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**briefs**

**13 die on state roads last week**

Preliminary statistics indicate that 13 people died in 13 separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, June 22, through Sunday, June 28. Eleven of the crashes involved motor vehicles and five of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Single-fatality crashes occurred in Christian, Franklin, Grant, Graves (2), Greenup, Jefferson, Livingston, Montgomery, Morgan, and Whitley counties. Alcohol was a factor in the Christian County crash.

Two motorcycle-involved fatalities occurred in Casey and Trigg counties. Neither victim was wearing a helmet.

Through June 28, preliminary statistics indicate that 271 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2009. This is four fewer fatalities reported from the same time period in 2008.

There were 312 motor vehicle fatalities and 172 of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Seventeen pedestrians have been killed. Thirty-six fatalities involved a motorcycle and five fatalities involved an ATV. A total of 84 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

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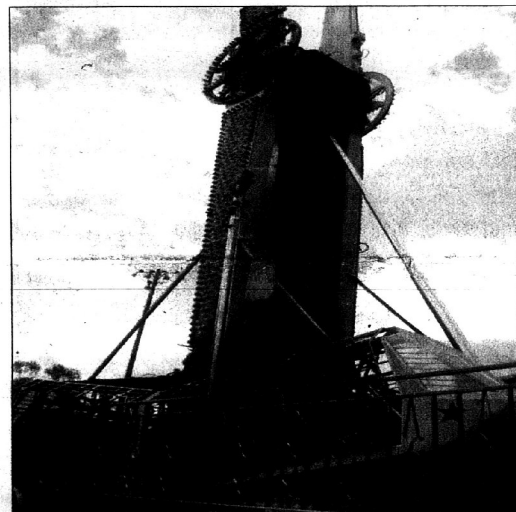
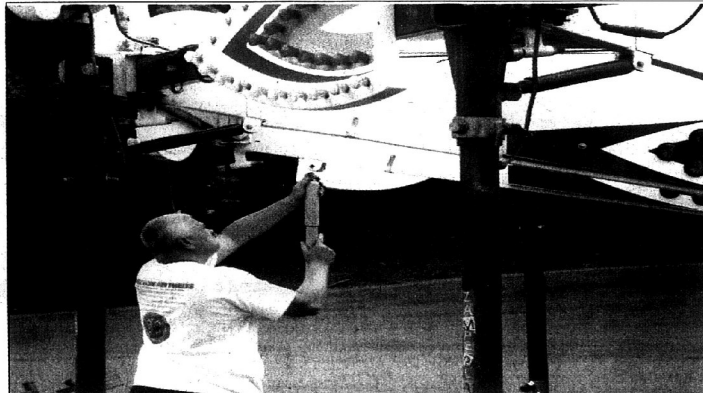
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**FUN FOR THE FOURTH**



**Carnival comes to town**

The Drew Exposition opened its annual carnival at Archer Park Monday, offering a wide variety of rides are available at the Drew Exposition Carnival at Archer Park in Prestonsburg. The carnival opens nightly at 5 p.m. Above, Stoney Thomas, with Drew Exposition, works on a carnival ride at Archer Park on Tuesday.

photo by Jarrod Deaton

**Lots of activities planned to celebrate Fourth**

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — With \$32,000 in fireworks purchased for the event, Prestonsburg Fire Chief Bobby Carpenter expects Saturday's Fourth of July celebration to be one of the most impressive displays yet for the city.

"This should be one of the better shows we have had," Carpenter said. "The fireworks will be visible from downtown and from Archer Park. The show should last about 20 minutes. If we have good, clear weather, it should be great."

Crews were working on Tuesday to make the road accessible on the mountain where the fireworks will be detonated, and the mortars will be

placed in the ground on Thursday.

The Fourth of July festivities officially kicked off on Monday with the opening of the carnival at Archer Park.

Employees of the Drew Exposition were fine-tuning rides on Tuesday and preparing for larger crowds as the week progresses.

"We open at 5 p.m. and usually stay open until 10:30," said Stoney Thomas, with the carnival. "It really depends on the size of the crowd."

Also on Saturday, the Friends of Middle Creek will present a program recounting Eastern Kentucky's Civil War history. Readers in period dress will read letters depicting vignettes of local Civil War history. The Friends of Middle

Creek will also answer questions from those in attendance concerning the historical significance of the letters. The readings will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The fireworks show is scheduled to begin around 9:30 Saturday night.

Jenny Wiley State Park also has a full agenda of events for the week, including pontoon boat rides, a wood burning class, a snake display, archery, a hike along the Moss Ridge Trail, fishing, the Amazing Campground Race, a one-man band concert, dancing, pine car building and racing, stuffed animal creating, watermelon and ice cream eating contests and many other activities.

For more information about the events at Jenny Wiley State Park, call (606) 889-1790.

**Hotline to handle flood insurance questions**

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

There were many Floyd Countians and their neighbors asking themselves the same question after the hard rains that flooded Floyd and surrounding counties on May 8.

How can I get flood insurance? The Federal Emergency Management Agency, though now transitioned out of their recovery centers while still offering a hotline for callers, is now hoping to focus residents on the means by which flood insurance can be claimed in order to avoid future loss.

The agency has set up a toll-free number for those with questions about flood insurance.

"Whether you're a property owner, renter, public official, insurance or real estate agent, or anyone else who wants answers, this free phone service is for you," said FEMA representative Jeannie Mooney.

The number now to call for FEMA's flood insurance

(See **INSURANCE**, page sixteen)

**Hundreds serve hundreds at RAM event**

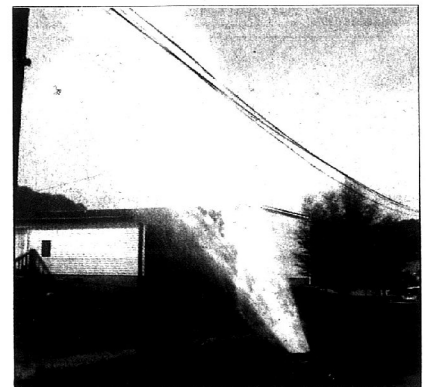
by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — The area's most recent Remote Area Medical (RAM) event brought just as many people as expected, surpassing the expectations of many.

RAM, an event that affords residents in areas where health care is often a too far-reaching goal the opportunity to have dental, vision and other general health needs attended, held its most recent event at Pike Central High School this past weekend. The free event took in patients on a first-come-first-serve basis.

The school was the site of the last RAM expedition held in Pike County and the turnout this weekend, for both visitors and volunteers, topped past efforts.

(See **RAM**, page sixteen)



A water line break Sunday morning in West Prestonsburg created a geyser-like effect.

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# Obituaries

## Harold C. Barnett

Harold C. Barnett, age 83, of Ivel, passed away Sunday, June 28, 2009, at his residence, after a courageous four-year battle with cancer.

He was born October 5, 1925, in Salyersville, the son of the late Clay and Lucinda Helton Barnett.

He was a graduate of Betsy Layne High School, retired from Columbia Gas Systems (FNA: The Inland Gas Co.), a Kentucky Colonel and a member of the Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist Church. He had resided in Ivel, for 65 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Imogene Allen Barnett; and a brother, Kenneth B. Barnett.

He is survived by a son, Ralph E. (Glenday) Barnett of Allen; two sisters: Frances (Basil) Dean, and Virginia (George) Maurer, both of Columbus, Ohio; several nieces and nephews; and a special friend, Jean Blackburn of Endicott.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 30, at 11:00 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel in Martin, with Charles Ferguson and James Harmon officiating.

Burial was in the Allen Family section of East Gate Memorial Gardens at Eastern. Pallbearers: Robert Hunt, Don Dale, Jeffrey Dean, Tim Barnett, Chris Barnett, Brandon Osborne and Roger Osborne.

The family chose Hall Funeral Home to care for those arrangements. (paid obituary)

## Douglas J. Hall

Douglas J. Hall, age 49, of Ashland, passed away Saturday, June 27, 2009, at his residence.

Born June 14, 1960, in Floyd County, he was a son of Sylvia Cole Carter and the late William Hall Jr., and was disabled.

Survivors, in addition to his mother, are one son: Jason Lee Hall, of Inez; two daughters: Irene Abbott Hall, of South Point, Ohio; and Bridgett Ann Hall, of Albion, Michigan; three brothers: William Edwin Hall and Charles David Hall, both of Huntington, West Virginia; and James Raymond Hall, of Ashland; two sisters: Patricia Ann Hall, of Ashland; and Kitty Francis Johnson, of Albion, Michigan.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by two sisters: Peggy Jean Kinn and Faye Lynn Stanley; his grandparents: Abram and Malta Cole and Rueban and Gracie Hall.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 30, at 10 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Don Crisp officiating.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (paid obituary)

## Michael Ryan Hall

Michael Ryan Hall, age 26, of Wheelwright, passed away Friday, June 26, 2009, at his residence.

Born November 28, 1982, in Martin, he was the son of Bobby Joe Hall and Diane Moore Hall of Wheelwright, and worked as a laborer.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his maternal grandmother: Sarah Ellen Mitchell of Wheelwright; aunts and uncles: Karen

Mitchell and Lisa Mitchell, both of Wheelwright; Darrell Hall of Jacks Creek; Charlene Jacobs of Pigeon Passes; and Georgia Hall of Bypro.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents: Charles and Joy Hall.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 29, at 11 a.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church in Bypro, with Louis Ferrari, Lester Johnson, and Terry Isaac officiating.

Burial was in the Little-Hall Cemetery at Wheelwright. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, in charge of arrangements.

Visitation was at the church. (paid obituary)

## Virginia Lea Turner Hall

Virginia Lea Turner Hall, age 84, of Weebury, wife of Haskell Hall, passed away Sunday, June 28, 2009, in the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, in McDowell.

She was born August 31, 1924, in Millstone, the daughter of the late Thomas J. Turner and Bertha Hall Turner Holbrook.

She was a member of the Left Beaver Regular Baptist Church, and a U.S. Postmaster at Weebury.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include one son, Jimmy D. Hall of Stanton; and one daughter, Joan Caldwell of Weebury; two sisters: Connie Crissman of Amelia, Ohio, and Ruby Jane Paek of Richmond; six grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, James Millard Hall, and one sister, Olive Rose Hall.

Funeral services for Virginia Lea Turner Hall will be conducted Wednesday, July 1, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Gary Compton, Jimmy Hall and Clinton Moore officiating.

Burial will follow in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, McDowell, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (paid obituary)

## Reuben Clay Howard

Reuben Clay Howard, age 78, of East Point, passed away Monday, June 29, 2009, in Elkhorn City.

Born September 10, 1930, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Arthur Clay Howard and Alta Mae Music Howard.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his

wife, JoAnn Howard, and one brother, Harold J. Howard.

He is survived by one son, Timothy (Delois) Howard, of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Debra Clay (Dan) Hall of East Point, and Kathy Swisher of Dayton, Ohio; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and five stepgreat-grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 2, at the Little Paint First Church of God, with burial to follow in the Howard-Combs Cemetery in Little Paint. Bobby Joe Spencer will officiate.

Friends may visit the church from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, July 1.

Arrangements are by the Phelps & Son Funeral Home, Paintsville. (paid obituary)

## Russell Samons

Russell Samons, age 63, of Martin, passed away Friday, June 26, 2009, at Community Hospice Cancer Center.

Born April 13, 1946, in Martin, he was a son of the late Paul and Eva Kilburn Samons, and was a disabled foundry worker.

He is survived by Dora Reed, his companion of 35 years; seven daughters: Deborah Samons of Albion, Michigan; Teresa (Tim) Wise of Marshall, Michigan; Sandy (Larry) Childers of Martin; Alice Ousley of Rochester, Indiana; Terrence (Jerry) Fibback of Louisville; Sue (Ray) Shepherd of Gunlock; Clesia (Jerry) McCoy of Harrodsburg; and Crystal Samons of Hazard; two brothers: Jesse (Deanna) Beach, Florida; and Hardy (Verlie) Samons of Wabash, Indiana; three sisters: Helen Stumbo and Loretta (Dick) Marshall, both of North Manchester, Indiana; and Elenor Wells of Wabash, Indiana; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; 45 stepgrandchildren, and nine stepgreat-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Phillip Reed; two sisters: Paulette Butcher and Cosetta Knight.

Services were held Monday, June 29, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Ellis Stephens, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Crum-Samons Cemetery (Arkansas Creek) in Martin.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (paid obituary)

## Lewis Thomas Smith

Lewis Thomas Smith, age 72, of Cynthia, died Thursday, June 25, 2009, at Harrison Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Ransom, March 10, 1937, the son of the late Willard and Blanch Hatfield Smith. He was a retired railroad employee and minister. He was a member of the Martin House of Worship in Floyd County.

He was preceded in death by a son, Albin Smith; and a sister.

Survivors include his wife, Dee Garr Smith; three sons: James (Cheryl) Smith of Sidney, Ohio; Thomas (Kim) Smith of Wapakoneta, Ohio; and Frank (Michelle) Smith of Clearwater, Florida; six daughters: Kimberly (Marty) Kies of Degraff, Ohio; Heather

(Gary) Shepherd of Harrison County; RutheAnn Smith of Monticello; Blanch Smith of Hueysville; Molly (Jason) Smith of Carlisle; and Polly (Mike) Smith of Cynthia; four brothers, Darrell, Mike, Dave and Rick Smith; three sisters, Linda Smith, Betty Smith and Vivian Scott; 21 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren also survive. Services were conducted at 1 p.m., Sunday, June 28, at the Drake-Whaley-McCarty Funeral Home, by Reverend Steve Barron, with burial following in Sunrise Cemetery.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Bluegrass in honor of the Gold Team. (paid obituary)

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THE FAMILY OF JOHN COLLINS

## Card of Thanks

The family of Kitty Allen Dingus would like to humbly thank each and everyone who helped in any way during our recent loss; those who sent beautiful floral arrangements, food, and words of encouragement. A special thanks to Clergyman Randy Osborne for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home staff for making our loss a little easier to bear. For anyone who may have helped in any other way, we lovingly say, Thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF KITTY ALLEN DINGUS

## Card of Thanks

The family of Novella Akers Compton would like to express their sincere appreciation to all who sent food, flowers, or prayers to our family, during this difficult time. A special thanks to Clergyman Stanley Stratton for his comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care. All the love and support that was shown to our family will never be forgotten.

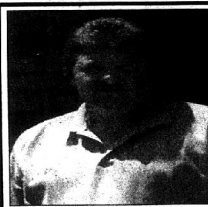
THE FAMILY OF NOVELLA AKERS COMPTON

## Thank You

The family of Joseph D. Ratliff would like to thank all of those who helped in any way during the loss of our precious loved one. Joseph would have been so pleased with such an outpouring of love and respect. Thanks to everyone who visited, for your consoling words of comfort, all of the beautiful flowers, tokens of love, the food, and most especially, your prayers. Every kind expression of sympathy shown our family is lovingly appreciated. We were comforted by your presence there, and knowing that his life had touched so many. Joseph was a unique man, deeply caring of family and community.

Special thanks to Tommy Webb and to all the singers and also ministers, Carlos Beverly, Irvin Allen Jr., and Randy Brown. Thanks to the Disabled American Veterans, Garrett Chapter #28, for special Honorary Rites for a Fallen Comrade. Also, thanks to Hall Funeral Home staff, and the sheriff's department, for their kind and professional service. To everyone, we lovingly say, "Thank You."

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# PMC holds public forum for \$44.6 million expansion

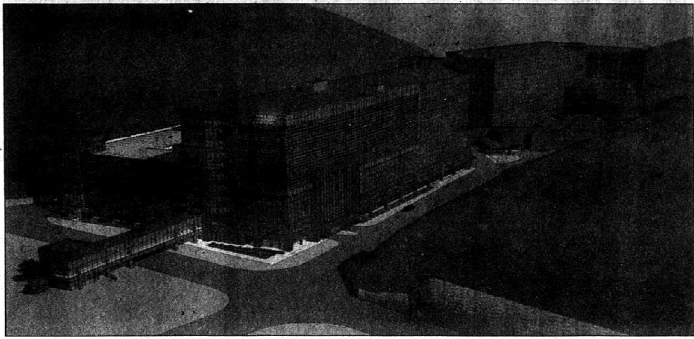
PIKEVILLE — Pikeville Medical Center held a public forum for its proposed expansion of a parking garage and medical office building on June 23 in the second-floor atrium of the May Tower.

The project, which will consist of a 1,008-space parking garage and a seven-floor, 112,000-square-foot medical office building, is part of Pikeville Medical Center's aggressive plan to move its services into a centralized location.

Hospital officials conducted the public forum to finalize preliminary requirements to apply for a loan through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to cover the cost of the \$44.6 million project.

"This expansion will help us centralize our service lines," said Walter E. May, president and chief executive officer for Pikeville Medical Center. "We are a progressive hospital, and our plans to grow certainly will not stop with this project."

During the construction phase, the hospital will run more frequent shuttle bus service routes to parking areas, located across from PMC's main campus, and enhance



Pikeville Medical Center's expansion project calls for a 1,008-space parking garage and seven-story medical office building. Hospital officials have applied for a loan through the United States Department of Agriculture to pay for the \$44.6 million project.

valet parking services to patients.

"Pikeville Medical Center has positioned itself for this expansion project," PMC Chief Operating Officer Jerry Johnson said. "Our administration and board of directors are committed

to providing world-class care to the people of eastern Kentucky, southern West Virginia and southwest Virginia."

The project, which is expected to last 22 months, comes as PMC is experiencing unpre-

cedented growth and officials expect the hospital will grow even further with the expansion by recruiting more world-renowned physicians and health care professionals and offering additional services.

Terence Farrell, vice presi-

dent of support and professional services at PMC, said the expansion will offer the ultimate convenience for patients and visitors.

"This expansion will allow our patients to have a 'one-stop shop' for all of their health care needs," Farrell said. "By moving our physicians and receiving additional services (diagnostics, radiology and other specialty services) in one location, the convenience of seeing our physicians and receiving additional services (diagnostics, radiology and other specialty services) in one location."

The medical office building will accommodate outpatient surgery, endoscopy, surgical support and exam rooms, waiting areas and office space for 23 primary care, specialty and subspecialty physicians. PMC's proposed research center is also expected to be housed in the facility. When the research center is complete, it will support shared university research in health disparities, genetic research related to cancer and potential research in other areas like drug treatments and trials.

With the expansion comes additional room to grow, May said. "We have the ability to expand the parking garage and medical office building to 11 floors," he added. "Our vision is to eventually build a second garage behind the hospital for our employees."

The 1,008 parking spaces in the garage exceed the total parking spaces the hospital has on its main campus and the Riverfill parking area, where the hospital's Orthopedic and Rehabilitation Hospital, Diagnostic Center and Pain Management Clinic are located.

## Check withholding to avoid a tax surprise, IRS advises

INDIANAPOLIS — With 2009 nearly half over, the Internal Revenue Service reminds Kentucky taxpayers that there is no better time to check their 2009 federal income tax withholding levels to make sure they do not face any surprises when returns are due next spring.

The Making Work Pay Credit lowered tax withholding rates this year for 120 million American households. However, particular taxpayers who fall into any of the following groups should review their tax withholding rates to ensure enough tax is withheld: multiple job holders, families in which both spouses work, workers who can be claimed as dependents by other taxpayers and pensioners.

Failure to adjust withholding rates could result in potentially smaller refunds or may cause you to owe tax rather than get a refund next year. So far in 2009, the average refund amount is \$2,675 and 79 percent of all returns received a

refund.

Because retirees typically have withholding from their pension payments, pension plan administrators or pension payors should be aware of the optional adjustment procedure for pension withholding announced in Notice 1036-P. Additional Withholding for Pensions for 2009.

Social security beneficiaries, supplemental security income (SSI) recipients, disabled veterans and railroad retirees that receive this year's one-time \$250 economic recovery payment should be aware that the Making Work Pay credit will be reduced by the \$250 payment amount. They may also want to review their withholding.

The IRS withholding calculator on IRS.gov can help a taxpayer compute the proper tax withholding. The worksheets in Publication 919, How Do I Adjust My Withholding?, can also be used to do the calculation. If the result suggests an adjustment is necessary, the

taxpayer should submit a new Form W-4, Withholding Allowance Certificate, to his or her employer or adjust the amount of quarterly tax paid.

In addition, the IRS reminds unemployed workers that the first \$2,400 of unemployment benefits they receive during 2009 are tax-free for federal income tax purposes. People who expect to receive more than that should consider having tax withheld from their benefit payments in excess of \$2,400. Use Form W-4V, Voluntary Withholding

Request, or the equivalent form provided by the payer to request withholding to begin or end.

Taxpayers should visit IRS.gov for more information about how to adjust federal income tax withholding. The Web site also has details on various tax incentives in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act as well as downloadable forms and publications. Free tax forms and publications are also available by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

## Keller joins KHEAA as outreach counselor

FRANKFORT — Amanda Keller has joined the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) as a regional outreach counselor for southeastern Kentucky.

Keller will visit schools, college fairs and other places to talk with students and parents about the benefits of going to college. She will work in Bell, Breathitt, Clay, Floyd, Harlan, Jackson, Knott, Knox, Leslie, Letcher, Owsley, Perry, Pike and Whitley counties.

"I am extremely excited to be working for KHEAA," Keller said. "It is a professional goal I have had for some time and am truly proud to have reached it."

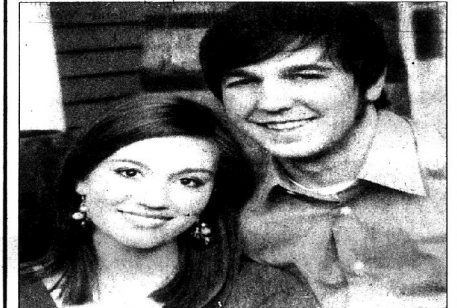
Before joining KHEAA, Keller was a college access counselor at Morehead State University's Educational Opportunity Center. She worked closely with high

schools and adult education providers to help area students enroll in colleges throughout the state.

Keller is a graduate of Morgan County High School and has a bachelor's and master's degree in psychology from Morehead State University. She and her husband, Brian, have two daughters and live in West Liberty. Any school or organization that wants Keller to present a program about college planning and financial aid may contact her at (606) 205-8810 or akeller@kheaa.com.

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## Hale-Tackett to Wed



Katherine Leann Hale and Joy Mark Tackett, along with their parents, are pleased to announce their wedding. The wedding will take place on July 10, at six thirty in the evening, at Pleasant Home Baptist Church, with a reception following.

Katherine is the daughter of George and Barbara Hale of Blue River. She is the granddaughter of Winifred and the late Henry C. Hale, and the late Bill and Bernice Rathel.

Joy Mark is the son of Mark and Sharon Tackett of Allen. He is the grandson of Marvin and Barbara Tackett, and Thomas and Ermogene Hamilton.

The gracious custom of open wedding will be observed.

## Turner-Hall to Wed



Mr. and Mrs. Lee and Brenda Turner, of Prestonsburg, are proud to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tiffany Nichole Turner, to Byron Stephen Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen and Sherry Hall, of Hunter.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Allen Central High School and Alice Lloyd College. She is employed by the Floyd County Board of Education.

The future groom is a graduate of South Floyd High School and Alice Lloyd College. He is employed by the Floyd County Board of Education.

The wedding celebration will be held at 2:30 p.m., on July 4th, at the McDowell First Baptist Church in McDowell.

The custom of open church will be observed. The couple will reside in McDowell.

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# Viewpoint

**Worth Repeating ...**

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— David Sedaris

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## Guest View Legislators need to reveal costs of cap-and-trade bill

U.S. House Democratic leaders are scrambling to secure the votes for quick passage of a carbon cap-and-trade law, arguing that aggressively attacking greenhouses gases will save the planet and restore America's standing in the international community.

But some of their more moderate colleagues are balking and for good cause.

This bill will break the budget of U.S. households. Cap-and-trade will set a limit on the amount of carbon manufacturers and energy producers can emit. Those that exceed the limit would have to buy credits from those who are under their cap. The Obama administration contends this will create free-market trading in carbon credits that will produce a huge windfall to offset the impact of the law on consumers.

But the American Institute for Economic Research, an independent group, says that in places where cap-and-trade is already in place, the market for carbon credits has been tepid. The institute warns the cap-and-trade bill co-sponsored by Reps. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., and Edward Markey, D-Mass., could double the price of natural gas ... Electricity costs could rise more than 100 percent in the Midwest.

Gasoline and diesel fuel prices could go up nearly an estimated \$1 per gallon just from the effects of this bill, driving up the cost of any good that is delivered by truck or train — meaning just about every consumer product, particularly food.

But Markey and Waxman aren't talking about the cost of their bill as they twist the arms of their more cautious colleagues.

Before passing such a life-changing bill, Congress should disclose its full costs to consumers. Families will bear the price of this legislation, and they should be informed of exactly what that price will be.

— The Detroit Press



## Guest Column

### House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

The legislative process is one where compromise is not only necessary, but often inevitable. And it was compromise that gave the Commonwealth new economic development incentives, funding for mega-transportation projects and a balanced budget for next fiscal year as lawmakers ended their work on the issues in special session on June 24.

State lawmakers acted quickly since the session was called on June 15 to meet Gov. Steve Beshear's request for spending cuts and other changes necessary to plug a nearly \$1 billion shortfall in the state's spending plan for fiscal year 2010. By the following Wednesday, we had accomplished that task and balanced the budget by passing a revised House Bill 4 by a vote of 97-0 in the House and 35-0 in the Senate. Most of the remaining shortfall will be eliminated with over \$700 million in federal discretionary stimulus funds, sparing the Commonwealth deeper cuts that would be hard to withstand.

The cuts that the governor asked us to make to eliminate the shortfall will not affect public school per-pupil funding, higher education, local jails or Medicaid, but most other programs and agencies in each branch of government that took cut last winter in the 2009 Regular Session will face more reductions. Most executive branch agency budgets will be cut another 2.6 percent; the judicial branch will take a \$22.6 million cut, and more than \$2.6 million will be cut from the legislative budget. Needless to say, making additional cuts was extremely hard to do since funding is already so limited, but our statutory requirement for a balanced budget left us no choice.

Some lawmakers hoped to buoy education during these troubled financial times by freeing up over \$600 million in bonds to replace aging or dilapidated public schools and hundreds of millions of dollars in bonds for postsecondary construction, but those provisions were stripped from the House budget proposal when legislators allow video slot machines at licensed racetracks died in Senate committee. Without the slots revenue—which some estimated would total around \$200 million a year plus an estimated \$500 million in initial licensing fees the first five years—there was no money for those projects.

There were good arguments on both sides of the slots issue: Proponents, including the governor, who required lawmakers to consider slots as part of his special session call, were in favor of the money slots would provide for education, local infrastructure, treatment for addiction and other uses. Opponents to the slots bill contended that the legislation might be unconstitutional (requiring a constitutional amendment rather than statutory change), could harm Kentuckians financially and not be as lucrative as others generally believed. In the end, the proposal could not muster the support it needed to survive in the Senate.

What did survive was a proposal to increase funding in the budget for county and Commonwealth's attorneys and public defenders and keep funding for county PVAS at current levels. The bill also increased funding for state parks by \$4.9 million, approved a 1,550-acre site in Hardin County to be used for construction of a proposed advanced battery manufacturer, authorized a land buy by Jefferson Community and Technical College and authorized the University of Kentucky to borrow funding for a medical center expansion and begin work to update facilities including Commonwealth Stadium.

Other survivors this session were

economic incentives and the mega-projects legislation included in HB 3, a bill that is expected to have long-term financial benefits for Kentucky. Included in HB 3, which was passed by an 86-10 House vote and 35-0 Senate vote, are provisions allowing the state to finance billions of dollars in construction of highway projects worth a half billion dollars or more—like the \$4.1 billion Louisville bridges project Kentucky will share with Indiana—along with millions of dollars in incentives to expand business, tourism and give tax breaks to Kentucky's active duty military, car buyers and new home buyers.

Incentives added to HB 3 through a House and Senate agreement were a motor vehicle use-tax incentive that would only tax car buyers on the difference between a new car purchase and their trade-in, loan support for certain incentive projects, an extension of tourism development incentives and an income-tax exemption for Kentuckians in the military beginning Jan. 1. A tax credit of up to \$5,000 for new home buyers was also added.

Dozens of other incentives were also included; incentives for reinvestment in existing manufacturing facilities, streamlining of business incentives that create jobs, film industry incentives, small business tax credits, income tax incentives for railroad improvement and provisions to attract a NASCAR Sprint Cup race to Kentucky Speedway in Gallatin County and the Breeders' Cup to Churchill Downs.

Lawmakers rarely agree on everything, but the benefits of the legislation we were able to pass during this eight-day special session should be agreeable to Kentuckians beyond the halls of the State Capitol. The modified budget and HB 3 will give our state more opportunity at a time in our economy when opportunities are few and far between. For that, I believe we can count this brief special session a true success.



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## Letters No service

On May 6, part of Floyd County was hit by flash flooding. There were three mudslides that were caused by the flash flooding in front of my house, causing damage to my property.

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Raymond Blackburn  
Cow Creek



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# Rising fuel prices, uncertain economy to dampen July 4 holiday travel, AAA says

LEXINGTON — AAA is projecting the number of Americans traveling on vacation this Fourth of July holiday weekend will decrease 1.9 percent from 2008, with approximately 37.1 million travelers taking a trip of 50 or more miles away from home.

Last year, 37.8 million Americans traveled during the same period, a 10.5 percent decline from the 42.3 million travelers who vacationed in 2007. The July 4 holiday is typically the busiest time of year for auto travel since nearly all school-aged children are out of school at this time and, as a result, parents are more apt to take family vacations at this time.

AAA said the projected slight decline in leisure travel is mainly due to ongoing uncertainty about the strength of the economy; especially rising joblessness and sagging personal incomes. The recent rise in gasoline prices may also be causing some travelers to limit or abbreviate their holiday plans, although its impact on overall vacation costs remains minimal, AAA said. "Many Americans remain cautious about the outlook for their personal finances and these attitudes are reflected in the slight decline in travel we are forecasting for the upcoming holiday weekend," said Robert L. Darbelnet, AAA President & CEO. "Those who do vacation this summer will find a plethora of attractive discounts and special offers resulting in some outstanding vacation values. If you can afford to go, this summer is a smart time to travel."

AAA's projections are based on research conducted by IHS Global Insight. The Boston-based economic research and consulting firm teamed with AAA earlier this year as part of an agreement to jointly analyze travel trends during the major holidays. AAA has been reporting on holiday travel trends for more than two decades. The complete AAA / IHS Global Insight 2009 July 4th holiday forecast can be found at AAA.com/news.

**Air travel to increase, while auto travel declines**  
Although air travel will

account for only five percent of July 4th leisure travel, the industry is expected to see a 4.9 percent increase in leisure travel bookings this holiday due to declining airfares and pent up demand from those who have not taken a vacation trip by air in some time. Two million person trips are expected by air. Last July 4th air travel declined steeply, so this year's rebound is significant.

Although fuel prices remain much lower than they were one year ago, the relatively steep price increase since May will dampen consumer enthusiasm for road trips. AAA projects a 2.6 percent decline in auto trips from 33.4 million last year to 32.6 million in 2009. More attractive airfares also will contribute to the decline in auto travel.

Trips by other/multi modes, including air/air/multi combinations, rail, buses and watercraft, will be the dominant means of travel used by an estimated 2.5 million Americans, or 7 percent of all travelers.

**Average spending will be \$1,160 and average distance traveled will be 614 miles**

Fourth of July travelers expect to spend approximately \$1,160 per household this upcoming holiday weekend. Transportation and accommodations will account for about half of trip spending, while food and beverage absorbs another 20 percent of the holiday budget. Shopping, entertainment and recreation will account for the remaining 30 percent of spending on average.

Gasoline prices are up substantially since May, but are still much lower than they were at this time last year. This should encourage some travelers to drive long distances over the holiday weekend. Fourth of July travelers will log an average of 614 miles roundtrip this upcoming holiday weekend. Over one third (38%) of travelers will stay relatively close to home, with expected round trips of under 250 miles. One third of weekend travelers will log between 250 and 700 miles. And 28 percent will travel

over 700 miles round trip.

**Airfare and lodging costs will be lower**

According to AAA's Leisure Travel Index - a monitor of pricing in 20 popular cities across the US for hotel and car rentals, as well as 40 pairs of cities for air travel pricing - the lowest average published airfares over the July 4 holiday weekend are expected to decrease 16 percent from last year as air passengers will pay as little as \$169. From February 2009 through June 2009, the lowest fares have been less than the same timeframe in 2008. Car rental rates are up slightly with consumers paying an average of \$51 per day compared to \$49 a year ago, an increase of five percent. Hotel rates for AAA Three Diamond and Two Diamond lodgings are expected to be 12 percent less than

last year with travelers spending an average of \$137 per night for Three Diamond properties. Travelers planning to stay at AAA Two Diamond hotels will pay an average of \$101 per night.

**Holiday Forecast Approach**

In cooperation with AAA, IHS Global Insight has developed a unique approach to forecasting actual travel that explicitly considers current economic conditions, past July 4th holiday travel trends and behavior, and the recent assessment of pre-holiday American travel intentions derived from a survey of 2,700 American households.

The intentions figures act as a leading indicator, but do not constitute the forecast itself. Instead, travel intentions overlay other key travel drivers along with past trends in an effort to project what

Americans will actually do this coming July 4. The approach recognizes Americans do not always behave as they say they will.

The actual travel figures come from the ongoing travel panel database of D.K. Shifflet & Associates, the premier source of American travel volume and behavior. DKSA interviews over 50,000 American households per month in an effort to track trip incidence, composition, behavior, and spending... all after the trips have been taken.

Regional holiday trip forecasts are strongly influenced by the economic conditions that exist in each market. The pain associated with current economic conditions is of course not evenly distributed throughout the country. Relative strength in the Mountain Region (ID, MT, WY, NV, UT, CO, AZ and

NM) for example, is reflected in our expectations for higher than average Independence Day weekend travel. It will be quite the opposite for the New England and East South Central regions.

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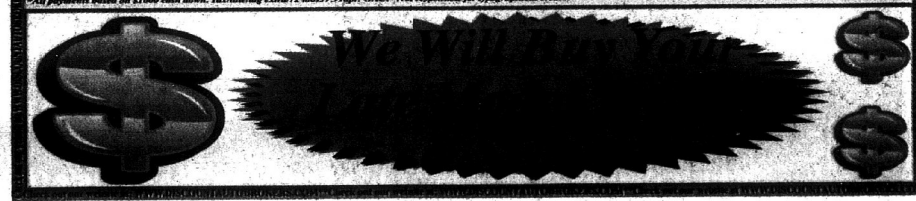


Sherri Blair, RD, LD, discusses diabetes information with Fannie Varney during the PBH Health Fair at the Johnson County Senior Citizens Center.

## PBH holds health fair for seniors

PAINTSVILLE — Staff from Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center conducted a Health Fair at the Johnson County Senior Citizens Center last Wednesday, with more than 40 people in attendance. Scott Souther, MT, Director of PBH Laboratory Services, provided cholesterol and glucose screenings while Sherri Blair, RD, LD, conducted blood pressure checks and offered diabetes information. They were assisted by Phlebotomists Jennifer

Simpkins and Courtney McKenzie. Esta Penix, PT Tech, of the hospital's Physical Therapy Department, tendered information on proper lifting. The Health Fair was organized with the cooperation of Lyda Ward, Senior Citizens Center director. Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center conducts Health Fairs throughout the region periodically as one of its efforts to improve the health of those living in Eastern Kentucky.



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# 45 students take part in PEPP program at Pikeville College

PIKEVILLE — Forty-five Kentucky high school students from 21 counties across the region were recently on the campus of Pikeville College to participate in the annual Professional Education Preparation Program (PEPP) that is offered by Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM).

This two-week residential program provides high school students from the region with an opportunity to learn about the medical profession. More than 550 students have participated in the college's program since its inception in 1999.

This year, students spent two weeks on campus learning anatomy, histology, physiology, biochemistry, pathology, and pharmacology of the 10 major human organ systems through presentations provided by PCOM faculty and second-year students from PCOM. PEPP students participated in gross anatomy and functional anatomy labs at PCOM and engaged in clinical observations at Pikeville Medical Center.

"I've always been interested in medicine and wanted to learn more about the different medical fields. PEPP has given me the opportunity to help me decide which area I'd like to focus on," said Emily Hunt, a junior at Pike Central High School. "My favorite class has been the functional anatomy class and I'm especially interested in sports medicine."

The PEPP program is designed to provide a better understanding of rural medicine, what it takes to get into a medical education program, and the dedication needed to succeed in the medical profession. It also helps to build confidence and self-esteem and provides students with the encouragement to seek chal-



Students who participated in the PEPP program at Pikeville College. Floyd County students include Emily Marsillett and Lakyn Ratliff.

lenging course work as they prepare for higher education. "I am proud of the enthusiasm with which our PEPP students have embraced their two-week introduction to medical education at PCOM. Since many of these students have expressed a desire to

become physicians, I hope their PEPP experiences sustain their motivation to obtain the education needed to realize their dreams," said Linda Dunatov, associate dean for student affairs at PCOM. PCOM's mission is to provide an osteopathic medical

education that emphasizes primary care, encourages research, promotes lifelong scholarly activity, and produces graduates who are committed to serving the health care needs of communities in Eastern Kentucky and other Appalachian regions.

## Community Trust Bank receives Lender of the Year Award from SunTrust Mortgage



From left to right are Deborah Gadberr, Sun Trust Regional Account Manager; Carol McDonald, SVP/Residential Lending Manager, Community Trust Bank; and Kay Caldwell, SVP/Residential Lending Supervisor, Community Trust Bank.

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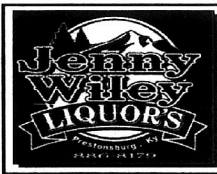
"We are delighted to receive this honor from SunTrust Mortgage," said Mark Gooch, President and CEO of Community Trust

Bank. "The relationship with SunTrust has been good for both Community Trust Bank and our customer base, allowing us to offer competitive mortgage products across our service area. I'm proud of our employees and we look forward to continued profitable growth in this business for the future."

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Those named to the President's List include:

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- Jessica Mae Gilliam, Christopher Lee Jude, Leslie Adam McGinnis, Lisa Robin Osendott, Florence Candace N. Preece, Lora Ann Simpkins, Cheryl Tilley.

- Pike County**
- Chelsea Lynne Adams, Elizabeth Anne Alderman, Michelle Lea Bentley, Summer LeAnn Bishop, Cassandra Marie Bostic, Peggy Beth Boyd, Berry Joe Branham, Heather Ann Byrd, Lorna T. Cantrell, Oliesiea Kirby Case, Heidi Ann Chilson, Glenda Janelle Compton, Joshua K. Dammron, Jeremie L. Delauder, Brittany Dove, Brendal S. Epling, Joseph Ryan Fields, John Alton Fleming, Helen Christine Harmon, Clarence Edward Hunt, Gary M. Hunter, Heather Renee Keene, Angela Kendrick, Mollie J. Lanphear, Amanda LeeAnn Looney, Cory Edward Matney, Candace Lynn

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- Breathitt County**
- Ronald E. Holliday, Archie Alan Johnson, Bobby Lee Noble, Justin Dennis Reichenbach, Gregory Dean Taubee.

- Fayette County**
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- Rowan County**
- Jesse Dean Griffith.

# Big Sandy Community and Technical College announces Dean's List

Big Sandy Community and Technical College has announced its Dean's List for the recently completed spring semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must complete at least 12 credit-hours and achieve a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

Those named to the Dean's List include:

- Floyd County**
- Bradley Jay Adams, Dina Albaree, Elizabeth R. Allen, Robert R. Allen III, Casey Evan Anderson, Brian Scott Blair, Jason Edward Blair, Courtney Rachelle Blevins, Adrienne Brooke Boyd, Taylor Wayne Boyd, Samantha N. Bush, Cory Channing Campbell, Barbara Alesha Case, Elizabeth Ann Casey, Patrick J. Collins, Missy Compton, Ethan J. Conley, Andrea Rae Crum, Michael R. Crum, Shannon Keith Crum, Angela Renee Davis, Deanna L. Davis, Tiffany Fannin, Ashley Lynn Fletcher, Julie Ann Ford, Jessica Nicole Fraley, Adam Clay Gearheart, Kellie Ann Gilliam, Brittany N. Goble, Heather Marie Goodman, Courtney B. Gullett, Alesia Lashae Hall, Carla Faye Hall, Eleanor D. Hall, Whitney Jordan Hall, Rachel Lynn Hamilton, Wesley Joe Hamilton, Amanda Beth High, Alexander D. Hill, Andrea N. Horn, Kevin Eric Horn, Ronald Howell, Thelma Howell, Stefanie Hunter, Ronnie Dean Hyton, Brenda A. Jewell, Tyler Paige Johnson, Danny Keathley, Kayla R. Kidd, Billy Eugene Light, Carman Ray Maines, Jeffrey Justin Martin, Joshua Alan Martin, Wendy Jane Martin, Zachary D. McCoy, Brittany Nicole McKinney, Cecelia Angelique McKelvin, Dorian H. Moore, Kendra Jene Moore, Diane Nelson Moore, Shane O. Music, Lindsay Taylor Newsome, Jeremy Carson Osborne, Justin Todd Paige, Jonathan Cody Porter, Terri D. Porter, Matthew G. Potter, Whitney Jordan Powers, Stephanie Lea Prater, Lamikka Renee Pratt, Franklin James Price, Wanda Jean Ratcliff, Hillary Nichole Ray, Brandi Nicole Robinson, Justin M. Robinson, Lauren A. Robinson, Edy Roque, Harold Dean Salisbury, Sarah Nichole Salisbury, Jamie L. Shepherd, Joshua T. Shepherd, Robin D. Shepherd, Joshua Stone, Pamela Irene Stone, Lavinia Ann Souder, Britta Ann Spurluck, Mary M. Stratton, Christopher Tackett, Donna L. Tackett, Matthew L. Tackett, Samantha Nicole Tackett, Tiffany Megan Tackett, Stephanie Nicole Todd, Justin T. Trout, Michael Brett Varnadore, Rebecca A. Volk, Todd Andrew Volk, Donald L. Ward, Brittny E. Waugh, Amber Marie Whitaker, Trai C. Witt, Corey Alexander Wright, Kayla Nicole Zimmerman.

- Johnson County**
- Vanessa Jane Adkins, Christopher Matthew Amburgey, Ciara J. Baldridge, Christina Ann Baldwin, Vance J. Baldwin, Marcie Ball, Randy Allen Ball, David Allen Barton, Justin Lee Blackmon, Toni L. Blair, Janna Nicole Blanton, Tammy Sue Booth, Brandon Bernard Branham, Jessica Lee Brown, Gerrin Mickel Butcher, Paula Ruth Campbell, Alison Dane Cavins, Amanda Michelle Clark, Kelli Nicole Cobb, Barbara Ann Conley, Jill Carolyn Conrotto, Tiffany Danielle Dammron, Kathie Marie Daniels, Reba J. Duty, Amanda Erin Fairchild, Brittany Lauren Frasure, Shannon D. Effe, Sabrina Nicole Gipson, Joshua Robert Gourdouze, Kara La'Sha Greer, Ronald L. Grossi, Amy Hall, Amy Lavinia Hall, Bryan Scott Hall, Jonathan Joseph Hall, Stacy Kathryn Hamilton, Brittany Ellen Hampton, Elizabeth Joanna Harless, Frederick William Haynes, Emily Morgan Hensley, Alyssa Kathryn Johnson, Rebecca Kaye Kretzer, Stacey J. Kretzer, Michael J. Lemasters, Cassandra Jean Lewis, Matthew Ryan Maynard, Jared McCooy, Stephanie Rose McCooy, Joyce Elaine Misura, Jeremy Duwayne Mollette, Nathan Todd Noel, Brittany M. Pelfrey, Brandy Nicole Porter, Gauthrey Dwayne Preston, Melissa G. Pulver, Tiffany Brooke Ratliff, Jamie Renee Risner, Jamie Lynn Robinson, Adam Duane Rohr, Joshua C. Scott, Patricia Dawn Blackburn Spence, Brandon Alex Spencer, Betina L. Stambaugh, Dawn Rochelle Stambaugh, Cassandra Omega Sullivan, Warren Brent Van Hoose, Melanie Jolene Whiting, Sean Patrick Whiting, Melissa Ann Whittaker, Kristy M. Wright, Maria Dee Wright.

- Lawrence County**
- Sheila Renae Gollitue, Bobbi Rae Howard, Jeff Allen Howard, Jeff Allen McCooy, Paul M. Mollett, Tammy Lynn Scott, Shellie Lynn Somers, Taylor Riana Sparks.

- Magoffin County**
- Emily Paige Arnett, Jessica Rhea Arnett, Rebecca Arnett, Stella C. Back, Joshua David Bailey, Sheena R. Bailey, Kaitlin Danielle Blanton, Natasha Marie Blanton, Curtis Bradley, Stephanie G. Gibson, Brandie E. Grimm, Carrie Kelly Hall, Jessica Hensley, Leah Holliday, Lindsay Holliday, Channa B. Howard, Paula Marie Howard, Chasta J. Howes, Kristi Denise Johnson, Robin Lynn Johnson, Farley Neal Joseph, Angie M. King, Ashley Nicole McCarty, Kristy Ann McCarty, Ashley L. Plummer, Krystal Dawn Prater, Alecia Nicole Risner, Gary Thomas Risner, Crystal Shante Shepherd, Manis D. Shepherd, Katrina Sue Sprague, Dallas J. Ward, Lisa Ann Wilson, Mary Jenna Wireman.

- Martin County**
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- Pike County**
- Chelsea Lynne Adams, Lindsay Marie Adams, James Oliver Adkins, Jesse Ann Adkins, Elizabeth Anne

- Alderman, Whitney C. Anderson, Michelle Lea Bentley, Summer LeAnn Bishop, Cassandra Marie Bostic, Peggy Beth Boyd, Berry Joe Branham, Shana Y. Branham, Heather Ann Byrd, Cassandra Nicole Campbell, Debra Lynn Cantrell, Lorna T. Cantrell, Oliesiea Kirby Case, Heidi Ann Chilson, James Cory Coleman, Amanda Lynn Collins, Chastity H. Compton, Glenda Janelle Compton, Joshua K. Dammron, Michael Jeffrey Dammron, Jeremie L. Delauder, Brittany Dove, Brendal S. Epling, Joseph Ryan Fields, Harley Fleming, John Alton Fleming, MacKenzie Alyse Ghorney, Terri De'Ann Gibson, William Joshua Gray, Brittini Renee Hackney, Misty M. Hale, Jarius Wendell Hall, Helen Christine Harmon, Michael Vincent Henderson, Lora Danielle Horn, Thomas Webb Huffman II, Joshua Gene Hughes, Clarence Edward Hunt, Gary M. Hunter, Benjamin Curtis Jones, Heather Renee Keene, Angela Kendrick, Mollie J. Lanphear, Candace Shea Little, Amanda LeeAnn Looney, Tiffany Lorena Lowe, Miriam Lynette Macter, Danielle Manescalco, Daniel Scot Marcum, Cory Edward Matney, Katelyn Marie May, Candace Lynn McCown, Derek Neal McCooy, Ryan O. Meade, Rodney Darrell Miller, Amanda Moon, Brenda L. Mullins, Phillip J. Nichols, Sheena Marie Nunemaker, Christopher Aaron Potter, Sean Glen Potter, Justin Keith Pater, Holly Megan Puckett, Joshua Derek Ramsey, Candice Brooke Roberts, Anthony Jeran Robinson, Glenda T. Robinson, Trista Ann Robinson, Steven Alford Rogers, Austen Keith Rowe, Harold Curtis Rowe, Lisa W. Rutherford, Robert James Scott, Tammy Lynn Stone, Brandy Jewel Smith, Candice Lee Smith, Rebecca Ann Smith, Sasha M. Stanley, Zachary Abel Staton, Larry Brandon Stewart, Justin Floyd

- Letcher County**
- Joseph Rogers Lee.

- Mingo County, W.Va.**
- Paul Keegan McCooy.

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# FLOYD COUNTY Sports

## Over ninety riders compete at Beaver Junction Motocross

### Open practice scheduled for today

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

DWALE - Beaver Junction Motocross hosted Round 6 of the 2009 season Sunday. Auto Traders, located in Prestonsburg beside US Bank, sponsored Round 6 awards along with the track. The Floyd County track will host its next race July 26 when riders compete in Round 7 races. Results from Round 6, which featured over 90 riders, follow.

65 Open: 1. Thai Lee Francis; 2. Benjamin Branham; 3. Matt Belcher; 4. Kenton Hall.  
250 B: 1. Dusty Walker; 2. Ryan Rowe; 3. Rodney Anderson; 4. Danny Osborne.  
250 A: 1. Edger Robinson.  
125 B: 1. Greg Dawson.  
125 C: 1. Myles Minix; 2. Forest Kirkland; 3. Josh Robinson; 4. Brian Watkins; 5. Justin Tackett; Josh Bolen (non-scored).  
250 D: 1. Ryan Dotson; 2. Tyler Pigg; 3. Terry Stump; 4. Gary Bentley; 5. Jason Ratliff; 6. Jonathon Kouns; 7. Justin Moore.

25 4: 1. Dusty Walker; 2. Rodney Anderson; 3. Ryan Rowe; 4. Danny Osborne.  
C/D Unlimited: 1. Aaron Mullins; 2. Justin Jacobs; 3. Mark Young; 4. Josh Robinson; 5. Joe Bush; 6. Kenny Mullins; 7. Austin Withem; 8. Forest Kirkland; 9. Justin Tackett; 10. Jonathon Kouns.  
85 Sr: 1. Thai Lee Francis; 2. Dalton Withem; 3. Dylan Bishop; 4. Kenton Hall.  
85 Sr: 1. Brady Prater; 2. Brad Auxier; 3. Austin Osborne; 4. Brent Osborne; 5. Brandon Osborne.

30+: 1. Rodney Anderson; 2. Danny Osborne; 3. Mark Young; 4. Kenny Mullins; 5. Stevie Jacobs; 6. David Moore.  
65 Sr: 1. Dylan Bishop; 2. Benjamin Branham.  
50 Open: 1. Tyler Osborne; 2. Cameron Crider.  
250 C: 1. Josh Bolen; 2. Joe Bush; 3. Justin Jacobs; 4. Josh Robinson; 5. Austin Withem; 6. Aaron Mullins; 7. Dustin Osborne.  
40+: 1. Danny Osborne; 2. Kenny Mullins.  
125 Am 2-Stroke: 1. Myles Minix; 2. Brian Watkins; 3. Austin Withem; 4. Donovan

Jones.  
65 Jr: 1. Matt Belcher; 1. Tyler Eldridge (Moving to Senior Class); 2. Memphis Withem; 3. Christian Crider.  
125 D: 1. Terry Stump; 2. Austin Withem; 3. Alvin Withem; 4. Anthony Johnson; 5. Sabrina Arnett.  
Women's Class: 1. Sabrina Arnett.  
85 Open: 1. Brian Watkins; 2. Brady Prater; 3. Austin Osborne; 4. Brad Auxier.  
70-110 Auto: 1. Chance Francis; 2. Kelsie Osborne.  
50 Sr: 1. Cameron Crider.  
50 Jr: 1. Tyler Osborne.

Open practice scheduled: Beaver Junction Motocross will host an open practice today, beginning at 5 p.m. and lasting until dark. Cold drinks will be available in the concession area. Fees have been set at \$10 for riders and \$2 for spectators.  
Beaver Junction Motocross will host Round 7 July 26. Gates will open at 9 a.m.  
S Curve, located in Prestonsburg, will sponsor Round 7 rider awards. Everyone who attends Round 7 will receive a copy of the Inside Beaver Junction Motocross Newsletter.

## 201 Speedway set to host BoB Series

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE - The O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Graphic Impressions will return to action Saturday after an off weekend. America's most competitive regional racing series will visit 201 Speedway for the second time this season for a 50-lap, \$5,000-to-win event on America's 233rd birthday.

The Saturday, July 4 201 Speedway event will feature a full schedule of practice, Racing Optics time trials, Wayne Bowen Racing Supply, Graphic Impressions, C.J. Rayburn Race Cars and All Star Performance qualifying heats, B-Mains and the 50 lap, \$5,000-to-win REAL Racing Wheels A-Main. Local divisions in action for the event will include Modifieds, Bombers and Four Cylinders.

Activities for the July 4 201 Speedway event will see the pit area open at 4 p.m. The general admission area will open at 5 p.m. The driver's meeting is slated for 7 p.m. with practice, time trials, and racing to follow. Ticket prices for the event will be \$20 for general admission and \$35 in the pit area.

The O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series Super Late Model division has made 16 previous appearances at 201 Speedway. Previous winners of events at 201 Speedway include Eddie Carrier, Jr. (2002, 2003), Aaron Hutton (2003), Tyrel Todd (2004), Paul Harris (2004, 2005, 2007), Whitney McQuary (twice in 2005), Mike Jewell (2006), Chris Combs (2006), Rod Evans (2006), Justin Ratliff (2007), Victor Lee (2008), Tim Tungate (2008) and Josh McGuire (June 2009).

The A-Main purse for the Saturday's event is as follows: 1st- \$5,000, 2nd- \$3,000, 3rd- \$2,000, 4th- \$1,500, 5th- \$1,000, 6th- \$800, 7th- \$750, 8th- \$700, 9th- \$650, 10th- \$600, 11th- \$550, 12th- \$500, 13th- \$450, 14th- \$450, 15th- \$425, 16th- \$425, 17th- \$400, 18th- \$400, 19th- \$350, 20th- \$350, 21st through 24th- \$300.

The series tire rules are as follows: Hoosier- LM20, 1300, 1350, LM40, 1600, D'S5, American Racer- SD44, SD48, MD56. These compounds choices must be used on the

(See 201, page ten)

## 2009 LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STARS

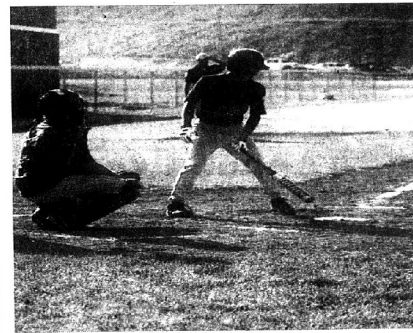
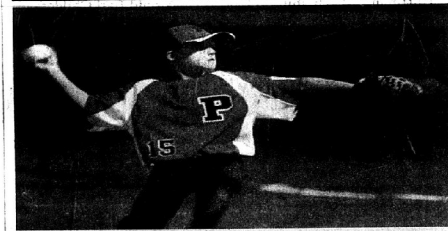


photos by Jamie Howell

### TOURNAMENT TIME

Numerous Floyd County Little Leaguers have made the trek to StoneCrest for district tournament competition. Prestonsburg and StoneCrest are hosting all of the area Little League district tournament games. Floyd County Little League chapters with teams in district tournament play at StoneCrest are Prestonsburg, HAP (Harold-Allen-Prater) and Beaver Creek.

More on the district tournaments, including game recaps, will appear in Friday's edition.



## P'burg to open practice July 13

#### by STEVE LEMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - The Prestonsburg High School football program will open practice Monday, July 13. All Prestonsburg High School football players should report at that time. PHS football players are currently sidelined via the KHSAA (Kentucky High School Athletic Association) Dead Period which runs through July 9.

The Prestonsburg High School football program will host its annual grade school skills camp July 13-15 at Blackcat Stadium each night from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Blackcat Touchdown Club Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, August 8 at Paul Hunt Thompson Golf Course in Allen. A nine-hole scramble will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. A meal and drawings are scheduled for 7:30-8:30. A nine-hole night scramble is scheduled to get underway at 8:30 p.m.

## Kinzer finishes sixth in non-qualifiers' race

#### by STEVE LEMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LENERVILLE, Pa. - After finishing fifth in the B-Main and not clinching one of the top three transfer spots for the A-Main, veteran Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer participated in the Uncle Sam 30 Non-Qualifiers' Race at Lernerville Speedway Saturday night. Kinzer ultimately finished sixth in the non-qualifiers' race.

A look at the final results of the race follows: Race 1- Uncle Sam 30 Non-Qualifiers' Race (30 laps): 1. Robbie Blair (\$3,000); 2. Vic Coffey (\$2,000); 3. Austin Hubbard (\$1,500); 4. Dan Stone (\$1,200); 5. Dave Mardick (\$1,000); 6. Brandon Kinzer (\$800); 7. Greg Oakes (\$700); 8. Ron Davies (\$600); 9. Bump Hedman (\$500); 10. Lynn Geisler (\$400); 11. Gary Lyle (\$300); 12. Brent Robinson (\$300); 13. Michael Norris (\$300); 14. Tyler Reddick (\$300); 15. Tony Burke (\$300); 16. Herman Bertolini (\$300); 17. Tony Musolino (\$300); 18. Todd Baschman (\$300); 19. Jason Fosnaught (\$300); 20. Nick Reges (\$300); 21. Mike Knight (\$300); 22. April Farmer (\$300).

The Kinzer Motorsports team is scheduled to visit 201 Speedway Saturday night for a \$5,000-to-win Battle of the Bluegrass Late Model feature race.

## Post 9 wins KSP Trooper Island Softball Tournament

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT - The Kentucky State Police Post 9 Pikeville softball team with their "Iron Men of the Mountains" hitting ability were undefeated as they swept the state to win the 2009 Kentucky State Police Softball Tournament. Captain Jeff Mayberry stated that "the tournament was a great one with some of the greatest games in the history of this tournament. We are very fortunate to have competed so well. The camaraderie was excellent and all the units had a great time. We are going to savor this championship and get ready for next year. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to that."

The Kentucky State Police Softball Tournament is always a high point of the year for troopers and their families.



Post 9 Pikeville won the annual Kentucky State Police Trooper Island Softball Tournament.

## Trainer, driver titles on the line at Thunder Ridge

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - Things are heating up at Thunder Ridge with the final two weeks of the live racing meet. The battle for the driving and training titles are getting interesting. It will come down to a pair of local trainers for the training title. Heading into Wednesday, James Siltner II (Van Lear) has 23 training wins while Brian Loney (Martin) has 22 wins. The driving title is just about as close with Terry Cullipher leading the way with 30 wins and Siltner following closely behind with 27 wins.

With seven days of racing left it could come down to the final day. "This has probably been the most competitive meet we've ever had in terms of the number of horses and the number of different trainers and drivers getting wins," Thunder Ridge Publicity Director Eddie Blair stated. "A total of 18 different drivers have visited the Winner's Circle and 28 different trainers have sent out at least one winner."

Remaining live racing dates at Thunder Ridge are July 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10 and 11. All post times are 6:30 p.m.

# CNB honors Basketball MVPs

### P'burg guard Tackett honored

By **TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**PAINTSVILLE** — Citizens National Bank management and employees ask local sports fans to join them in congratulating the 28 outstanding players who were selected as Citizens National Bank Most Valuable Players (MVPs) for the 2008-09 high school basketball season.

A total of 28 MVP awards were announced based on players' performances throughout the season. CNB and its radio station partners, WSLW, WQHY, WKLV and WRLV, are pleased to announce the following:

lowing players who were named CNB All-County MVPs and the All-Big Sandy Basketball MVP: Floyd County — Jody Tackett (Prestonsburg High School); Johnson County — Ian Welch (Johnson Central High School); Magoffin County — Zachary Sparks (Magoffin County High School); Paintsville — Trevor Tiller (Paintsville High School); All-Big Sandy MVP: Johnson County — Ian Welch (Johnson Central High School).

In the name of all 2008-09 basketball MVPs, Citizens National Bank donated more than \$3,500 to the general education scholarship fund at the high schools listed. This is the

seventh season that CNB has sponsored the basketball and education rewards program. Found by CNB in 2002, it recognizes local high school basketball and football players by donating money to the general education scholarship funds for outstanding athletic performances.

"Citizens National Bank is proud of the 28 athletes who have performed well on the court," said CNB President and CEO Dennis T. Dorton. "Every aspect of a child's education is a valuable learning tool for preparing him or her for the future. We want to do what we are able to make these educational opportunities available to Big Sandy students."

# Hylton Golf Outing held

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**ALLEN** — Morris Hylton, owner of Hylton Sales & Rentals LLC of Ivel, has had a golf outing for 11 years now for the local chapter of DAV (Disabled American Veterans) chapter (Chapter 169 of Betsy Layne). After the storms hit May 8-9, John's Creek Golf Course was flooded. Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall and Clyde Woods agreed to host the golf outing at Allen Golf Course. Hylton and his group were able to raise approximately \$7,000 for DAV Chapter 169.



The first-place team in the Hylton Golf Outing is pictured above. This year's Hylton Golf Outing raised over \$7,000 for DAV Chapter 169, located in Betsy Layne. The second-place and third-place teams are pictured below (left to right).



# KHSAA to host football P.A. announcers' clinic

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**LEXINGTON** — The Kentucky High School Athletic Association will host a clinic for football public address announcers on Saturday, August 15 at the KHSAA office. The clinic will be conducted by the National Association of Sports Public Address Announcers (NASPAA), the professional association for sports public address announcers.

Carl Nathé, University of Kentucky football P.A. announcer, will be the clinician. The clinic is for P.A. announcers who announce in high/middle school, high school, college and youth football. Substitute announcers, as well as high school and college students, who would like to learn how to announce or who are announcing, are encouraged to register.

Besides learning the do's and don'ts of announcing football, the clinic will cover the P.A. announcer's role in promoting sportsmanship and dealing with emergency situations, all of which have liability implications. A variety of topics will be covered including scriptwriting, voice training and game announcing. A football official will review new rules changes, officials' hand signals and ways that officials and P.A. announcers can better work together.

"The NASPAA clinic allows the public address announcers from throughout the state the chance to get together and grow both personally and professionally in this important part of athletic contest management," commented Brigid DeVries, KHSAA Commissioner. "The P.A. announcer is key to han-

dling situations that arise, maintaining the proper level of good sportsmanship, and helping the fans understand what is happening at a contest. This clinic is a great way to maintain and improve the skills of announcers regardless of experience level."

"The KHSAA is so be commended for its commitment to help raise the level of professionalism of P.A. announcing," remarked Brad Rumble, NASPAA Executive Director. "P.A. announcers who would like to improve their announcing skills and prepare for the upcoming football season will not want to miss this professional development opportunity."

Information about the clinic and registration may be obtained at HYPERLINK "http://www.naspaa.net" www.naspaa.net or by calling (816-305-6293).

# StoneCrest to offer free junior golf clinic

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**PRESTONSBURG** — The StoneCrest Golf Course is once again offering a free junior golf clinic for youth (boys and girls) ages 8-17. The clinic is scheduled for July 14-16. Start time for the clinic is slated for 9 a.m. each morning. A free lunch will be served at noon each day.

Instruction on the following

will be given: rules of golf; golf etiquette, driving range hitting, chipping and putting. The focus of the clinic will consist of playing nine holes of golf at the new Par 3 golf course at Jenny Wiley State Park.

The clinic will be limited to the first 100 youth. All golf equipment will be furnished. Participants may also bring their own clubs.

Sneaker-type shoes should be worn. The StoneCrest dress code is Bermuda length shorts and collared shirts.

For more information on the clinic, contact Wes Jenkins, StoneCrest Head Golf Professional at 886-1006 or Paul Hughes, Clinic Coordinator at 886-6471 or 226-3016.

# MSU well-represented in summer collegiate leagues

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**MOREHEAD** — The Morehead State University baseball program is well-represented in collegiate summer league baseball. Eighteen Eagle baseball student-athletes are currently on rosters throughout the country. Summer collegiate leagues are not similar to professional minor league baseball organizations and provide collegiate athletes a chance to continue playing in high competitive ball in the offseason. Follow the links to keep up with how these Morehead State student-athletes are progressing.

throughout the summer. Drew Lee and Michael Bottoms are playing for the Bethesda Big Train club in Maryland. Taylor Davis, Matt Robertson, and Michael Fear are with the Southern Ohio Copperheads in Athens, Ohio. The Copperheads are in the Great Lakes Summer Collegiate League as are the Lima Locos with J.D. Ashbrook.

Cameron Flynn and Travis Redmond are members of the Fulton Railroaders in Fulton, Ky. The Railroaders are in the K.I.T. (Kentucky, Illinois, Tennessee) League. Also in the K.I.T. league are Trey Smith

and Daniel Pugh (Paintsville), both with the Marion (Ky.) Bobcats.

Pitcher Jeff Arnold is on the mound with the Macon Giants in the Great South League. Jake Helvey and Michael Fahs are both with the Northeast Knights in Lorain, Ohio. The Knights are members of the Prospect League.

The Bainer brothers (Eric and Luke), as well as Kris Sipes and Matt Nichols are playing with teams in the Derby City League. Andrew Deeds is playing with the Nashville Navigators of the Sandlot League in Nashville, Tenn.

# Meeks drafted in second round

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**LEXINGTON** — Former University of Kentucky men's basketball All-American Jodie Meeks was selected in the second round (41st overall) of Thursday night's NBA Draft by the Milwaukee Bucks.

Meeks led the SEC and ranked eighth in the country in scoring, averaging 23.7 points per game. He set the school record for points in a game (54 at Tennessee) and three-pointers in a season (117), while also shooting an SEC best 90.2 percent from the free throw line. Starting all 36 games last season, Meeks led

the SEC in two other offensive categories including three-point field goal percentage (40.6) and three-point field goals per game (3.25).

"I'm happy for Jodie," said UK Coach John Calipari. "Milwaukee is a great city and organization. (Milwaukee Director of Player Personnel) Dave Babcock had been in touch with me during the week, so I knew how much they liked him. We wish him well."

Second-Team All-American, Meeks had the top three scoring games nationally in regulation (54, 46, 45 points). He became the first

player in SEC history to win SEC Player of the Week honors four times in a single-season.

He became the first Wildcat to be drafted by the Bucks since Keith Bogans was picked in the second round (43rd overall) in the 2003 draft.

Meeks is also the 92nd Wildcat to be drafted into the NBA and the sixth former UK player to be drafted since 2000. His League, Andrew Deeds is playing with the Nashville Navigators of the Sandlot League in Nashville, Tenn.



ALLIN: The Prestonsburg Little League 11-12-Year-Old Softball All-Stars defeated Paintsville Monday evening. Prestonsburg Manager Jamie Howell is pictured giving pre-game instructions. Prestonsburg Coach Morris Copley is also pictured.

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**BLACK BELT SPOTLIGHT:** Family Academy of Martial Arts Student/Prestonsburg Class Assistant Instructor Kendra Gambill is a 2nd Dan Black Belt.

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Historic 201 Speedway is a 1.4 mile high-banked red clay oval promoted by former Super Late Model racer Chuckie May located 5.4 miles north of US 23 on State Road 201, just North of the Sitka community just outside

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For more information, visit the track's webpage at www.race201.com or call 606/265-5201.

# MSU fall sports ticket packages now on sale

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**MOREHEAD** — As the calendar inches closer toward the Fall sports season at Morehead State University, fans now have the opportunity to purchase their season tickets for Eagle football, volleyball and soccer. Season tickets are now on sale through the MSU ticket office. To purchase season tickets and for more information, call 606-783-2386.

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**PIKEVILLE COLLEGE** men's basketball head coach Kelly Wells handed the ball to a camper during a PC team camp game. The Pikeville College men's basketball and football programs hosted camps during the month of June.

# REMINDER: Boat safely during July 4 Holiday Weekend

## TIMES STAFF REPORT

**FRANKFORT** — More boaters will be on Kentucky waters during the upcoming July 4th holiday weekend than at any other time of year. Families will head to the water to fish, tube, water ski and enjoy a long weekend away from work. Boats full of vacationing friends will navigate crowded waters to find the best spot to watch fireworks. In the midst of all this fun and festivity, it's easy to forget that the Independence Day holiday is often the year's busiest and most congested weekend on the water.

"The one thing that we notice about the July 4th

weekend when we go back and look at the boating accident, injury and fatality data is that we seem to have more incidents during that weekend than either Memorial Day or Labor Day," said Sgt. John Anderson, boating education coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

That statistic isn't meant to scare boaters away. But it should convince anyone who steps into a boat to be extra careful during the busy holiday weekend. Crowded lakes and rivers demand careful navigation from boaters, particularly around crowded fireworks viewing areas.

"More people on the water

makes for more congested waterways," said Capt. Mike Fields, boating law administrator for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. "More congested waterways can make for more close calls and more incidents."

Boat operators should drive slowly in crowded areas, and scan the water carefully for swimmers, tubers, skiers and personal watercraft operators.

"If I could only say two things to the boating public that I knew would make a difference, the first thing I'd say is wear your life preserver," said Anderson. "Ninety percent of those who die on the water would have lived if they'd been wearing a life

jacket. It's the best insurance policy you can have."

Life jackets are required for boaters under 12 years old when in the open part of a boat that is underway. Additionally, a life jacket must be readily available to each passenger in the boat.

"The second thing I'd tell the boating public is to take a boating education class," Anderson added. "People who have completed a boater education class are 70 percent less likely to be involved in a serious boating accident."

The classes are available free of charge throughout Kentucky, or they may be taken online for a fee. Boater education is required for youth

ages 12-17 who are operating a boat with a motor of 10 horsepower or more. For complete information on boater education and to check the schedule of courses, visit Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's website at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov).

"If you're going to attend fireworks displays in your boat, make sure your running lights are working," added Fields. "Especially after dark, we encourage everyone to wear their life jackets. Should something happen to you, finding your life jacket in the dark would be nearly impossible."

Kentucky conservation officers will be out in full force during the holiday weekend.

"Officers will be on the lookout for impaired or reckless boaters," said Anderson. "We'll be working with other state and local law enforcement agencies around the water, to stop impaired boaters who may try to make it to their

vehicles and drive."

Boating under the influence is a serious problem in Kentucky. About half of the boating fatalities in this state happen because of alcohol use, which is more than double the national average. It is against the law for boaters, whether operators or passengers, to consume alcohol while on the water.

"Our goal is to have everyone come and have a good time, and leave with good stories," said Anderson. "We don't want their stories to be stories of tragedy or heartache."

For complete boating regulations, including laws regarding safety equipment such as life jackets, fire extinguishers and running lights, check the 2009 Kentucky Fishing & Boating Guide. The guide is available online at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov) and wherever fishing licenses are sold.

## Brit 57 Racing team visits John M. Stumbo

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

**GRETHEL** — Some Floyd County students got a visit from Dirt Late Model driver Brittany McKinney near the end of the 2008-09 school year. Brittany McKinney and the Brit 57 Racing team visited John M. Stumbo Elementary June 5.

"John M. Stumbo faculty asked me if it was possible for me to bring my racecar up and let the kids look at it," McKinney confided. "John M. Stumbo's theme for CATS Testing this year was racing. Along with my door sides, nose piece and tires on display inside the school, I brought my car to the school. The kids were really excited when they saw

the racecar; they were very anxious to hear it. They were really glad to hear it run."

The Brit 57 Racing team has made prior school visits and relishes the opportunity to reach out to young people.

"I love taking my car to schools to let the kids get to see it and hear it and just to be around it," said McKinney. "There are so many kids out there that love racing that may not get to go to races or get to be around the sport that they love. This made my third school that I have been to. I am very thankful that I got to put so many smiles on children's faces by going to these schools."

McKinney is already look-

ing forward to future school visits.

"I am willing to come to any school," McKinney added. "If anyone would like to make

arrangements, just contact me on my website. I would also like to thank all of the John M. Stumbo faculty for making this possible."



photos courtesy of Brit 57 Racing  
Dirt Late Model driver Brittany McKinney signed autographs for young fans during a visit to John M. Stumbo.

## McKinney claims Top 10 finish at PRP

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

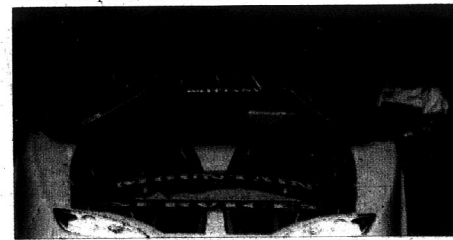
**PORTSMOUTH, Ohio** — The first week of June afforded the Brit 57 Racing team a top-10 finish at a track in a bordering state. The Brit 57 Racing team loaded up for a three-hour trip to Portsmouth Raceway Park in Portsmouth, Ohio Saturday, June 6. After being rained out the previous weekend, young Dirt Late Model driver Brittany McKinney got to drive the May Truck Parts, La Fiesta-sponsored No. Brit 57 Dirt Late Model on the 3/8 mile dirt track at Portsmouth Raceway Park for the first time ever.

"The car handled really well on the Portsmouth track," McKinney said. "It's a good wide track. The track was pretty fast. With about 10 laps pretty fast, I heard my car start missing, but I kept running it until the checkered flag dropped. I finished 10th out of 20 cars in the Mountain Pre Blast Chevrolet Corvette. All in all, it was a pretty good night."

Brit 57 Racing team competes at 201: The Brit 57 Racing Team ran the New Vision Graphics, Unlimited

Rentals Sponsored-No. 57 Dirt Late Model at 201 Speedway Saturday, June 20. This was the team's first time racing at the 3/8 red clay track in over three weeks and driver Brittany McKinney was anxious to get back in action. The No. 57 Late Model's engine was repaired after the race at Portsmouth Raceway Park and McKinney was ready to race.

"When I went out for hot laps, the track was slick and really smooth, and as I went out for the other races the track stayed in good smooth shape," McKinney said. "The GRT Chevrolet Corvette handled great and the engine did really well. I'd like to send a big thank you out to Hi Tech Racing Engines of Pikeville for doing such a great job on my engine repair and getting it done so that I could be ready to race on Saturday, June 20, where I ended up in 14th out of 23 cars. I would also like to comment on Chuckie May and how he is doing a great job on keeping the track maintained very well and running the track like he does. Also a big thanks to all the fans that make dirt track racing possible each and every weekend."



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**4 Family yard sale:** Thursday and Friday July 2nd & 3rd. In front of Home Furniture across from Food City. 9am - 7 Rain or shine.

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# Don't let foodborne illness spoil your Independence Day

**FRANKFORT** — The Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) wants all Kentuckians to observe a happy and safe Independence Day by following a few simple food preparation and handling guidelines during outdoor cookouts, picnics and barbecues.

“The key to food protection is simple: Keep hot food hot, and keep cold food cold,” said

Guy Delius, director of the Division of Public Health Protection and Safety in the Kentucky Department for Public Health (DPH). “Pregnant women, infants and the elderly need to be especially mindful of food safety because they are more vulnerable to foodborne illness. However, anyone can get sick from contaminated food. We’re offering these simple

guidelines for proper food preparation and storage to help our residents avoid that.”

According to DPH, food left out in the sun or in hot cars too long can become a breeding ground for bacteria and may cause foodborne illness when consumed. This is particularly important to remember for holiday parties, when there is increased likelihood for exposing multiple people to foodborne illness.

The spread of illness related to spoiled or contaminated food is relatively common and can cause painful and sometimes life-threatening complications. Attention to food safety precautions, such as maintaining a clean preparation environment, attention to thorough and frequent hand washing and proper food preparation and storage are extremely important.

“We want Kentuckians to

observe our recommended food safety guidelines every day, but it is particularly important around the holidays or when a party or gathering is planned,” said Christine Atkinson, manager of the DPH food safety branch. “This July 4, we hope all Kentuckians will join us in our effort to prevent the widespread outbreak of illness.”

To avoid exposure to bacteria and prevent foodborne illness, DPH recommends following these guidelines:

- Wash hands before eating or preparing food, after using the restroom, between handling raw and ready-to-eat items and after handling pets. Wash with hot soapy water, and dry with paper towels.

- To sanitize surfaces, use a solution of regular household bleach and warm water. Add about 1 tablespoon of bleach to 2 gallons of water for the

right concentration. Sanitize by first washing and rinsing the surface and then immerse, spray or swab with the bleach solution.

- Separate raw foods from ready-to-eat foods. Use different cutting boards or wash, rinse and sanitize after contact with raw meat, poultry and seafood. Never use the same plate to transport the cooked hamburgers that was used for the raw hamburger patties.

- Handle all cut melons carefully, including cantaloupe and watermelon. Thoroughly clean the outer surface before slicing, and keep work surface and utensils used to prepare the melon clean and sanitized. Refrigerate sliced melon promptly at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or lower.

- Be sure to wash all produce thoroughly before use.
- Cook food to the proper internal temperature:

- Ground beef, 160 degrees Fahrenheit for 15 seconds
- Poultry and stuffed meats, 165 degrees F for 15 seconds
- Pork products, 150 degrees F for 15 seconds
- Reheating leftovers, 165 degrees F for 15 seconds

- Always check the internal temperature of cooked foods with a metal-stemmed thermometer, and cook another 15 seconds after the thermometer indicates it has reached the proper temperature.

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by **SHELDON COMPTON**  
STAFF WRITER

**MEADE BRANCH** — Floyd County officials have given a greenlight that will see \$100,000 made available for the replacement of the Meade Branch bridge along Abbott Creek.

The bridge will run south along Route 1427 and is being replaced, according to officials, to provide safe and reliable roadway connection for the commuting public.

Early plans call for the bridge to be approximately 15 feet wide and a single lane.

The county authorized Judge-Executive R.D. “Doc” Marshall to ask for up to \$100,000 in reimbursable state construction funding, which means the county would initially pay for the replacement

of the bridge and then ask for the money back from the state after meeting all requirements of the agreement.

All members of the Floyd County Fiscal Court voted in approval of the next step in the project Friday.

In other business, the court:

- Noted to switch health insurance providers to Humana and to make employees eligible 30 days after hire date rather than 90.

- Approved a cost of living pay increase for county employees of 0.98 percent, with an actual approved increase of 3 percent.

- Asked for further information about what the costs would be to pick up a family health insurance plan for all employees.

All members were present for Friday’s meeting.

## Insurance

program is (877) 444-1297.

Considering that in a high-risk area, a home has a 26 percent chance of being damaged by a flood during the course of a 30-year mortgage, according to FEMA studies, it is telling that studies also reveal a 4 percent chance of fire damage or loss.

Additional statistics offered from FEMA indicate that of the 1.9 million housing units in the state, only 22,275 have flood insurance policies in effect. This compares that in the last 52 years there has been 37 federal disaster declarations relating to flooding in the state. Of these 14 — or 38 percent — have come in the last decade.

“Both the history of flooding in the commonwealth and the many floods we are seeing this year are reminders that

flooding is a serious risk to Kentucky residents,” said Emergency Management Director Brig. Gen. John W. Helzel.

At this point, just under a dozen FEMA inspectors have roamed the five-county area, including Floyd County, that was most affected by the May 8 flooding, covering some 4,035 inspections, according to FEMA records. In Floyd, there have been 1417 inspections, with only neighboring and much larger Pike County showing higher numbers at 1,903.

Total registrations for federal disaster assistance in eligible counties were counted at 4,657 as of June 29, while total money given out had topped \$11,796,665.

## RAM

“A lot of people were helped,” said Pike County Judge-Executive Wayne T. Rutherford. “This is the beginning in this country in regards to health coverage and health insurance.”

Statewide numbers show that some 15 percent of residents in the commonwealth do not have health insurance. Many of those uninsured were descending on Pike County Central High School this past Friday and Saturday.

Some 800 patients were treated over the weekend, a significant jump of approximately 30 percent from last year’s expedition. The treatments afforded these hundreds of residents from around the region would have cost nearly \$200,000, officials said.

But nearly as many were on

hand during the weekend event to volunteer as there were those visiting the two-day clinic, which took place in the school gymnasium.

Reports from organizers put the number of volunteers at about 600, including doctors from all fields in which treatment was made available.

Carol Napier, RAM coordinator and Pike County Director of Social Services, said the best part of the RAM events have been seeing people helping one another in times of need.

“What makes this event wonderful is the fact that people came together and were willing help each other out,” Napier said. “We’re willing to help others, and the clinic is a perfect example of this.”



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### EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

## Chowing down safely

by SANDY MILLER HAYS  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

With Memorial Day behind us, picnic season is in full swing, so this seems like a good time to renew our acquaintance with a few simple food safety rules to ensure your get-together doesn't wind up being someone's least favorite summer memory.

First, if you're going to grill meat, make sure your meat is completely thawed before you slap it on the grill; otherwise, it might not cook evenly. Also, make sure you don't put the cooked meat back on the same platter that held the raw meat, unless you've first scrubbed that platter with hot, soapy water.

And please use a meat thermometer! You're looking for a reading of 145 degrees Fahrenheit with beef, veal and lamb steaks, roasts and chops; 160 degrees F for hamburgers and all cuts of pork, and 165 F for poultry.

After you've grilled your food, keep it hot, at 140 degrees F or higher. If it's hot weather—90 degrees F or hotter—food shouldn't sit out for more than an hour, and even if the weather is cooler, you should toss any food left out for two hours. (I know, you just hate to waste food, but which is cheaper—a few discarded hamburger patties, or a trip to the emergency room?)

What about eggs? The bottom line, according to the experts, is that you should always properly handle and cook eggs before you eat them. The Food and Drug Administration advises against eating any raw, unpasteurized eggs, or products that contain them. (For a great summary of cook-out food safety tips, visit this USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service website: [http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Fact\\_Sheets/Barbecue\\_Food\\_Safety/index.asp](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Fact_Sheets/Barbecue_Food_Safety/index.asp))

I have to admit, I'm a real fiend for eggs. Perhaps it's a result of growing up in the country with laying hens in a backyard pen, so that we always had plenty of fresh eggs. I can't imagine a picnic without deviled eggs. In fact, I've been known to buy a whole cookbook just to get my hands on an unusual deviled egg recipe.

But eggs, like meat, require some caution in handling. Food safety threats in eggs include both naturally occurring spoilage bacteria and pathogens such as Salmonella enteritidis, the primary cause of egg-related food poisoning in the United States.

Yes, you can buy pasteurized liquid eggs to increase the food safety odds in your favor. But even when companies adhere to all the pasteurization protocols prescribed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, there are still cases of illness related to consumption of raw egg products—some 40,000 cases of salmonellosis in the United States each year.

And that's the number of cases that are actually reported. That doesn't even get into those cases where Uncle Fred just swears off Aunt Marge's special raw-egg-laced salad dressing forever because of the nasty after-effects.

Fortunately, the scientists of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) are busy "building a better mousetrap" where egg safety is concerned. Although current pasteurization technology will eliminate heat-sensitive pathogens, there are some heat-resistant microorganisms that can survive and spoil liquid egg whites.

The ARS team has found that a new technology called "crossflow microfiltration membrane separation," or CMF, can compensate for the shortcomings of thermal pasteurization. Not only does it remove more pathogens than thermal pasteurization, but it does so without affecting the eggs' ability to foam and emulsify. So you could use CMF-treated eggs to make an angel food cake or homemade mayonnaise.

Does CMF work? Like a champ! In a pilot-scale study, it removed about 99.9999 percent of *S. enteritidis* bac-

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Wheelerburg, Ohio, resident Andrew Bentley is touring the South and sharing his music in towns he passes along the way. He stopped in Prestonsburg June 17.

photos by Ralph B. Davis

# ON THE ROAD

## Ohio troubadour makes stop in Prestonsburg

by RALPH B. DAVIS  
MANAGING EDITOR

**PRESTONSBURG** — Visitors to the Justice Center or downtown businesses June 17 might have caught sounds of banjo music carried along the wind, courtesy of a traveling minstrel on a mission to share his music across the South.

"I heard this was a hotbed of bluegrass music and I thought I would drive down here," Andrew Bentley said during a break between a rendition of "C.C. Rider" and one of his original works. "I've noticed people here are super friendly. I really like it here."

Bentley, a Wheelerburg, Ohio, resident who paints murals when he isn't performing his music, had stopped in Prestonsburg just as he had in Ashland, Louisa and Paintsville earlier in the day, with the intention to play a couple of songs and then continue south along U.S. 23. But once here, he received an unexpected extended booking, when Malibu's Restaurant and Lounge offered him a sandwich and some water in exchange for sticking around and playing through the lunch hour.

A fan of the bluegrass music

played on radio station WMMT in Whitesburg, Bentley said he had often heard Prestonsburg mentioned and wanted to check out the town, along with Whitesburg and some other places. He then hit upon the idea spending the summer driving from town to town, playing a few songs along the way.

"I just love meeting new people," Bentley said. "I have the resources to do this right now, so I thought I'd do it."

After finishing in Prestonsburg, Bentley said he planned to continue south, making sure to stop in Whitesburg. After that, his plans were less clear, though he said thought he would then head to North Carolina and continue playing across the South over the next two months.

And while others on similar journeys often have a political or religious impetus driving them, Bentley said his motives didn't go much beyond "just kind of drifting" and playing his original music.

"I kind of float like a leaf on the wind," he said. "There's a lot of life to be had that people miss out on, and I just want people to see it."



Although Bentley usually only stays in each town long enough to play a couple of songs, he stayed longer in Prestonsburg after a local restaurant offered him a meal in return for playing through the lunch hour.

## New shows starting this week on MSPR

**MOREHEAD** — Morehead State Public Radio has announced two new shows to its weekend programming, starting in July.

National Public Radio's "Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me!" will air on Saturdays at 5 p.m. after "Health Matters," which also re-airs Sundays at 6 a.m.

During each fast-paced show, host Peter Sagal leads what might be characterized as the news Olympics. Callers, panelists and guests compete by answering questions about the week's events, identifying impersonations, filling in the blanks at lightening speed, sniffing out fake news items, and deciphering limericks. Listeners vie for a chance to win the most coveted prize in radio: having official judge and scorekeeper Carl Kasell

record the outgoing message on their home answering machine.

On Sundays at 5 p.m., Public Radio International's "This American Life" will follow "A Time for Tales."

This American Life documents and describes contemporary America, but it is, quite literally, a new kind of radio storytelling. Built around the innovative personal vision of host Ira Glass, the program explores a weekly theme — fiascos, conventions, the job that takes over your life — through a playful mix of radio monologues, mini-documentaries, "found tape," short fiction and unusual music. The stories presented are engaging, intimate, surprising, funny, disturbing, and bitersweet. Glass and his staff have an unusual

knack for finding writers and performers whose work hasn't been heard on radio, and producing their stories alongside his own disarming commentary.

One other program note, "Inside Appalachia" is moving to Saturdays at 6 a.m. starting July 4.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the campus of Morehead State University. WMKY (90.3FM) serves as the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes WOCS in Booneville and a translator in Inez. MSPR serves more than 40 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or visiting www.mspradio.com.

# ESTERDAYS

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

## Ten Years Ago (June 25 and 30, 1999)

During the dry spell, workers were kept busy watering the 200 hanging baskets and scores more garden plants that decorate the city of Prestonsburg this summer.

Kathy McCormick, union hospital organizer, lead workers in a spirited call for a contract from Highlands Regional Medical Center during Tuesday's rally at the hospital.

At a special meeting, yesterday, the Floyd County Fiscal Court voted to move the county's financial accounts to First Guaranty Bank in Martin. In an attachment to the resolution, First Guaranty President and CEO Charles Johnson said the bank would waive service fees for the county, and would not charge for checks.

Craig A. McGlone, a short-term Prestonsburg police officer, has filed a complaint in federal court against his former employer, claiming his civil rights have been violated. McGlone filed the action against Mayor Jerry Fanning and the City of Prestonsburg in the United States District Court in Pikeville earlier this month.

In a 15-minute meeting yesterday afternoon, three members of the Floyd County Board of Education approved a resolution for Alabama native Dr. Paul Fanning to be the next superintendent for the Floyd County School System.

Five homes were without water service from Friday to Monday after a horse died at Warco. Other homes in the area were without water for several hours Friday after a Warco man, Byron Hansford, dug a hole to bury his neighbor's horse and ruptured the water line.

Declaring that he is "extremely optimistic," Gov. Paul Patton told eastern Kentuckians gathered for the summer meeting of the Kentucky Appalachian Commission (KAC), Monday, in Paintsville, that "it is up to us to take advantage of the moment." He pointed to Floyd County in particular, as a site of opportunity. The building of the new four-lane section of KY 114 on the western edge of Prestonsburg, offers the opportunity to create flat land for industrial development, he said.

The Central Kentucky Blood Center is making an appeal to residents of this area to give blood, not only to meet growing needs, but also in anticipation of the July 4 holiday, which can bring increased blood requirements.

Starting today, Floyd County will have a new Circuit Court Clerk, Paula Layne, sworn in yesterday (Tuesday) to fill the position that has been open since April. The position became available when Frank DeRossett Jr., was appointed to the Kentucky Parole Board by Gov. Paul Patton in April.

Heated debate topped the agenda for Monday night's city council meeting in Martin. The debate stemmed from several issues brought up at the meeting, which was called to order by council member Thomasine Robinson in the absence of Mayor Alan Whicker.

A Double 12 Leasing, Inc. (located at Isom), trig spilled some junked cars onto US 80 on Tuesday morning. A crew from the Kentucky Department of Transportation from the Minnie facility were called in to clean up the debris from the highway. No injuries were reported.

What was expected to be a fast-paced warm and friendly city council meeting Monday, soon slowed to a crawling heated debate. The well-being of the Mountain Arts Center became the forefront of discussion as the motion to ratify the contracts of the MAC's Program director and interim director was placed before the City Council.

In Tuesday night's regularly scheduled meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education at Allen Central High School, board members got an update on athletic complexes; set a pay schedule for extra curricular salary; increased the coverage of liability insurance; and passed several items in preparation for the coming school year.

Buckle up and win cash. The Kentucky State Police Highway Safety Branch's Buckle for Bucks Thank You Ticket Campaign kicks off in Hazard on Thursday, July 1.

The James H. Drew Exposition is back in town. The carnival fun began Tuesday night and continues through Saturday, July 3, at the Archer Park in Prestonsburg.

Republican gubernatorial candidate Peppy Martin took part in a people survey issue facing citizens in eastern Kentucky. Martin was in Allen on Monday to meet with party leaders and constituents.

Wild horse and burro adoption will be held in Lexington 1. Lexington, the Kentucky Horse Park. The adoption is conducted through the Bureau of Land Management.

There died: Frank J. Jones, 67, of Wayland, Tuesday, June 22, at the Jenkins Community Hospital; Lynn Robinette Williams, 75, of Ashland, Sunday, June 20, in Fort Thomas; Georgia Ann Stambaugh, 80, of Prestonsburg, formerly of Sitka, Wednesday, June 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Eli Milton Schoolcraft, 79, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, June 26, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Charles Jarrell, 56, of Center Line, Michigan, formerly of Dana, Sunday, June 20, at his residence; Pauline Nunemaker Salisbury, 69, of Martin, Wednesday, June 23, in the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; Minnie Akers, 79, of Dana, Saturday, June 26, at her residence; Pauline Daniels, 64, of Beaver, Friday, June 25, at her residence.

## Twenty Years Ago (June 28, 1989)

Nearly \$100,000 was spent by two candidates for county attorney during the primary election, and over half that amount was the personal expenditure of one man, Jim Hammond, who won the race.

Four area hospitals ranked in the top 10 on a recently compiled list of hospitals with high percentages of pregnant women delivering babies by Cesarean section.

Prestonsburg City Council spent more than \$75,000 on vehicles and equipment, and sent another purchase request that will total more than \$40,000 back into committee, during two-and-a-half hours of deliberation, Monday evening.

Shade Pitts, 43, of Arkansas Creek, was electrocuted at Kentucky Mountain Reserve No. 2 mine at Gunlock.

The Prestonsburg Holding Corp. voted, Monday evening, to accept the city's real property holdings, following a move by the council to convey the buildings to the corporation.

Two Floyd men say they spotted a bear, Monday, near the Dewey Dam spillway at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

There died: Mary Bailey, 38, of Dana, June 23, at her residence; Joyce CalLowe Boggs, 48, of Leitchfield, June 24, at Leitchfield; Gertrude Collins, 72, of East Point, June 12, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington; Claude R. Huff, 78, of St. Mary's Ohio, Monday, June 26, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Wayne Patton, 70, of McDowell, June 25, at his residence; Shade Randall Pitts, 43, of Arkansas Creek at Martin, June 23, at Gunlock; Lula May Webb, 94, of Langley, June 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

## Thirty Years Ago (June 27, 1979)

Floyd County stands to gain enhanced TV service as the result of a \$15 million loan conditionally committed by the US Department of Agriculture for construction of a microwave receiving and distribution system to serve this area.

A circuit court jury here, last Thursday, deliberated only 10 minutes before holding Richard Scott guilty of armed robbery of the Alpique Motel.

The Floyd County Board of Education hired 438 teachers last Wednesday.

Cong. Carl D. Perkins will be the speaker at the dedication, Saturday morning, of Prestonsburg's new municipal building, which cost \$766,288 to complete.

An animal shelter was completed and opened in Floyd County.

There died: Minnie B. Tackett, 91, of Martin, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Elmer Hackworth, 30, of Westminster, Ohio, formerly of Blue River, in a car accident; Grace McSurley, 82, of Cow Creek, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Mae Vanhose Isaac, 69, of Westland, Mich., formerly of Bypro; John M. Hall, 83, of Halo, in Lexington; Brady Colvin Sr., 70, of Weeksburg, at his home; Katherin Ann Jacobs, 28, of Garrett, at the UK Medical Center; Gerrie M. Joseph, 77, of Cleveland, formerly of Emma; James Miller, 49, of Warsaw, Ind., formerly of Prestonsburg; George Tackett, 87, of Teaberry, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Virgil T. Lawson, 67, of Hi Hat, at MARH; Martha June Tackett, 86, of Weeksburg, enroute to MARH; Wendall Hughes Gibson, 47, of Larkslane, in a car accident; Grover C. Holbrook, 62, of Hueysville, at Riverview Nursing Home; Astor Bud Moore, 62, of East McDowell, at MARH; and William J. Matthews, 97, of Hi Hat, at his home.

## Forty Years Ago (June 26, 1969)

The Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad joined, last weekend, in the search of a Great Smoky Mountains wilderness area for seven-year-old Dennis Martin, of Knoxville, Tenn., who has been missing, since June 14.

The City of Prestonsburg, this week, received a check for \$251,500 from the Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, for revenue bonds issued by the city in partial financing of water system extensions and improvements here.

Born: a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Miller, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Kay Thornsby of Halo; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Burt McCown of Chillicothe, O.; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Cole of Drift; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Stone of Orkney; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Kit Stumbo of McDowell; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Madison Collins of Minnie; twin sons to Mr. and Mrs. Owen Phillips of Garret; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson of Eastern; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Tuttle of McDowell; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wright of Martin.

There died: Martha Prater, 76, of Salt Lick Creek; John Nichols, 61, of Coal Run, Pike Co.; Earl Baldridge, 19, of Blue River; Mrs. Lilly Marsillett, 73, of W. Prestonsburg; James Hyden, 60, of Langley; Charlie Howell, 61, formerly of Langley; infant twins of Charles W. and Janetta Stapleton Yates of Honaker; Susan

K., infant daughter of Garnise and Linda Caudill; Mrs. Lucy Rorer Stephens, 66, formerly of Prestonsburg; Virgil DeLong, 60, of East Point; Robert C. Atkins, 76, of Martin; Mrs. Nannie Garrett Dixon, 84, formerly of Emma; Darwin C. Wells, 54, of Auxier.

## Fifty Years Ago (July 2, 1959)

The macabre discovery of Mrs. Virginia Salyer Cantrel's body buried in a cedar-chest on a Johnson County farm, was made Wednesday. A young man, Ken Howard, from the "Head of Licking" was graduated from Cumberland College, at Williamsburg, with the institution's two highest awards, although he is almost completely blind!

A Bull Creek home in the vicinity of the residence which was blasted by dynamite, June 13, was destroyed by fire Wednesday.

Vance Mitter, of Oak Hill, W.Va., is new manager of A.W. Cox Dept. Store. He succeeds Peté Jarvis.

A new tuberculosis program for Floyd County was given final finishing touches here, last Wednesday.

No community celebration of July 4, is planned here this year. There died: Jackson May Weddington, 84, of Pike County; Fair Shepherd, 86, of David; Frank Spradlin, 76 of Bonanza; Pauline Hester DeCoursey Praole, 70, formerly of Wayland; Mrs. Anna Lee Booth Wilson, 31, of Auxier; Samuel Francis Day, 85, of Pikeville; Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hensley, of East Point; Jack Leslie Fatcher, 36, of Pikeville; E. D. Stephenson, 81, of Pikeville.

## Sixty Years Ago (July 7, 1949)

The Ryan Construction Company expects to complete, within the next 30 days, the big construction job it began in the spring of 1946 on the dam at Dewey Lake.

Eight hundred cases of beer and 16 cases of whiskey—the largest illegal haul ever taken in Pike County—were confiscated, Tuesday, by Sheriff D.C. Moore and deputies at the Club Inn, near a night club at Damrontown, near Stone.

Born: a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Miller, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Kay Thornsby of Halo; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Burt McCown of Chillicothe, O.; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Cole of Drift; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Stone of Orkney; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Kit Stumbo of McDowell; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Madison Collins of Minnie; twin sons to Mr. and Mrs. Owen Phillips of Garret; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson of Eastern; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Tuttle of McDowell; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wright of Martin.

There died: Claude Conley, 39, of Handshoe; Daniel Terry, 36, of Handshoe; Jack Morrison, 20, of Pike County; Perlia, Loria Hamilton, 10, of McDowell; Mrs. Mary Bingham Wills, 64, of Water Gap; James Paul, 5-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Case of Jump; Don Phillips, 3-day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Phillips of Garrett; Roger Bernard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Burchwall of Langley; Gary Lee, 5-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Mullins of Weeksburg.

## Seventy Years Ago (June 29, 1939)

Kentucky wrestling fans will be given an opportunity to see a great novelty attraction in the history of the grappling game, when hairy Ivan "Whiskers" Rasputin, invades Floyd County to make a special appearance in Prestonsburg for July 4.

In the upcoming governor's race, B.L. Sturgill, former Floyd County sheriff, has been chosen as manager for John Young Brown; and Tom Kane, chief electrician of the Elkhorn Coal Corp., Wayland, will be in charge of the Keen Johnson forces in the county.

Born: a son to Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Smith; a son, to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Saunders; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Sill Brown of Gearheart; a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. William McGuire of West Prestonsburg; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Worth Music of Cliff; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wright of Allen; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Wright of Allen; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Trevert Crider of Betsy Layne; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wright of Harold; a daughter to Mr.

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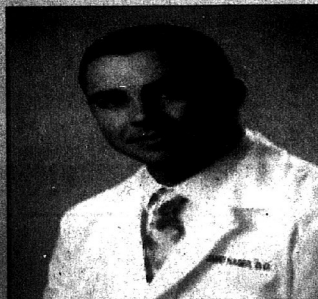
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# Community Calendar

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

**Haunted history**  
Commonwealth Paranormal, Johnson County Paranormal Research Team and Para-X Radio will present "The Coal Miners Museum: The History and the Hauntings" on Saturday, July 11, at the Coal Miners Museum, 78 Millers Creek Road in Van Lear. The event will start at 11 a.m. and continue throughout the day.

Ghost/historic tours of the museum will be given throughout the day. In addition paranormal investigators and ghost hunters will present seminars on various paranormal subjects. There will be a raffle with such prizes as a ticket to an upcoming TAPS event, a custom made knife & More.

All proceeds from the event will go toward restoration of the museum.

For more information contact Tina Webb, museum director, at (606) 789-8540, or Commonwealth Paranormal Founder Joe Clark at (606) 297-1613, or visit the museum online at [myspace.com/CoalMinersMuseum](http://myspace.com/CoalMinersMuseum)

**Vacation Bible School**  
Betsy Layne Church of Christ will hold a "Western Roundup" Vacation Bible

School July 20-23, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. There will be classes, skits, games, awards and food.

**Hall Family Reunion is set for Saturday, July 5 at Carr Fork Lake Dam**  
The descendants of Anthony and Ruth Butler Hall will be having a reunion July 5, at Carr Fork Lake Dam, Sycamore Shelter, beginning at 9 a.m. Lunch will be around 2 p.m. Please bring a covered dish or soft drinks. For more information, call Gryde Cook at 606-632-0396 or Mary Sue Triplett, at 606-452-2774.

**Patrick Porter Reunion to be held Saturday, July 18**  
The annual Patrick Porter reunion, Saturday, July 18, at the Senior Citizens Center and Park in Nicklesville, Va. Doors open at 10 a.m., with the reunion lasting from 11-3 p.m. Pot luck lunch, so bring your favorite dish. A tour of Pioneer Patriot Patrick Porter's gravesite near Dunganon is planned, along with visiting Samuel Porter Cemetery in the Stinking Creek community. More information: Carol Lafferty @ 606-776-2126 or Bill Porter @ 276-395-6288.

**Food City Store No. 471 Annual Relay For Life Car Show 2009**  
Food City, Store No. 471 Annual Relay for Life Car Show 2009, University Drive, Prestonsburg. Trophies will be given away for Best of Show; Best Chevy; Best Ford; Best GM; Best Mopar; Best Truck; Best Classic; Best Paint; Best Motor; Best Interior; and Top 20 Trophies awarded according to the highest score.

Date: Saturday, June 27  
Rain date: Sunday, June 28  
1 p.m.-5 p.m.  
Time: 11 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Judging time: 1:30 p.m.  
Registration fee: \$20

For questions, please contact Food City No. 471, Pharmacy Dept., (606) 889-9572, ext. 0.

There will be concessions, food/drinks, and door prizes.

**Informational Session**  
There will be a Volunteering for Hospice Informational Session on Tuesday, June 30, from 6-7 p.m., at the Floyd County Library. Anyone interested in volunteering for Hospice of the Bluegrass is invited to attend. The session is free and refreshments will be served. To register for the informational session or for more information, please call Paula Spradlin at (606) 437-3700 or (877) 807-3054; or by email at: [pspradlin@hospice-bg.org](mailto:pspradlin@hospice-bg.org)

**2009 PHS Varsity 9th Annual Football Cheer Clinic**  
Saturday, August 15  
11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Cheer Fundamentals w/ a "Game Plan" emphasis, refreshments, t-shirt, cheer pre-game at the first home game on Friday, August 21. Prestonsburg Blackcats vs. Belfry Pirates  
Fee: \$25 All Summer Camp attendees receive a \$5 discount.

**Wayland High School Class of 1959 Reunion**  
The Wayland High School Class of 1959 will celebrate its 50th Class Reunion on July 25, at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park. The reunion will be held in Mtg. Room No. 4, at 1 p.m.; dinner will be from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. in a reserved dining room (downstairs from the main lobby). Make a special effort to attend this 50th class reunion with former classmates!!

**Mathias Hughes & Lydia Margaret Baldrige Family Reunion**  
The family and their descendants of Linda E. Hughes (n) Jake Marsillett; Mary Darcus Hughes (m) John Wright; Sarah (Sally) Hughes (m) James Marsillett; John Malcolm Hughes (m) Sally Johnson; James (Jim) Henery Hughes (m) Ida Marsillett, will be held September 5, starting at 10 a.m., at the home of Delmer and Dearly, Holbrook, 143 Holbrook

Hollow Road, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, phone 606-886-8481.

**Summer Camps For Kids at The Auxier Center**  
The Auxier Center located at 21 South Street, Auxier, have the following camps:

**COMPUTER CAMP**  
July 13 through July 17  
Morning class: 10:00-11 a.m.  
Afternoon class: 1:00-2 p.m.  
Limited to 12 students per class  
Cost: \$5 (free computer\* with class completion)  
\*One computer per family - students must meet income guidelines and not have a computer of their own.

**SEWING CAMP**  
June 15-19: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.  
July 6-10: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

**QUILTING CAMP**  
July 27-31: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.  
Cost \$10 (includes all supplies)

Call 606-886-0709 for reservations.

The Auxier Center is a program of Hand in Hand Ministries.

**OutPatient Drug Treatment Program and Education**  
Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse. Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208. [www.drugsnoc.com](http://www.drugsnoc.com)

**Pike County RAM expedition**  
Pike County RAM Expedition (Free medical, dental and vision services to the uninsured, underinsured, or those who cannot afford services). June 27 and 28 at Pike County Central High School (1901 US Hwy. 119 N. 41501). Doors open at 6 a.m., first come, first served. Call (606) 432-6246.

**PHS Class of 1969 to hold class reunion**  
The Prestonsburg High School class of 1969 will hold a class reunion on September 5, at Jenny Wiley State Park, May Lodge. Dinner will be from 6 p.m., till 8 p.m., in the dining room in lower level. The reunion will be upstairs behind check-in desk at lobby, from 5 till 11:30 p.m. Hope everyone will be able to attend. P.S. If reservations are needed, the number for May Lodge is 1-800-325-0142.

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

**Higher education begins here**  
The Kentucky Adult Education Learning For Life

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

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

For more information about the times and locations of these classes, call 606-886-7397, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information about home study

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**Highlands Regional Medical Center**

**Community Calendar July 2009**

**GED Classes**  
July 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th  
Floyd Room, Basement of the Highlands Regional Hospital, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**GED Classes**  
July 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th  
Floyd Room, Basement of the Highlands Regional Hospital, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Sr. Advantage Meeting**  
July 14th  
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

**Blood Drive**  
July 24th  
Meeting Place A & B, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Living Well With Diabetes**  
July 30th  
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break

free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society. Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

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

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

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

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

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

**Senior employment program**  
Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

**Looking for a Support Group?**  
\*Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times.

\*Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call 886-6025 for more information.

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

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

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

**Domestic Violence Hotline** - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

**A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky)** - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive,

Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Stone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

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

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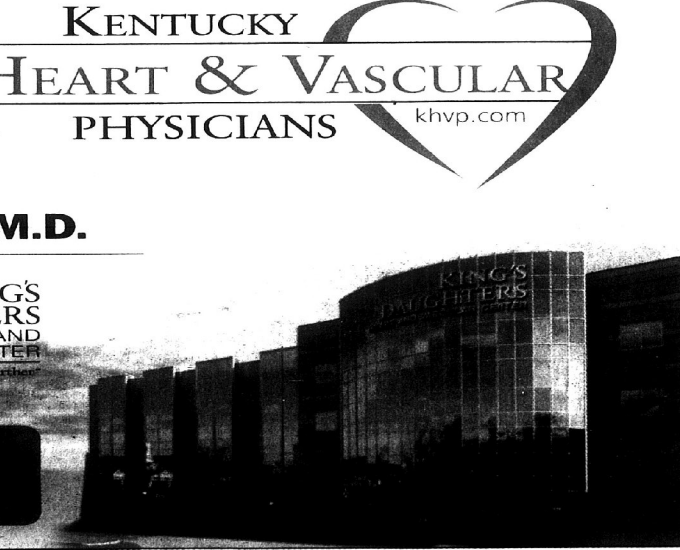
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# Beshear supports Ky. Week for the Animals

FRANKFORT — Animal World USA has announced that Gov. Steve Beshear has issued an official letter of support for the first annual Kentucky Week for the Animals, which kicked off Saturday, June 27, and will run through Sunday, July 5.

The statewide celebration is designed to celebrate and recognize the unique and life-changing role that animals play

in the lives of citizens through all walks of life. The week will bring underscore community spirit as people come together on behalf of the animals across the entire Bluegrass state.

Beginning on the kick-off day of Saturday, June 27, Kentucky Week for the Animals will be bringing together educators, animal shelters, humane organizations, zoos, sanctuaries, restaur-

rants, businesses, students, musicians, artists, community leaders, decision makers and caring citizens in an action-packed compassionate week of community activities for the animals in an unprecedented manner.

The week will feature The John Henry Memorial Equine Adoption Fair in Lexington, Church of the Advent Animal Food Bank Pet Food Donation Drive in Louisville, a multitude of awesome fun-filled pet adoption events, feedings for the farm animals, festivals and blessings of the animals, free and low cost spay/neuter opportunities, activities to help

the feral cats, unique ways to help the horses, student activities, library animal storytelling events, free vaccinations, a salute to the military and working K-9's so much more!

Dogs Deserve Better is celebrating their annual Chain Off: Freedom for Chained Dogs campaign during this time so the group will be building awareness for chained dogs during the week in unique fashion.

Visit the official website for complete contact and event information at <http://kentuckyanimals.org/> Please call 877-454-0807 or 866-376-6123 for more information.



Amanda S. Johnson-Hall, of Wheelwright, graduated on May 23, from Hazard Community College's Registered Nursing Program. Amanda is the wife of Jarrod Hall and the daughter of Tivis and Geraldine Johnson. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and graduated with distinction. She received an academic achievement award and was placed on the President's Honor List for having a 4.0 GPA. for the spring semester.



Heaven Leigh Jade Bryant celebrated her first birthday on June 20. Her parents are Amanda Bryant and Kevin Bryant, of Weeksbury. Her grandparents are Larry and Carolyn Bryant, of Wheelwright, and Ricky Bryant, of Weeksbury.



Kacie Jo Little and Jessica Nicole Martin recently graduated from the Radiation Therapy Program at Weber State University in Ogden, Utah. Both girls are 2008 graduates of the radiography program at Hazard Community and Technical College. Kacie is the daughter of Chip and Teresa Little, of Bypro, and the granddaughter of David Little, of Wheelwright. Jessica is the daughter of Jackie Hall, of Mousie, and the granddaughter of Jack and Lil Martin, of Mousie.



Kasey Moore, a sophomore in Mason County, formerly of Prestonburg, has been selected to represent the state of Kentucky as Student Ambassador for the People to People Ambassador Program. As a Student Ambassador, Moore will be traveling to Australia, Fiji and New Zealand this summer. Moore is the daughter of Dan and Melissa Moore, of Hueysville, and Christa Moore, of Mays Lick. Her grandparents are Budge and Glenna Moore, of Turkey Creek, and Bob and Pamela Nickell, of Hillsboro, Ohio. Her great-grandparents are Wilma Jean Aldredge, of Springfield, Ohio, and Nan Nickell, of New Carlisle, Ohio.

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