

THIS REPRODUCTION IS COMPRISED
OF THE BEST AND MOST COMPLETE
SET OF ORIGINAL IMAGES AVAILABLE
AT THE TIME OF THIS PROJECT'S
INITIAL START. THE ORIGINAL PAPER,
INK, FONT, FONT SIZE AND QUALITY
OF THE MICROFILMED IMAGES
CONTRIBUTE AND AFFECT THE
QUALITY OF THE FINAL PRODUCT.



The Times

FLOYD COUNTY
WEEKEND EDITION
Serving the Citizens of Floyd County since 1927

business loans

We want to help you develop and sustain your business by offering financing for a variety of business needs.

Call or stop by today!
1-800-422-1090

Community Trust Bank
building communities, built on trust

Member KPA

Volume 83, Issue 84 • 75 Cents

FU
GA

brief

Jobless up in 4 counties

FRANKFORT — Unemployment rates rose in all 120 Kentucky counties between July 2008 and July 2009, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet. Fayette County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the commonwealth at 8.2 percent. It was followed by Oldham County, 8.6 percent; Boyd and Calloway counties, 8.8 percent each; Ballard and McCracken counties, 9 percent each; Clinton County, 9.1 percent; Franklin County, 9.3 percent; Hickman County, 9.4 percent; and Woodford County, 9.5 percent. Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 19.6 percent. It was followed by Jackson County, 17.4 percent; Powell County, 16.3 percent; Bath, Trigg and Metcalfe counties, 16 percent each; Grayson, Lewis and Menifee counties, 15.6 percent each; and Hancock County, 15.4 percent. Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working.

2 DAY FORECAST

Today
Partly cloudy
High: 85 • Low: 65

Tomorrow
Partly cloudy
High: 92 • Low: 67

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

inside

- ObituariesA2
- For the RecordA3
- OpinionA4
- SportsB1
- LifestylesB3
- Faith & FamilyB5
- ClassifiedsB6



The Floyd County Times is printed on 100 percent USA recycled paper

Local recycling effort gets \$164K boost

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
The Big Sandy Regional Recycling Program received a grant this week for more than \$164,000 to continue work for recycling programs across the region. The program is made up of the cities of Prestonsburg and Pikeville, as well as Magoffin and Pike counties.

Part of the \$164,760 the two counties and two cities received will be used to purchase equipment and also to fund educational resources, according to Melanie Stevens with the Big Sandy Area Development District, who worked on the grant for the program. "Continued award for this recycling program is indicative of success when entities work together for a common goal," said Sandy Runyon, Big Sandy

ADD executive director. This year marks three years in a row that grant money has been received for the regional program. Plans in Prestonsburg are to buy recycling trailers for commercial use and residential drop off. The city has been involved in recycling efforts for the past 15 years, handling cardboard, paper goods such as newspaper and notebook paper, as well as aluminum

cans and scrap metal. In the past year, city officials have purchased several pieces of equipment through grants such as the one received this week and have also made the push to become more "green" in terms of educating the public on the benefits of recycling. Pike County also plans to purchase

(See RECYCLING, page eight)

ON THE MOVE



The new mobile command bus to be used by Prestonsburg Police and Fire Departments was purchased with \$2,600 in forfeited drug funds.

City uses seized drug money to buy mobile command bus

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — Forfeited drug money was used to foot the bill for the purchase of a mobile command center bus that will be utilized by the Prestonsburg Police Department and the Prestonsburg Fire Department. According to Prestonsburg Director of Public Safety Mike Ormerod, the bus will be used to respond to incidents where a command center needs to be set up for both short and long terms. Because the command center is also a mode of transportation in and of itself, Ormerod said that it will allow emergency officials to arrive on scene in less

time. "We've used a trailer for the last three years, and this trailer is really heavy," Ormerod said. "You have a longer response time with something that's heavy, and you also have to hook it up to pull it. With this mobile command center, you can just jump in and take off. Also, it can operate independent of an external power source, or you can use external power." According to Ormerod, close to \$22,000 in drug money has been seized since last October, with \$5,300 seized during this month alone. "It's really been a busy month for us as far as drug money seizures go," Ormerod said. The mobile command center bus was purchased earlier this month for a little over \$2,600.

Troubled man arrested for soliciting money

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — A Prestonsburg man was arrested after police found him at an intersection in the city asking motorists for money. Police said Ritchie Luster, 38, was found at the intersection of Route 114 and Glyn View Plaza Road taking up money. They were notified of the incident by a caller complaining of the Luster's alleged activity. He had been warned earlier in the day to stop soliciting money from motorists at the location, according to police, and when approached following the complaining call, he claimed he was "hearing voices and seeing things," according to a report filed by Prestonsburg City Police Officer George Tussey. At that time, Luster was taken to Mountain Comprehensive Care to see a doctor. Once

(See ARREST, page eight)

Prestonsburg Arby's slated to open Monday

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — The building went up quickly once the land was developed, and now Arby's Restaurant will open its doors to customers Monday morning. This will be the regional franchise's 27th store to open. "We are thrilled about the opportunity of serving the residents of Prestonsburg and surrounding communities," said Ron Carter Jr.

(See ARBY'S, page eight)

Bridge to be named for Gearheart

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER
HAROLD — What has long been referred to as the Harold bridge will, after Monday, be known officially as the Paul R. Gearheart Bridge. A public ceremony to name the bridge in honor of the local entrepreneur is set for Monday at 1 p.m. in the front parking area of Gearheart Communications headquarters. Gearheart is a well-known businessman with a number of successful businesses that officials say have worked to improve and stabilize the economy of Floyd County. Born on Toler Creek in 1925, Gearheart moved with his family to

Harold five years later and has been there ever since, attending Harold Grade School and graduating as valedictorian from Betsy Layne High School in 1943. That early academic success would point to the success Gearheart would later enjoy as a businessman, starting with his first telephone company, which he bought in 1953. At the time of purchase as Roberts/Olga Telephone Company. That company, at the time Gearheart purchased it, served 72 customers with crank phones. The Gearheart enterprise, known collectively as Gearheart Communications, has come a long

way since then, employing more than 150 people and providing for more than 100,000 homes and businesses in more than half of the state of Kentucky as well as those in Virginia and West Virginia. Other businesses that make up Gearheart Communications are Coalfields Telephone Company, Inter Mountain Cable, the local access television channel WPRG, as well as Mikrotec. Gearheart has been recognized for his contributions by being named as one of Pike County's Most Significant People in the 20th Century, along with an honorary

(See BRIDGE, page eight)



Paul and Elaine Gearheart

Advertisement for Big Sandy Heating & Air Conditioning. Features the company logo, a phone number 1-888-297-HEAT, and a website www.bigsandyheating.com. Includes a '24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE' badge and a 'FREE ESTIMATE' offer.

Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

■ Geneva Prater Bailey, 79, of Hippo, died Friday, August 21, at the Cabell Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Arnold Bailey. Funeral services were conducted Monday, August 24, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Nella Faye Chaffins, 67, of Garrett, died Sunday, August 2, in the Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 5, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Wallace Rudolph Frazier

of Live Oak, Florida, formerly of Price, died Wednesday, August 19, in Jacksonville, Florida. Services were held Saturday, August 22, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Marcelline Freeman, 81, of Auxier, died Friday, August 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. She is survived by her husband. Dallas Freeman. Funeral services were held Monday, August 24, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Billie Hall, 71, of Minnie, died Wednesday, August 19, at

Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 23, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Charles Edward "Bill" Hammonds, 73, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, August 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Helen Joyce Lafferty Hammonds. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 23, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ David Lee Jones, 52, of Melvin, died Tuesday, August 18, at his residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 22, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Glenda Sue Keene, 64, of Frankfort, formerly of Floyd County, died July 31, at St. Joseph Hospice Care Center in Lexington. Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 4, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Roberta S. Lewis, 77, of McDowell, died Tuesday, August 18, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Ross Lewis. Funeral services were held Friday, August 21, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Quentin Henry Scott, 58, of Garrett, died Monday, August 24, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, in Lexington. Funeral services will be conducted Friday, August 28, at 11 a.m., under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Justin Lee Stone, 26, of Wayland, died Monday, August 17, at Cabell Huntington Hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 22, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Kathy Lynn Sward, 35, of Wayland, died Tuesday, August 18, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Friday, August 21, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Annette Brown Tackett, 75, of McDowell, died Wednesday, August 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Irene Whitl Turner, 83, of

McDowell, died Friday, August 21, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Clarence "Cobb" Turner. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 23, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Victoria Vanover, 95, of Dwale, died Wednesday, August 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, August 22, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Violet Dammron, 46, of the Right Fork of Pikeville, died Wednesday, August 19, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Anthony "Tony" Dammron. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 23, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Shirley Jean Jones, 67, of Huddy, died Monday, August 17, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Memorial services were held Monday, August 24, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Betty Raines, 76, of Pikeville, died Saturday, August 22, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 25, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Melinda Utha Coleman Thacker, 79, of Shelbiana, died Tuesday, August 18, at her home. Funeral services were held Friday, August 21, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

tion of Young Funeral Home of Louisa.

■ Mollie Faye Parker, 54, of Blaine, died Sunday, August 23, at her residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 26, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY

■ Virginia Crank, 86, of Nicholasville, formerly of Logan, West Virginia, died Tuesday, August 11, at her home. Funeral services were held Friday, August 14, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home, Warfield.

■ Thomas Harold "Tom" Justice, 75, of Marietta, Georgia, a native of Milo, died Wednesday, July 29. He is survived by his wife, Kathie Michaels Justice. Services were held at the Woodstock Funeral Home.

■ Jimmy Kerr, 58, of Inez, died Saturday, August 22, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Benita Kay Smith Kerr. Funeral services were held Monday, August 24, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

■ Billie Joe Maynard, 29, of Lancaster, Ohio, formerly of Inez, died Wednesday, August 11. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 15, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Shelton (S.D.) Moore, 72, of Inez, died Wednesday, August 19, at his home. Funeral arrangements, under the direc-

LAWRENCE COUNTY

■ Mae King, 83, of Fallsburg, died Monday, Aug. 17, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Ewhaven King. Funeral arrangements, under the direction of Young Funeral Home of Louisa.

■ Ewhaven King, 83, of Fallsburg, died Wednesday, August 19, at his home. Funeral arrangements, under the direc-

Obituaries

Harold Patrick Baldridge

Harold Patrick Baldridge, 68, of Lake City, Florida, died Monday, August 24, 2009, at 2:12 p.m., at Sunawnee Valley Care Center, Lake City, Florida.

Born August 8, 1941, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of Lee and Ethel (Akers) Baldridge. He was a resident of Kosciusko County for a number of years, and then Florida. He retired from Dalton Foundry in 2003. He was of the Pentecostal faith.

He is survived by his wife, Pansy Burchett of McAlpin, Florida, whom he married July 5, 1991.

Other survivors include a daughter, Lisa Rena of Fort Wayne, Indiana; a son, Ronald Lee Baldridge of Syracuse, Indiana; two stepsons: Henry Clark of Pierceton, Indiana; and James Dean Clark of Orange Park, Florida; a sister, Mary Joseph of Findlay, Ohio; two brothers: Kenneth Lee Baldridge and James Baldridge, both of Findlay, Ohio; two grandchildren, eight stepgrandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 29, at 11:30 a.m., at the McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, Indiana, with family and friends officiating.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, in Warsaw, Indiana. Visitation is Friday, August 28, from 3-6, at the funeral chapel.

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

Emma Loraine Ratliff

Emma Loraine Ratliff, 46, of Drift, died Monday, August 24, 2009, at Cabell Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia.

Born July 21, 1963, in McDowell, she was the daughter of William Jackson "Happy Jack" and Emma Mulkey Ratliff. She was a caregiver, and attended the Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors, in addition to her parents, include two sons: Joey (Misty) Crum and Andrew Crum, both of Drift; one daughter, Rhonda (Gary) Samons of Drift; three brothers: Kenneth Kidd of Prestonsburg, Roscoe Kidd and Ricky Conn both of Paintsville; three sisters: Jackie Stone and Juanita Taylor, both of Martin, and Marsha Ratliff of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were held Thursday, August 27, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Johnny Patton, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Dinwood Cemetery, in Martin, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Card of Thanks

The family of Ronnie Stone would like to express their sincere appreciation to everyone who was there to comfort us during our most difficult time. We would like to send thanks to Bro. Glenn Adkins for the heartfelt words that were spoken; the singers for the beautiful songs; the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for traffic control; the staff of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service; the people who showed up in numbers to comfort us; and especially to the Allen Central High School baseball team for being a part of the service. It meant so much! May God bless all who sent food, flowers, gifts, or just spoke a comforting word.

Karen and Josh Stone

Card of Thanks

The family of Ada Lou Combs would like to express our appreciation to all who sent flowers, food, or just spoke a kind word upon the loss of our loved one. A very special thank-you to Bro. Jim Smith for his comforting words and prayers; Ron Vanover, Linda Johnson, and the Taylor Family for their beautiful songs; Brenda and Wendell for the video of "Lou"; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control, and to Roy Compton who led the way; and to co-workers who stood in silence as "Lou" made her last journey around the Jenny Wiley Lodge; and the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for the kind and professional care they showed our family. Also a special thanks to Trinity Shepherd and Joey Sparkman.

We will never forget the love everyone showed us during our time of sorrow. God bless each and everyone of you.

THE FAMILY OF ADA LOU COMBS

Card of Appreciation

The family of Victoria Vanover would like to express their appreciation for the expressions of remembrances to their mother. Special thanks go to Highlands Home Health, Pamela Wohlford, Traci Vicars, Felicia Wolfe, Hall Funeral Home, Dr. Mark Tackett, Ron Wright for his beautiful music and songs, and to Cory Vicars and Karen Robbins for the special eulogies to their grandmother. We would also like to thank the sheriff's department; the Floyd County Road Crew for the road work; Pat Johnson for the cemetery upkeep; and a special thank you to Jerry Maynor for his devotion to our mother. For anyone who attended visitation or the services or gave in any small way, even with a word of comfort or a prayer, we are appreciative and humbly thank everyone for your support. May God Bless and Keep You.

THE VANOVER FAMILY

In Loving Memory Tiffany Moore

Oct. 25, 1986-Aug. 31, 2008



Far too soon our time with you came to an end, leaving us to mourn the loss of our Daughter, Sister, and Friend.

Our hearts were broken, we weren't ready to let you go. Because all of us needed, and loved you so.

And though it's been a year since God took you away. It seems like you were here with us just yesterday.

For, we will never forget our angel, so pure and so true. We'll forever cherish all the great memories of our time we spent with you.

And the memory of your sweet precious face and loving smile.

No amount of time could ever erase.

Because, here in our hearts, you will forever live on.

—Written by Tina

We miss our Angel more and more, every day. Mommy, Laken, Nanny, Peggy, and Boys

In Memory of Carolyn Gayle Stumbo

August 25, 1946 - July 29, 1997

(Happy Birthday)

Your time on earth seemed all too brief because we wanted you in our life forever.

And although we really miss you, in our heart we know that you are at peace. Still, countless times throughout the day we find ourselves remembering you.

Although we cannot see or hear you, we know that you are with us.

We're thankful for the times we shared and the priceless memories, too; for those memories are a comfort now

when we lovingly— Remember You.



We love and miss you,

Clark, Tony, Bish, Karin, Karla, and family

"Serving Eastern Kentucky From The Ohio River To The Virginia Border"

KIRK LAW FIRM

Prestonsburg • Inez • Paintsville • Ashland • Pikeville • Louisa • McDowell

Injured at Work? Hurt in a Car Crash? Disabled and Can't Work?

Our law firm represents **People** — people who have been injured on the road, people who have gotten sick or disabled, people like coal miners, truck drivers, office workers, construction workers, nurses, caregivers and teachers.

We've been representing such **People** for years. **People** who suffer injuries from **Car Crashes**. **People** with cases involving **Insurance Claims** or **People with Workers' Compensation** matters. We work for **Disabled People** who have been wrongfully denied **Social Security**. When we go to work for **You**, we spend our own money to help **You** get the medical or other evidence **You** need to win **Your Case**. We Try Cases in Court, but most of our cases are settled without trial — like, for instance, the **MASS TORT CASE** we recently settled for **640 clients** whom we represented following Massey Coal's massive dam rupture in Martin County which poured 300 million gallons of sludge into the area waterways.

If **You** need us, call us. We'll be happy to meet **You**, listen to **You** and offer our advice and opinion. Our offices are open 8 – 5 on week days and from 9 – 3 on **Saturdays**. Appointments are helpful, but not necessary.

297.5888; 886.9494; 298.3575; 377.7785; 437.9234
www.kirklawfirm.net This is an advertisement

For the Record

Marriage Licenses
Coretta Alice Trammell, 18, of Wheelwright, to Jeremy Douglas Bryant, 21, of Wheelwright.

Civil Suits Filed
Asset Acceptance vs. Pamela B. Gannon; complaint.
Lendmark Financial Services vs. Danny Garrett and Theresa Garrett; complaint.
First Guaranty Bank vs. Johnny Wright, Peggy Wright and Floyd County, Kentucky; complaint.
Jamie Blankenship vs. Lawrence G. Emmons; complaint.
Charles Earley vs. George W. Thornsbury; complaint.
Community Trust Bank Inc. vs. Shawn Wallen and Tiffany Wallen; complaint.
Citibank South Dakota, N.A. vs. Kandice R. Martin; complaint.

Small Claims Filings
Speedy Cash Check Advance vs. Randall Wilson; debt collection.
Brady J. Conn vs. Steve

Reed; debt collection.
Charges Filled
Derrick Collins, 25, Teaberry; fugitive.
Edgar Collins, 30, Wheelwright; theft by failure to make required disposition of property.
Richie Luster, 38, Prestonsburg; hitchhiking or disregarding traffic regulation by pedestrian, failure to notify address change to Kentucky Department of Transportation, any misdemeanor charge not covered by these codes, local city ordinance, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.

Joshua Stone, 20, Prestonsburg; possession of marijuana.
Ryan Johnson, 19, Prestonsburg; possession of marijuana.
Taylor A. Trimble, 18, Prestonsburg; possession of marijuana.
Katrina Montgomery, 28, Ivel; two counts of possession of a controlled substance, use or possession of drug paraphernalia.

Rose M. Kestner, 32, Paintsville; public intoxication.
Rona L. Lockwood, 44, Paintsville; public intoxication.
Timothy Jason York, 31, Prestonsburg; harassing communications.
Daniel L. Druckenmiller, 55, Paintsville; public intoxication.

Inspections
Meats, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during storage, non-food contact surfaces not properly designed, non-food contact surfaces not properly constructed, cloths used for food and non-food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution. Score: 96.
The Perfect Setting, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during storage, lack of effective hair restraints, cloths used for food and non-food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water san-

itizing solution. Score: 96.
Double Kwik, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during storage, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, sanitary towel or hand drying device not provided at lavatory or hand washing sink. Score: 94.
Reno's Roadhouse, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: lack of numerically scaled thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperatures of potentially hazardous food, lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, non-food contact surfaces not properly maintained, cloths used for food and non-food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, non-food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, improper storage of clean equipment and utensils, improper storage of single-service articles, proper waste receptacles not provided, floors not in good repair, walls, ceiling, attached equipment not clean, light fixtures not shielded as required, lighting not provided as required, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: 88.

Christ United Methodist Wesleyan School, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during storage, lack of effective hair restraints, dishwashing facility not properly maintained. Score: 95.
Seasons Inn, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: lack of numerically scaled thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperatures of potentially hazardous food, lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, non-food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, floors not clean, unnecessary articles in or around the establishment. Score: 94.

Property Transfers
Jackie Marshall to Barry Duane Conley and Sherri Conley, property not listed.
Janet Marshall to Barry Duane Conley and Sherri Conley, property not listed.
Joseph Lee Marshall to Barry Duane Conley and Sherri Conley, property not listed.
Lois Marshall to Barry Duane Conley and Sherri Conley, property not listed.
Roger C. Marshall to Barry Duane Conley and Sherri Conley, property not listed.
Barry Dean Martin to Brett Thomas Gayheart and Kimberly Gayheart, property not listed.
Stephen Franklin Martin to James L. Robinson and Ruth Robinson, property not listed.
Verdie Newsom to Glenna Jean Allen, property located at Mud Creek.
Lowell Douglas Parsons to Ladonna McKinney, property not listed.

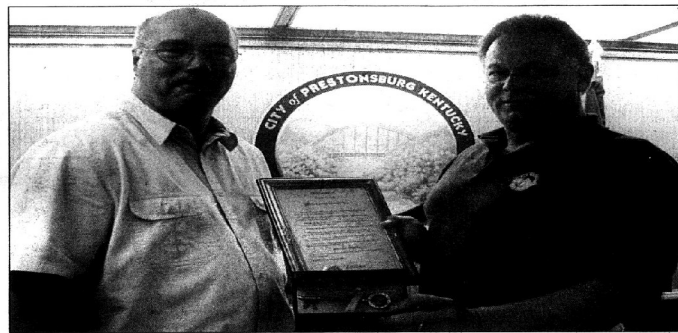


photo by Sheldon Compton
Steve Bailey, of Bowling Green, Ohio, accepted a key to the city from Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin recently on behalf of the Hicks family. Bailey now helps organize the Hicks Family Reunion. The city honored the family by naming Aug. 15 as "Hicks Family History Day." The Hicks line consists of some 10,000 people in the region, many of whom still live and work in Floyd County.

Obituaries

August 12, at St. Mary's Medical Center, in Huntington West Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Mary Finley Moore. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 15, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Harold Preece, 72, of Inez, died Sunday, August 16, at Cabell Huntington Hospital, in Huntington, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Carol Sparks Preece. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 19, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Doris (Dodie) Preece, 58, of Inez, died Friday, August 21, at Cabell Huntington Hospital, in Huntington, WV. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, August 25, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Franklin D. Spence, 72, of Inez, died Friday, August 14, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, in Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Sally Horn Spence. Funeral services were held Monday, August 17, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY
Robert L. Fairchild, 62, of Milford Center, Ohio, a Paintsville native, died Friday, June 5, at Riverside Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. Funeral services were held Monday, June 9, under the direction of Ingram Funeral Home, Marysville, Ohio.

Edna Jenkins, 81, died Thursday, August 20, at her residence. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 23, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Clara Jean Black Murray, 72, of Theima, died Sunday, August 16. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 22, under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home, Barboursville.

Florence A. Picklesimer, 85, of Raceland died Saturday,

August 22, at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland. Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. at Picklesimer Cemetery in Stauffersville. Preston Family Funeral Home in Ashland was in charge of the arrangements.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY
Jeffery Austin Carson Adams, 16, of Salyersville, died Saturday, August 8, at the Saint Marys Medical Center, in Huntington, W.Va. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 12, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Robert Mitchell Adams, 57, of Salyersville, died Tuesday, August 18, at Rockcastle County Hospital, Mt. Vernon. He is survived by his wife, Phoebe Adams. Funeral services were held Friday, August 21, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Betty Ruth Gibson, 79, of Raceland, died Wednesday, August 12, at Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 15, under the direction of Preston Family Funeral Home.

Jimmy Mann, 72, of Salyersville, died Tuesday, August 18, at his residence. He

is survived by his wife, Phyllis Mann. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 22, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Chalmer Stephens, 66, of Salyersville, died Tuesday, August 4, at his residence. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 6, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Nora Mae Kelso Ward, 90, of Salyersville, died Friday, August 21, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 23, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Attention Workers

Who Have Been Denied Long Term Disability Insurance

Talk With Us. We'll Help.

KIRK

www.kirklawfirm.net
LAW FIRM

Prestonsburg
Louisia • Catlettsburg
Paintsville • Inez
Pikeville • McDowell

Remember, We Do Not Represent Insurance Companies.

Call 886.9494
This is an advertisement

Internet
SERVING PRESTONSBURG
Unlimited Hours. No Contracts!
\$9.95 /month
• FREE 24/7 Technical Support
• Instant Messaging - keep your buddy list!
• 10 e-mail addresses with Webmail!
• Custom Start Page - news, weather & more!
Surf up to 6X faster!
Sign Up Online! www.LocalNet.com
Call Today @ Save!
LocalNet 886-0565
Reliable Internet Access Since 1994

E.P. Grigsby Store
LABOR DAY SALE
GOING ON NOW!
25-75% off Most Items
Main St., Martin • 285-3025

GET VACCINATED!

Beginning September 28th, Parkview Pharmacy will be offering flu, pneumonia, and shingles vaccinations.

No charge for customers who have Medicare or UMWA.

For more information, contact

PARKVIEW PHARMACY

Located across from Minnie Ballpark
Rt. 122, Minnie, KY
Call 377-2117
www.refillrx.com/parkviewrx

STRAND TWIN
Prestonsburg, Kentucky
606-886-2696
http://www.strandtwin.com
Walk-to-Walk Screens, Dolby Sound, and Cupholders!
8/28/09 - 9/3/09
Cinema 1 - Starts Friday, August 28
HALLOWEEN 2 (R) Mon-Sat 7:00-9:00; Sun 1:30-7:00-9:00
Cinema 2 - Starts Friday, August 28
THE HANGOVER (PG-13) Mon-Sat 7:00-9:00; Sun (1:30) 7:00-9:00
Sunday Matinee - Open 1:00; start 1:30

RIVERFILL 10 PIKEVILLE
http://showtimes@hollywood.com
214 N. Pike St., Pikeville, KY
606-432-2957
Tickets may be purchased in advance for any show on the date of purchase.
Burgers, Snacks, and more p.m.

8/28/09 - 9/3/09
Cinema 1 - Held Over
THE GOODS (R) Mon-Sun 7:15-9:30; Fri (4:30) 7:15-9:30; Sat-Sun (2:15-4:30) 7:15-9:30
Cinema 2 - Held Over
SHORTS (PG) Mon-Sun 7:00-9:20; Fri (4:20) 7:00-9:20; Sat-Sun (2:00-4:20) 7:00-9:20
Cinema 3 - Starts Friday, August 28
PORNO (G) Mon-Sun 7:05; Fri (4:15) 7:05; Sat-Sun (2:05-4:15) 7:05
Cinema 3 - Held Over
POST GRAD (PG-13) Mon-Sun 9:30 ONLY
Cinema 4 - Held Over
DISTRICT 9 (R) Mon-Sun 7:05-9:25; Fri (4:25) 7:05-9:25; Sat-Sun (2:05-4:25) 7:05-9:25
Cinema 5 - Held Over
G.I. JOE (PG-13) Mon-Sun 6:50-9:20; Fri (4:20) 6:50-9:20; Sat-Sun (1:50-4:20) 6:50-9:20
Cinema 5 - Held Over
TIME TRAVELERS WIFE (PG-13) Mon-Sun 7:00-9:20; Fri (4:20) 7:00-9:20; Sat-Sun (2:00-4:20) 7:00-9:20
Cinema 7 - Starts Friday, August 28
HALLOWEEN 2 (R) Mon-Sun 7:00-9:30; Fri (4:30) 7:00-9:30; Sat-Sun (2:00-4:30) 7:00-9:30
Cinema 8 - Starts Friday, August 28
FINAL DESTINATION (R) Mon-Sun 7:15-9:30; Fri (4:30) 7:15-9:30; Sat-Sun (2:15-4:30) 7:15-9:30
Cinema 9 - Held Over
INGLORIOUS BASTERDS (R) Mon-Sun 7:50; Fri (4:50) 7:50; Sat-Sun (1:50-4:50) 7:50
Cinema 10 - Held Over
A PERFECT GETAWAY (R) Mon-Sun 7:05-9:25; Fri (4:25) 7:05-9:25; Sat-Sun (2:05-4:25) 7:05-9:25

American Heart Association
Choose Healthful Foods

Viewpoint

Amendment 1

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

Guest View

The passing of a political giant

We rarely step outside of local and state issues ... but we feel the passing of Sen. Ted Kennedy is one of those events worthy of comment.

Scarcely anyone reading this needs to be reminded of the Kennedy legacy - John F. Kennedy's service as representative, senator and president and his assassination; Robert Kennedy's service as attorney general and senator and his later assassination while running for president; and of course, Ted Kennedy's 47 years in the senate.

Ted Kennedy was not without his faults. His life was, at times, riddled with scandal that would have derailed any sort of political life for someone other than a Kennedy. In his youth and middle age years, he often acted as the entitled rich kid who could do whatever he felt, without consequence.

Some of those actions - particularly the 1969 car accident in which his passenger, Mary Jo Kopechne, was killed - did ultimately derail any hopes he had of claiming the White House.

Kennedy eventually settled down and his personal life stopped becoming fodder for tabloid headlines. Once that happened, people began seeing that Kennedy was, in fact, a dedicated senator who was as knowledgeable about issues, and as hard working, as anyone in Congress.

Kennedy was unabashedly liberal. He made no pretense to hide that. His politics weren't for all, and quite frankly we believe he leaned a little too far to the left on a number of issues.

What can't be questioned about Sen. Kennedy, however, was his commitment to public service. While his famous brothers always targeted the White House in whatever they did, Ted Kennedy found his calling in the senate, a place he could work for those who elected him, to fulfill what he grew to see as his obligation to society.

Known as a tireless worker, Kennedy often championed causes for those who were least able to do so for themselves - the poor, children, gay rights and women's causes, civil rights, and, most recently, the drive to provide affordable health care to all Americans even as his own health was failing.

Whether you agree or disagree with his politics, one thing can't be denied - Ted Kennedy felt that elected office was an opportunity to engage in true public service, and he pursued that with all that was in him.

We hope all those in local, state, or national elected office, and those seeking such posts, whatever party affiliation they may have, will emulate Sen. Kennedy's example in this regard.

— Mt. Airy (N.C.) News

Worth Repeating ...

No matter what side of the argument you are on, you always find people on your side that you wish were on the other.

— Jascha Heifetz

"FOR ALL THOSE WHOSE CARES HAVE BEEN OUR CONCERN, THE WORK GOES ON. THE CAUSE ENDURES. THE HOPE STILL LIVES AND THE DREAM SHALL NEVER DIE."

SEN. EDWARD M. KENNEDY



Guest column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

We know from the state Budget Office report released late last month that state officials are predicting stagnant revenue growth throughout the rest of this year and the first three months of next year. But have recent state revenue losses impacted those predictions?

More than likely. Kentucky is seeing growth from a few revenue streams, but our economy is not making the major recovery some economists are seeing at the national level. One reason, as I explained last week, is weak growth in employment and personal income that Kentucky officials expect to continue well into the current fiscal year. Revenues from sales and use tax receipts, individual income tax, property tax and other income streams that are directly tied to employment and personal were down—some way, low down—in the fourth quarter of the last fiscal year and will have to show some major improvement before state officials are able to change their predictions.

A closer look at tumbling state revenues from the fourth quarter of FY 2009 shows the most significant losses occurred in the areas of sales and use tax, individual income tax and corporate income taxation—historically the state's largest revenue sources. If revenue is closely tied to employment, it probably comes as little surprise that the biggest drop in

revenue among these three revenue streams was in the area of individual income tax receipts.

Individual income tax revenue took a massive loss between the fourth quarter of FY 2008 and the fourth quarter of FY 2009 with a \$197.6 million—or 17 percent—drop in receipts. The state Budget Office report stated that all components of the tax, including declarations, net return, withholding and fiduciary, posted declines in the last quarter of FY '09 compared to a year ago.

The second worst drop in revenue seen in the fourth quarter was a \$47.9 million loss in corporate income taxes, reflecting a 38.3 percent decrease for the quarter. Final revenue figures show that the state received only \$77.1 million in corporate income tax in the fourth quarter of 2009—much less than the \$125 million collected in the fourth quarter of FY 2008. State officials said the reductions were caused by "expectations that corporate profits would remain weak."

The third biggest loss in revenue during the fourth quarter of FY 2009 was in sales and use tax revenues, which fell three percent for a total loss of \$21.3 million as unemployment grew and wages stagnated. A lack of disposable income caused consumer spending to drop off, harming this important state revenue stream. Losses in the sales and use tax area were offset somewhat by a new sales tax on package alcohol sales, which the state Budget Report said brought "a small infusion of receipts." That new revenue stream was created during the 2009 General Assembly last spring.

The decrease in revenues from these major sources has no doubt hurt

programs and services throughout state government. So have losses from other revenue streams. Property taxes—another indicator of economic growth—were down in the fourth quarter of FY 2009 by 4.5 percent, along with state Road Fund receipts (down 2.1 percent from a year before) which were affected by a yearlong decline in motor vehicle usage taxes. Usage tax receipts were down 16.5 percent from a year earlier due to lagging motor vehicle sales, according to the report.

Not every source of revenue took a nosedive, however. The fourth quarter of FY 2009 saw increases of 11.1 percent in the LLET (Limited Liability Entity Tax on business) thanks to enhanced collections by the state. Other growth areas were in coal severance taxation—up 12.7 percent due to strong coal prices—along with a 101.7 percent increase in the state cigarette tax for fourth quarter 2009 receipts of \$82.8 million. The increase in the cigarette tax doubled the tax rate on cigarettes from 30 cents to 60 cents a pack.

An important thing to remember about the recession and the changes it has wrought is that hard times will not last forever. A financial "checklist" I read some months back from the investment advising firm Edward Jones said it best: "Be patient," it read. "No one can predict when a bear market will end, but history has shown that turnarounds can happen quickly and unexpectedly. So be patient."

Next week, we will wrap up our look of the state Budget Office report by reviewing the report's detailed outlook for the state's immediate economic future. For now, enjoy the rest of summer and the start of what I hope is a great school year.

The Times

Published Wednesday and Friday each week

263 SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE
PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY 41653
Phone: (606) 886-8506
Fax: (606) 886-3603
www.floydcountytimes.com

USPS 202-700
Entered as second class matter, June 18, 1927, at the post office at
Prestonsburg, Kentucky, under the act of March 3, 1879.
Periodicals postage paid at Prestonsburg, Ky.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES PER YEAR:
In Floyd County: \$59.00
Outside Floyd County: \$76.00

Postmaster: Send change of address to:
The Floyd County Times
P.O. Box 390
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

PUBLISHER: Joshua Byers
jbyers@heartlandpublications.com

MANAGING EDITOR: Ralph B. Davis
web@floydcountytimes.com

ADVERTISING MANAGER: Jamie VanLoose
advertising@floydcountytimes.com

Letters

Show respect and consideration

My name is Betty Cook, and I have been a volunteer firefighter for our local fire department for several years. I answer calls to wrecks as well as house fire. I am writing this letter to express my views on how I have been treated.

On Aug. 3, I was helping to direct traffic on Abner Mountain when a truck failed to stop for me. Not only was I placed in danger, I was cursed at as well.

In a time like this, I know from experience that everything goes through one's mind, from worrying and being scared and not thinking straight. But I would like to stress how would he feel if someone put a mem-

ber of his family in danger while he or she was volunteering their time for the good of others.

This is my own point of view and I will be at the next accident if I am available, no matter who it may be, even if it is the one who did me this way.

Betty Cook
Buckingham

Letter Guidelines

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times.
In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author.
The Times reserves the right to reject or edit any letter deemed slanderous, libelous or otherwise objection-

able. Letters should be no longer than two type-written pages, and may be edited for length or clarity.

Opinions expressed in letters and other voices are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the newspaper. Send letters to: The Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

Sports Editor: Steve LeMaster
Phone Number: 888-450-4500
Floyd County Times
Phone: (606) 888-4500
Fax: (606) 888-2000
www.floydcountytimes.com

FLOYD COUNTY Sports

McHale/VOSS A6

Set Branham honored for stellar career

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Legendary Prestonsburg High School student-athlete Set Branham won on every level. Branham was recognized last Friday night prior to the Prestonsburg-Belfry game when he had his No. 52 jersey retired. Several family members accompanied Branham during the pregame ceremony. Branham was visibly emotional when talking about what it meant to have his jersey retired. "I can't tell you what this means to me," said Branham. "This is the greatest thing that has ever happened to me. This means everything

in the world to me." An all-state honoree in football, basketball and baseball for Prestonsburg High School, Branham went on to star at the University of Utah following an exceptional prep career. He played football and basketball for the Utes, setting numerous school records on the gridiron. His football odyssey took him to 16 different states. The catcher on Prestonsburg's 1948 state championship baseball team, Branham played football professionally in Canada. Knee injuries forced his retirement from the sport that he loved. Branham played football at Prestonsburg late in his career under the guidance of head

coach John Eibner, who guided the Blackcats following a playing stint with the Philadelphia Eagles. In high school, Branham played for four different coaches on three different fields. PHS also had four different principals during his prep career. A storied running back, Branham only fumbled three times in his football career — once in high school and twice in college. Football helped mold Set Branham. "Football taught me more about life than anything," Branham acknowledged. "I use it everyday. I'd do it all over again if I could."



Family and friends joined Set Branham as he had his jersey retired. photo by Jamie Huvell

Pike Co. Bowl: 25 years and counting

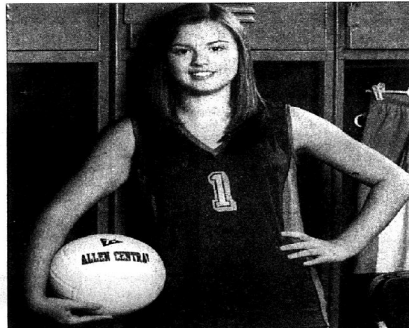
by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Sure, there were games last week. They'll be played elsewhere this weekend as well. But tonight is the official kickoff of the 2009 high school football season. The Community Trust Bank/WYMT-TV Pike County Bowl. Make that the 25th Annual Pike County Bowl. Long may it reign. Everybody has bows now. Everybody. Some do it up right. The PCB does. Some have more modest ambitions, trying to bring four or so teams together for a night of action to get things started. Everybody has one now. But not then. Not in 1985. Not when Paul Dotson and Ken Trivette and a handful of others met to discuss this. Not back in the day. Back then there was the Rec Bowl. The Recreation Bowl, held in Mt. Sterling. It's the granddaddy of them all, as they say. We defer to it. We don't bow to many, but for the Rec Bowl, we'll take a knee. But that was about it. There was the Rec Bowl and not a lot else. As a result, the names that came in the early days were huge. Cumberland High was here for the first one. That may not sound too impressive today, but anybody remember the quarterback of the Redskins? Freddie Maggard. As in "future UK quarterback" Freddie Maggard. That's getting off to a quick start. And oh, by the way ... the Skins fell that night at the Panthers of Coach Hillard Howard. Beyond question the most famous night in the history of the Pike County Bowl came in 1987, the night Pikeville and Beechwood hooked up. It was a slobber-knocker, as they say. A tussle. A battle. For 24 minutes. At the half, the Tigers held a slim 21-20 lead. And then it happened. The skies opened. A monsoon occurred. And for the first and still the only time in Pike County Bowl

(See BOWL, page SIX)



Allen Central defeated Pike County Central for its 10th win of the season. The Rebels blanked Pike County Central 2-0 in the 15th Region match.



AC SENIOR COURTNEY HODGE

15TH REGION VOLLEYBALL TOP 10

Betsy Layne.....	12-1
Allen Central.....	11-4
East Ridge.....	9-4
Johnson Central.....	8-2
Prestonsburg.....	8-2
South Floyd.....	7-3
Belfry.....	6-1
Phelps.....	5-6
Sheldon Clark.....	4-2
Pikeville.....	4-6

Rebels turn back Pike Central for 10th win

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — A balanced attack and solid defensive play gave the Allen Central volleyball team its 10th win of the season Tuesday in a home match against 15th Region rival Pike County Central. Allen Central blanked Pike County Central 2-0 (25-13, 25-17). For the match, Allen Central hit at 77-percent and served at a remarkable 98-percent, committing only one error in 46 tries. The setters had a 22-percent assist-to-set average and committed only five errors in 85 offensive runs. Defensively, Allen Central returned 94-percent of all it received and dug up 32 during the match. The Rebels had eight blocking opportunities, stopped two and recorded four partial blocks. Kelsey Jones, Tiffany Burdzilauskas and

Courtney Hodge paced Allen Central with five kills each. Jones hit for 100-percent and had a 29-percent kill ratio. Laken Tackett, Ciara Jones, Mandy Howard and Kelsey Blevins knocked in one kill apiece. Leigh Williams led the offensive attack, dishing out 12 assists. Williams also went error-free in the ball-handling department. Jamie Mullins set up four while Kelsey Jones earned three assists. Williams led the Rebels with three aces on 100-percent serving. Kelsey Jones also served without error and landed two aces. Hodge dropped in an ace while also serving 100-percent. Defensively, Jones paced the Rebels with nine digs. Rebekah Porter had eight confirmed digs and Hodge stopped six. Katie Dingsha had a strong block at the net while Jones and

(See REBELS, page SIX)

Betsy Layne edges S. Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — The Betsy Layne LadyCats won their seventh straight match Tuesday evening, defeating 54th District rival South Floyd 2-1. Betsy Layne fell behind 0-5 in the first game. The LadyCats then came back with a 16-2 run to make the score 16-7. The volleys continued back and forth and Betsy Layne was able to claim the opening game 25-17. The second game was close throughout as host South Floyd edged the LadyCats 25-23. The LadyCats came out strong and were able to take a small lead in the third game. South Floyd, however, pushed the 15th Region front runner. Betsy Layne ultimately won the third and final game 26-24. Kelleigh Wagner (2 aces, 13 assists, 1 kill, 3 digs), Taylor Watkins (2 aces, 6 kills, 3 digs, 3 blocks), Allie Meade (2 aces, 3 assists, 4 kills), Audri Ray (1 ace, 3 kills, 1 dig, 5 blocks), Cecelia Ray (1 ace, 1 dig), Amanda Newsome (1 kill), Savannah Meade (5 aces) and Katie Williams (1 kill) paced the LadyCats in the varsity district volleyball match. Betsy Layne improved to 12-1 while South Floyd dropped to 7-3.

Summer Bash II Car Show slated for Sunday

PRESTONSBURG — The Summer Bash II Car Show sponsored by T&K Signs will be held Sunday at the Social Security Administration Office located on RT. 321 North, one-half mile past Jerry's Restaurant in Prestonsburg. Entry fee for the car show is \$15. Registration will be held from 2-7 p.m. The car show will feature a Top 25, Best of Show Overall and nine Best of Classes (Best Ford, Best Chevy, Best Mopar, Best Street Rod, Best Muscle Car, Best Mini Truck, Best Truck, Best Corvette, Judge's Choice). For more information, contact Tim at 888-1550 or 889-9072.

PHS varsity cheerleaders inspire leadership — on and off the field

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg High School varsity cheerleaders worked very hard over the summer, preparing for the upcoming Blackcat football and basketball seasons. On June 18, PHS cheerleaders assisted with supplying and handing out water to golfers on StoneCrest at Senator Johnny Ray Turner's "FIGHT FORE" MS charitable fundraising event. On June 23-25, the PHS squad hosted the first PHS Varsity "Fun In the Sun" Summer Youth Cheer Camp. The three-day event included 30 young ladies from the Floyd County area. In addition to their volunteer work in June, the squad started a weekly tumbling class with Steve Stone of

Kentucky Power Tumbling (KPT) and attended "Body by John" cardio and strength-building aerobics classes twice weekly at Big Sandy Community and Technical College with John Faulkner. The Prestonsburg High varsity cheerleaders recently participated in Universal Cheerleading Association's (UCA) summer camp at the Sheraton North Hotel & Sharonville Convention Center in Cincinnati, Ohio, July 27-31. The PHS Varsity squad — coached by Leslie Ousley & Melissa Turner — was one of 25 teams in attendance at the camp. In addition to learning the latest cheer innovations in stunt technique, the Prestonsburg squad was evaluated on game-ready material taught by the UCA

staff each day of the camp. Prestonsburg also participated in many fun-filled activities and events such as traveling with a feeder program (Adams Middle School boys' varsity cheerleaders) who also attended the camp and visited Kings Island as a group. PHS cheerleaders fared quite well at the camp. Four PHS squad members received UCA All-American status after being judged on individual performance criteria learned during the camp. As a result, Morgan Nunnerly and Catherine Tincher were invited to perform in the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade of the UCA Thanksgiving. Four of UCA Thanksgiving World Resort

(See PHS, page SIX)



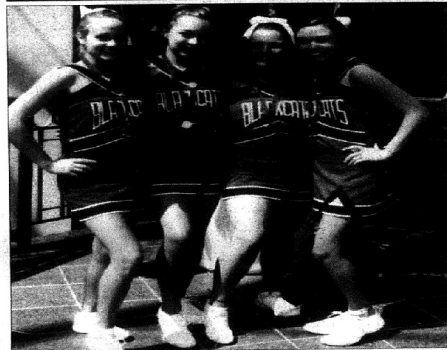
The Prestonsburg High School varsity cheerleaders are pictured at the 2009 UCA Summer Camp held in Cincinnati. Front row: Catherine Tincher, Morgan Nunnerly, Darby Cookeey, Courtney Foley. Middle row: Samantha Davis, Emily Hammonds, Rheagan Wiles, Heather Joseph, Maddy Nunnerly, Clara Potter (trainer). Back row: Kait Mullins, Taylor Tackett, Kimmie Jarrell, Shelby Blackburn, Samantha Howard, Alli Hopkins.

AG

Rebels

Burdzilaukas contributed one block assist each. Jones was credited with three partial blocks and Howard one in the

varsity high school volleyball match.



PHS Cheerleaders Darby Cooksey, Catherine Tincher, Heather Joseph and Morgan Nunnery were 2009 UCA Summer Camp All-American Team members. The Camp was held July 27-31.



Stunt clinic scheduled for Sept. 26

Varsityspirit.com website under UCA One Day Stunt GOLF SCRAMBLE: The first ever Fight for the Cure Golf Scramble will be held from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17 at Allen Park Golf Course. Cash prizes will be awarded for first-fourth-place teams.

PHS

in Orlando, Florida November 24-27. Darby Cooksey and Heather Joseph were invited to perform in the London, England Parade Dec. 26-Jan. 2, 2010.

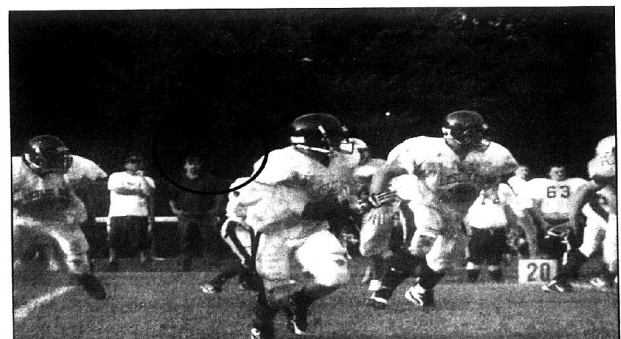
Bowl in Orlando, Fla., Dec. 29-Jan. 2, 2010 and received a bid to compete at the UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship Feb. 12-16, 2010 in Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla. The squad was also awarded a Traditions Plaque from the UCA staff for "Inspiring the Most Leadership On and Off the Field" throughout the camp.

ing season! The squad would also like to congratulate the Adams Middle School Boys' Varsity cheerleaders on their outstanding performance at the camp.

The Prestonsburg High School varsity cheerleading program shapes up as follows: Senior-Heather Joseph; Juniors: Courtney Foley, Maddy Nunnery and Taylor Tackett; Sophomores: Darby Cooksey, Samantha Davis, Emily Hammonds, Samantha Howard, Kimmie Jarrell, Kaitie Mullins and Rheagan Willis; Freshman: Shelby Blackburn, Alli Hopkins, Morgan Nunnery and Catherine Tincher; Trainers: Maddy Ousley and Clara Potter; Coaches: Leslie Ousley and Melissa Turner.

ATTENTION COACHES: Fax your stats to The Times - 886-3603.

Dairy Queen SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK of Prestonsburg



If you are the sports fan circled here... it's your lucky day! If you are the sports fan circled, you are entitled to a free 8-inch ice cream cake of your choice, redeemable at DAIRY QUEEN OF PRESTONSBURG.



SOUTH FLOYD will serve as the host school for this year's 15th Region All "A" Classic volleyball tournament.

Kinzer competes in two Ohio races

ALLEN - The Kinzer Motorsports team trekked north to the Buckeye State of Ohio last weekend for a pair of World of Outlaws Late Model Series shows. The Muskingum County Speedway in Zanesville, Ohio played host to a \$7,000-to-win event Thursday, Aug. 20. Brandon Kinzer finished fifth in his competitive heat race. The Floyd County driver later ran second in his B-Main to transfer into the main event. After starting 19th in the A-Main, Kinzer worked his way No. 18. Rucker Chassis past six cars en route to a 13th place finish.

Allen Central pounds Piarist

percent kill percentage. The Rebels had 23 assists in 49 attempts and a 47-percent assist percentage. Defensively, Allen Central committed three receiving errors on 58 attempts. Allen Central was credited with 25 digs. Freshman Courtney Hodge posted a match-high 10 kills on 92-percent hitting and freshman middle blocker Katie Dingus slammed in five kills. Middle Blocker Kelsey Jones pounded in four kills and junior Tiffany Burdzilaukas and sophomore Mandy Howard landed three kills apiece. Ciara Jones added one kill for the Rebels. Senior Jamie Mullins dished out a team-high 12 assists and junior setter Leigh Williams set up 10 kills. Piarist could not find a

Krebs earns 13th Kentucky scholarship

LEXINGTON - University of Kentucky men's basketball senior Mark Krebs has been awarded the team's 13th and final scholarship for the 2009-10 season. Krebs, who was a walk-on the previous two seasons, has seen action in 17 career games, including 13 games last year. The Newport native averaged 7.5 minutes in UK's exhibition season last year. He went 2-2 from behind the three-point line against Ouachita Baptist and recorded a steal. He tied a career high five minutes against Mississippi Valley State last year.

Bowl

history, a game ended uncompleted. Many people have wondered what would have happened during the second half that infamous night. Many question whether the Panthers could have turned the tide and come away with the win. I doubt anybody realized on that soggy evening that the wait, the wonder, wouldn't last long. But this upcoming weekend the teams would meet again, this time in northern Kentucky, this time in the state semifinals. And on that day, the Tigers got all they wanted of Hillard's group. Pikeville rolled to the win and the next week to the first of three state championships. State titles and Pike County Bowls go hand in hand. For a while, Invette called it "The Bowl of Champions" in media kits and handouts, and he was right. Pikeville won three, Bellfry two and a handful of visiting teams were either coming off championship seasons or kicking them off. The Pike County Bowl has often been the place where legends are made. It's not always been pretty. There's not always been pretty. There's bowl games. Ashland crushed Pikeville one Saturday night in 1997, and the locals have handed out a few butt-whippings too. But it's always been a spectacle, always a sight to see. And they've been seen. Thousands would cram Hambley back in the day when Bellfry and Pikeville formed the doubleheader that was the PCB. And believe it or not, but I saw many a fan stand between games and change shirts, removing a maroon one and donning Angry Red, or vice versa. This weekend we'll start at Bellfry for a double dip tonight before closing it down at Pikeville on Saturday. We'll get to see six Pike County teams and a couple of visitors to boot. We'll crown the bowl queen, meet the committee that governs it and salute a legendary figure. Speaking of that, never in this history of the honor that began a dozen or so years ago has the name been more appropriate. This year Gene Davis will be honored, and I can't think of a better candidate. Gene has coached football and baseball and about everything else in his time. He worked in banking - not for the title sponsor, either - taught history, was often joke he lived through and has served two stints as a commissioner in the City of Pikeville. That said, none of it really sums up Gene like the name of the honor that will be bestowed on him come Saturday. Gene Davis is simply a legend. He's one of the nicest people I've ever had the privilege of meeting and is simply one of a kind. His son Frosty told me Gene was moved to tears during a brief - and Frosty said believe it or not, it was brief - speech at the Bowl luncheon last week. But it wasn't because of the honor he'd receive, or because of his accomplishments. Believe me when I tell you if I've ever met a guy who wasn't full of himself, it's Gene Davis. Frosty said he choked up when talking about the real "legends" in his mind, mentioning him in particular. Read the PCB history in the Bowl program and the name Brent Coleman will pop up more than once. Brent was a terrific little football player who was nearly all heart. Brent sealed his status as a legend a couple years later when he lost his life serving his country. That, said Gene, is a real legend. Gene was right, of course. But it doesn't make him any less of one, either. I'll be honored on Saturday night when I get to be the person to read his accomplishments and present him on the field as the coaching legend. Nobody ever deserved it more.

A7



CHEER STUNT: PHS cheerleaders Maddy Nunnery, Shelby Blackburn and Taylor Tackett are pictured stunting with cheer sister Madison Stambaugh.

PHS hosts 9th Annual Cheer Clinic

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — The 9th Annual PHS Varsity Youth Cheer Clinic was held on Saturday at the Prestonsburg High School Gymnasium. Fifty-one clinic participants attended and will be cheering pregame with the varsity squad tonight when Prestonsburg hosts Paintsville. The PHS squad's "little sisters" will help the team with introducing the PHS Varsity's "Fight for the Cure" campaign. Everyone is urged to

look for the bold pink "P" throughout the region. Each home game of the season a moment of silence will be given in honor of those battling cancer, families that have lost a loved one to cancer, and cancer survivors. This will be followed by a very special donation collected by the team, counted on the track at the "pink" table and given to the Breast Center at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Dee Hackworth will serve as the HRMC representative. Clinic participants and their families

are asked to come to the gym through the Arnold Avenue side at 6:30 p.m. **BLACKCAT FOOTBALL T-SHIRTS:** The 2009 Blackcat Football t-shirts are on sale each Friday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at PHS. T-Shirts are \$18 each. Tickets are also on sale for the Wendy's Old Fashioned Pancake Breakfast to be held Saturday from 6-9 a.m. Tickets for the pancake breakfast are \$5 apiece.



THE 9TH ANNUAL FOOTBALL SEASON YOUTH CHEER CLINIC was held Aug. 22. Participants from the cheer clinic will cheer pregame tonight when the Prestonsburg Blackcats host the Paintsville Tigers.



BODY BY JOHN: John Faulkner (pictured above) led the Prestonsburg High School cheerleaders through aerobics at Big Sandy Community and Technical College. **BELOW:** The PHS varsity cheerleading program hosted the Fun in the Sun Camp July 24-26.



Rebels to host Jenkins in opener

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — After finishing last season 7-4, Allen Central entered the offseason with the label of being a team on the rise. With one of its best senior classes in school history — a group that boasts the likes of twins Logan and Hunter Crowder, Justin Jackson, Chris Stumbo, Cory Conn and others — Allen Central is poised to contend for the Class A, District 8 championship. After enjoying last week as the open date on its schedule, Allen Central will line up tonight in a season-opener at home versus Jenkins.

"I am ready to get started," Allen Central Coach Jeremy Hall exclaimed. "I am also concerned about the game. This is the first year that another team has a true game situation up on us. We have had two good scrimmages. Our first scrimmage we came out against Leslie County and a much improved Magoffin

County team. That scrimmage did exactly what we wanted it to do, it showed where we needed work. It also showed our boys that we may not be as prepared as we should be. No one is going to give us anything. Our second scrimmage we went to Shelby Valley and scrimmaged a good Shelby Valley team, Magoffin and Wayne County, W.Va. We looked much improved and worked very well as a team."

Hall expects a capable Jenkins team to visit for the season-opener. The Larry Maggard-coached Cavaliers fell to Phelps in an opener last week. Senior quarterback Matt Gross leads Jenkins.

"Now we open up with a Jenkins team that is ready to get a win on the board," Hall said. "Watching film on this team I noticed they got better every quarter, in their game versus Phelps. They are fundamentally sound. If we come out and think this game is over, we will get punched in the mouth. We need to come

out and play our game. Every down, every series, every quarter and every game." Kickoff for the Allen Central-Jenkins game is set for 7:30 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

TONIGHT'S AREA GAMES
Horn Lake, Miss. at Johnson Central, 7:30 p.m.
(Big Sandy RECC Bowl)
East Ridge vs. Phelps, 7:30 p.m. (Pike County Bowl at Belfry)
Casey Co. at Perry Central, 8 p.m. (Taco Goal Camarodore Bowl)
Jenkins at Allen Central, 7:30 p.m.
Lewis County at Knott County Central, 7:30 p.m.
Paintsville at Prestonsburg, 7:30 p.m.
Hazard at Leslie County, 7:30 p.m.
Breathitt Co. at Sheldon Clark, 7:30 p.m.
Magoffin Co. at S. Floyd, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY'S AREA GAMES
Pike Central at Shelby Valley, 6:30 p.m. (Pike County Bowl at Pikeville)
Holy Cross (Cov.) at Pikeville, 8:30 p.m. (Pike County Bowl)
Pound, Va. at Morgan Co., 7 p.m.

Bobcats to visit Burch, W.Va.

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE — Betsy Layne narrowly missed out on getting into the win column last Friday night. Visiting Bishop Brossart prevented the Bobcats from winning in the 2009 season-opener, defeating Betsy Layne 22-19. Later today, Betsy Layne will line up against Burch, W.Va. in its first road game of the new season.

The Betsy Layne offensive unit was active. Bobcat quarterback Nathan Martin completed two-of-eight passes for 65 yards. Casey Adkins led Betsy Layne on the ground, rushing eight times for 125 yards.

The Bobcats struggled at times offensively. Dylan Maldonado rushed seven times for 16 yards. Kory Jarrell picked up four yards via two carries in the season-opener.

Maldonado, one of Floyd County's premier athletes, totaled a fumble return into the endzone for a 45-yard touchdown.

Defensively, Adkins paced Betsy Layne with 10 tackles. Steven Wright and Austin Hall had nine tackles apiece for the Bobcats.

Kickoff for the Betsy Layne-Burch game is set for 7:30 p.m.

Hunting equipment clarification announced for 2009-10 seasons

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is clarifying hunting equipment regulations for hunters who hold valid concealed carry deadly weapon permits. Under the Kentucky concealed carry deadly weapon law, KRS 237.110, holders of these permits are permitted to carry firearms during archery-only or archery/crossbow hunting seasons, and to carry firearms and ammunition that may be contrary to hunting equipment caliber or ammunition requirements.

However, it is illegal for any person to take game with firearms during seasons when firearms are prohibited, or with any equipment listed as illegal for taking game.

This clarification is available as a one-page supplement to the 2009-10 Kentucky Hunting & Trapping Guide at fwyky.gov. The supplement provides an updated page 3 to the guide, which hunters can print out and place inside their copy. Hunters who have not yet picked up their copy of this year's hunting guide can print the updated

guide in its entirety at fwyky.gov.

Hunters who do not hold valid concealed carry deadly weapon permits must abide by the equipment regulations exactly as they appear in each section of the 2009-10 Kentucky Hunting & Trapping Guide. Those with valid permits should note the exception when reviewing regulations regarding legal hunting equipment for all game, including deer, turkey, elk, bear, small game and furbearer species.

TRANS-STAR *Ambulance*

**TRANS-STAR
EMS
AMBULANCE
SERVICE**

Locally Owned and Operated

- 24-Hour Dispatch
- Fully Equipped Ambulances
- Certified Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics
- Our Vehicles are Well Maintained and Ready, 24/7

SERVING:
Floyd, Pike, Johnson, Martin, Magoffin,
Letcher, Leslie, and Breathitt Counties

Locally, 886-6664
1-866-659-STAR
7 8 2 7

Caring For Our Community



Pictured from left to right are Floyd County Judge Executive Robert D. Marshall, Magoffin County Judge Executive Charles E. Hardin M.D., city of Coal Run Village Mayor C. Laverne Dye, city of Elkhorn City Mayor Billy R. Powell, city of Pikeville economic development director Minta Chaney, Magoffin County solid waste coordinator Devon Allen, Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, Pike County Deputy Judge Executive John Doug Hayes, 94th District Representative Leslie Combs, and Bob Mitchell from U.S. Congressman Harold Rogers office.

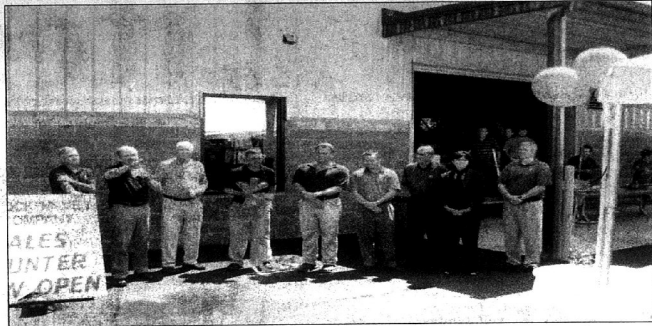


photo by Ralph B. Davis

Brock-McVey celebrated the opening of their new store along South Lake Drive last week with a ribbon cutting ceremony and by treating visitors with a barbecue dinner. The company, which started in 1935, has been located in Prestonsburg since the 1970s. After tearing down its old building, Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin said he was happy to see the company decide to stay. "When you tore the old building down you could have went anywhere, but you had faith in us and we're glad you stayed around and hope you'll be here for a long time."

Recycling

containers for commercial and residential drop off. The containers will be dispersed to the cities of Coal Run and Elkhorn City, as well as Turkey Creek, according to Stevens, while the city of Pikeville will now start work on a new recycling center. In Magoffin County, which

started its recycling program a decade ago, among the items that will be purchased through the funding will be classroom containers for recycling education and the launch of a public awareness campaign for recycling education. "The nice thing about this is that although the grant is com-

paratively less than some others, there will be several communities benefit from it," Stevens said Wednesday. "It's always good to see that sort of thing happen. Representatives of each community gathered for a grant signing ceremony at the offices of Big Sandy ADD in Prestonsburg on Aug. 20 to celebrate this accomplishment.

Arrest

there, police said the 38-year-old became upset, cursing police and staff before standing up on a table and attempting to run. Police cornered Luster under a bed at the crisis unit.

It was at this time that Luster was placed under arrest, but he again became upset when being led to the police cruiser outside Mountain Comprehensive Care. Police said Luster started fighting them at this point before being brought under control with pepper spray.

Following his arrest, Luster was charged with disregarding traffic regulation by pedestrian, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and several other charges relating to the incident.

This is not Luster's first run-in with the law. As recently as last year, he was found guilty in Boone County of assaulting a police officer and sentenced to one year in prison with 243 days jail time credit

toward that sentence being applied at the time.

In 2007, Luster was found guilty in Floyd County of charges similar to those most recently brought against him, namely hitchhiking or disregarding traffic regulation by pedestrian. A year earlier, in 2006, he was found guilty of a charge of begging in Fayette County and the year before that similar charges in Madison County.

In fact, as far back as 2004, Luster was found guilty of begging, according to his criminal background check. That 2004 charge landed him three days in jail.

Luster has already been arraigned on the charges and has been ordered to serve 30 days in jail with a 90-day probationary period to follow, as well as fines in connection to the charges. Authorities have also contacted Boone County about Luster's arrest, according to court files.

Arby's

chief operating officer. "The city and its residents have been very anxious for us to get open and we have received much interest from the community from people waiting to try our various menu offerings."

The new Arby's seats 74 guests and will employ about 20 full- and part-time staff members and is what developers have called the Pinnacle image due to the distinctive front peak.

"We worked with William and Betty White to purchase

this property and have worked hard to develop a one-acre lot adjacent to our store for future sale or lease," said Ron Carter Sr., the company's president, adding that the adjacent lot is now ready for development.

There is no word yet on what businesses might go in to the lot near the Arby's location.

The new restaurant will be open for business from 10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, accepting all four major credit cards.

Bridge

degree from Pikeville College in 2001. He has been on the board of directors, many times as chairman, for numerous colleges and associations including Big Sandy Community and Technical College and the Kentucky Opry.

And Gearheart, 84, has no plans of slowing down. Despite his age and the fact that he is blind, he is at his office every day, continuing to be directly involved in the operations of his companies. He says he has no plans to retire.

CUSTOM MEATS, Inc.
 W. Old Middle Creek Road
 Prestonsburg, KY 41653
ONLY FIVE MINUTES FROM PRESTONSBURG

*Always Fresh,
 Always The Best
 We Dare You To Compare!*

**NOW ACCEPTING:
 MasterCard, Visa, & Debit Cards.**
**HOURS: Mon.-Thurs., 9:00-5:00;
 Fri., 9:00-4:00; Sat., 8:00-Noon**
(606) 886-6003

FREEDOM RALLY & OPEN HOUSE

AT HARLEY-DAVIDSON® OF PIKEVILLE

Saturday, August 29, 2009

2010 Models Are HERE! Music Refreshments

44 New Motorcycles. Find the One That Expresses Your Personal Freedom. COME IN AND TAKE A TEST RIDE TODAY.

75% Off SELECT MERCHANDISE!
Does not include motorcycles.

DOUBLE RIDER REWARDS POINTS ONE DAY ONLY!

Presenting Our Fall MotorClothes Collection!

Sweet Deals on Remaining 2009 Models!

\$500 Gift Certificate (Any 2009 Sportster)
\$1,000 Gift Certificate (Any 2009 Big Twin)

www.HDofPikeville.com

HARLEY-DAVIDSON® of Pikeville

114 Harley Drive • Pikeville, KY • 606-433-0911

Phone: (606) 896-8506
Fax: (606) 896-3603
Members:
Associated Press
Kentucky Press Association
National Newspaper Association

www.floydcountytimes.com

"The BEST source for local and regional society news"

Email: fctfeatures@floydcountytimes.com

MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON 'End of the Line'

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Getting home safely turns into a monumental challenge for several commuters when their subway car is attacked by members of a religious cult in this highly effective Canadian thriller.

This effort gets kick-started with a high-octane scare (courtesy of that old standby, the dream sequence). The nightmare involves a passenger being attacked by zombie-like creatures on a subway train.



Tom Doty
Times Columnist

They're a gruesome sight with worms protruding from their mouths, but they are only phantoms that belong to Karen.

She wakes up in a cold sweat and isn't happy to see that she's on a subway car heading to work. Her job would give nightmares to many. She's a nurse on a psychiatric ward and her dream appears to have been inspired by a former patient, Viviane. It turns out that Viviane had similar visions of demon-like figures coming for us all and her psychosis has worked its way into Karen's dreams.

Karen's night only gets worse. She is accosted by a leering creep at a subway stop. Luckily a fellow commuter pretends that he knows

(See LAGOON, page three)

This Town, That World

Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request.

The cynic says:
"Advice is wonderful. Take it and you can make the same mistakes everybody else does."

AND THAT'S HOW-COME
Don Music, a Floyd County expatriate who now lives in the Cincinnati area, was in for his annual visit the other day, and heard this definition of a "Buckeye" from Jim Goble:

"An Ohioan is an East Kentucky Hillbilly, whose car broke down on the way to Michigan."

PLAINTIVELY WE REPORT...

I am far from Pollyanna, the gladsome gal who could smile through her tears. No Allegro, I. The weight of circumstances bear down, and I have no man to shake, no power to stomp myself free.

This matter of not knowing where the next week's supply of newsprint is coming from isn't helping. The word has got around: the daily newspapers, TV, radio and even the grapevine, are bruing the sad tidings about, and acquaintances dolefully ask me if things are looking any better. All of which makes me look more the misanthrope than really am.

It's not only newsprint that's short. Only last night, I read the list in a weekly news magazine: gasoline shortages, oil, chemicals,

(See ALLEN, page two)



Students at Allen Elementary School wowed the Floyd County Board of Education with a special presentation on Monday.

STILL LIFE

Allen students stage unique performance for board

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

ALLEN - Students from the arts and humanities department at Allen Elementary School had something special to show the members of the Floyd County Board of Education before the board meetings that was held on Monday at the school.

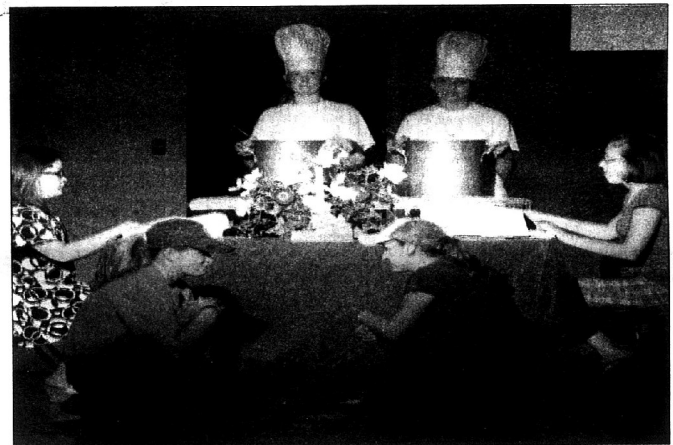
Before the board meeting began, the students took part in a presentation in the school's gymnasium that included dressing as various workers, athletes, and historical figures as spotlights flashed on and off the performers as they recited dialogue in time with various musical cues.

"We came up with the idea for the performance at the end of school last year, and we wanted to showcase the school as a whole," said Michael Bell, music teacher. "I worked with Ellen Trimble, our art teacher, and Daneque Howard, our librarian, and we sort of tag-teamed it and put it together. We all sort of grabbed it and ran with it. The students started working on it as a group the Wednesday before the board meeting. The students did pretty much the majority of the work, including photos and voiceovers. For us, it allows the students to take some of the stuff they have learned in the classroom and present it in a different way and bring it out of their element and expose it to an audience through the arts."

The students that participated in the presentation included academic students, athletes, and art and choir students.

"All the students were eager at the chance to join the project and perform," Bell said. "A lot of the board members commented on the presentation at told us what a great job we did."

After the performance for the board, the students gave a full presentation to the school the next day.



DINNER DIVA

Lettuce 2.0



Last week we talked about turning over a new leaf—as in dumping the iceberg lettuce in our lives and going for a truly tasty (and nutritious) salad. If you'll remember, I was grousing big time about this lackluster lettuce both in the taste and nutrition department.

So we figured out some new lettuces to use as the foundation for our new and improved salad (see last week's Dinner Diva column). Now we're going to get creative with some add-ins; additional salad greens that will not only step up the flavor and ingenuity of your born-again salad, but add a copious amount of nutri-

tion, too.

Here are a few of my faves:
Mache. Also known as Lamb's Lettuce, this tender green apparently looks like a lamb's tongue, hence the name. I have never seen a lamb's tongue so I can't confirm. However, I can tell you that the flavor of Mache is rich and nutty; absolutely delicious! Nutritionally, it excels in the iron department—a third more iron than spinach. Vitamins C and some B's round out this salad green nicely.

Watercress. A little will do the trick, lending its peppery flavor through the

dark green leaves to give your salad added dimension. If you're looking for nutrition, 15 essentials inhabit these small leaves, including vitamin C, folic acid, calcium, magnesium and zinc. Who knew?

Arugula. I love me some arugula! In the UK and in other places, arugula is known as Rocket. Kia to the radish, this peppery salad green adds a little punch to your salad and a ton of folic acid, vitamins A and K, as well as a smattering of zinc, potassium, calcium and

(See DIVA, page two)

CAR TALK Striking oil this way is not lucky

—page B3



Horoscope	B2
Rental Central	B3
Worship Directory	B4
Classifieds	B5

Fun & Games

page B8



FLOYD COUNTY



Faith and Family



Civic Health Index finds America in midst of 'civic foreclosure'

WASHINGTON, D.C. — As economic distress continues through the summer and into the fall, Americans are suffering from a "civic foreclosure" that is limiting the range and depth of their civic engagement, according to a new study by National Conference on Citizenship (NCoC). The annual America's Civic Health Index, based on survey data collected in May 2009, is a look at the state of civic engagement in America that reflects the impact of the economic crisis.

The survey's results reflect the hard choices Americans have made during the downturn, with 72 percent of respondents saying they have cut back on time engaged in civic participation, which includes time spent volunteering, participating in groups or performing other civic activities in their communities.

Study finds that God, friends and Facebook are important factors for fostering civic engagement

Public perception supports this finding, as 66 percent of Americans say they feel other people are responding to the current economic downturn by looking out for themselves, with only 19 percent saying people around them are responding to the recession by helping each other more.

"The economic crisis has triggered civic foreclosure," said Michael Weiser, NCoC Chairman. "The good heart of Americans is still very evident, though, as they refocus on basic needs."

Even though they are disproportionately affected by the economic downturn, low-

income Americans are still finding ways to give back to their communities. Thirty-nine percent of respondents with an income less than \$50,000 reported helping others by providing food or shelter, compared to only 27 percent of Americans with a higher income. Overall, 50 percent of Americans gave food or money to someone who was not a relative, while 17 percent allowed a relative to live in their home and more than one-in-ten took in non-relatives.

The Civic Health Index also explored relationships between online forms of engagement and community-based civic activities. The results found that Millennials who use social networking sites for civic purposes are far more likely to actively engage in civic participation in their communities.

Religion plays a major role in civic engagement, as 40 percent of respondents who reported they are frequent participants in religious services noted they had increased their level of civic engagement. In addition, individuals who reported they had a high level of social activity — visiting

with friends, eating together as a family or belonging to a club — also reported an increase in civic engagement. The results indicate that social engagement through church, friends or even via social networking sites can have a significant impact in countering the negative effect of the current economic downturn on civic engagement.

"God, friends, and Facebook provide a civic safety net," said David B. Smith, NCoC Executive Director. "Spending time with others enhances social connections that provide resiliency in tough economic times."

The Civic Health Index also found generational differences. Of those surveyed, Baby Boomers had the lowest volunteering rate at 35 percent, while Millennials had the highest rate at 43 percent. However, in terms of material contributions including providing food, money or shelter, Baby Boomers were far more likely to provide support (38 percent) compared to Millennials (28 percent).

"We had hoped the economic hardship might trigger more compassion as people

saw real suffering and needs," said John Bridgeland, Chairman of NCoC's Advisory Board and CEO of Civic Enterprises. "While this is not true for volunteering, it is true for providing food and shelter. People with the least means are giving the most."

Other Key Findings

- 31 percent of survey respondents noted they had a "great deal of confidence" in small businesses, making them the most trusted institution. In turn, major companies ranked last on the Index in terms of public confidence (5 percent), with banks, Congress and the executive branch garnering 6 percent.
- 40 percent of African Americans expressed some level of trust in federal government, compared to only 22 percent of Whites
- 68 percent of respondents say that they would be willing to provide food to those in need
- 69 percent of respondents say that they would buy U.S.-made products to help foster improved local economic activity

conjunction with NCoC's conference. The conference will be held on Wednesday, September 9, in Washington, D.C., and will explore the issues presented in this year's Civic Health Index. Registration remains open at www.nco.net/conference.

An annual report that elevates the discussion of our nation's civic health by measuring a wide variety of civic indicators, America's Civic Health Index is an effort to educate Americans about our civic life and to motivate citizens, leaders and policymakers to strengthen it.

America's Civic Health Index is a cooperative effort of NCoC, Civic Enterprises, Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement (CIRCLE) at the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Citizenship and Public Service at Tufts University, and Harvard University's Saguro Seminar, as well as members of a Civic Indicators Working Group.

In April 2009, a civic health assessment was included in the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, thereby naming NCoC and the Corporation for National and Community Service to work with the U.S. Census Bureau to expand the reach and impact of our nation's civic data in order to help communities harness the power of their citizens.

Frustration, failure, faith and patience

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE

Recently reading a morning message from Joel and Victoria Osteen, it was amazing how God is such an on-time God.

Have you ever felt led to take on a task or endeavor, knowing in your gut the Lord was telling you to do it? And then, no matter what you seem to do, that particular task just didn't take off? And then you had fellow brothers and sisters offering their words of wisdom, some of which cut to the very bone? Sometimes it takes time for our tasks or endeavors to spring forth and do what God actually intends them to do.

Osteen wrote, "Did you know that in the Bible, David was 17 years old when he was anointed to be king, but yet he did not take the throne until he was 30? I'm sure during those 13 years there were plenty of times that David was tempted to think it wasn't going to happen, I'm sure he was tempted

to get frustrated or even feel like a failure, thinking 'God, did I hear You? I thought You said You were going to do something great with my life, but nothing is going my way.' Here he was being faithful, but all those years he saw no sign of the promise coming to pass."

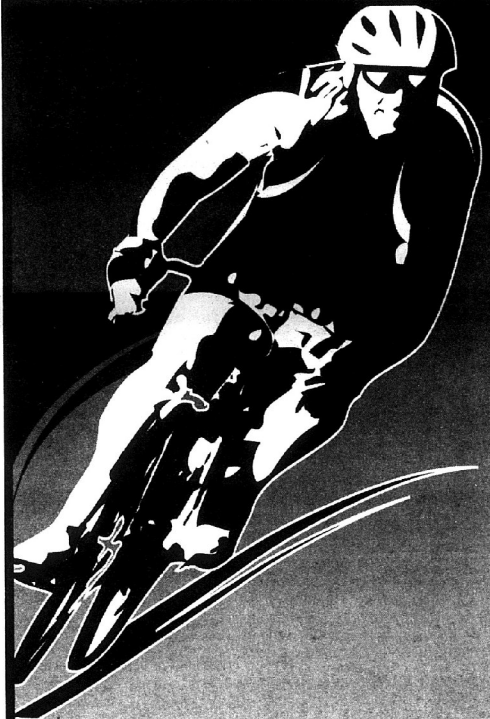
I'm sure David had to fight the same negative thoughts that we do; thoughts that were telling him "It's not going to happen. David, you didn't hear from God. Just accept it." The battle was taking place in his mind just like our battles take place in our minds. During those times when it seems like you aren't getting any closer to seeing your dream come to pass, remember, the scripture tells us that through faith and patience we inherit the promises of God."

Here's praying your faith is strong and your patience are in abundance and all of us will inherit the promises and accomplish the tasks He has in store for each of us.

"Til next week, God bless.



Kim Little Frasure



IF YOU THINK A BICYCLE WRECK IS NO BIG DEAL, THE NEXT TIME YOU ARE IN YOUR CAR GOING 30 MPH, STRIP DOWN TO YOUR UNDERWEAR AND JUMP OUT

Cyclists are not a nuisance, an obstacle or in your way. In Kentucky, bicycles have the same rights to use roads and highways as cars and trucks. But keep in mind that cyclists are at greater risk of injury or death in the event of a wreck. That is why it is important to use caution and courtesy when you encounter a bicycle. Pass them only when it is clear, give them a few extra feet when passing, and never do anything to startle a cyclist, such as blowing your horn, passing too close or yelling at them.

Save a life. Share the road.

GOSPEL CONCERT
Community
United Methodist Church
 Burke Ave. (Near New Food City)
 Prestonsburg, KY • (606) 886-1416
August 30, at 6:00 p.m.
 Marlana Vanhoose
 Richard and Clark Sexton
 Emily Dillon Nicholas Hites
 Jerica Blair Mary Holbrook
 Pat Coleman and McDowell Trio

Everyone Welcome!
Camp Meeting
Sept. 2, 3, 4, and 5
Faith Fellowship
 Allen, KY
7 p.m. Nightly
Saturday Night – Youth Night
Featuring: VII Days Away
Pastors Carl and Missy Woods

fun & games

Amber Waves



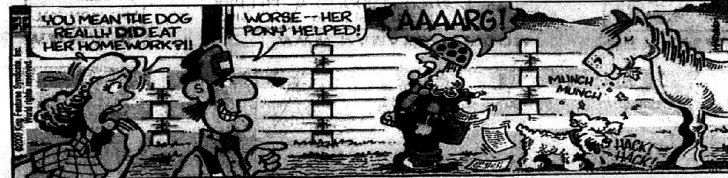
by Dave T. Phipps

Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas

R.F.D.

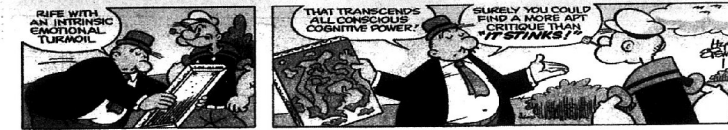


by Mike Marland

The Spats



by Jeff Pickering



WWW.MAMASBOYZ.COM

JERRY CRAFT

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



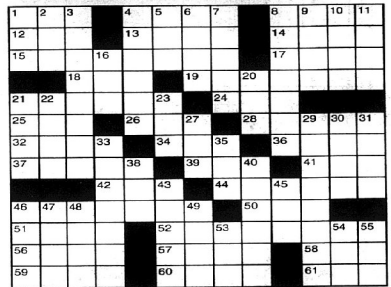
LAFF-A-DAY



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 King of the NBA
- 4 Census statistics
- 8 Envelope part
- 12 Ostrich's cousin
- 13 Pleasing
- 14 Queue
- 15 Don't move
- 17 Prayer ending
- 18 Piratic potato
- 19 Wilder drama
- 21 — council ("Survivor" event)
- 24 Snapshot
- 25 Computer woe
- 26 Torched
- 28 Extemporizes
- 32 Wan
- 34 Luau side dish
- 36 Urban disturbance
- 37 Fix a knot
- 39 Antiquated
- 41 "CSI" evidence
- 42 Water barrier
- 44 Carrell's "The Virgin" co-star
- 46 Summertime cooler
- 50 Clay alias
- 51 Wise guys?



- 9 Wheels of fortune?
- 10 From square one
- 11 Teller's cohort
- 16 Bathroom fixture
- 20 "6 Rms — Vu"
- 21 Ski-hi transport
- 22 Stratagem
- 23 Back talk
- 27 As well
- 29 Cinderella's curfew
- 30 Corn recipe
- 31 Constellation part
- 33 Leo Rosten's tongue
- 35 Sort
- 38 Cause
- 40 Casino employee
- 43 Subway
- 45 Inventor
- 46 Mosque VIP
- 47 Arrived
- 48 lds' counterparts
- 49 Vacationing
- 53 Rage
- 54 Break ground?
- 55 Ducats

© 2009 King Features Synd., Inc.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

8			6	7	4			
7		5	8					2
1	4			7	6			
6		4	9		2			
5			3	6		9		
3	8			2	7			
4		1		3	8			
1	9		4			3		
		7	2		1		5	

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: *

* Moderate ** Challenging

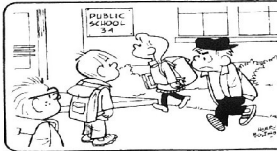
*** HOO BOY!

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels



Directions: 1. School hallway is different 2. Mail box is missing 3. School number is different 4. Boy has been missing 5. Shirt has stripes 6. Boy's book is missing

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: The island of Jersey is part of which larger group of islands?
2. RELIGION: Who is the patron saint for mountain climbers?
3. PSYCHOLOGY: Someone who has tomophobia might be terrified during a storm. What kind of fear would this phobia sufferer have?
4. TOYS: What was the name of the British version of America's "G.I. Joe"?
5. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "The Quiet American"?
6. MYTHOLOGY: In Greek mythology, who slew the Minotaur?
7. MUSIC: "The Last Waltz" was a documentary of the final concert of which rock group?
8. MOVIES: What is the only animal that Jim Carrey's "Ace Ventura" character is afraid of?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is considered to be the largest library in the world?
10. LITERATURE: What is an onomatopoeia?

© 2009 King Features Synd., Inc.

by words like "traw" or "trout."

9. The Library of Congress
8. Bats
7. The Band
6. The Beatles
5. Cream/Greenie
4. Action Man
3. Fear of thunder
2. St. Bernard
1. Channel Islands



Trivia Test Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

King Crossword

ANSWERS

8	3	7	2	6	9	1	4	5
6	1	8	4	5	2	3	7	
4	2	5	1	7	3	8	9	6
3	8	6	5	2	4	7	1	
5	4	2	7	3	1	6	8	9
7	6	1	4	9	8	5	2	3
1	5	4	3	2	7	9	6	8
9	7	6	5	8	4	3	1	2
2	8	3	9	1	6	7	5	4

Answer

CryptoQuip

Clue: P is for E

T LPYPK MTPQW DSVD
 XUVUJ HMW MTUVKW SP
 EYVP RP V XKPPIJ GPPMTLE
 KTESD GKHR DSP EPXQH!

© 2009 King Features Synd., Inc.

I never liked that crazy old lizard. He gave me a creepy feeling right from the gock!

CryptoQuip