind word and a little direction.

On Friday, March 27, Pikeville Campus student David Taylor, Medical Assisting Program, attended a local career fair in which National College participated. He planned to work part-time while completing his education.

Christopher Riley, Student Services, and Donna Dye, Career Center Director, represented National College Pikeville Campus at the fair. Upon Riley's suggestion, Taylor simply walked over to the Home Care Health Services and Appalachian Hospice Care display table, introduced himself and was asked to submit a resume immediately. Within a matter of days, he was interviewed and hired as a nurse's aide.

With his new job title, Taylor will be focusing on homebound patient care, taking vitals, helping with personal hygiene, and daily health routines. As with

any health related position, he will also have some clerical duties such as documentation and patient charting.

Taylor's enthusiasm for his job is equal in comparison to his start at National College. When talking to him, he exemplifies an obvious and genuine concern for his patients while maintaining a serious focus on classroom studies as well. What a tremendous impact this guiding gesture has made on both his academic and professional career.

Taylor also plans to pursue the nursing program and hopes to apply in the fall of this year. Appalachian Hospice Care works with terminally ill patients and services the following counties in southeastern Kentucky: Pike, Floyd, Martin, Magoffin and Johnson. Home Care Health Services works with homebound patients in need of home health nursing care in Pike County.



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LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5480, Operator Change

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that CAM Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 189, Pikeville, KY 41603, has applied for a permit for a surface mining and reclamation operation affecting 647.6 acres located 1.3 miles south of Endicott in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.8 miles southeast from KY 194 junction with County Route 3385 and located on Johns Branch of Elkhorn Creek. The latitude is 37° 22' 22". The longitude is 82° 37' 28".

Notice is hereby given that Prestonsburg Industrial Corporation, of Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, to place fill material within the floodplain. The site is located along Cliff Road, approximately 0.5 mile from the intersection of KY Route 1428 and Cliff Road, at latitude 37° 34' 42" N and longitude 82° 46' 09" W.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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PREMIER ELKHORN COAL COMPANY

is now accepting applications for the following position: Scale Person Auger Operator with minimum 2 years operating computerized scale system and auger sampling system. Must also perform minor repairs to scale and auger systems. Requires KY Surface Mine Certification.

Beaver Creek. The operation is located on the McDowell and Wayland in Floyd County, Kentucky. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5518

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located in Floyd County.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.50 mile South of KY 1426's junction with Junts Fork Road and located adjacent to Prater Creek. The operation will be under the land owned by: Leonard & Bulaven Hall, Gary & Connie Strickland, Greg Kidd, Rhonda Lynnette Boyd, Gregory Lee Strickland, Angela Akers Sturgill, George Edg Akers, Charles & Teresa Akers, Margie Conn, Tena Hackney, Tony & Lois Adkins, Joe David Taylor, John B. Hall, Clayton & Lora Akers, Myrtle Akers, Brady & Herman Conn, Brady James Conn, Keith & Donna Williams, Robert Owens, James & Betty Kidd, Offie Jarrell, Billy James Herold, Marty & Janet Thacker, Douglas K. A. H. L. e. y.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission OdorEyes Electronic Pulse Bypass Odorizer System Sealed bids are requested for the following equipment:

(2) New OdorEyes Technologies, Inc., Ecosystem Electronic Pulse Bypass Odorizer Systems for Natural Gas Applications

The sealed bids will be accepted through 4:00 p.m., on Monday, April 27, 2009, at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud. Bid packages for this request must be picked up in the lobby of Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission office building, at 2560 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

Prestonsburg Regional Office, 1346 South Lake Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

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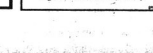
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5503

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Telephone: 606-285-3833 TDD No. 1-800-648-6056 (For Hearing Impaired)

The Floyd County Housing Authority has decent, affordable rental housing, located in Martin, Minnie, Ivie and Mule Creek areas, for all qualified applicants. Rent is based on income. All apartments have central air and heat.

We do business in accordance with the Federal Fair Housing Law.

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JOHN W. BARTLEY FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

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Freda Johnson, Mary Lou Bentley, Howell, Elmer Hamilton and Larry & Betty Jo Tackett. The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will not affect an area within 100 feet of any public road. The amendment will not involve relocation and/or closure of any public road. The amendment has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5496 Renewal

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonburg, KY 41653, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 0.75 mile north of Dana in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 5.84 surface acres, and will underlie 1175.33 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 1182.17 acres.

(2) The proposed operation is approximately 3.2 miles south from U.S. 231s junction with County Road 1426, and located 0.90 miles west of Prater Creek. The latitude is 37°33'51". The longitude is 82°41'40".

(3) The proposed operation is located on the Harold

U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Turner Mining Company. The operation will underlie land owned by Sophie & Fiongo Crum, Garner Adkins, Donald P. & George Ann Adkins, Norman & Mae Martin, Herman James Johnson, Bailey Crum, Mexico Spears, Bill & Gertrude Sammons, Mousie Dingus, Allan Conn, Fred Prasley, Conn Estate, Kenneth Spears, Ed Smith & Cynthia Akers Jr., John D. & Emel A. Boyd, James & Bertha Williams, Gerrie Newsome, Turner Elkhorn Mining Company, Jimmy Akers, Harry Ruth Crum, Richard Sammons, Edward & Dons Robinson, Bonnie Boyd, Edward Newsome, David Akers, John Hall, Joyce Hall, Beverly & Joy Mullins, Herbert & Ella Jarrell, Jackie & Geraldine Jarrell, Ralph & Ruth Slone, Daniel Artis Akers, Allen W. Akers, Eula Ray Akers, Francis Lettie Mae Cordial, Bertha Williams, Prater Creek Community Park, Lewis, George Newsome, Columbia Gas Co., Jay & Erma Crum, Bill & Peggy Solomon, and Thurman Akers.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF PERMIT CONFERENCE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0342 NW No. 1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby

given that a permit conference is scheduled for May 6, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., at the Prestonburg Regional Office for the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, concerning the above application, filed by Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Tays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560, (304) 204-1455, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.7 mile northeast of Hippo, Kentucky, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 431.30 surface acres, and will underlie 4.92 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 436.22 acres.

The proposed operation is located approximately 0.8 mile south from KY 1210 junction with Alum Lick Road, and located 0.2 mile southwest of Caney Creek. The proposed operation is located on the Martin USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by George and Evie Thornsby, et al., Shade Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, et al., Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, Chris Damron, Danny Ousley, Rosie Reflett, Craig Ousley, et al., Earl and Peggy Ousley, Sianna Risner, Mont Ousley Heirs, Edward L. and Sadie Shepherd, J.T. and Anna Lee Thornsby, Phyllis Reflett, Glen Hurd Estate, and Harrison D. Reflett, Betty Litsey, Charles Litsey, Gordon Ousley, Donald and Brenda Ousley, Andrian Bradley, James and Rose Marie Bradley, Jackie Bradley, Sailey P. Kessie, Charles E. Bradley, Amy Bradley, Abby Bradley, Adam

Bradley, Johanna Silveus, and Kenneth Silveus. The operation will underlie land owned by Shade Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, et al., Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, and Mont Ousley Heirs. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 5, Prestonburg, Kentucky 41653. Any person whose interest may be adversely affected by the issuance of the proposed permit, may present information relevant to its permit, in oral or written form, at the time of the conference.

COMMON WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I C.A. No. 08-CI-00832

Commonwealth Trust Bank Inc. Plaintiff vs. Jeffrey Jacobs

Jeffrey Jacobs vs. Central Financial Services

McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital

Floyd County, Kentucky Defendants

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Revised Final Judgment and Order of Sale, referring to Master

Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 13th day of January, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$4,216.88, together with interest, costs, and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at

public auction, on Thursday, the 30th day of April, 2009, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and as follows: Being Lots Number 13, as laid out and more particularly described in the Plat Map of Valley View Estates, prepared by H.L. Baldridge, March 20, 1998, and recorded in Map Files of the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and being Map File No. 991.

Being the same property conveyed to Jeffrey Jacobs from Claude Jennings Webb and Janet Webb, dated December 2, 2003, of record in Deed Book 493, Page 602, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

The subject real property cannot be divided without materially impairing its value, and the value of the Cross-Plaintiff's lien thereon, and shall be sold as a whole, with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out herein below.

The property herein above described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy the debt owed the Cross-Plaintiff, interest, costs, and out-standing taxes owned by the primary defendants, and the costs of this

action. The liens herein adjudged shall attach to the proceeds of said sale of the real estate in priority as follows: The Cross-Plaintiff is adjudged to have a first and superior lien (set) upon the herein above described real property. Any remaining proceeds shall be distributed in accordance with the Order of Sale.

Terms of Sale
(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2008, and

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

(e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter continued herein. The 8th day of April, 2009. WILLIAM S. KENDRICK, Master Commissioner, P.O. Box 268, Prestonburg, KY 41653. (606) 886-2312

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
This is to certify that the original was forwarded to the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, with true and correct copies of the foregoing duty mailed, postage prepaid, this 8th day of April, 2009.
Hon. Ronnie M. Slone, P.O. Box 909, Prestonburg, KY 41653
Hon. Jimmy C. Webb, 187 E. Court Street, Prestonburg, KY 41653
Hon. Robert L. Stafford Jr.

day of April, 2009, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Located Northwest of the adjacent to Bear Hollow, Floyd County, Kentucky. Any corner in this description listed as being marked by "iron pipe (set)" implies a 3/4x1/8 inch steel pipe (set) with a plastic cap marking the marking "KY LS1893".

Beginning at an iron pipe (set) on access road. Thence with the Hylton Hylton Development, (DB 442, pg 518) and Bear Hollow, South 54°35'20" West, 130.38 feet to an unmonumented point in Bear Hollow. Thence leaving Hall & Hylton and Bear Hollow and with lot 3, North 39°47'17" West, 27.02 feet to an iron pipe (set). Thence North 39°47'17" West, 60.60 feet, to an iron pipe (set). Thence with the access road and leaving lot 8, North 33°47'17" West, 97.57 feet, to the beginning, containing 12,037.36 sq. ft. (0.278 acres) as shown on Nesbitt Engineering, Inc. Drawing no. 3771 and recorded in Floyd County clerk files at map file no. This description was prepared by H.L. Baldridge, PLS 1893 on October 25, 2002. Being the same property conveyed to Lois Honeycutt, NO marital status given, from Hall &

COMMON WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I C.A. No. 08-CI-01529
Taylor, Dean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp. Plaintiff vs. Honeycutt Defendant
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE
BY VIRTUE OF Revised Final Judgment and Order of Sale, referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 3rd day of March, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$1,023,372.54, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 30th

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Development, Inc., by Deed Dated September 21, 2007, and recorded on September 25, 2007, in deed book 529, page 326, Office of The Floyd County Court Clerk.

Also conveyed with this property is CV07AL270727AB by virtue of an affidavit of conversion filed on October 29, 2007, in book MC 12, Page 87, Office of The Floyd County Court Clerk.

The subject real property cannot be divided without materially impairing its value and the value of the Cross-Plaintiff's lien hereon and shall be sold as a whole, with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out herein below.

The property herein above described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy the debt owed its Cross-Plaintiff, interest, costs, and out-standings in Commonwealth, County and City Ad Valorem taxes owed by the primary defendants, Cross-Plaintiffs attorney fees and the costs of this action.

The liens herein adjudged shall attach to the proceeds of said sale of the real estate in priority as follows:

The Cross-Plaintiff is adjudged to have a first and superior lien (subject only to any appropriate liens of the Floyd County, Kentucky, and sale fees and costs) upon the herein above described real property.

remaining proceeds shall be distributed in accordance with the Order of Sale.

Terms of Sale (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2008, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent city and county ad valorem taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to

pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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

This 8th day of April, 2009.

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK, Master Commissioner, P.O. Box 268, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606) 886-2812

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This is to certify that the original was forwarded to the Clerk, with true and correct copies of the foregoing duly prepared, this the 8th day of April, 2009.

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 856-0347, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Fld, Scott Depot, WV 25560 has applied for renewal of a permit for a surface and auger coal mining and reclamation operation located near Craynor in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 676.36 surface acres and will underlie 502.12 acres of auger, making a total area of 1178.48 within the permit boundary. The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 miles south from KY Route 979's junction with Dry Branch Road and

located within Dry Branch of Mud Creek, Mink Branch of Mud Creek, and at the head of Gap Fork of Needs Fork of Frasure Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by William Carter and Donna King, Maggie Hamilton, and Marie Clark, F.W. Newsom, Olivia Heirs, Melinda Hamilton, Roger and Shirley Paige, Hershel and Kathryn Tackett, Walker and Jeromia Tackett, Carmel Lee and Jack Tackett, Anthony and LuAnn Tackett, Audie Howell, Evan Howell, Randall and Flossie Hall, Sie and Betty Hall, Blaine and Zella Heirs, Melinda Hamilton, Loretta Rogers and Ellary Owens, Dinah and Jack Tackett, Anthony and LuAnn Tackett, Audie Howell, Evan Howell, and Flossie Hall, Sie and Betty Hall, Blaine and Zella Heirs, James and Annet Ambrose and Lina Howell Heirs, James and Sharon Paige, the area, contour and auger methods of surface mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 314 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of Permits, #12 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY COURT

DIVISION NO. 1
C.A. No. 06-CI-00686
Kentucky Fair Plan

Clark, F.W. Newsom, Olivia Heirs, Melinda Hamilton, Roger and Shirley Paige, Hershel and Kathryn Tackett, Walker and Jeromia Tackett, Carmel Lee and Jack Tackett, Anthony and LuAnn Tackett, Audie Howell, Evan Howell, Randall and Flossie Hall, Sie and Betty Hall, Blaine and Zella Heirs, Melinda Hamilton, Loretta Rogers and Ellary Owens, Dinah and Jack Tackett, Anthony and LuAnn Tackett, Audie Howell, Evan Howell, and Flossie Hall, Sie and Betty Hall, Blaine and Zella Heirs, James and Annet Ambrose and Lina Howell Heirs, James and Sharon Paige, the area, contour and auger methods of surface mining.

The parties to the case obtained their interests in the

foregoing tract of real property as follows: All references are to the Floyd County Clerk's Office, Mildred Reffitt by deed of record in the Deed Book 301, Page 304; Deed Book 496, Page 564; Deed Book 501, Page 89. The heirs of C.C. Reffitt obtained their interests by his Affidavit of Descent of record in Deed Book 215, Page 523. The heirs of Beverage Reffitt obtained their interests by Affidavit of Descent of record in Deed Book 313.

The above-described real property cannot be divided without materially impairing its value and therefore will be sold as a whole by the Master Commissioner of the Court, with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out herein below.

The property herein above described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy the debt owed its Cross-Plaintiff, interest, costs, and out-standings in Commonwealth, County and City Ad Valorem taxes owed by the primary defendants, Cross-Plaintiffs attorney fees and the costs of this action.

The liens herein adjudged shall attach to the proceeds of said sale of the real estate in priority as follows:

The Plaintiff, Kentucky Fair Plan, Mildred Reffitt, is adjudged to have a

first and superior lien (subject only to any appropriate liens of the Floyd County, Kentucky, and sale fees and costs) upon the herein above described real property.

Terms of Sale (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

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This 8th day of March, 2009.

William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner, P.O. Box 268, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606) 886-2812

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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

A desert star: Guayule

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

It's odd how the mind works, isn't it? A particular scent will take us back in time to something that happened decades ago, and a simple turn of phrase can instantly bring back the lyrics of a song from high school.

That's probably why, every time I hear the word "guayule" (pronounced "why-YOU-lee"), I automatically think, "Why not?" Because if there's any plant that seems less promising on the surface, but actually has amazing potential, I'd be hard-pressed to name it.

If you stumbled across guayule in the desert and confused it with sagebrush, that would be totally understandable, because the two plants look a little alike. Guayule has silvery, grayish-green leaves and yellow flowers, and blends right into its native territory of the Chihuahuan Desert of the southwestern United States and northern Mexico.

The scientists of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) have been giving guayule a close look for more than a decade now. In fact, in 1997 they licensed a patented process to make hypoallergenic latex from guayule.

Yes, you read that right; this desert plant is a source of high-quality natural rubber. Why is that important? It's because some 20 million Americans suffer from latex allergies that can be triggered by using latex gloves, condoms or other natural rubber products. The symptoms can range from a rash to life-threatening anaphylactic shock.

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POISON OAK

Cartwright's game

by CLYDE PACK

I sometimes wonder how we'd have spent those long hot eastern Kentucky summer days, back in the mid-1940s, if it hadn't been for Alexander Cartwright.

Of course, while we enjoyed the fruits of his creative thinking, since he didn't live in Muddy Branch, none of us had ever heard of him. Yet, without knowing it,

we spent hours on end playing the game he invented back in 1846, in a far-off place called New York City.

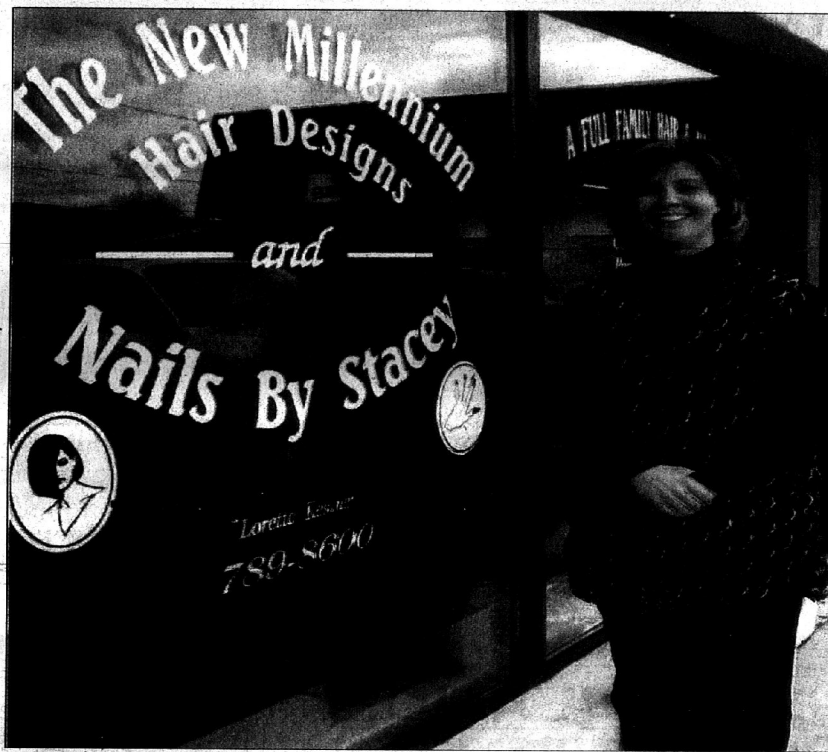


Clyde Pack

Cartwright's game comes to mind every year, around his time, as children, some very young, and some very old, again become involved with baseball. And just as sure as this spring will turn into summer, just as it was with us coal-camp kids, back in the days before Little League and T-ball, the game will once again be played. Except now days, it'll be played on manicured diamonds, under lights, and surrounded by bleachers and concession stands. The participants will now be decked in fancy uniforms and equipped with paraphernalia purchased with plastic by parents, who feel they're merely investing in their children's future, as their skills will no doubt propel them to college scholarships and professional careers. Hopefully, somewhere along the way, the kids will have half as much fun as we had some 60 years ago.

When we'd skin the grass off the infield and really take the time to pick

(See OAK, page five)



LORETTA KESTNER

Climbing Mountains, Chasing Stars

by SANDRA SAAD
BSCTC FACULTY

Success is a journey, not a destination. It's a quote we often see on motivational posters or desktop doodads. But for Loretta Kestner (or Retty Lynn, to those who know her best), it's a quote that summarizes her ten-year professional progress from graduating cosmetology student to small-business owner.

In 1994, as the single mother of two pre-school daughters, Loretta decided to enroll in the cosmetology program on the Mayo Campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College. Before that decision, Loretta had just been bouncing from one job to another or juggling multiple part-time jobs in an effort to put together a full-time wage. She had worked in a factory, as a waitress, in fast-food, and photography but she was interested in something a little more stable. Since she enjoyed working with people and enjoyed styling hair, she thought she might just combine the two by pursuing her cosmetology license. That decision, however, did not make the path any easier.

During her two years of training, Loretta became pregnant with her third child and her boyfriend's sister was tragically killed in a car wreck. Exhausted from her studies, part-time employment, and laden with morning sickness, Loretta admits that at one point during her education she "got to feeling sorry" for herself and missed four days of school, electing to just stay home. She didn't actually plan to quit her studies, she just didn't have the energy to get up and

go... until her professor, Vanessa McKenzie, paid her a surprise visit.

Loretta laughs when she remembers the visit. "She (McKenzie) got one of the students who knew where I lived to drive her to my house," she recalls. "She asked me what I thought I was doing and told me to get my butt back in school."

"I could have killed that student," Loretta notes with a laugh, but then adds: "If Vanessa hadn't encouraged and pushed me, I would not have finished school." And when Loretta and her boyfriend, Wilbur Kestner, got married prior to Loretta's graduation from the cosmetology program, Vanessa McKenzie and her students pooled their money together to purchase a two-night stay for a honeymoon in Tennessee. "Now, not many instructors would do that," Loretta asserts.

While graduation was a milestone for Loretta, it was not an instant ticket to success. Getting your license is a two-step process, she explained. You have to get the education and pass a state board exam and then you have to serve as an apprentice for six months before taking a second exam to get your license. And that's just the beginning, because becoming a successful stylist requires building a clientele, and that takes time.

"There were times I was just taking home \$50 a week," Loretta admits. "After her husband was seriously injured on the job (eventually requiring seven surgeries and extensive physical therapy before he could return to work), Loretta found herself once again being forced to piece together some part-time jobs in order to support the family.

Once Loretta's husband was able to return to

work, she was able to devote more time to building her client base, while juggling a fourth pregnancy and helping out during her parents' illnesses. When the owner of New Millennium decided to put her shop up for sale, she gave Loretta the option to buy and Loretta's sister and dad pitched in financially to make the purchase possible. In June 2006, Loretta became the owner of Retty Lynn's (New Millennium) on Broadway in Paintsville, nearly 10 years after graduating from Mayo's cosmetology program.

Loretta understands that she's still on her journey. Since purchasing the business she gave birth to a fifth child, continues to work 40 to 60 hours a week, and provides a location from which other hair stylists can work while building their own clientele. Despite the professional demands on her time, she keeps her focus on family and keeps up with her busy schedule with the help of her two teenage daughters, assistance from her stepmother and dad, and comfort from her faith. "I do get overwhelmed sometimes," she admits, "but I'm a Christian and the Lord helps me."

"I love working with people," she adds, "and I like doing hair. One nice client can make your day." It has been a long journey from cosmetology student to small business owner, but Loretta Kestner would not claim to have reached her destination. As a business owner, hair stylist, wife, daughter and mother to five children, ranging in age from 17 years to 21 months, Loretta is still traveling her journey, struggling to juggle the many demands of her varied roles... but success is like that.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Strides: Lions Walk for Diabetes Awareness
The first annual Strides: Lions Walk for Diabetes Awareness will be held at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park on April 25 at 9 a.m. A \$10 donation to "Kentucky Lions District 43Y" is suggested. Net proceeds will benefit Camp Hendon, a camp for children with diabetes.

Jenny Wiley 3528, AARP to conduct April meeting at E. Ky. Science Center
Jenny Wiley Chapter 3528, AARP, will hold its April meeting at the East Kentucky Science Center on Tuesday, April 21, and will be treated to a Sherlock Holmes exhibit, followed by a planetarium program. The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. (note the new time), and all members and friends are encouraged to attend.

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.

Betsy Layne High School class reunions, Sat., June 20
Betsy Layne High School Reunion classes of the 1930s, 1940s, 1950s, and 1960s will be Saturday, June 20th. Call for additional information, Joe Hinchman, 859-373-0518, or Marvin Williamson, 606-478-3310.

Indoor Bike Show and Swap meet
Sponsored by East Kentucky Chapter Brothers of the Wheel MC, Saturday, May 2, at Prestonsburg National Guard Armory, at 4 p.m. Proceeds go to help benefit local veterans. For more information, contact: Biker Bo, 874-3376 or Deano, 606-297-3561.

Middle Creek Auxiliary "Clothes giveaway"
Sponsored by Middle Creek Womens 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: Pearl Faye Holbrook, 886-8481; Terri Dickerson, 889-0123, after 2:30 p.m.

Joyous Junk sale May 8th and 9th
All proceeds go toward the home repair fund. Located at the Auxier Center, 21 South River Street. For more information, call 606-886-0709.

Memory disorder patients Education series planned
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. Presenters: Greg Jicha, MD, PhD and staff of the UK Alzheimer's Disease Center

and the Alzheimer's Association. The program is on Thursday, April 23, from 6:30-8 p.m., at the Pikeville Medical Library, Brenda Burgess, 606-437-3931.

* Ask the experts: a general Q & A for your issues!
* Our expert panel includes expertise in neurology, psychiatry, social work and the experts at the Alzheimer's Association. 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.

Lunch 'n Learn: Understanding Alzheimer's Disease
Understanding Alzheimer's Disease is a free education program that will provide an overview of the warning signs of Alzheimer's disease, how to get an appropriate diagnosis and treatment options available. Lunch provided. Registration required. Presenter: Naveed Ahmed, MD. Location: Pike County Extension Office, 148 Trivette Drive, Pikeville, April 29, 12 p.m.-1 p.m. Call 1-800-272-3900 to register for this free presentation; to inquire about other education opportunities; to speak with a trained helping specialist; or to become a volunteer.

An Evening of Gospel Music at Mountain Arts Center
An evening of gospel music featuring the Barrett Family and the McKameys will be held on Saturday, May 2, at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg, at 7 p.m. For ticket information, contact 1-888-622-2787.

"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 on bike shuffle. 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.

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

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

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

registration fees; all classes and materials are free.

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

Highlands Regional Medical Center Community Calendar April 2009
GED Classes
April 15th, 20th, 22nd, 27th, 29th
Floyd Room, Highlands Regional Medical Center, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

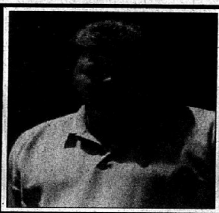
GED Classes
April 14th, 21st, 28th
Floyd Room, Highlands Regional Medical Center, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Diabetes Education
April 18th
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Blood Drive

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.

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:

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RESOLUTION
IN MEMORY OF O. T. (TRIGG) DORTON
June 15, 1920-February 18, 2009

WHEREAS, O. T. "Trigg" Dorton served on the Consolidated Health Systems, Inc. d/b/a Highlands Health System Board of Directors from December, 1984-October, 1993, and,

WHEREAS, O. T. "Trigg" Dorton served on the Highlands Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees from May 21, 1976-October 25, 1999, and thereafter was designated as Trustee Emeritus, and,

WHEREAS, that in the passing of Mr. Dorton, the Directors and Trustees, the Medical Center, and the community at large has lost a dear and loyal friend, and,

WHEREAS, due to the generosity of time devoted to Highlands and the years of leadership from Mr. Dorton, the Medical Center has become a quality healthcare provider, serving Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, and Martin Counties, and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Highlands Health System and the Trustees of Highlands Regional Medical Center, pays tribute to Trigg Dorton and acknowledges his years of dedicated service to Highlands and the community we serve, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, that a scholarship be established in memory of Mr. Dorton at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent records of Highlands Health System and Highlands Regional Medical Center, and that a copy thereof be delivered to Mr. Dorton's family with the Board's deepest sympathy, and that it be published in the local newspapers.

This resolution unanimously approved by the Highlands Health System Board of Directors and the Highlands Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees.

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Burt Wells Spurlock, Chairman

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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago (April 9 and 14, 1999)

Its that time of the year. Time to bring out the new. The Kentucky Opry is kicking off a new season at its Spring Flng, April 16, at 7:30 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. Tomorrow is the official opening for the Kentucky History Center in Frankfort. A parade, ribbon-cutting ceremony, arts and crafts demonstrations, cha-cha performances, a laser light show, and performances by the Lexington Philharmonic and the Kentucky Headhunters are all on the agenda.

The severe thunderstorms that roared through Floyd County yesterday, hit hardest at Allen. Several residents and businesses, and the trailer of Anna Bentley suffered damages, when the strong winds ripped out the windows and blew the house furnishings around inside the trailer.

A simple form to document problems with pagers was distributed to the county's emergency personnel at the Wednesday evening meeting of the Floyd County 911 Advisory Council.

May Bv Howell, of Wayland, received a smoke detector from Jane Bond educator of the Floyd County Health Department and Carol Holbrook director, this week. The smoke detectors are being distributed free of charge at the health department.

Long-time Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson is being sued in Floyd Circuit Court by Robert Joseph, a former emergency medical technician, on a series of charges, including slander.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission is apparently considering the possibility of adding a new telephone area code in the 606 region. The 606 region is scheduled to run out of numbers by the fourth quarter of 2000, according to figures from Lockheed-Martin.

The Floyd County Spring Cleanup got an extra boost on Wednesday as state and local officials kicked off a drive to update the Adopt-A-Highway program. Dan Hall of the state Transportation Cabinet met with county and city officials Wednesday, as the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center adopted the section of KY 3, from the traffic lights to the Marathon station at Brandy Key.

The area's inventory of type "O" blood has dropped below normal levels, and donations are greatly needed, according to the Central Kentucky Blood Center.

While Bill Dotson, 911 coordinator for the county is heartened by the number of people interested in knowing their correct 911 addresses, he isn't ready to verify the listings just yet.

When federal Bureau of Prisons staff visit Floyd County, next week, to talk about jobs that will be available at the United States Penitentiary—Big Sandy, they'll have lots to discuss—more than 200 jobs in several categories, with wages ranging from \$19,000 to more than \$45,000 per year.

Duff Elementary students learned recently that PRIDE is more than just picking up garbage. It is also about learning the importance of keeping the environment clean.

After Hurricane George passed through Puerto Rico, last Saturday, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) sent out requests to the American Red Cross and US Army Corps of Engineers districts for volunteers to report to the island. Beverly Goble of Prestonsburg, Lake Project Assistant at Dewey Lake, was one of the first to volunteer, and was deployed to the island.

The citizens of Allen who were in the path of the severe winds of last Thursday's storm, are

getting things back to normal

There died: Albert Hackworth, 85, of David, Wednesday, April 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Anna Hicks Daniels, 88, of Monroe, Ohio, formerly of Garrett, Tuesday, April 6, at Pine Crest Nursing Home; Mabel Bolen, 78, of Ft. Pierce, Florida, formerly of Harold, Monday, April 5, at her residence; Elizabeth Caudill, 58, of Martin, Friday, April 9, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington; Johnnie Hackworth, 78, of Auxier, Friday, April 9, at his residence; Quanda Hughes, 63, of Langley, Tuesday, April 8, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; Edgar E. (Red) Wright, 70, of Martin, Sunday, April 11, at his residence; Steve Jacob, 61, of Pipa Passes, Thursday, April 8, at his residence; Bobby Rollins, 67, of Owenton, Thursday, April 8, at the V.A. Hospital in Lexington; Mike J. Glavaris, 75, of Coal Run Village, April 9, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; Archie Moore, 77, of Bypro, Sunday, April 11, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Ray Ratliff, 77, of Elkhorn City, Saturday, April 10, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Gladys C. Powell, 87, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, April 7, at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Roxie Ann Riley, 73, of Beattyville, formerly of Knott County, Sunday, April 11, at her residence; Delmar Rowe, 65, of Prestonsburg, Monday, April 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Lisa Strange Wadley, 92, of Bypro, Saturday, April 10, in the Paul B. Hall Medical Center; Anna Combs Rice, 70, of Mousie, April 1, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

Twenty Years Ago (April 12, 1989)

One of the largest buildings in Maytown (Langley) burned early Monday morning, turning a town landmark to ashes in a matter of hours.

Raddie Sue McQuate of McDowell said she has played every day since the Kentucky Lottery opened on April 4, and, exactly one week from the day the first ticket was sold, McQuate won \$5,000 in the DreamStakes game.

An advertisement in USA Today's March Travel guide supplement has netted 722 initial requests for information about Floyd County and Jenny Wiley Summer Music Theatre, from persons in the national newspaper's regional edition.

There died: Ralph Adkins, 67, former Ivel resident, March 30, in Colorado; Cora Lee Elswick, 84, of Hi Hat, April 4, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Margaret Marie Hamilton, 13, of Hueysville, April 5, in Hazard; Nora Ellen Howard, 67, of Hueysville, April 7, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; John Melvin Johnson, 67, of Martin, April 10, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Jossie Noble Jones, 83, of McDowell, April 10, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Kellie Nolan, 72, of Hippo, April 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Dolly Faye Ousley, 53, of Prestonsburg, April 6, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center; Clarence Sadler, 77, of Harold, April 6, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; and Cecil Salisbury, 66, formerly of Hunter, April 5, in Georgia.

Thirty Years Ago (April 11, 1979)

With the possible exception of its golf course, construction at the Floyd County Fair at Allen is expected to be completed this year.

Because of a budget deficit, the Floyd County Board of Education is notifying non-tenure teachers that they will probably not be rehired.

The Prestonsburg Housing Authority received conditional approval from the Housing and Urban Development Administration (HUD) for the proposed 95 units of multi-family housing at Cliff.

The April court term grand jury called for action by the fiscal court, and other county officials, toward remedying three situations—the obstruction of highways by abandoned junk vehicles; the large number of stray dogs running at large; and the continuing garbage situation.

The Wednesday deadline for candidates to file for office passed, with the addition of only one candidate to the list locally. Turner Lafferty, who filed for county judge executive on the Democratic ballot, was the new entry.

There died: Gary Howell, 9, Prestonsburg, at the Paintsville Hospital; Hazel Hall, 28, Eastern, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center; Garland (Buddy) Johnson, 30, Prestonsburg, at his home; Adam Jacobs, Fairborn, Ohio, formerly of Wayland, in Fairborn; Earn Salyers, 84, Brainard, en route to his home; Ella Rea May, Eric, Okla., formerly of Floyd County, at an Amarillo, Texas, hospital; Frances E. Hackworth, 66, Garrett, Sunday, April 8; Lola M. Fugate, 70, Falls of Rough, formerly of Floyd County, at a Hardinsburg nursing home; Willis Akers, 39, Indianapolis, Ind., formerly of Banner, at Indianapolis Community Hospital; Mary Collins Johnson, 76, Wales, formerly of Floyd County, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Italy Spears, 63, Honaker, at Riverview Nursing Home; Martha Stephens Rose, 74, Prestonsburg, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Cleo E. Carpenter, 78, Lexington, formerly of Stanville, at Central Baptist Hospital; Grace Logan, 80, Ashland, formerly of Floyd County, in Ashland.

Forty Years Ago (April 10, 1969)

Kentland-Elkhorn Coal Company, this week, paid its \$15,000 fine—the largest ever imposed through a Kentucky Pollution Control Commission action—for pollution of a tribu-

tary of the Big Sandy River in Pike County, and the success there led Floyd County conservationists to consider, all over again, the situation on the head of John's Creek.

When the Floyd Circuit Court convened, Monday morning, Circuit Judge Hollie Conley told a small gathering that the criminal docket is so slim that some civil cases will be booked for trial in order to fill out the work schedule of the term. He pointed out that law violations in the county are at an all-time low, with not a murder case docketed, and only one homicide for the grand jury to investigate.

The Martin Municipal Housing Commission expects to ask contractors' bids, within the next 10 days, on construction of a five-story structure which will house 32 low-rent, housing units. Estimated cost of the project, including the site, is \$600,000.

Congressional staff members and representatives of the U.S. Bureau of the Budget and Office of Education, with Health and Welfare specialists, conducted a pilot "traveling seminar" in Floyd and other eastern Kentucky counties, this week, to get an on-the-spot look at the programs financed mainly by federal funds.

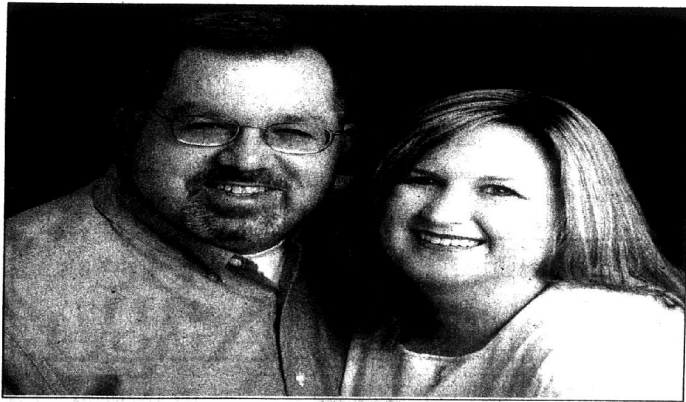
Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Monday, of Findlay, Ohio, a son, Chad Christopher. Mrs. Monday was formerly from Prestonsburg; to Mr. and Mrs. William Miller, a son, David Todd; to Mr. and Mrs. James P. Allen, a son, James Kenneth.

There died: Mrs. Queenie Smith, 47, of Wheelwright, at McDowell Hospital; Mrs. Martha Howell, 75, Prestonsburg, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Thomas Harold Ensminger, 62, at his home in Briarwood Addition; Clarence McKenzie, 43, of West Prestonsburg, at home.

Fifty Years Ago (April 16, 1959)

Legal action will be taken, if necessary, to stop Big Sandy River pollution by coal and coal washings. One of the factors complicating enforcement on the Big Sandy is that mines in Virginia have been, perhaps still are, polluting the streams. This poses an inter-state problem. Tightening lines of the struggle between the United Mine Workers and the coal and lamp

(See YESTERDAYS, page four)



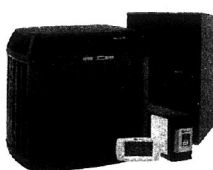
Tim and Cathy Steffey, of Allen, would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming wedding of their daughter, Ginger Nichols Hall to Bobby Dwayne Osborne. Ginger is also the daughter of Jeff and Evelyn Hall, of Stanville. She is currently employed as a registered nurse at Fresenius Medical Care of North America in Pike County. Dwayne is the son of Bob and Klora Osborne, of Allen. He is currently employed as a paramedic at Transstar of Knott County. The couple plan to exchange vows on May 16, at 5:30 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church of Prestonsburg located on Burke Ave.



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Calendar

Education series for family members and friends of those who suffer from memory disorders. All programs are on Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

July 23, 2009
Dying with dignity: Late-stage dementia care and end-of-life issues

Palliative medical and spiritual 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.

Auxiliary 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 Hope, 1601 Airport Road, Inez. Call 606-298-0520 for information.

Free Bible Lessons Write to: Bible Way Outreach Ministry, P.O. Box 371, Kingsport, TN 37664. Lessons completely free of charge to all interested.

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Need Help With Home Repairs?

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

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

Need help with addiction?

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

following schedule:
Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.

Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.

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

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

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

Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
For more information, call Shirley Combs at (606) 434-8400, or Tom Nelson at (606) 478-2836.

Hope in the Mountains

Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Water Gap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church. Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society. Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

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

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

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

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

'Earn While You Learn'

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

Senior employment program

Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money for the job or in raising a family. Get back into the workforce? If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

External Diploma Program
Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in Helma, 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.

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 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 Thursdays 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 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

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

'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.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Owned
- 4 Small ammunition
- 7 Barber's sweepings
- 11 Greek vowels
- 13 PC keyboard key
- 14 Vortex
- 15 Memorization method
- 16 As well
- 17 Got up
- 18 Salmon offspring
- 20 Soft drink flavor
- 22 Descartes' conclusion
- 24 Column
- 28 Feature of old clothes washers
- 32 Bring out
- 33 — Kong
- 34 Bath location
- 36 Without (French)
- 37 Joshua tree, e.g.
- 39 Sumptuous feast
- 41 Elevator alternative
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- 44 Coral structure
- 46 Dance in 3/4 time
- 50 Harmonization, for short

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Yesterdays

operators of eastern Kentucky, were drawn toward a showdown fight, Wednesday, when a third party, the L&N Railway, sought a federal court order against the miners to prevent interference with the shipment of coal.

Kentuckians will ask Congress, next week, to add an additional \$24,000 to the federal budget to complete survey and planning for Fishtrap Reservoir on the Big Sandy. The proposed budget now calls for only \$200,000.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Gene H. Boyd, Wheeling, W.Va., their third child, on April 12, at a Wheeling hospital; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Conley Jr., of Louisville, their second son, Robert Milton, on March 31, at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville. They formerly lived in Prestonsburg; Mr. and Mrs. William Hardin, a son, William Russell Jr. Mrs. Hardin is the former Mary Lou Parker, of Brainard.

There died: Thomas Roach, 79, Garrett, formerly of France, at Pikeville Hospital; Mrs. Bertha McKenzie, 73, of Nippa, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Dora A. Hubbard, 74, of Auxier, at home; T.K. Johnstone, 69, Betsy Layne, at home; Mrs. Jenny Kremer, 71, of Hippo, at Beaver Valley Hospital; Mrs. Phoebe C. Conley, 89, at her home at Handshoe.

Sixty Years Ago

(April 14, 1949)

The Prestonsburg General Hospital purchased, Saturday, from Mayor E.P. Arnold, the Auxier Hotel and the old Arnold Funeral Home building on First Avenue for future conversion into hospital property. Amount involved in the transaction was not revealed. The property will afford 40 hospital rooms with 20 baths.

This week, 35 eastern Kentucky leaders in the fight for Big Sandy River canalization had returned home from Washington, where they urged on all members of congress the importance of the project.

Applause of an enthusiastic audience awarded Dunbar Scott, pianist from Wheelwright, top honors among 19 acts in the finals of the county-wide amateur contests conducted in the Prestonsburg grade school auditorium, Thursday night.

There died: Mrs. Mildred Underwood, 71, Martin, at Beaver Valley Hospital; Charles Lumpkins, 71, at his home at Martin; Daniel B. Hicks, 51, at his home at Wayland; Mrs. Eliza Elam Patrick, 42, of Hi Hat, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Mrs. Prudie Cox, 31, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Slone, of Mousie, at St. Edwards Hospital, New Albany, Ind.; Mrs. Exer Ward Harris, 88, at her home near Lancer.

Seventy Years Ago

(April 13, 1939)

As coal wage contract negotiators remained

deadlocked in New York, and approximately 6,000 miners were idle in this county for the second week, growing uneasiness prevails over the situation which finds workers with only the possibility of store credit and unemployment compensation affording them the bare necessities. Throughout the country's bituminous fields, 338,000 mine workers are idle.

Outright purchase of road machinery by the county on option from the Wilson Machinery Company and the Brandeis Machinery Company, was ordered by the fiscal court at its meeting last week.

Work on Prestonsburg's model grade school building is expected to be resumed within the next week; it was said, after \$55,000 worth of bonds of the Prestonsburg School Corporation were sold last week to supply the sponsor's contribution to the project. The building will be constructed by WPA labor at an estimated cost of \$200,000.

Though assigned a quota of only 71 C.C.C. enrollees, Floyd County sent 80 youths to Kentucky camps to supply their quotas.

There died: Mrs. Juanita Branham, 20, Weeksby, at Stumbo Hospital; Elijah Conley, 80, Lackey, at Stumbo Hospital; Alex Elliott, 82, Dwaite, at the home of a daughter; Ike Bradley, Dema, 94, at his home.



The Order of the Eastern Star, Hadassah 575, of Martin, held a community Easter Egg Hunt on April 4, at the Elk Horn Recreational Park. Free food and prizes were provided for all in attendance.



The Big Sandy Singers from Big Sandy Community and Technical College will perform at Hillbilly Days on Friday at 4:15 p.m. at the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center Stage, outside of the Main Street entrance, downtown Pikeville. The stage, sponsored by TubeFi Studios, will be host to the group, as well as other performers throughout the day. The Big Sandy Singers will perform a mix of pop, country, and gospel and will feature Big Sandy Idol winners as guest performers as well as Jeremy Dempsey. Pictured are the Singers (from left) Rhonda Alley, Lindsey Small, Caleb Tackett, Sherrill Scott; Assist. Dir. Clayton Case, Erin Conroy, Dustin Newsome, Candace Preece, Brennan Case, Sarah Adams, and Director Laura Ford Hall. Technical Director Timothy Cooley not pictured.

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Science

This allergic reaction is triggered by proteins in rubber from the Brazilian rubber tree *Hevea brasiliensis*. Tens of thousands of products are made from Hevea rubber, including a whole range of medical products including catheters and surgical gloves. Products made from guayule rubber could offer a safe alternative for Hevea allergy sufferers.

More recently, the ARS scientists took a look at guayule as a source of plywood-like boards that could resist attack by voracious termites and microbes. The idea is to form

the guayule leftovers into something similar to plywood or particle board.

In tests, the ARS scientists combined components of guayule plants with recycled plastic containers used originally for milk or water. The result was a composite material that resists insects and microbial damage. This guayule-composite board might replace a variety of woods now used in floor, wall and roof construction in homes and offices.

The scientists say the guayule leftovers also can be processed into resin for protecting wooden buildings, boats, decks and outdoor furniture. They found that pine blocks impregnated with the guayule resin resisted termite and wood-rot damage. Earlier U.S. Navy tests had shown that guayule resin applied to wooden piers thwarted several types of termites and marine borers.

This wouldn't be an "either-or" situation, because the guayule composite board and

resin are made from the brownish-white slurry that's left over after the guayule stems and leaves have been ground up to extract the latex.

Now, pardon me if I've saved the best for last, but the latest word from the ARS scientists is that guayule could also be an economical, environmentally friendly source of energy! They say the bioenergy can be made from the ground-up stems and branches after the guayule's latex has been removed. These leftovers—a soft, light brown sawdust-like material called bagasse—can provide about 8,000 to 9,000 Btu per pound, which is about the same as charcoal.

ARS scientists in California have already made small amounts of ethanol from guayule, and an ARS scientist in Pennsylvania is looking into turning guayule bagasse into bio-oil or synthetic gas.

This could be a real win-win setup, because guayule isn't a food or feed crop, so using it

for energy doesn't mean that anyone or anything will go hungry. And its bagasse and latex are available year-round; the only other biofuel feedstock for which that's true is municipal solid waste.

Also, guayule grows in hot, dry spots where many other biofuel crops won't grow well. It requires less fertilizer than other crops produced in the desert Southwest, and the only herbicides needed are when the plants are first getting established. The shrubs can be harvested for the first time as soon as two years after planting, and every 18 months or so after that.

So now you can probably understand why I automatically think, "Guayule? Why not?"

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

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Oak

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up the rocks, and when we could find enough discarded lumber and chicken wire to build a backstop, we really had a dandy ball diamond in the school house bottom. To be sure, it was no Yankee Stadium, but it was more than sufficient for the rag-tag bunch we were.

We'd gather after supper on those long summer evenings, without uniforms, without coaches, without umpires, and most importantly, without some adult calling us names and threatening to take us home because we let a grounder skip between our legs.

We'd choose up sides, flip wet and dry for bats, and sometimes, we'd even have seven or eight, or even 10 or 12 on a side. Occasionally, we'd have four or five real baseball gloves, too, that we'd take turns using. Of course, we always made sure the first baseman and catcher had one.

If the ball got wet in the creek, that in some places ran swift and deep, no more than 15 feet behind home plate, one of us would take it home at the end of the day, and bake it in the oven. If the cover came off (which most of the time it did) we'd take a roll of that black tape that miners always had in vast quantities around the house, and we'd tape it really good. It wasn't by any means as good as new, but a black baseball was better than no baseball.

And, according to historians, had not Alexander Cartwright come along, no baseball is exactly what we'd have had 60 years ago, and probably even now.

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