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briefs

Grant funds available to fire depts.

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Division of Forestry is currently accepting grant applications for the 2009 Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant Program. The objective of the program is to improve the capability and effectiveness of Kentucky's rural volunteer fire departments to protect lives and property. This will be accomplished through organizing, training, and equipping local firefighters for fire protection in rural areas, including communities of 10,000 persons or less. Funding for the grants range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and will be awarded on a 50/50 matching basis. The grantees must match the amount awarded by providing at least 50 percent of the total project cost through cash reimbursement or in-kind service.

Eligible items that can be purchased with grant funds include training materials, pumps, hoses, tanks, small fire suppression equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE) such as Nomex, fire shelters, gloves, lights, etc. For more information about eligibility and program objectives, contact the division at 1-800-866-

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High: 87 • Low: 58

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GRAND UNVEILING



Equitable Resources President and CEO Murry Gerber shared the scissors with Gov. Steve Beshear during a ribbon-cutting announcing the completion of a 70-mile gas pipeline project that Gerber calls a "big milestone" in seeing Kentucky become energy independent.

Officials say pipeline will lead to energy independence

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

MIDDLE CREEK — Two years after a groundbreaking ceremony for the project held in Louisa, the ribbon was cut for the Equitrans Big Sandy Pipeline in Middle Creek Thursday.

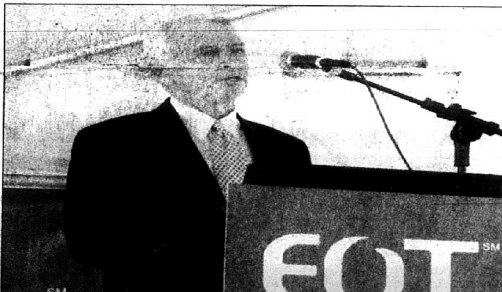
Local and state officials, as well as a number of representatives from Equitable Resources, announced the pipeline as operational Thursday, calling the completion of the project a "milestone" toward energy independence for Kentucky.

"This line will run gas from Prestonsburg to Grayson basically," said Equitable President and CEO Murry Gerber. "It will allow enough gas for 400,000 homes or electricity to about 1 million. And that's U.S. energy. With this project we have taken a big milestone toward energy independence in Kentucky."

The line is a 20-inch pipeline running approximately 70 miles from Langley in Floyd County through Johnson and Lawrence counties, allowing producers to transport gas every day of the year.

Gov. Steve Beshear was on hand for the announcement Thursday, touting the fact that the pipeline now allows Kentuckians to use locally produced gas.

"These days everybody wants locally made products," Beshear



Gov. Steve Beshear spoke Thursday at the ribbon cutting for the Equitrans Big Sandy Pipeline, a now completed pipeline that runs locally produced natural gas 70 miles from Prestonsburg to Grayson for use in some 400,000 homes.

said. "The question is why not also use locally produced natural gas."

Beshear said he believes Kentucky can rely on locally produced natural gas 100 percent by 2025.

"With the wealth of natural resources energy independence is a real possibility for us," continued Beshear, adding that the pipeline would help to both save money and to protect from supply interrup-

tions.

Speaker of the House Greg Stumbo and Sen. Johnny Ray Turner also spoke during the ceremony, with Stumbo calling the opening of the pipeline an "historic day" and saying that Eastern Kentucky was clearly "a leader in making our state energy independent."

(See PIPELINE, page eight)

Family still reeling after verdict overturned

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

GRETHEL — Shock.

That was Clara Tackett's first reaction to news that Dwayne Bishop would receive a new trial after being found guilty of murdering her daughter nearly a decade ago.

"I was shocked," Tackett said earlier this week. "I was just shocked about the whole thing. I don't know what's going to happen. I just know he's trying to get out."

Kentucky's Supreme Court overturned Bishop's conviction earlier this year.

Bishop was given a new trial based on the denial of a motion asking that the 49-year-old be allowed to act as co-counsel in his case. He contended that his counsel then, Harolyn Howard, should be disqualified because she was expected to be called as a material witness in the case.

Following that request, Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill denied the motion, saying that Bishop could either act as sole counsel or have counsel but that he could not act as co-counsel.

The Supreme Court has now said that Bishop could have acted as co-counsel, reversing the conviction and granting a new trial.

For Clara Tackett, that means something

(See SHOCK, page eight)

Roads seen as prime target for stimulus

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — County officials are still unsure exactly how much stimulus money could be heading into their coffers, but some have said the money should be used first and foremost for repairing and paving roads.

"We're in dire need," said Jackie Edford Owens, District 2 magistrate. "The biggest part of this should be used for blacktopping."

Owens' district has the largest amount of roads of the four districts that make up Floyd County, with most of those rural roads that have long needed attention, he said.

Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall said last week he still has no definite figure for how much money the county could

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Perry man gets 8 years for manslaughter

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Eric Reed, originally charged with murder for the 2007 death of Stephanie McDaniels, a passenger in Reed's automobile at the time of an accident, pleaded guilty to an amended charge of second-degree manslaughter in Floyd Circuit Court on Thursday.

Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill, selected as special judge for the case, sentenced Reed, the son of Perry County Commonwealth's Attorney

Teresa Reed, to eight years of hard labor as part of the plea agreement.

Reed, 27, rear-ended a truck near the Knott and Perry county line. The accident killed McDaniels, 33, and seriously injured Reed, who had to be airlifted to Holston Valley Medical Center, in Kingsport, Tenn.

Reed was under the influence of marijuana at the time of the crash and traveling at a high rate of speed.

Reed's attorney, Terry Jacobs, read a statement from his client at the sen-

(See SENTENCE, page eight)



Eric Reed, the son of Perry County Commonwealth's Attorney Teresa Reed, was sentenced to eight years of hard labor on Thursday in Floyd Circuit Court, after pleading guilty to the charge of second-degree manslaughter. Reed was originally charged with murder in the automobile crash that killed Stephanie McDaniels, a passenger in his car.

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Obituaries

Delmar Roy Baldridge

Delmar Roy Baldridge, age 78, of Prestonsburg, passed away Monday, April 20, 2009. Born March 31, 1931, he was the son of the late Nelson and Hazel Music Baldridge. He is survived by his wife, Lillian Montgomery Baldridge.

Other survivors include two sons: Mark Baldridge of Lexington, and Delmar Phillip Baldridge of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Gene Baldridge of Ashland, and Harold (Bud) Baldridge of Prestonsburg; four sisters: Patty Spradlin, Bonnie Hughes and Hattie Howard, all of Prestonsburg; Barbara Meek of Staffordsville; and five grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Ray Baldridge.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 25, at 11 a.m., at the Little Paint Church of God, with burial to follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, with Wayne Burch officiating.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., Saturday, April 25, at the church.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Little Paint First Church of God Building fund, by calling the Phelps & Son Funeral Home of Paintsville, 606-789-8989.

Arrangements are under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home, in Paintsville.

(Paid obituary)

Mary Magalene Smith Buehrer

Mary Magalene Smith Buehrer, age 74, of Pedro, Ohio, formerly of Garrett, the widow of John Buehrer, died Tuesday, April 21, 2009, in King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland. She was born January 8, 1935, in Floyd County, the daughter of the late Ben and Susie Shepherd Smith. She was the owner and operator of Reliance Printing Company, and attended the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include three daughters: Patricia Francis of Pedro, Ohio, Alma Kay Samons of Martin, and Mary Elizabeth Setser of Prestonsburg; a brother, Vester Smith of Orland, Indiana; four sisters: Mac Rawhoof of Providence, Elizabeth Smith and Shirley Collins, both of Garrett, and Nancy Sartin of Wheelwright; 11 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Rita Stone; and a brother, Chester Smith.

Funeral services for Mary Magalene Smith Buehrer were conducted Thursday, April 23, at 1 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Randy Osborne officiating.

Burial was in the Smith Family Cemetery, in Garrett, with Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)



Pike County high school students involved in Upward Bound at Pikeville College recently toured Eastern Kentucky University, Berea College and Georgetown College. While in Lexington, students also visited the Kentucky Horse Park. The Pikeville College Upward Bound Program is an outreach program for high school students in Pike, Floyd and Martin counties. The goal of the Upward Bound Program is to instill in students the importance of completing a post-secondary degree after graduating from high school. Upward Bound helps students learn about campus life before attending college. High school seniors earn six Pikeville College credit hours through Upward Bound before entering the school of their choice. To learn more about the Upward Bound program at Pikeville College, call (606) 218-5707 or e-mail upwardbound@pc.edu.

Rogers recognizes volunteers who helped state recover from ice storm

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Rep. Harold "Hal" Rogers announced this week that the House of Representatives has passed a resolution recognizing the thousands of volunteers who helped Kentucky respond and recover from the Ice Storm of January 2009.

Cosponsored by the entire Kentucky congressional delegation, H.Res. 214, passed unanimously on Tuesday.

Rogers made the following remarks in support of these remarkable individuals:

"Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the countless number of volunteers who made a difference and helped the Commonwealth of Kentucky recover from the devastating ice storm of January 2009.

"On January 26, 2009, the Commonwealth of Kentucky suffered a catastrophic ice storm that left more than 700,000 homes and businesses without electricity, and tragically claimed the lives of over 30 Kentuckians. This is the worst natural disaster in the history of the Bluegrass State. "Together, state and local

municipalities organized relief efforts by coordinating volunteer agencies, faith-based groups and community organizations. This quick action made the difference for the hundreds of thousands that were stranded across the Commonwealth.

"Total, volunteers hailed from 25 organizations in 15 States, operated 192 shelters for victims, distributed more than 378,160 meals, and provided 7,884 Kentuckians with shelter, food and water. Furthermore, 4,600 members of the Kentucky National Guard were activated and helped the Bluegrass State recover.

"I also rise to commend the courage of the citizens of Kentucky and the bravery and kindness demonstrated from

the volunteers who took the time to help the Bluegrass state recover from the destructive ice storm of 2009." As a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee, Rogers works to secure funding for important initiatives in the fifth Congressional District.

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In Memory

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I can't believe you're really gone,
I still can't accept it, even after
so long.
Just the thought of you makes
me cry,
I never got the chance to say
goodbye.
Every picture, every letter,
I don't know if it will ever get
better.
I always smell your familiar
scent,
It makes me think of all of the
times we've spent,
I know we didn't always get
along,
And every time we talked, it
would always go wrong,
So many things I never got to
say,
I never imagined you'd ever be
so far away.
You were my brother,
And I loved you like no other.
In my heart you'll always be,
You'll be my guide and help
me see.
I'll never forget your soothing
voice,
I would take your place, if I had a
choice.
But now I have to let you rest,
Although without you my
world's a mess,
I miss you with all of my heart,
I wish we never had to part.
I know you're always by my side,
So now I guess this is my
goodbye,
I Love You, Sabrina

In Loving Memory of

Deena Susan Holt Flannery
May 4, 1967 - April 23, 2008

A Year Ago...

A year ago, on April 23, 2008, my world came to a stop. One phone call would change my life forever. As I go through the funeral, go through my first holidays, without her and now back to April 23, 2009, life as I know it for me has not started back.

"Any woman can give birth, but it takes a heck of a woman to be a mom." That quote is true and I had a mom. A mom who would spend her last dollar on me; who would take me to the doctor; and the list goes on. She was always a "granny" girl, but when it came to being sick or hurt, I wanted my mommy. To this day, I stop myself from picking up the phone and calling her about what happened, or just call her to complain about something, because she always knew what to say or how to make it better. See, she was my best friend, too. I'd call her every night to tell her goodnight, but I NEVER said goodbye when we hung the phone up. She always wondered why I never said goodbye; just hang up. I wasn't being mean, but it wasn't time to say goodbye; in my book, I was never going to have to say goodbye, not for a LONG time.

A year ago, that long time turned into right then and there. I never thought the last day I'd seen her would be the last time I saw her alive. I never thought the night before she died would be the last time I heard her voice. It seems like yesterday when I still had an angel as a mom, still here with me. I never got to tell her how much I was proud of her for being a single mother raising a child on her own; I never got to show her my new home, nor never got to have her first grandchild for her. A year ago I thought I had all the time in the world for all that, but now, as I sit here thinking about what a very special person I had in my life, I realize I was rich enough to know her and not ponder on the bad things. Deena Susan Holt Flannery, was a mother, a best friend, daughter, sister, and someone who would give the shirt off her back for anyone, very loving, kind hearted, and one of the biggest pieces to my life.

A year ago, if someone would have told me that one phone call would change my whole world, I would have never believed them; I think differently now.

A year ago and many more years, I will be missing that one piece to my puzzle!

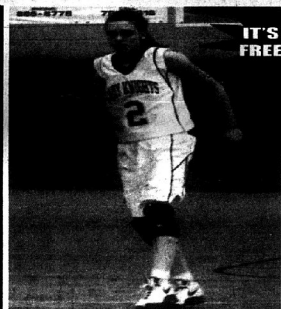
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Cindy Felicia Moore, 35, of Melvin, to Donald S. Denson, 40, of Melvin.
 Jennifer Denise Lafferty, 25, of East Point, to Charles James Kopecky, 25, of East Point.
 Jamie Lynn Little, 29, of Melvin, to Larry Grady Salisbury, 35, of Printer.
 Ashley Nicole Spradlin, 21, of Harold, to Shawn D. Kendrick, 25, of Harold.
 Della Joann Innis, 35, of Betsy Layne, to Clyde Sizemore, Jr., 53, of Bimble.
 Crystal Marie Jenkins, 19, of Prestonsburg, to Jason Dewayne Paige, 22, of Prestonsburg.
 Ronny Michelle McCoy, 31, of Harold, to John William Moore, 22, of McDowell.
 Amanda Nicole Hunter, 20, of Betsy Layne, to Brandon Douglas Kidd, 21, of Betsy Layne.
 Vo Thi Kieu Trang, 33, of Prestonsburg, to Nguyen Phu Quang, 43, of Prestonsburg.

Civil Suits Filed

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance Inc. vs. Darv Thompson; complaint.

Syed Ikramuddin vs. Dorothy Wells; complaint.

LA Capital Federal Credit Union vs. Jerry Bishop; complaint.
 Credit Acceptance Corporation vs. Karen Ward; complaint.
 Joyce Marsillett vs. James Marsillett; divorce.
 The First National Bank of Williamsburg vs. Michael Sizemore; complaint.
 Discover Bank vs. Geraldine Webb; complaint.
 Citibank South Dakota N.A. vs. Joshua L. Smallwood; complaint.
 Dylan Langon vs. Stephanie Conn; complaint.
 Countrywide Home Loans Servicing L.P. vs. Michael Case; complaint.

Charges Filed

James C. Walker, 20, Grethel; alcohol intoxication.
 Alicia A. Blackburn, 32, Warren, Mich.; fourth-degree assault.
 Robert R. Brady, 29, Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication, fleeing or evading police, resisting arrest.
 Kevin Glover, 20, Prestonsburg; terroristic

threatening.

Terry Ray Howard, 47, Garrett; two counts theft by deception.
 James Isaacs, 54, Banner; prescription in an improper container.
 Oakie Prater, 57, Garrett; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Johnathan L. Bailey, 23, Wheelwright; alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest.
 Leshawna Wesley, 21, Stanville; alcohol intoxication.
 Gary Donald Moore, 44, Hi Hat; fourth-degree assault.
 Johnny Gilliam, 47, Wheelwright; alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest.
 Rogetta Whitaker, 31, Prestonsburg; terroristic threatening.
 James Garrett, 39, Allen; alcohol intoxication.
 John Ashley, 21, Prestonsburg; terroristic threatening.

Inspections

Prestonsburg Health. Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: garbage and refuse containers not covered as required, adequate garbage and refuse containers

not provided. Score: 98.

Property Transfers

Janice Akers to Colby B. Akers and Tabitha L. Akers, property located at Prater Creek.
 Teddy Akers to Colby B. Akers and Tabitha L. Akers, property located at Prater Creek.
 Shawn P. Allen to Trinity Allen, property not listed.
 Voleny Brent Allen to Larry Thornsberry and Terry Thornsberry, property not listed.
 H. Allen Bolling to Priscilla Sue Moore and William Kelly Moore, property located in Prestonsburg.
 Imogene Branham to Curtis D. Branham and Rhonda Gail Branham, property not listed.
 Emogene Burchett to Mitzi Ann Tussey, property not listed.
 Patricia A. Cobb to Kelli N. Cobb, property not listed.
 Dordena Derossett to Frank Derossett, Jr., property not listed.

Property Transfers

Frank Derossett to Frank Derossett, Jr., property not listed.
 Kimberly Evans to Rita C. Howell and Robert Lee Howell, property not listed.
 Timmy Evans to Rita C. Howell and Robert Lee Howell, property not listed.
 James Goff to Kristy A. Tackett, property located at Pinhook Branch.
 Patty Goff to Kristy A. Tackett, property located at Pinhook Branch.
 Nina Hall to Villa Thacker, property located at Tackett Fork.
 Terry Hill to Janice Hill, property located at Wayland.
 Billy Ann Newsome to Carolyn Johnson and Hershel Johnson, property located at Hen Pen Branch.
 Crystal Dawa Newsome to Barbara Newsome and Kermit Newsome, property located at McDowell.



Youth Leadership Floyd County

Chamber's Youth Leadership Floyd County Program endorses smoke-free public space

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Chamber Of Commerce has instituted this year its fifth annual Youth Leadership Floyd County Program.

This Youth Leadership group is comprised of 12 sophomores representing all four Floyd County high schools. The program, which was designed to promote and develop our future leaders, gives participants in the program an inside view of Floyd County's health care, economic development/tourism, education, government, and the importance of Leadership.

Recently the Youth Leadership Floyd County Class of 2009 endorsed an initiative to adopt a local ordinance to completely eliminate smoking in places of public assembly, such as restaurants.

supports the authority of local communities to adopt clean indoor air policies and regulations.

Toxic secondhand smoke is the third leading cause of preventable death in the United States, killing at least 53,000 nonsmokers in the United States each year. Five minutes of exposure to secondhand smoke constricts the aorta as much as smoking one cigarette, making it more difficult for the heart to pump blood. Studies have shown that levels of toxic secondhand smoke in

restaurants and bars are 1.6 to 6 times higher than in office workplaces.

"Both Leadership Floyd County and Youth Leadership Floyd County have signed resolutions to support the adoption of a smoke-free ordinance in Floyd County and to have our future leaders concerned not only about the citizens of Floyd County but the health of our citizens is phenomenal and I'm very supportive of their efforts," said Mandy Stumbo, director of the Floyd County Chamber Of Commerce.

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Cinema 3—Held Over
FAST AND THE FURIOUS 4 (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 7:05-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:05-9:30; Sat-Sun. (2:05-4:15) 7:05-9:30.
Cinema 4—Held Over
STATE OF PLAY (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 6:50-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 6:50-9:20; Sat-Sun. (1:50-4:20) 6:50-9:20.
Cinema 5—Held Over
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS (PG) Mon-Sun. 7:05; Fri. (4:15) 7:05; Sat-Sun. (2:05-4:15) 7:05.
KNOWING (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 9:00 only.
Cinema 6—Held Over
17 AGAIN (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 7:10-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:10-9:25; Sat-Sun. (2:10-4:25) 7:10-9:25.
Cinema 7—Starts Friday, April 24
OBSESSED (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 6:55-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat-Sun. (1:55-4:15) 6:55-9:15.
Cinema 8—Starts Friday, April 24
FIGHTING (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 6:55-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat-Sun. (1:55-4:15) 6:55-9:15.
Cinema 9—Held Over
HANNAH MONTANA (G) Mon-Sun. 6:50-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 6:50-9:20; Sat-Sun. (1:50-4:20) 6:50-9:20.
Cinema 10—Held Over
HAUNTING IN CONNECTICUT (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 7:15-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:15-9:30; Sat-Sun. (2:15-4:30) 7:15-9:30.

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Viewpoint

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Worth Repeating ...

If the only tool you have is a hammer, you tend to see every problem as a nail.

— Abraham Maslow

Guest View

Man-made and real

On Earth Day, the United States stood poised to make the most significant strides on climate change since Al Gore lost Florida. It's about time. The vast majority of scientific research tells us that climate change is real and that human activity is a major contributing factor. The country needs to finally develop a real strategy to deal with it.

And it's doing so: The Obama administration and a Democratic-controlled Congress are proposing changes that when enacted and enforced are expected to fuel major reductions in the production of greenhouse gases. Two efforts are key to this.

Last week, the Environmental Protection Agency issued a proposed finding that greenhouse gases threaten public health and welfare. If finalized, the so-called "endangerment finding" would allow the EPA to use the Clean Air Act to limit heat-trapping emissions. That's a move opposed by industry groups, and we agree with them - sort of.

The strategy and limitations on emissions are better done by a Congress that can work out political details that need to be addressed. Holding a healthy debate in Congress and making necessary compromises is better than allowing a bureaucrat to issue a decree.

Still, if Congress fails to act, the EPA under President Barack Obama will need to do something to meet the goals of significantly reducing emissions by 2050.

This week, the House Energy and Commerce Committee is holding hearings on a draft bill introduced by Chairman Henry Waxman, D-Calif., and Energy and Environment Subcommittee Chairman Ed Markey, D-Mass. Obama and Democratic congressional leaders are hoping to finalize legislation this year that would establish a program requiring a mandatory cap on greenhouse gas emissions.

The Waxman-Markey draft seeks to curb emissions by 20 percent by 2020. That's more aggressive than the limits Obama has proposed, but both the Waxman-Markey draft and Obama's plan call for a mid-century target of slashing emissions by 83 percent.

Good goals, but the devil will be in the details of how proposed cap-and-trade legislation will work. One detail many have sounded warnings about is the cost or cap-and-trade. Such a detail deserves attention, but the bottom line has to be a serious strategy to significantly reduce emissions before it's too late.

— Milwaukee Journal Sentinel



Guest Column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

From tax credits and other incentives for alternative and renewable energy projects to energy efficiency construction and energy research, Kentucky is giving its all to becoming a leader in energy independence in this new century.

Just last fall, Gov. Steve Beshear announced the state's first comprehensive energy plan that builds on major legislation passed in recent years by the Kentucky General Assembly that encourages investment in energy initiatives. The 150-page plan includes strategies to increase production of biofuels, develop a coal-to-liquids industry in the state, increase use of renewable energy like solar, and improve energy efficiency in homes, buildings and motor vehicles. It is also expected to create 40,000 jobs in the energy field here in Kentucky.

Funding the plan and legislative initiatives that support it has not been easy in an economy that has limited funding for the state's Energy Program to no more than \$800,000 annually over the past 8 years. So you can imagine how thrilled state lawmakers and other state officials were when the governor announced in February that about \$63 million of the state's estimated \$3 billion in federal stimulus dollars will be spent on Kentucky's energy initiatives. Details about how that money will be divided are emerging, and I would like to share them with you today.

Most of the funding — \$52.5 million — will go to the State Energy Program, administered by the Kentucky Department of Energy Development and Independence (EDDI), with a federal goal of spending

50 percent of the funds on programs that can be started this June. To receive the money, the state must send a detailed budget and application to the federal government by May 12 and assure the Feds that certain conditions are met, with priority given to expanding existing energy efficiency and renewable energy programs.

While no final decisions have been made as to how the money will be spent, EDI is considering funding several programs, including but not limited to KEEPS (Kentucky Energy Efficiency Program for Schools) that helps school districts lower their energy use and lower operating costs, the Kentucky Clean Energy Corps which provides energy audits, education and home rehab to qualifying homeowners and "Smart Grid Efforts", which works with utilities to improve the electric transmission and distribution system. I will pass on any updates I receive from EDI on the funding process as decisions are made.

It goes without saying that state lawmakers hope any final decision will complement both our work on the energy front in past sessions and the major goals of the State Energy Program — goals that go beyond energy efficiency to reducing reliance on foreign oil, improving supply and delivery of fuel supplies and making energy more environmentally friendly.

The other \$10 million or so in energy stimulus dollars will fund federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants to cities and counties to cut their energy use and improve their energy efficiency. Sixty percent of the \$10 million must be granted to local governments, with the remaining 40 percent spent at the state's discretion. (Plans are for the 40 percent to be used for farm efficiency projects through the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy.) So far, according to state officials, there is no process in place for granting the 60 percent to cities and

counties. That process is now being worked out between EDI, the Department for Local Government (DLG) and other agencies, with DLG being the agency most likely to distribute the funds.

Around \$15 million in additional Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants will also be allocated directly to the state's most populous cities and counties, according to the U.S. Department of Energy. A list of those cities and counties provided by DOE indicates the following will receive allocations ranging from around \$120,000 to \$7 million: Bowling Green, Covington, Florence, Frankfort, Henderson, Hopkinsville (\$143,600), Lexington, Louisville, Owensboro, Richmond and the counties of Boone, Bullitt, Campbell, Hardin, Kenton, Laurel, McCracken, Oldham, Pike and Pulaski. The federal government, and Kentucky, hopes that the grants will reduce total energy consumption, carbon dioxide emissions and improve energy efficiency in these communities.

Kentucky's energy stimulus dollars are a tremendous incentive — but not the only incentive — for state lawmakers to continue working toward our energy goals like we did last session when we passed legislation allowing the General Assembly to study the potential for oil and natural gas operations on state and university owned lands. An even better incentive came this month when it was announced that our state will be the site of a federal research lab — Kentucky's first — to develop a lithium-ion battery for electric and hybrid vehicles. More than anything else, the federal lab shows our state is fast becoming an energy research leader.

The Commonwealth has managed to carve out a future for itself in the energy industry in just four short years of planning and hard work. And I think the best is yet to come.

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Governor announces help for first-time home buyers

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear announced Wednesday a special initiative by Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) to offer up to \$4,500 for down payment and closing costs for first-time home buyers who obtain a KHC home loan. The program will begin on May 1 and continue through Nov. 30. The First Home Advantage Program provides a second mortgage with principal and

interest payments deferred until July 1, 2010 for KHC-approved, first-time home buyers. "For many first-time home buyers, the biggest barrier to homeownership is the ability to pay upfront expenses, such as the down payment and closing costs," said Gov. Beshear. "The innovative First Home Advantage Program will not only help qualified Kentucky home buyers overcome this

barrier and realize their dream of owning a home, it will hopefully reinvigorate the housing market help get our economy moving in the right direction." The First Home Advantage Program offers a 10-year loan that defers payment with a zero percent interest rate until July 1, 2010. After the initial deferral period, the loan will fully amortize over ten years at the rate of 6 percent. If the borrower pays off the loan before

July 1, 2010, KHC will forgive \$300 of the principal balance. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, signed into law by President Barack Obama on Feb. 17, provides first-time home buyers with an \$8,000 tax credit. After purchasing their home, home buyers have the opportunity to file for the housing tax credit provided by the stimulus on their 2009 tax returns and use the tax credit for the repay-

ment of the First Home Advantage Program loan to take full advantage of the prepayment incentive. "We want to do everything we can to help Kentucky homeowners purchase their new homes," said Richard L. McQuady, chief executive officer of KHC. "The First Home Advantage Program allows home buyers to take advantage of every opportunity available to them in these difficult

times." In order for home buyers to qualify for this program, they must obtain a KHC first mortgage lender, be a first-time home buyer, meet KHC income and purchase price guidelines, and have a 620 minimum credit score. To learn more about KHC's homeownership programs, visit their Web site www.kyhousing.org.

Hospice of the Bluegrass celebrates contributions of volunteers during National Volunteer Week

PIKEVILLE — National Volunteer Week is April 19-25 and Hospice of the Bluegrass is honoring its hospice and palliative care volunteers who bring hope, dignity, and love to those facing a life-limiting illness. Hospice and palliative care volunteers make sure that the people they care for and their families find hope within each day, have their dignity preserved, and are surrounded by love even at the final moments of life. Most hospice volunteers choose to give their time helping others because of their own experiences with the compassionate care hospice

provided to their dying loved one. Hospice of the Bluegrass began over 30 years ago as a volunteer-driven community movement, and volunteers continue to be at the heart of hospice. The National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization reports that there are an estimated 400,000 hospice volunteers providing more than 16 million hours of service to hospice programs each year. The typical hospice volunteer devoted 45.1 hours of time last year. "Hospice volunteers are a valuable component of the compassionate care that

Hospice of the Bluegrass offers to people in our community. Volunteers bring hope, love, and dignity to families who are going through one of life's most difficult times," commented Sheila Joseph, Director of the Hospice of the Bluegrass Mountain Rivers office in Pikeville. "As our country again turns its focus to service, we are pleased that we have this opportunity to honor our hospice and palliative care volunteers." It is federally mandated under Medicare that five percent of all patient care hours be

provided by trained volunteers. This regulation was included in the Medicare hospice legislation to recognize the vital role that volunteers play in the hospice philosophy of care. These dedicated volunteers are integral members of the interdisciplinary team of

professionals who provide care at the end of life. To learn more about how you can become a Hospice volunteer, please contact Paula Spradlin, Community Resource Coordinator at (606) 437-3700 or (877) 807-3054 or pspradlin@hospicebg.org.

Hikers can get moving with 'Trail Shape' from Kentucky State Parks

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky State Parks are offering hikers an opportunity to see waterfalls, age-old fossils, hundreds of species of birds, and plant species that existed when dinosaurs roamed the land. It's all part of a free program called Trail Shape. Hike on 16 trails during a 1-year period and become eligible for a drawing for a 2-night stay at a Kentucky State Resort Park. The trails total 40 miles and hikers must document their experience with photos at designated "photo spots." "The Trail Shape program was developed to combine people's desire to get fit and stay in shape, while exploring some of our great state parks and Kentucky's beautiful scenery all at the same time," says Carey Tichenor, director of Recreation & Interpretation for Kentucky State Parks. "Why not enjoy the great outdoors while exercising? It is much more interesting than a treadmill or walking laps around the block." The trails vary from one to five miles and feature different terrain. Along your treks, you are asked to keep a written journal of your outings. The journal should include start

and end dates, date of each individual hike, time, weather conditions, and any unique observations and experiences along your hike. Once completed, submit your digital photos from the designated photo spots, along with an electronic copy of your hiking journal on CD. Select entries will be chosen for posting on the Kentucky State Parks website (unless you opt-out to share with and inspire others. If all trails are completed and documented, you will receive a Trail Shape certificate, Trail shape custom bandana, and will be entered into a drawing for a 2 night stay at a Kentucky State Resort Park. For details and a list of the trails and photo spots, visit www.parks.ky.gov and look for the Trail Shape logo. Kentucky State Parks offer nearly 300 miles of hiking trails throughout the state, ranging from short walks of less than a mile to several trails of more than 10 miles. Visit www.parks.ky.gov for more details. For more information about recreational trails in Kentucky, visit www.tourism.ky.gov/outdoors/

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DINNER DIVA

Top ten revised

In an attempt to keep my top ten list current (as in top ten most favorite healthy foods), I've redone it to include a couple of surprises—you'll love #9! So if you're getting your grocery list ready for the week, see if you can pop a couple of these enormously healthy foods into your grocery cart.

1—Tomatoes. The all-powerful tomato can do all kinds of things, besides make your favorite spaghetti sauce. It's rich in lycopene, an important nutrient that may lower the risk of all kinds of cancer, prostate included. Plus the vitamin C factor is an added bonus!

2—Greens. I love braised greens (steam them till bright green, then sauté in olive oil and garlic, put a lid on them and let them finish cooking after I turn off the heat). Any kind of green will do, from Swiss chard, to kale, to collard greens. They're all delicious. I can eat 1/2 a pound in one sitting!

3—Almonds. I'm a huge fan of nuts, especially raw almonds (and walnuts, too). I place 10 of them in a ramekin and munch them at my desk, lingeringly (it's too easy to eat too many, so I measure them out). I take my time and they seem to last. I also make up little ziplock bags of almonds to have on hand. One bag of these nuts is always in purse for an emergency snack!

4—Salmon. I absolutely adore grilled salmon. It's gotta be WILD though, if you want the benefit of the omega 3 fatty acids (farm raised doesn't cut it). My absolute fave is wild Alaskan Sockeye. I just had it for dinner tonight (with some braised greens) and I'm in love. I heat up the barby (I have a gas one), throw the frozen salmon on, skin side down, sprinkle some salmon seasoning (from Paul Prudhomme, generally, I might add) and that's it! EASY BUT TON and absolutely delicious, no planning necessary!

5—Frozen berries. I make my smoothies from frozen berries every morning. I buy the wild blueberries and blackberry/rasp- berry mix. Blueberries are especially healthy and have more antioxidants in 2/3 of a cup than FIVE servings of broccoli!

6—Kefir and Yogurt. Kefir is like liquid yogurt. Chocked full of probiotics, kefir helps your body balance in the gut. Remember those stories of people living to be 120 years old in Russia? Yogurt and kefir were their credit to their longevity, to that's nothing to sneeze at! I use kefir in my smoothies and eat yogurt with a splash of vanilla and a squeeze of honey, yum!

7—Onions. The lowly onion seems to find its way into most everything you make, especially come dinnertime! Eating onions is a cheap way to get your flavonoids in, important nutrients that help protect your lungs from cancer and your gut from ulcers. Not only that, but they help prevent heart disease and raise the "good" cholesterol in your blood.

8—Oats. Fiber rich, oats help your body to stabilize blood sugar levels and reduce cholesterol. A perfect breakfast is a bowl of oatmeal with about 1/2 cup of frozen blueberries stirred in, yum! Fiber is critical for important bodily functions, if you know what I

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FAMILY MEDICINE

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FREE COMICS

Pikeville closest spot for annual event

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER



For comic book fans and people looking for fun and free reading material, Saturday, May 2, is a day to look forward to, as local comic shops and libraries will be participating in Free Comic Book Day.

Page-3's GameZone, in Pikeville, will have comic books available to the public for Free Comic Book Day and will also provide local libraries with comics.

"In an effort to promote reading and literacy in eastern Kentucky, Page-3's GameZone is teaming with area libraries to provide free comic books to be given away," said Patrick Tackett, manager of Page-3's GameZone.

According to information on the Free Comic Book Day website, "Comic books are an original American art form created in the early days of the twentieth century. They are fun to read, featuring an wide range of diverse storylines that capture the imagination of the readers. Comic books have survived the dominance of radio, the ubiquity of television, the spread of color and sound motions pictures, the rise of video games, and the internet. That's worth celebrating in our book."

Along with Page-3's GameZone, the Floyd County Public Library, Pike County Public Library, Beatty Branch Library, Phelps Branch Library and the Elkhorn City Branch Library will also be participating in Free Comic Book Day.

The first Free Comic Book Day was held in 2002, with millions of comics given away to both children and adults. Free Comic Book Day is administered by a panel representing all parts of the comic book industry, which includes retailers, publishers, suppliers, and Diamond Comic Distributors. Comic publishers apply each year to provide comic books to retailers who then give them away.

For more information on Free Comic Book Day, including a list of the titles that will be available, visit <http://www.freecomicbookday.com>.

Going Green: BSCTC's Environmental Warriors

by SANDRA SAAD
BSCTC FACULTY

For a decade now, Dr. Phyllis Puffer, an associate professor of Sociology at Big Sandy Community and Technical College, has been quietly but diligently battling on behalf of Mother Earth.

With the college's cooperation, she began by placing cardboard collection receptacles in various buildings on campus with the intention of reducing the vast amount of used and discarded paper being generated. Her effort was appreciated by those who worked at the college and their contributions produced approximately 23 large bags of recyclable paper each month.

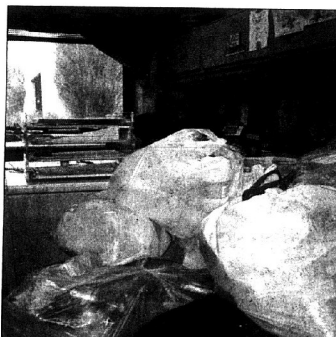
Dr. Puffer had been inspired to initiate such an effort after living in Germany for a while and witnessing that country's extremely successful recycling efforts.

"Germany had an amazing recycling program," Dr. Puffer recently noted. "Collection containers were in train stations, malls, villages. There were separate sections for paper, green glass, brown glass and clear glass. They were so thorough it was hard to find a stray piece of paper if you wanted to make a note."

The paper recycling effort at BSCTC eventually became so successful that it became too much for one person to handle. The IT Department volunteered to take on the challenge although Dr. Puffer still supplements those efforts by collecting the paper waste in one of the campus buildings.

With the paper recycling effort well under way, Dr. Puffer then turned her attention to other recyclable materials.

She was inspired to collect pop cans by the efforts of a former BSCTC faculty member who picked up cans after the Kentucky Apple Festival in Paintsville, turned the cans in for cash and then donated the proceeds to the Floyd County Animal Shelter. Building on that idea, Dr. Puffer placed aluminum recycling receptacles on campus. Once again she had created the opportunity for people to contribute with limited effort and the receptacles filled quickly and on a regular basis, again reduc-



Despite the weekly transport to a recycling center in Magoffin County, assistant professor Tina Ousley's plastics collection and recycling efforts are so successful she sometimes finds it hard to get her desk.

These efforts then inspired others to collect and contribute cans from outside campus. One faculty member saves his own cans and collects his neighbors' cans and delivers them to Dr. Puffer, while another campus couple collects their cans and donates them to the effort as well. About once a month Dr. Puffer transports the collected cans to Mountain Metal in West Prestonsburg and trades the cans for money. While the income on a monthly basis is small and fluctuates depending upon the market, the proceeds generally add up to a donation of \$100 a year to the animal shelter.

Ironically, those visits to the animal shelter inspired yet another recycling effort. Dr. Puffer noted that shelter workers were exceedingly grateful for the donation of newspapers. She was told the newspapers were used to line the puppies' cages. She began saving and donating what papers she could and other faculty members began contributing their newspapers from home. The animal lovers in the BSCTC library heard about her efforts and began making significant contributions to the effort as well.

While Dr. Puffer has turned her efforts primarily to the collection and recycling of cans and newspapers, her original initiative of recycling paper on campus has continued to thrive through the efforts of the IT Department coordinated by staff member Emily Hurd.

Hurd took responsibility for the paper recycling efforts about three years ago and is aided by work study students. Hurd notes that the paper recycling effort on the Prestonsburg Campus continues to grow each year. In 2008 the effort resulted in the collection of almost 12.5 tons of paper equivalent to 204 trees.

"Each ton of recycled paper (2,000 pounds), can save 17 trees, 380 gallons of oil, three cubic yards of landfill space, 4,000 kilowatts of energy, and 7,000 gallons of water," Hurd notes proudly. "This represents a 65 percent energy savings, a 58 percent water savings and 60 pounds less of air pollution."

Just recently, yet a fourth recycling effort was started on campus by Tina Ousley, an assistant professor of Biology. Ousley's recycling efforts were initially confined to her own home where, with the assistance of her husband and son, the family sorts its waste into containers for cardboard, paper, plastic, glass and aluminum and steel cans. The bulk of the recyclables are taken to the Magoffin County Recycling Center but the glass recyclables are delivered to a recycling facility in Morehead about once a month.

While the average American family of four produces 100 pounds of garbage each week discarded

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Family Medicine

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Q I went to my doctor recently for a physical. She not only listened to my heart, but also to my neck, after which she said that I might have carotid artery disease. She scheduled me for an ultrasound, then she said I would probably need to lose weight, and I might have to go on medication. I'm kind of confused by all of this. Can you help me understand what's going on? Thanks.

A carotid bruits, which are abnormal whooshing sounds

made when blood passes through a narrowed or partially blocked carotid artery.

You have two carotid arteries, one on each side of the front of your neck. These large blood vessels carry most of the blood to your brain. When these arteries become blocked by fatty build-up—a form of atherosclerosis known as carotid arterial disease—the blood flow to the brain decreases. An ultrasound will help your doctor confirm that carotid artery disease is causing the whooshing sounds she's hearing.

Lifestyle changes can help with reader's carotid artery disease

Having plaque build up in your carotid arteries increases your risk for dangerous blood clots, which can travel from the blood vessels in your neck to your brain, potentially causing a stroke. Carotid artery disease can also indicate an increased risk for heart attacks and more generalized cardiovascular disease. This is because the atherosclerosis in your carotid artery may be a warning sign that similar plaque build-up and blockages may also be occurring near your heart.

Arteries are more likely to become plugged up as you get older, and atherosclerosis can run in the family. Also, your risk for atherosclerosis and other vascular diseases increases if you smoke, are overweight, have high blood pressure and/or elevated lipid levels, or lead a sedentary lifestyle.

Your doctor is correct in suggesting healthy habits, since lifestyle changes are the first line of defense against atherosclerosis. If you smoke, please stop. Your doctor can recommend methods for quitting smoking. If you are overweight, please talk to her about an exercise plan and diet tips. If you have chronic conditions such as high blood pressure or diabetes, be sure to work closely with your doctor to keep these under control.

If your doctor has done lab work, she can discuss your cholesterol and triglyceride levels and how they relate to vascular problems. If changes in diet and exercise are not sufficient, your doctor may want to supplement your lifestyle changes with prescription medications that lower your lipids. Finally, if your carotid arteries become completely

obstructed, a surgical procedure may be needed to remove the plaque. This will open up the arteries and allow the blood to flow smoothly again.

Finally, please remember that you are fortunate to have such a thorough family physician. Finding this problem early increases your chances of effective treatment. If you follow your doctor's advice, you will help prevent more serious problems down the road.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Two Oscar darlings shared shelf space with two more modestly budgeted entries this week but, for a change, any bet was a safe one.

■ "The Wrestler" — Mickey Rourke rules in this heartfelt portrait of a once famous grappler who is struggling to make amends for past mistakes. Rourke channels his inner Roddy Piper here and makes you feel every bit of his pain as a man whose body has taken its limit of punishment. He is well supported by Marissa Tomei, as his go-go girlfriend, and Evan Rachel Wood, as the daughter he abandoned...

done but is now trying to reconnect with.

■ "Frost/Nixon" — Frank Langella soars in this adaptation of the events surrounding the series of interviews that David Frost conducted with Richard Nixon where he finally talked at length about the Watergate scandal. Langella crafts a full-blooded character here and isn't just doing an impression. Michael Sheen also manages some fine moments as Frost and there are supporting turns by Kevin Bacon and Oliver Platt. This is easily Ron Howard's best film as a director, and that's saying something considering his backlog of titles.

Petty makes horror history here by crafting the first successful blend of westerns and "monster movies." Here you get cowboys menaced by mutated worm creatures and it totally works, though it does take a little long to get started.

■ "Notorious" — Rap artist Biggie Smalls is profiled in this bio-film that shows another side of the gangster-styled performer. Hard to tell how much of this is true, but there is an amazing performance by newcomer Jamal Woolard, as Smalls. Angela Bassett ("What's Love Got to Do With It") also acquires herself well.

Green

in multiples of bags, the Ousley family has reduced its weekly household waste to one small bag.

In Fall 2008, Ousley elected to begin a plastics recycling effort on the Prestonsburg Campus and the quiet initiative quickly began to take over her office. Co-workers collect their plastics at home and bring them in bags to Ousley for transport to the Magoffin recycling center. Over the Christmas holiday, Ousley took a few days off only to find a mountain of plastic deposited outside her office door upon her return. "I could hardly get my office door open," she says with a smile.

Ousley's long-term goal is to coordinate a comprehensive recycling effort on all of the campuses of Big Sandy CTC, significantly reducing the college's waste stream. The hope would be that BSCTC could serve as the model of an institution-wide recycling effort and would serve as an inspiration to other schools and businesses throughout the region.

Dr. Phyllis Puffer, Emily Hurd and Tina Ousley are



Dr. Phyllis Puffer loads her hybrid car, which averages 59 miles to the gallon, with recyclable materials in preparation for a trip to the recycling center and animal shelter in Floyd County.

BSCTC's environmental warriors. Their personal commitment and sacrifice demonstrate the significant difference one person can make, while the success of their individual efforts demonstrates the easy acceptance and readiness of

others to pitch in to the recycling effort as the opportunity becomes available.

Mother Earth appreciates their efforts and, considering the current state of our planet, she needs all the warriors she can get.

Diva

mean and oatmeal is a great way to get it.

9—Dark Chocolate. HAL-LELUJAH!!! At last, my dream came true! When some girls were singing, "someday my prince will come," I was humming, "someday they'll discover chocolate is healthy". Well, I may not have gotten my prince charming (yet), but I can have my chocolate and

eat it too! Dark chocolate is rich in catechins and flavonoids, giving you a big dose of antioxidants and helping to boost the good cholesterol, too. An ounce a day is more than adequate and it needs to be dark, the darker the better.

10—Oranges. While we may no longer suffer from scurvy, a lot of us have mar-

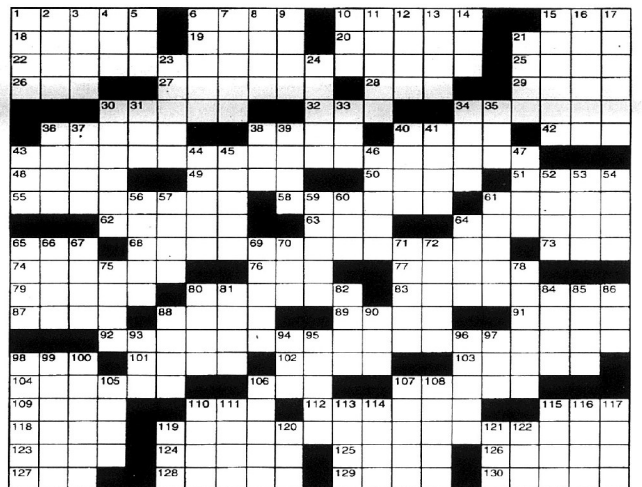
ginal levels of vitamin C in our blood and some of us have a deficit. When you consider the fact that oranges in their flavonoid richness have the ability to fend off cancer and cardiovascular disease and protect one's DNA, it's amazing that most of us aren't chugging a glass each morning of OJ! Get the pulp-rich variety and you've got extra C to boot.

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Governor announces task force to assist former inmates

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear established a task force Thursday to develop recommendations to help former inmates re-enter their communities and reduce the likelihood that they will re-offend.

The Governor's Re-entry Task Force will research best practices in innovative drug treatment, causes of recidivism, and methods to improve education and vocational training while incarcerated. Gov. Beshear said the goal is to reduce recidivism by 50 percent over a five-year period.

"We must break the cycle that keeps former inmates coming back into the correctional system, by identifying and addressing the challenges they face when they eventually re-enter society so they can find a job, pay taxes and care for their families," Gov. Beshear said.

Gov. Beshear noted that all but a small number of inmates will eventually be released from prison. Over the course of the next year, the Kentucky Department of Corrections (DOC) estimates that nearly 15,000 inmates will be

released in some capacity.

"Simply put, without treatment and rehabilitation for the causes that landed them in prison in the first place, there is a higher probability that they will re-offend," Beshear said.

The Commonwealth's overall recidivism rate — defined as inmates returning within 24 months of their release — stands at 35 percent. However, the majority are technical violators — inmates returned to prison for violating conditions of their probation or parole, not for a new felony charge. Less than 9 percent of

those released are returned to prison for a new felony offense.

Justice and Public Safety Cabinet Sec. J. Michael Brown said even though the bulk of former inmates who return to prison have not committed a new felony, the revolving door creates a tremendous strain on the criminal justice system. Better preparing inmates to re-enter their communities has critical public safety, fiscal and social impacts, he said.

"Not only is this an essential first step in our goal of curbing prison population and reigning in costs, but we can deter individuals from going deeper into the criminal justice system and becoming career criminals," Sec. Brown said.

The creation of the task force also puts Kentucky in the running for federal grants funded under the Second Chance Act, for drug treatment, job training and educational programs, Beshear said.

Kentucky has already been recognized for its efforts to improve offender re-entry. The governor noted that the Dept. of Corrections was recently selected in a competitive bid to take part in training by the U.S. Dept. of Justice Bureau on Community Safety through Successful Offender Re-entry. Representatives of the DOC and Kentucky Parole Board will take part in the training to be held in May in Washington, D.C.

Filming about Daniel Boone planned at Fort Boonesborough

RICHMOND — Fort Boonesborough State Park near Richmond will be the setting for a film crew working on a feature about the path taken by explorer Daniel Boone.

The three-part series, the second of which is called "Daniel Boone in Kentucky," will be hosted by Darby Hinton, who played the role of the pioneer's son Israel Boone in the 1960s TV series "Daniel Boone" that starred Fess Parker. The series — called

"Daniel Boone's Path" — takes a look at Boone's travels and what those areas look like today.

The crew is scheduled to be at the park and surrounding areas June 4-7. Fort Boonesborough is hosting its annual "Women on the Frontier" weekend June 6-7. Ed Ames, who played Mingo on the television series, has also agreed to be part of the series.

A related project for the

"Hinton's Living History" program will also be filming in the area at this time. The program is scheduled to be shown on the internet later this summer.

For more information about the filming projects, visit www.hintonlivinghistory.com. Fort Boonesborough is celebrating the 275th anniversary of Boone's birth this year. For more details about the celebration, visit www.fortboonesboroughlivinghistory.org.

Shock

she never anticipated. "I didn't expect this to happen in my lifetime," said the 68-year-old. "I thought I'd be gone when it happened."

Tackett said she first learned that Bishop would receive a new trial in a letter from Frankfort.

"This has brought back a lot of memories," Tackett said. "I lost a beautiful, beautiful daughter and her three children lost their mother. That's something they will never get over."

Tackett said she plans on attending the new trial, adding, however, that she was unable to be in attendance during some of the first.

"When they started showing pictures, I just had to leave," she said. "But I'll be attending this one as much as I can."

This past Easter was a special one for Tackett and her family. This year, Easter fell on April 12, Carolyn's birthday.

"This is the first Easter her birthday had come on and it was very special," Tackett said. "She's got three grandchildren she never saw and her

children all visited her grave. It was a special day."

A status hearing is scheduled for Bishop today.

The Supreme Court also ruled on various items expected to be reintroduced in the new trial, including physical evidence and what is referred to as Bishop's previous "bad acts."

According to the Supreme Court's ruling, the items of

evidence were properly introduced except for the testimony of Kentucky State Police Trooper Eddie Crum regarding Carolyn Bishop's frequent black eyes, ruling that Caudill abused his discretion in allowing the testimony without further evidence linking Bishop to the injuries.

A date for Bishop's new trial has not yet been set.

Roads

receive.

County road foreman Mike Jarrell says Owens' district is certainly the largest in terms of mileage, adding that there are more blacktopping needs in both his district and district one.

"There is more blacktop in those two districts," said Jarrell. "In Districts 3 and 4 there's more gravel and dirt roads. Resurfacing is the biggest problem we've got."

Floyd County has seen stimulus money awarded for things such as low-income housing, with officials saying

last month they expected to see upwards of \$1 million pumped into the county from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Also, Big Sandy Health Care was one of four health centers in the state awarded funding following the release of nearly \$5 million in stimulus money last month.

The center expects to receive more than \$4.9 million to be used for strengthening the health care safety net for citizens nationwide.

Pipeline

Turner, who referenced his attendance at the 2007 groundbreaking, said that moment was great but that cutting the ribbon the project Thursday was far greater.

"We knew it was the beginning of something," Turner said. "It is certainly great to cut this ribbon and see it started today."

Sentence

tencing.

"He has acknowledged his responsibility and would like to voice his apology to the family," Jacobs said. "He wishes he could take it back."

Before issuing the sentence, Judge Caudill spoke about the case and the reasons behind his decision to send Reed to prison for eight years.

"I think that the defendant is in need of correctional treatment," Caudill said. "He has shown signs of substance abuse as early as the age of 17."

Caudill also told Reed that there is a chance he could be released sooner due to the state's budget crisis and the early release of a number of inmates.

Reed also pleaded guilty to a charge of reckless driving. The case was prosecuted by Keen Johnson, of Montgomery County.

The Perry County Sheriff's Department will be notified to pick up Reed for transport to a correctional facility.

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Lady Rebs roll past South Floyd; Spurlock pitches one-hitter

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — The Allen Central Lady Rebels won their second straight game Tuesday, defeating visiting South Floyd 11-1 in six innings in a Floyd County Conference/58th District softball match.

Allen Central pitcher Shea Spurlock claimed another win. Spurlock limited South Floyd to just one hit. The Allen Central pitcher faced 20 batters, recording nine strikeouts. Spurlock didn't give up any walks en route to the win.

Offensively, shortstop Jaimie Mullins went 3-for-4

for host Allen Central. Mullins drove in two runs. AC third baseman Logan Cline and catcher Ericka Moore each had two hits. Moore drove in a game-high three runs for the Lady Rebels. Megan Jones, Brittany Johnson and Bridget Stone collected one hit apiece for Allen Central. Johnson, Stone and Sarah Kinney added one RBI each for the Lady Rebels.

"We are playing better every week," said Allen Central Coach Don Burke. "It seems like when someone is having a down night that someone else steps up and fills the position. Our defense

has improved almost every game. Shea is pitching better and developing more pitches to use in her arsenal. Sarah Kinney, Logan Cline and Ericka Moore have been solid hitters game in and game out this year in the heart of our lineup. Our leadoff hitters, Megan Jones and Jaimie Mullins, have gotten on base and are responsible for 24 runs through 10 games between them. Sarah Kinney is batting .575 in 10 games. Logan Cline and Sarah Kinney both have 13 RBIs in 10 games but trailing close behind is Ericka Moore with 12 RBIs."

Allen Central is making the most of a diverse offensive attack.

"There are many other players I could mention, including our left fielder Kristin Reed, who is in her first year playing and has played defense very well or our captain fight fielder Brittany Johnson who has been a good leader for the young girls," Burke added.

Allen Central was facing host Shelby Valley on Thursday night in the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game. The Allen Central-Shelby Valley game ended too late to make this edition.

15TH REGION SOFTBALL STANDINGS

Team	Overall Record
Magoffin County	12-1
Johnson Central	12-4
Lawrence County	12-5
Betsy Layne	7-5
Prestonsburg	7-9
Shelby Valley	6-0
East Ridge	6-3
Allen Central	6-5
Belfry	5-4
Pikeville	4-4
Sheldon Clark	4-10
Paintsville	3-8
Phelps	1-3
South Floyd	1-7

NFL Draft: Tuned in or bored out?

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

LEXINGTON — Look, I'm a sports guy. I know, you're shocked. Stick with me here. There's a point, I hope, to be made.

I get it. I live sports. I eat sports. I breathe sports. It's my job, and my recreation. With the exception of my church and that massive collection of music I'm still making my way through, it pretty well is involved in every aspect of my life. And on those weekends when something big is happening, it creeps into the church conversations too.

With apologies to Andrew Joyce and the rest of my radio gang, I may be the ultimate sports guy. I sometimes wish it

(See DRAFT, page two)

Blackburn set to race at Talladega



STEVE BLACKBURN
by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Prestonsburg driver Steve Blackburn was scheduled to hit Talladega Superspeedway for ARCA RE/MAX Series practice and qualifying Thursday. Blackburn continues to pilot the No. 69 Harley-Davidson of Pikeville/Ride Honda.com Dodge.

The former NASCAR Dodge Weekly Racing Series Atlantic Region champion plans on competing in a limited ARCA RE/MAX Series schedule during the 2009 season.

In five career ARCA RE/MAX Series starts since 2005, Blackburn's career-best finish was a 14th-place effort at Kentucky Speedway in his career-first start in 2005. He also finished 21st at Kentucky in 2007, 22nd at Talladega Superspeedway on 2008, 24th at Kentucky in 2007 and 36th at Nashville Superspeedway in 2006. His career-best qualifying run was 11th at Talladega in 2008 and 11th at Kentucky 2005.

Blackburn is a veteran of NASCAR-sanctioned late models events at Martinsville Speedway, Lonesome Pine Raceway and Kingsport Speedway. He captured the 2004 Lonesome Pine late model track championship with 16 wins, 21 top-5 finishes and 14 poles. Blackburn also finished third in Lonesome Pine track points in 2001 and 2002.

The 48th ARCA RE/MAX 250 is scheduled to air live on SPEED at 5 p.m. Eastern.

BRISTOL DRAGWAY STREET FIGHT WINNER



J.W. Kinzer collected his first victory of the young 2009 racing season at Bristol Dragway in its Street Fight Series on Thursday, April 14. Kinzer drove his 2000 Chevy Corvette to a first-place finish in an estimated field of 200 cars in just his second race this season. Pictured from left to right are Adam Adkins, Larry Jones, Earl Cline, Kinzer, Brad Barker, Bill Barker and Lonnie Fugate.

Kinzer, team look to take 'Dega races

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — Brandon Kinzer is slated to compete in a pair of feature races at Talladega Short Track. Kinzer and Team BK will look to prevail in an unsanctioned \$2,000-to-win feature tonight. On Saturday night, Kinzer will return to the Alabama

venue for a \$5,000-to-win OSAS feature.

Kinzer and his No. 18 Dirt Late Model team invaded the Volunteer State of Tennessee over the April 17-18 weekend for a pair of Tennessee Thunder DirtCar Series (TTDCS) and Southern Regional Racing Series (SRRS) co-sanctioned events. On Friday night at the Wartburg

Speedway in Wartburg, Tenn., Kinzer ran second in his heat race to earn a coveted starting spot in the \$3,000-to-win A-Main. Unfortunately for the Kinzer Motorsports team, terminal mechanical problems sidelined them prior to the running of the feature and they were credited for a 24th-place finish, although they did not start the race.

Things got much better for the No. 18 team on Saturday at the Mountain Raceway in Maryville, Tenn. Kinzer made a strong charge through the stout field of the Maryville feature race to finish fourth in the final rundown of the \$3,000-to-win main event behind winner Randy Weaver, Tommy Kerr and Scott Bloomquist.

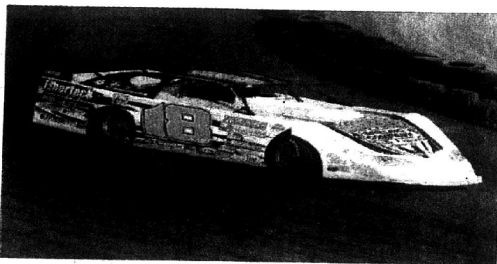


Photo by Thomas Hendrickson
BRANDON KINZER turned laps around two Tennessee dirt tracks last week. Kinzer and his race team are in Alabama for a pair of feature races at Talladega Short Track.

MUCH MORE RACING NEWS, including NASCAR Sprint Cup driver standings, appears inside today's edition on Page B3.

Middle Creek Sportmen Club hosts 2009 youth turkey hunt

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

MIDDLE CREEK — Middle Creek Sportmen Club hosted its 2009 youth turkey hunt recently. Young hunters participating in the youth hunt were J.D. Adams, Gage Bailey, Hunter Brown, Josh Crider, Cody Marsillett, Jordan

Marsillett, Bryce Mix, Drew Wright and Jackson Reed.

Middle Creek Sportmen Club will host its 2009 annual membership dinner Sunday at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to join. For more information on the membership dinner, call Larry Dotson (886-9268) or Tom Marsillett (889-0165).



Rebels rout Shelby Valley

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — Allen Central snapped a two-game losing streak on the baseball diamond Wednesday evening, defeating Shelby Valley 9-2. Host Allen Central made the most of a strong pitching performance and a diverse offensive attack.

Junior pitcher Chris Stumbo tossed the Rebels past Shelby Valley. Stumbo, a three-sport standout who also excels in football and basketball, claimed the win for Allen Central. The Allen Central pitcher allowed two runs on just four hits.

Josh Prater led Allen Central offensively. Prater went 2-for-4 with a game-changing three-run home run.

Hunter Crowder was another offensive leader for the Rebels. Crowder finished 2-for-4 from the plate with a double and two runs batted in.

Allen Central plays under the watchful eye of first-year head coach Josh Todd. The Rebels improved to 5-9 after posting the win. Shelby Valley, following the loss, slipped to 2-8.

Allen Central is scheduled to venture to Hazard today for another regular-season matchup.

Herrick finishes 10th in qualifying tournament

TIMES STAFF REPORT

NOBLESVILLE, Ind. — The Bellarmine University men's golf team shot a closing round 308—the best of the day in less than ideal conditions—at Purgatory Golf Club—to finish fourth in the third and final Great Lakes Regional Qualifying tournament. Bellarmine turned in a 608.

The finish solidifies the Knights' No. 4 seeding at the upcoming NCAA "Super Regional" on May 4, 5 and 6 at The Meadows Golf Club in Allendale, Mich., on the campus of Grand Valley State University.

Junior Brooks Herrick led the Knights with a 148 total. The Prestonsburg High School graduate shooting consecutive rounds of 74 to finish 10th in the 60-player field. Herrick is a former 15th Region champion. Senior Kyle Leach also had a top 20 performance with rounds of 75 and 78 for a 153 total.

Ferris State won the team title with a 598.



photo courtesy of Bellarmine University

PRESTONSBURG NATIVE BROOKS HERRICK continues to help lead the Bellarmine University men's golf team.

Staggs among officials recognized at banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Twelve officials were recognized for their outstanding service in each of a dozen different sports at the KHSAA Officials Division Recognition Awards Banquet on Sunday at the KHSAA office in Lexington.

A total of 33 officials were nominated for the awards, which celebrate the outstanding officials from baseball, basketball, football, golf, soccer, fast pitch softball, swimming & diving, tennis, track and field/cross country, volleyball and wrestling.

The Supervisor of the Year Award was renamed in honor of Larry Boucher, an assistant commissioner and head of the officials division for the KHSAA from 1991-2008. The winner of this year's award was Jerry Kimmel from Beechmont, an official and assigning secretary with more than four decades of service to high school sports in the Commonwealth.

A listing of the winners for each sport, as well as their hometown follows: Baseball — Will Begley (Danville); Basketball — Craig Henson (Benton); Football — Robert Staggs (Pikeville); Golf — Tenney Ohr (Irvine); Soccer — Mark Baker (Fort Thomas); Softball — Penny Henley (Louisville); Swimming & Diving — Doug Kim (Owensboro); Tennis — Judy Brown (Lexington); Track & Field/Cross Country — Craig Hopkins (Owensboro); Volleyball — Sara Palazzo (Lakeside Park); Wrestling — Mark Shumate (Floyds Knob, Ind.); Larry Boucher Supervisor of the Year Award —

Jerry Kimmel (Beechmont). Tickets remain for Dawahares/KHSAA Hall, of Fame Banquet.

A limited number of tickets are available for the 2009 Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame banquet, scheduled for Saturday, April 25 in the Bluegrass Ballroom at the Lexington Center. Tickets may be purchased for \$50 each. The Class of 2009 Hall of Fame class consists of Pat Doyle, Nate Dusing, Betty Dwyer, Robin Harmon Newsome, Mark Higgs, Joe Kroh, Frank LeMaster, Marty O'Toole, John Pelphrey, Jeff Perkins, Ken Shields and Bob Tripure.

For more information about the banquet or to order tickets, contact Butch Cope, Assistant Commissioner at the KHSAA at cope@khsaa.org or 859-299-5472.



PIKEVILLE RESIDENT ROBERT STAGGS was one of the officials honored by the KHSAA during a banquet held Sunday in Lexington.

Draft

wasn't the case, but as the annoying saying goes, it is what it is.

I love sports. That said — here comes the point I hope to make a point — the fact that the NFL Draft is such a big deal is the ultimate tribute to the massiveness of those two huge entities in our world, the National Football League and ESPN.

Because let me tell you, there's nothing more boring to watch than what will take place this weekend in New York City.

I'm sorry but it's true. If you're one of those who can't wait to see how it plays out, you have my apologies. And, to another extent, my sympathies.

They come on, the commish comes out and makes a statement, and then the clock begins ticking. Because Lord knows the boss couldn't talk while someone's 15 or 20 minutes is ticking away.

And then, after having all winter to decide, the Detroit Lions will take nearly every second of their allotted time to make the announcement.

Even if they've already signed the guy.

I say this because as I write it's Wednesday afternoon, and I'm watching it happen on ESPN right now. ESPN is

reporting the Lions are close to a deal with Georgia quarterback Matthew Stafford — until recently, wasn't he just Matt? — and the Lions are denying it.

There's a joke in here somewhere but Cousin Kenny in Michigan, who is friendly with many of the Lions' top brass, will read this so I'll refrain.

Anyway, they'll make their pick and then Boomer and the guys will go on and on about it like they had no idea it was coming, and someone else will take its entire 15 or 20 minutes, as if they never considered *only team ahead of it* would pick the guy who just came off the board.

And it will last for what seems like days, and they'll do interviews with people all over the country with images so poor you'd never expect to see them show up on the Worldwide Leader.

And Mel Kiper, Draft Expert, will score!

Rarely does anything interesting happen. In fact, I believe the last thing of note to happen on coverage of the NFL came in 1994 when Kiper, um, shall we say, disagreed with the Colts pick of Trev Alberts.

If the last memorable moment of an event occurred some 15 years ago, I ask you, why does a network spend two days covering it and two weeks hyping it?

That, my friends, is because of a couple of things.

First, there's not really a lot going on right now in the world of sports. March Madness is over, as is the Master's, and baseball season is in its infancy. It's not exactly a stellar time in the sports universe.

And second, quite simply, is because it's football. And nothing moves the meter quite like the NFL.

You can agree or disagree, but it's true. Personally, I prefer baseball, but I get it. Football dominates the landscape. It is to America what baseball and boxing used to be, and what basketball is to the Commonwealth. It rules the roost.

That I get. This infatuation with the draft, however, is another story altogether.

So this weekend, expect to be wall-to-wall draft on the ESPN family of networks. And then next week, expect breakdown, who won, who lost, etc.

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H.S. BASEBALL KHSBCA Coaches Poll

1. Apollo
2. Pleasure Ridge Park
3. Eastern
4. Tates Creek
5. Male
6. Lexington Catholic
7. Lexington Christian
8. St. Xavier
9. Western Hills
10. Franklin County
11. Bullitt East
12. Trinity
13. Covington Catholic
14. West Jessamine
15. Daviess County
16. Elizabethtown
17. DuPont Manual
18. Harrison County
19. Henry Clay
20. Paul Dunbar
21. Marshall County
22. Ballard
23. Central Hardin
24. Bell County
25. Henderson County

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15TH REGION BASEBALL

Team	Overall Record
Paintsville	14-3
Johnson Central	11-6
Belfry	10-4
Lawrence County	9-7
Magoffin County	8-4
Pikeville	7-8
East Ridge	6-2
Phelps	6-2
Allen Central	5-9
Prestonsburg	5-10
Pike Co. Central	4-6
Sheldon Clark	3-9
Betsy Layne	2-7
Shelby Valley	2-8
South Floyd	1-10

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Chris Stumbo, Allen Central Baseball

Ericka Moore, Allen Central Softball

UK men's basketball program receives APR Award

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky men's basketball team has received a public recognition award for its Academic Progress Rate score, the NCAA announced Wednesday.

UK receives the award for placing in the top 10 percent of the nation's Division I men's basketball APR scores. The APR marks are a four-year composite, covering the 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 school years, that measures academic eligibility and retention of student-athletes.

"I can't say enough good things about our men's bas-

ketball team," said UK President Lee T. Todd, Jr.

"Not only do our student-athletes continue to represent this University and this Commonwealth with class and dignity when competing on the court, they compete just as hard in the classroom. I applaud the efforts of all the players over the past four years who have helped us become the only SEC men's basketball team to receive a public recognition award for our APR score. This award is a perfect example of how UK Athletics is working hard to develop well-rounded student-athletes in every sport."

"Our coaches, staff and student-athletes work very hard throughout the year to

manage the important areas that determine their annual APR score," said UK Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart. "Having one of our teams recognized nationally is a tribute to the commitment our entire department has made to the academic success of our student-athletes."

UK was the only men's basketball team in the Southeastern Conference to receive a public recognition award. UK's APR score, along with the scores of every Division I team in all sports, will be released by the NCAA on May 6. Teams are subject to penalties, such as scholarship reductions or postseason restrictions, if the APR target score is not achieved.

Brooks encouraged with spring practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Following the Kentucky football team's workout on Wednesday morning, Coach Rich Brooks indicated that he is encouraged by what he's seen to this point of spring practice.

"I think the players have had a very good spring so far," Brooks said. "I hope we finish it the way we've practiced every day. I can't remember a really bad practice this spring. Almost every other spring, we've had at least one and sometimes two (bad practices). I'm very encouraged by the attitude of this football team."

Spring Game to be played with two separate teams: Coach Rich Brooks announced that Saturday's Blue/White Game will be played with two separate teams, as it was last spring. The draft was scheduled for Thursday.

The coaches had remarkable success in drafting evenly matched teams a year ago. The White team scored the winning touchdown with 1:06 to play for a 23-22 victory.

Season ticket renewal deadline is May 1; Tickets may be renewed at Blue/White Game: The deadline for renewal of 2009 Kentucky football season tickets is Friday, May 1. Tickets may be renewed on the Internet at UKAthletics.com, in person at the UK Athletics Ticket Office or by mail.

Fans also may bring their season ticket renewals to the Blue/White Game. UK ticket-office personnel will be available to accept renewals from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the ticket booth outside Gate 4 of the stadium.

Surplus apparel/equipment sale at Blue/White Game: There will be a sale of surplus athletic apparel (various sports, items and sizes) on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. on the west concourse of Commonwealth Stadium.

There is also a sale of used athletic equipment — various weight machines, weight-training items and football practice gear — on Saturday, April 25. This sale will be by sealed bids only from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Nutter Field House, which will be open on the Alumni Drive side of the building. Football practice items will be sold in "lots" (quantities only). The items may be viewed Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with sealed bids due by 3 p.m. Instructions on how to bid will be available at the site.

Weather report encouraging: The final two days of spring practice are expected to have the warmest weather to date, with forecasted highs of 84 degrees on Friday and 84 degrees on Saturday.



THE ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM opened its season at Paintsville in late-March. Allen Central is the lone middle school baseball team in Floyd County. More on the ACMS baseball program will appear in Sunday's edition.



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ELDORA SPEEDWAY: VanWormer wins thriller

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ROSSBURG, Ohio — Jeep VanWormer often repeats, "We're in the entertainment business, and I come to entertain." The rapid-rising Late Model star once again lived up to his sledge on Saturday night as he parlayed a 15th place starting position into a victory over 46 other hopefuls in the Sunoco sponsored American Late Model Series (ALMS) event. Jeff Babcock and Mike Dirksen were equally thrilling in their respective UMP (United Midwestern Promoters) Modified and Eldora Stock Car finales, as 122 cars jammed the pits for the triphedder contest.

From the display of the green flag to start the 25-lap ALMS chase, and right through the checkered flag, the Eldora fans were in awe as drivers used every available inch of the lightning fast oval to swap positions like they were trading cards, lap after lap.

It started with pole-sitter Brad Neat charging into lead, but going down the backstretch, Chad Ruhlman stole that position away and crossed the line first after one

complete lap. That battle for supremacy went on for two laps before the first yellow hunting appeared for a spun Jon Henry at the exit of turn two.

With the field regrouped, the amazing VanWormer was up to third by lap four, with his sights set for the front. Right with him were defending Eldora Late Model champion Matt Miller, Tom Sprague, Jr. and Scott James, all with similar thoughts.

While Ruhlman and Neat continued their romp out at front, VanWormer became a little delayed in his charge as he had to play defense with Miller and James to protect this third position. Sprague had dropped to the pit area with mechanical woes.

Lap eleven set up a scene like days of past from Eldora and had the fans in awe. Brad Neat had just taken the lead from Ruhlman going through turns one and two, but a stalled Chris Ross brought out the yellow flag. The restart found Neat back in front, but when the green reappeared, two consecutive laps of three-wide racing down the back chute and into turn three stunned everyone. The first

three some was VanWormer, Ruhlman and Neat, with VanWormer coming out on top. Not to be outdone, Miller saw that three-wide racing could work, so he tried it the next time around the one-half mile clay oval, and his results were as successful, moving him into runner-up behind VanWormer. Meanwhile, James was resting back in fifth.

As VanWormer began to increase his lead, the balance of the pack tightened up, with Jon Henry in focus and moving forward from his earlier spin. A pair of yellow flags near the end of the race brought forth a new dimension. Matt Miller had been moving in on VanWormer and was within striking distance, but disappointment struck on the final restart. As the field bore down the front stretch, Miller's car dramatically lost power and evasive driving by all of the drivers, found no one making contact, but the yellow came out for a mad two lap dash to the finish. James, at this point, had moved into third, and with Miller's demise, found himself on the bumper and VanWormer. A strong chal-

lenge at the finish fell short and an elated VanWormer came out on top, with James inches behind. A Ruhlman finished third, but it wasn't Chad. Brother Brian came in from mid-pack to take that spot, with Neat in fourth, and an impressive Henry fifth. Chad Ruhlman fell to sixth at the finish.

Davey Gantt continues to impress the UMP Modified fraternity at Eldora as he led the first three laps of that finale. On the third circuit, he and Jacob Hawkins performed slide jobs on each other at opposite ends of the track to rival the just completed Late Model main event. But while they were doing that, Jeff Babcock entered the scene and slid past both of them. From that point forward, there was no denying Babcock, who just one week earlier saw a short night of racing when the power plant in his machine grenaded down the front stretch.

Babcock was simply in a different time zone from the balance of the field. That left a race for second that was powerful to the finish. Hawkins eventually help off Brian Ruhlman (doing double

duty) for his second three-place finish on the evening. Todd Sherman, in a strong drive from deep in the field, came on to finish fourth with Gantt dropping to fifth at the finish.

With what they had just seen in those two features, no one wanted to leave and the Stock Cars didn't disappoint anyone. Defending champion Mike Dirksen appeared to have their night capped wrapped up again, but then Scott Bowersock emerged upon the scene and a wild two-car battle ensued. Bowersock, showing matured patience, rode Dirksen's bumper lap after lap, but when lapped traffic came into play, he made his move, with the duo attempting to slice a four-car pack of cars. The surprise foursome got lost, with an ensuing spin by Rodney Lacey and Drew Meadows to bring out the caution and another dash to the finish between Dirksen and Bowersock. Dirksen prevailed by inches, with Bowersock runner-up, followed in order by Barney Craig, Rob Trent and Earnie Woodard.

201 Speedway Remaining 2009 Schedule

- May 2
- May 9
- May 16
- May 23
- May 30
- June 6
- June 13
- June 20
- June 27
- July 4
- July 11
- July 18
- July 25
- August 1
- August 8
- August 15
- August 22
- August 29
- September 5

Battle of the Bluegrass Late Model teams revved up for season-opener

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — After a much-debated offseason, the O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Graphic Impressions is set to kick off its 2009 championship points chase on Saturday with the 12th Annual Spring Sizzler event at Bluegrass Speedway in Bardstown. The first championship points event of 2009 will pay \$3,000-to-win.

The 2009 chase for the championship of the O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series Super Late Model division will begin in earnest at Bluegrass Speedway in Bardstown with the 12th Annual Spring Sizzler event. The racing program will also feature a full schedule of practice, time trials, qualifying heats, B-Mains, and the 30-lap, \$3,000 main, and the 12th Annual Spring Sizzler A-Main.

All activities for Bluegrass Speedway will begin one hour earlier normal, with the pit area open at 3 p.m. and the general admission area opening at 4. The drivers meeting will take place at 5

with practice starting at 5:30, followed by time trials at 6, and qualifying heat race events beginning at or before 7. Ticket prices for the event will be \$15 in the general admission area and \$30 in the pit area. Local divisions in action for the event will include the Open Wheel Modifieds and Stock in front.

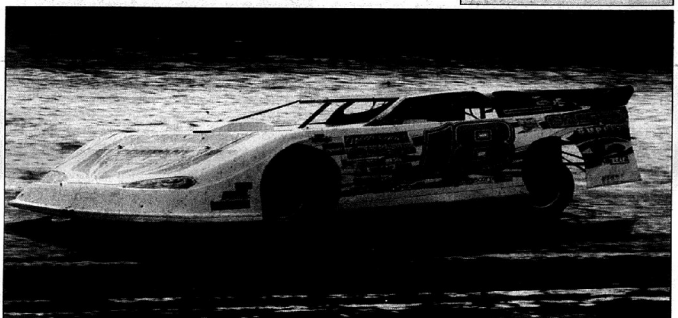
The O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series Super Late Model division has made 26 previous appearances at Bluegrass Speedway. Previous winners of events at Bluegrass Speedway include Rick Corbin (2002), Eddie Carrier, Jr. (2002), Mike Jewell (2002, 2003, 2007), Don O'Neal (2003, 2004, 2007), Darrell Lanigan (twice in 2003), Tim Tungate (2004), Brad Neat (2004, 2006), Shannon Babb (2005), Mike Marlar (2005, twice in 2008), and the 30-lap time in 2008), John Gill (2005), Jimmy Owens (twice in 2006), Steve Francis (2007), Eric Wells (2008), and Jason Keltner (2008).

The A-Main purse for the Saturday April 25 Spring Sizzler event at Bluegrass Speedway is as follows: 1st-

\$3,000, 2nd- \$1,500, 3rd- \$1,000, 4th- \$800, 5th- \$750, 6th- \$700, 7th- \$650, 8th- \$600, 9th- \$550, 10th- \$500, 11th- \$450, 12th- \$400, 13th- \$350, 14th- \$325, 15th- \$325, 16th- \$325, 17th through 22nd- \$300, 23rd through 24th- \$250.

Rules, regulations, and race procedures for the series will be the same for 2009 as they were in 2008. The series tire rules for 2009 are as follows: Hoosier- LM20, 1300, 1350, LM40, 1600, D55; American Racers-SD44, S448, M55.6. These compounds choice must be used on the front and rear tire selections at all sanctioned events. Soft tire compounds must durometer a minimum of 49, while hard tire compounds must durometer a minimum of 60.

The O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series sanctions regional Super Late Model events at tracks in Kentucky, Ohio, and Tennessee. For more information about America's most competitive regional racing series, visit www.battleofthebluegrass.com or call the series office at 859-762-1606 or 502-931-5068.



BRANDON KINZER competed in two Late Model feature races at separate Tennessee tracks late last week. Brandon Kinzer Motorsports races out of its Allen shop.

2009 NASCAR SPRINT CUP SCHEDULE/RESULTS

- Feb. 7 — x-Budweiser Shootout, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Kevin Harvick)
- Feb. 15 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Matt Kenseth)
- Feb. 22 — Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif. (Matt Kenseth)
- March 1 — Shelby 427, Las Vegas. (Kyle Busch)
- March 8 — Kobalt Tools 500, Hampton, Ga. (Kurt Busch)
- March 22 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn. (Kyle Busch)
- March 29 — Goody's Fast Relief 500, Martinsville, Va. (Jimmie Johnson)
- April 5 — Samsung 500, Fort Worth, Texas (Jeff Gordon)
- April 18 — Subway Fresh Fit 500, Avondale, Ariz. (Mark Martin)
- April 26 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.
- May 2 — Crown Royal Presents the Russell Friedman 400, Richmond, Va.
- May 9 — Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.
- May 16 — x-NASCAR All-Star Challenge, Concord, N.C.
- May 24 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
- May 31 — Dover 400, Dover, Del.
- June 7 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.
- June 14 — LifeLock 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
- June 21 — Toyota/Savemart 500, Sonoma, Calif.
- June 28 — LENOX Industrial Tools 301, Loudon, N.H.
- July 4 — Coke Zero 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- July 11 — LifeLock.com 400, Joliet, Ill.
- July 26 — Allstate 400, Indianapolis.
- Aug. 2 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.
- Aug. 9 — Centurion Boats at the Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
- Aug. 16 — Michigan 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
- Aug. 22 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
- Sept. 6 — Pep Boys Auto 500, Hampton, Ga.
- Sept. 12 — Chevy Rock & Roll 400, Richmond, Va.
- Sept. 20 — SYLVANIA 300, Loudon, N.H.
- Sept. 27 — Dover 400, Dover, Del.
- Oct. 4 — Price Chopper 400, Kansas City, Kan.
- Oct. 11 — Pepsi 500, Fontana, Calif.
- Oct. 17 — Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.
- Oct. 25 — Tums Fast Relief 500, Martinsville, Va.
- Nov. 1 — Amp Energy 500, Talladega, Ala.
- Nov. 8 — Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
- Nov. 15 — Checker O'Reilly Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
- Nov. 22 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.
- x-non-points race

RCR swaps crews for Harvick, Mears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WELCOME, N.C. — Richard Childress Racing's No. 07 crew will become the No. 29 crew, and vice versa, immediately following this weekend's race at Talladega Superspeedway.

Crew chief Gil Martin and his crew will move to the No. 29 team with driver Kevin Harvick while Todd Berrier and his crew will take over the No. 07 team with driver Casey Mears. In addition to the crew chiefs, the transition will include car chiefs, engineers, shock specialists, engine tuners, tire specialists, mechanics, transporter drivers and over-the-wall pit crews. Harvick and Mears, who will maintain their race spotters, are currently 16th and 22nd, respectively in the Cup Series point standings after eight races.

"The decision to interchange the 29 and 07 teams

was made to make both programs stronger and more successful," Richard Childress, president and CEO of Richard Childress Racing said. "Our main objective has always been to have all four of RCR's teams qualify for the Chase. Neither team has had the success this season that we know they're capable of, so we decided it was time to make a change to improve the two teams and the overall strength of RCR. We feel this change positions us to achieve that goal."

"Todd and Gil are proven winners who have strong and successful teams behind them. Chemistry is an important part of any successful organization and I felt it was time to change the makeup of these two teams. We've done this before with positive results."

Berrier was named crew chief of the No. 29 team in March 2003. He and Harvick

have eight Cup victories together, including the 2007 Daytona 500 and 2003 Brickyard 400. Berrier previously led Harvick to the 2001 Nationwide Series championship, the 2000 Nationwide Series rookie of the year award and seven Nationwide victories with RCR's No. 2 team. He has been with RCR since 1994.

Martin was named crew chief of the No. 07 team in December 2008. He has four Cup Series victories with three RCR drivers, including Clint Bowyer, Harvick and Robby Gordon. Martin was the crew chief of the No. 29 team in 2002 and went on to guide Harvick to victory in that season's race at Chicagoland Speedway. He moved to the program's team manager position in March 2003 where he remained until midway through the 2004 season. Martin has been with RCR since 2000.

Earnhardt, Mears placed on probation

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — NASCAR announced Tuesday that it has placed Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Casey Mears on probation for the next six races in the Sprint Cup Series, as a result of their on-track

incident last Saturday on the conclusion of the race at Phoenix International Raceway.

Earnhardt, driver of the No. 88 car, and Mears, driver of the No. 07 car, both violated Section 12-4-A (actions detrimental to stock-car racing; hitting another competitor's car after the race had concluded) of the 2009 NASCAR rule book.

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NASCAR SPRINT CUP DRIVER STANDINGS: 1. Jeff Gordon, 1,242; 2. Jimmie Johnson, 1,157; 3. Kurt Busch, 1,144; 4. Tony Stewart, 1,138; 5. Denny Hamlin, 1,088; 6. Clint Bowyer, 1,052; 7. Kyle Busch, 1,026; 8. Carl Edwards, 1,023; 9. David Reutimann, 992; 10. Casey Kahne, 975; 11. Jeff Burton, 953; 12. Matt Kenseth, 946; 13. Mark Martin, 937; 14. Greg Biffle, 930; 15. Juan Pablo Montoya, 910; 16. Kevin Harvick, 869; 17. Ryan Newman, 863; 18. Brian Vickers, 848; 19. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 843; 20. David Stremme, 829.

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Sunday Evening 6 PM
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ASSEMBLY OF GOD
First Assembly of God, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorie Vannucci, Minister.

In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 8:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.

New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Sellersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.

Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

BAPTIST
Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.

Auxiliary Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.

Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church, Mousley Ky; Worship Service, 9:30; Every third Sat. and Sun. of each month; Roger Hicks, Pastor; Ralph Howard, Asst. Pastor. Contact Kemit Newsome 606-377-6881 for more information.

Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.

Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.

Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, 1102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3663, ext. 67267.

Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.

Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.

Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Lewis, Minister.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.

Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.

Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner, Services; Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Jim Fields, Minister.

Endicot Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Church every Sun. Morning 11:00 a.m.; Wed. evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; First Sat. evening

Service, All Welcome 7 p.m. Pastor Mark Hunt, 806-478-2688

Faith Bible Church, an independent Baptist Church, located on 14th Street between Allen & Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bob Wireman.

Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Eglpt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Elder Donnie Patrick, Minister.

First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.

First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.

First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 4110, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Grethel Baptist, Slate Rt. 3373, (Branham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Willie Crace, pastor; Assist. Larry Patton. Phone 358-4275.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

Lacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Truist.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chad Blair, Pastor.

Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.

Lancaster Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.

Left Beaver Regular Baptist Church across from Garth School, 4th Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 a.m., Odd Saturday 6:00 pm; Gary Compton, Pastor.

Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merrie Little, Minister.

Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon; Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, (Indian Bottom Association) Services: 1st Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 a.m. 2nd Saturday, 10:00 a.m. 3rd Sunday 9:30 a.m., Odd Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.

Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Vandy, Minister.

McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.

Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; William L. Hunt, Minister.

Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Donald Crisp, Minister, home phone 285-3365.

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.

Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m., Jerry Manns, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.

Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Phillip Ramsey, Pastor.

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 north of Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

Trumble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

United Community Baptist, Hwy 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beaver, Minister.

Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.

CATHOLIC
St. Martha, Water Gap, Mass; Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Damron, pastor.

CHRISTIAN
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.

Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sharm Williams, Minister.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.

Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers.

Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Willis E. Meade, Minister.

Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Vantey, Minister.

Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

Mars Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley; Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Toler Church, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. John Burke, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.

Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.

First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.

Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Family Training Hour - Thursday 7 p.m.; Bill B. Tussey Jr, Pastor.

Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater Jr, Minister.

Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.

The Legion Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services; 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL
St. James Episcopal; Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Study Group 6:00 p.m.; Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m.; Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

LUTHERAN
Our Savior Lutheran, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLW (600 am) 12:25 p.m.; Roland Hartup, Minister.

METHODIST
Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Mear Music, Minister.

Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Minister.

Community United Methodist, 147 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neesley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; "Sandy" Douglas, Rev.

Elliot's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.

Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Profit.

First United Methodist, 255 South Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m.; Youth Service 6 p.m.; Rev. Jim Adams, Pastor.

Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Midweek Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Larry J. Penix, Minister.

Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.

Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor.

Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobbie Lewis, Minister.

Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.

Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayslett, Minnie Hayslett.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Exit 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campbell; Pentecost Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Dale Saniak, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.

Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 897-6220.

Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church, Dwale; Services Saturday, 6

p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Service.

PRESBYTERIAN
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian, North 11 a.m. Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Rev. Vicki Poole, pastor.

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Sacramento Mtg., 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:20 a.m.; Relief Society/Freshhood/Primary, 12:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting house telephone number: 285-3133; Ken Carriere, Bishop.

OTHER
Pastor Altha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the **CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY**; Sunday school 10 a.m.; Worship service 11 a.m.; **Drift Independent, Drift;** Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg (next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor. 886-3905.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

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Faith Fellowship, Allen, Ky. Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6 p.m.; Wed, 7 p.m.; Carl & Missy Woods, Pastors.

Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thurs, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.

Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.

Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor: Curt Howard.

Martin Home of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7:00 a.m., Saturday/Sunday.

Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.

Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month. Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.

The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.

The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Educator; 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Prayer Line: 358-2464; Darlene W. Arnette, Pastor.

Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m.; Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

Rising Sun Ministries, 114 Rising Sun Lane, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653; Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, D. P. Curry.

Church of God of Prophecy, Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Sunday Night - 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night - 6 p.m.; Pastor Glenn Hayes, West Prestonsburg.

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That's because when St. Mark's Academy opens next fall, it will be completely online.

"St. Mark's Academy pro-

vides an alternative for those middle and high school students whose needs are not being met in a traditional school setting," said Jamie Osborne, the school's Headmaster. "Our educational model is designed to provide a learning option that maximizes flexibility and personalization, without sacrificing

academic quality."

A key feature of the school is 24/7 on-demand access to e-instructors, said Osborne. These content-area experts — most of whom are Masters or Ph.D.-level educators — are just a mouse click away.

Given the current economic climate, school officials have made every effort to

keep tuition low, said Osborne. "We also have a convenient monthly payment plan, which eliminates the need to pay for a semester in advance," he said.

St. Mark's digital curriculum offers a range of solutions to support students, from pre-high school Foundations level courses through college-level

Advanced Placement.

"Most often, we are forced to take a 'one size fits all' approach to education," said Donna Antonopoulos, a middle school Spanish teacher from South Carolina who also serves as a St. Mark's enrollment counselor. "With this new school, we can provide a much more customized

approach that addresses different learning styles and paces."

A series of virtual information sessions for parents and students is currently being planned, Osborne noted.

For more information, visit the school's web site at <http://www.stmarksacademy.net> or phone 1-866-296-3140.

Kim's Korner: Life made us friends; God made us sisters!

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE

The year was 1967 when life began to change for a group of little girls that would meet one another and instantly become connected for life.

Who knows if it was because they hailed from a small coal town nestled in the Left Beaver area of Floyd County, or if their parents had instilled in them the true meaning of friendship, or if this group of girls just had a connection only God could have created. It has continued to grow and nurture over 42 years!



Kim Little Frasure

From standing side by side, cheering for Bobby Jones' Bobcats, spotting one another on the monkey bars at recess at Osborne Elementary to sharing those unforgettable warm and delicious peanut butter cookies during morning snacks, these girls had a bond like no other.

No matter the scrapes and squabbles life would intertwine throughout their lives, they managed to find their way back and forgive and forget and pick up right where they left off.

Very protective of one another, this incredible group would find themselves attached to one another no matter how many miles life would keep them apart as they graduated high school and began to move in different directions.

They shared the joys of marriage, attending one another's

weddings, the birth of their children, the loss of some of their parents, spouses, and loved ones and all rallying together, making sure the other knew they were there to hold a hand, offer a shoulder to lean on or simply sit in silence, whatever the need may be.

Then, very recently the unimaginable happened to this group of girls when one of their own was diagnosed with cancer.

The phone lines began to burn as they constantly kept in touch, praying and trying to come up with any and everything they could possibly muster to let their friend know she is front and center of their minds, hearts and prayers.

Then a plan was set into action to meet this past weekend and gather together with their friend and, if only for a day, they could all be together in the same place at the same time and they could give her the love and support and prayer they want her to desperately feel.

Team Monica was organized, the shirts were made, time of arrival was set and the trip was on.

When we arrived at Momma Ruth's, some of the girls had already gathered, sitting and waiting the arrival of the rest. Once eyes were set on the Team Monica shirts, the days of rallying together and cheering on our beloved school set in, only this time our cheers were for our friend, our sister, Monica, and she

absolutely loved our shirts.

We exchanged our hugs and kisses and Momma Ruth had fixed the best friend chicken and fixin's we had tasted in a long time.

Then we headed to Monica's Mom and Dad's house just down the road. As the 11 of us got out of our vehicles at Carlotta and Monroe's in our sea of pink shirts dawning Team Monica on the front, tears begin to flow from Carlotta as she wrapped her arms around each of us.

We headed out to the patio to sit and catch up with one another and what a day God had given us. The weather couldn't have been better, nor the company.

KJ (Kathi Jo) had brought along a pile of old photos from our grade school and high school years and we laughed and cried for hours.

Carlotta had fixed a meal fit for a king and we ate in shifts until we were all about to pop.

As I sat back, snapping pictures of this occasion, my heart filled with such love and compassion for Monica and how very proud I am of how positive she is, what a fighter she is, how strong she is — it just overwhelmed the heart.

Then my eyes were taking in the view of my lifelong friends all gathered together 42 years after their very first meeting, still ready and willing to lend those ears, shoulders, hands and prayers. Yes, life made us friends, but God has made us sisters!

Team Monica presented her with a beautiful little teddy bear that moved her lips and

head as she sung "That's what friends are for"

"Keep smilin', keep shinin' — Knowin' you can always count on me, for sure

"That's what friends are for

"For good times and bad times

"I'll be on your side forever more

"That's what friends are for"

Yes, Monica, that is what friends are for, and we are here cheering and praying and loving you, all of us, not just your friends, your sisters!

"Til next week, God's blessings and please remember Monica in your prayers.



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Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE Permit No. 836-0326

In accordance with 405 KAR 16:120E, Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560, proposes the following blasting schedule. The blasting site is located approximately 1.7 mile southeast of the junction of Ky. State Route 80 with Ky. State Route 680, approximately 2.5 miles northwest of Minnie in Floyd County, Ky. Blasting is proposed beginning April 22, 2009, through April 22, 2010.

Blasting will be conducted during daylight hours, Monday through Friday.

Sunday. No blasting will be done from sunset to sunrise. Access to the area will be blocked ten (10) minutes prior to shot by a company representative. Appropriate signs and markers will be placed at all entrances to the mine to regulate entry to the blasting area.

The warning signal and all-clear signals, using a siren, will be audible within one-half mile of the blasting area, and will be sounded before and following a blast. A series of one (1) minute blasts of a siren will be sounded five (5) minutes prior to the blast signal. The blast signal will be a series of short blasts of the siren, sounded one (1) minute prior to the blast. The all-clear signal following blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of the siren.

All blasting will be conducted during the designated time periods, except in case of emergency conditions may include but are not limited to rain, lightning or other atmospheric conditions, management problems, or safety to the public or operator. In the event of any emergency, all residents/personnel within one-half mile will be orally notified, and the signal sounded before detonation.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 880-5139

Notice is hereby given that Weeksburg Community House of God, Box 311, Weeksburg, KY 41647, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to install a bridge. The property is located at the mouth of Mills Branch of Ft. 468, 2 miles from 122 intersect of mining or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

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Advertisement for 'PUBLIC NOTICE' regarding a bridge installation project by Weeksburg Community House of God, including contact information for the Kentucky Division of Water.

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