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College students to rally

by JARRID DEATON
 FEATURES WRITER

FRANKFORT — Hundreds of students in the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, including a large group from the Prestonsburg campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College, are planning to don bright yellow shirts in support of higher education for a proposed rally at the state Capitol rotunda in Frankfort on Thursday.

"We are honored that Gov. Steve Beshear will attend our rally and issue a proclamation, designating Feb. 25 as Kentucky Community and Technical College System Day in Kentucky," said KCTCS President Michael B. McCall. "The rally is a crucial way for KCTCS stakeholders to express their support of our role in providing citizens with the critical skills needed for jobs in today's competitive marketplace."

According to Randall Roberts, interim director of public relations for BSCTC, "Everyone is invited to attend the rally and hear the voices of students from across the

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County lays off campaigning employee

by SHELDON COMPTON
 STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A resolution relating to elections and county employees passed by the Floyd County Fiscal Court 22 years ago was implemented by that same body Friday.

The resolution, which requires county employees challenging an incumbent county official to step down from their jobs for the duration of the campaign, was enforced Friday.

The resolution, which dates back to 1988, was brought to the court's attention by District 3 Magistrate Donny Daniels and now finds one of his opponents, county employee Warren Jarrell, without a job until May 19.

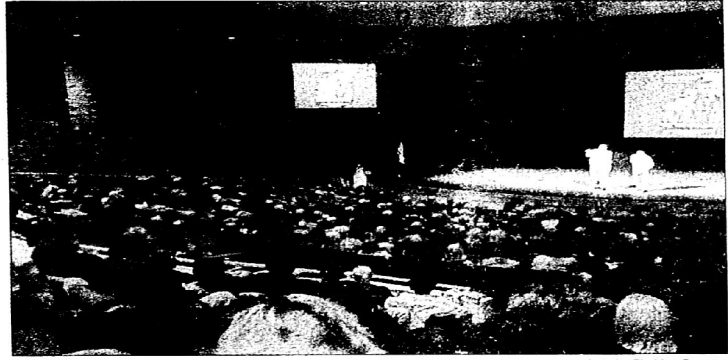
"I saw it in the resolution on the personnel code and felt like it'd been in place for 22 years and I wanted to be fair to the people who hadn't thought about running during those 22 years,

the people who didn't run for office because of it," Daniels said. "It might not be the most popular thing, but it was the right thing."

The court passed a motion made by Daniels to uphold the resolution, with

(See CANDIDATE, page sixteen)

WORLD PREMIERE



Jerry Kanney tells guests at the Big Sandy Energy and Tourism Summit in Prestonsburg he feels the future is bright for natural gas in Appalachia, considering the untapped reserves still in existence.

Packed house views bus wreck documentary

by RALPH B. DAVIS
 MANAGING EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — It might have been "The Very Worst Thing," but a local audience paid it one of the highest tributes.

As the final credits faded from the screen and the house lights once again rose, those who packed the Mountain Arts Center Friday night stood to their feet in applause, their ovation giving approval to filmmaker Michael Crisp's documentary about the 1958 Floyd County school bus wreck that killed 26 students and the bus driver.

The film includes interviews with survivors and near-victims of the accident, as well their



Director Michael Crisp chatted with some of those who viewed "The Very Worst Thing" following its premiere Friday night at the Mountain Arts Center.

(See FILM, page sixteen)

City receives grant to build soccer complex

by SHELDON COMPTON
 STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — As part of a continuing move to advance Prestonsburg's infrastructure, city officials announced a grant received Monday that will help see installation of a new soccer complex at Archer Park.

The city will receive \$15,000 from the U.S. Soccer Foundation, according to Prestonsburg Economic Development Director Brent Graden. Graden says the money will be allotted to start the installment on the sportsplex itself and also to buy equipment.

(See SOCCER, page sixteen)

Missing man's body found in Tug Fork

by SHELDON COMPTON
 STAFF WRITER

WILLIAMSON, W.Va. — The body of a Pike County man missing since Feb. 12 was discovered in the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River in Williamson this week.

William Henry Blankenship, 29, of Canada, was last seen at the West Virginia Community and Technical College campus in Williamson, very near the place where search crews with the Pike County Emergency Management agency found his body.

Authorities learned that Blankenship was last heard from while with his fiancé, Whitney Bostic, at the college, saying he was going to find a ride home.

His body has been sent to Charleston for an autopsy, but police are saying that, at this time, foul play is not suspected.

According to reports in the Williamson Daily News last week, Blankenship's mother, Sandra, said her son

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School could get arts education boost

by JARRID DEATON
 FEATURES WRITER

MARTIN — May Valley Elementary may soon have a special artist to promote music, dance and other artistic endeavors if the school receives the VSA Arts of Kentucky Grant.

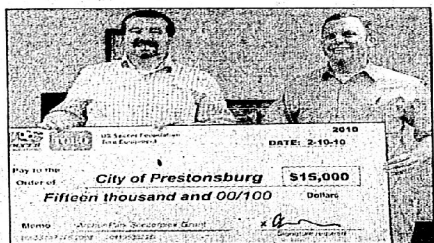
The school was approved to go forward with the application by the Floyd County Board of Education during a meeting at Betsy Layne Elementary on Monday.

According to the proposal from May Valley, up to 25 awards of \$1,200 will be given out to schools across Kentucky for arts projects that include students of all abilities.

"This program is designed by VSA Arts of Kentucky to provide opportunities and experiences in the arts for children of all abilities in mainstream settings," said Tonya Williams, principal at May Valley. "This is an opportunity for classroom teachers and artists to work together to plan a fully inclusive arts project for a group as small as 25 children."

The artist selected for the project is Jennifer Rose, of Berea. Rose has extensive training as a dancer and

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Parks Director David B. Graden and Economic Development Director Brent Graden display the city's grant for a new soccer complex at Archer Park.

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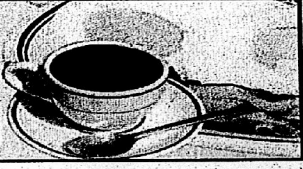
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Obituaries

Mary Frances Roache Frazier

Mary Frances Roache Frazier, 89, of Leesburg, Florida, formerly of Floyd County, died Tuesday, February 16, 2010, at the Bayview Center, in Eustis, Florida.



Born June 19, 1920, in Van Lear, she was the daughter of the late Thomas Roache and Leatha Watson Roache. She was a homemaker and a member of the Lake Shore Presbyterian Church, in Florida.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Fisher Frazier, on April 10, 1992.

Survivors include three daughters: Judith, Mary Werstein of Leesburg, Florida, Dianne Koch of Harrison Twp. Michigan, Monnie Aletha Nowak of Villa Rica, Georgia; one sister, Maxie Perry of Zebulon, North Carolina; nine grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 21, at 2 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Vicki Peole officiating.

Interment was in the Johnson Cemetery, in Blue River.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

Patricia Ann Jarrell

Patricia Ann Jarrell, 44, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, February 17, 2010.

2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born May 10, 1965, in Columbus, Ohio, she was the daughter of Shirley Jervis of Prestonsburg and the late John Jervis.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Jarrell.

Survivors include one son, William Jonathan Jarrell of Prestonsburg; one daughter, April Leann Jervis of Prestonsburg; one brother, John David Jervis of Allen; three sisters: Versinda Jervis, Melinda Jervis and Sherry Osborne of Prestonsburg and four grandchildren: Michael, John, Isabella and Jordan.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 20, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Bill Collins, Rick Kelly, Delmar Jervis, and Mark Hunt officiating.

Visitation was at the funeral home. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

James Ray "Red" Johnson

James Ray "Red" Johnson, 64, of Blue River, died Saturday, February 20, 2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born January 22, 1946, in Prestonsburg.

He was the son of the late Joe Johnson and Edith Prater Johnson. He was a former bank courier for Professional Business Counters. He was a



member of Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM, in Prestonsburg, and an Army Reserve veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara McKenzie Johnson and one son, James R. Johnson Jr., both of Blue River.

Interment will be in the Johnson Family Cemetery, in Blue River.

Pallbearers: Matthew Goble, Robert Cantrell, James Johnson Jr., Donnie Hicks, Kenny McKenzie and Gary Slone.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

Donna Jean Moore

Donna Jean Moore, 78, of Blue River, died Friday, February 19, 2010, at her residence.

Born July 3, 1931, in Rock Fork, she was the daughter of the late Felix and Tina Smith Bolen. She was a retired nurse and a member of the Tiro United Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Timothy (Pam) Davis of Hippos; two daughters: Mary Lou Davis (Larry) Burke and Laura Etta Davis, both of David; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Dickie "Davis" Wallace.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, February 21, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Vic Davis officiating.

Burial was in the Maple Grove Cemetery, New Haven, Ohio, on Monday, February 22, at 3 p.m.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

George Ray Mullins

George Ray Mullins, 74, of Bevinville, died Wednesday, February 17, 2010, at the Hazard ARH.

Born July 3, 1935, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Andy and Wynona Triplett Mullins.

Survivors include four brothers: Arnold (Mariah) Mullins, Edward (Melinda) Mullins, Bobby Mullins and Billy Mullins, all of Bevinville; three sisters: Beulah (Bobby) Anderson, Edna (Otis) Johnson and Rosaleen (Gomer) Johnson, all of Bevinville; one uncle, Eyvind Triplett; two aunts, Emma Jean Combs of Topmost and Juanita Slone of Van Lear, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 21, at 1 p.m., at the Little Rock Old Regular Baptist Church, in Bevinville, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Mullins

and Triplett Cemetery. Visitation was at the church.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

Edra Ann Setser

Edra Ann Setser, 83, of Auxier, died Friday, February 19, 2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born August 27, 1926, in Blaine, she was the daughter of the late Irvin Rufus and Alice Wheeler Stambaugh. She was a retired factory worker and a member of the Hager Hill Freewill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Lee Setser.

Survivors include one son, Denis Ray Setser of Bloomington, Minnesota; three daughters: Debbie Lachance of Biddeford, Maine, Anna Lee Ousley of Lavalette, West Virginia, and Lisa Marie Setser of Tram; three grandchildren: Brian, Leelan and Adriana; one niece, Judy and numerous great-nieces.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Roy Lee Branham; one brother, Henry Stambaugh and two sisters: Lilly Jarrell and Laura Porter.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 22, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ronnie Spriggs officiating.

Burial was in the Auxier Relocation Cemetery, in Auxier.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, was in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

Ella Virginia "Jenny" Wells

Ella Virginia "Jenny" Wells, 85, of Grayson, formerly of Auxier, was called home to be with Jesus on Saturday, February 20, 2010, following a sudden illness.

She was born on March 15, 1924, in Raceland, the daughter of the late Russell and Malta Reed Miller.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 62 years, Charles "Jeff" Wells.

Survivors include two sons: Larry (Hazel) Wells of Richmond, and Jeffrey (Jeanne) Wells of Banner; and a daughter, Terri (George) Waggoner of Grayson; a brother, John (Peggy) Miller of Washington; five grandchildren: Christopher Cool, Robin Daniel, Erin Waggoner, Kelly

Crouse, and Himella Wells; and five great-grandchildren.

Phelps and Son Funeral Home in Paintsville, is in charge of arrangements.

Visitation was Tuesday, February 23, from 6-9 p.m., and on Wednesday, February 24, prior to the 11 a.m. funeral services.

Burial will be in the Auxier Relocation Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to the Lake Road Freewill Baptist Church, 2138 State Highway 7, Grayson, KY 41143, or Community Hospice Care Center, 2330 Pollard Road, Ashland, KY 41101. (Paid obituary)

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Card of Thank

The family of Goldie Clemons Fitch would like to express their sincere appreciation to all those who sent food, flowers, or prayers to our family. A special thanks to Clergyman Tommy Taulbee for his comforting message; the Elkhorn City United Methodist Church for all the kindness shown to our family; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for the kindness and support that was shown to our family. All your love and support will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF GOLDIE CLEMONS FITCH

Card of Thank

The family of Pacilla Conn would like to sincerely say, "Thank you," to all of our wonderful friends and neighbors who helped to comfort our family during this difficult time. Those who sent flowers, food, or came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Clergyman Scott Tackett for his comforting message; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and to the staff at Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. To everyone, we say, "Thank you," for all your thoughts and prayers.

THE FAMILY OF PACILLA CONN

Card of Thank

The family of Ruth Martin Roberts would like to humbly thank each and everyone who helped in any way during our recent loss. Thanks to those who sent floral arrangements, food, or spoke words of kindness to our family. We especially want to thank the Clergyman Ted Shannon or his comforting message, the singers for the beautiful songs, the First Guaranty Bank employees for all the love and support that was shown to our family, the Hall Funeral Home staff for their kind and professional care, and the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control. For anyone who may have helped in any other way, we lovingly say, "Thank you, and God bless."

THE FAMILY OF RUTH MARTIN ROBERTS

Card of Thank

We, the family of Albert "Junior" Hall would like to express our heartfelt thanks to each and everyone who helped in any way during our difficult time. We would like to give special thanks to: Mary Hall, MD, Francisco Rivera, MD, Clinic employees, and the staff of McDowell ARH Hospital and Home Health Agency.

Also, thanks to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, the Left Beaver Rescue Squad, Jimmy Hall, Clinton Moore, and the Clear Creek United Baptist Church.

We extend our appreciation to Hall Funeral Home for their kindness and professional care.

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Siting board receives application for plant in Perry

FRANKFORT The Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting has received an application requesting a construction certificate for a generating plant in northern Perry County. A review has determined that the application is complete as amended on Feb. 18.

The proposal, from ecoPower Generation, LLC, of Lexington proposes construction of a 50-megawatt (MW) plant on about 125 acres in the Coal Fields. Regional Industrial Park, located about 10 miles north of Hazard. The site is a reclaimed coal mine.

According to ecoPower's application, fuel for the plant would come from nearby industrial facilities and forest product operations and would include low-grade logs and wood wastes such as sawdust, wood chips, bark and sawmill wastes. The wood material would be burned to produce steam, which would power turbines that produce electricity.

The plant would be connected to the grid through a substation owned by American Electric Power Co. The electricity would be sold on the open, wholesale market. The application and related documents are available on the Siting Board website at http://psc.ky.gov/efs/efs_search.html. Case # 2009-00530.

The Siting Board is an agency within the Energy and Environment Cabinet. Under a law passed in 2002 by the

Kentucky General Assembly, the Siting Board is charged with reviewing applications for merchant power plants, also known as independent power producers (IPPs), which sell electricity on the wholesale, unregulated market.

IPPs are not regulated by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC). Applicants to the Siting Board are not required to meet the criteria set by the PSC for new facilities built by regulated utilities, and thus do not need to prove that the proposed facility is necessary to meet demand for electricity.

The Siting Board considers issues such as noise, visual impact, traffic, economic impacts and effects of the proposed facility on Kentucky's electric grid.

Environmental matters such as air emissions, water quality and solid waste are the subject of separate proceedings before the Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection.

By law, the Siting Board has 120 days after an application is deemed complete to decide whether to approve that application. The law and associated regulations set certain requirements and deadlines for public participation in the review process.

Persons or entities with a specific interest in the case may apply to the Siting Board to become parties to the case (intervenor). Intervenor are full participants in the case,

with the right to request information from the applicant or other parties to the case and to cross-examine witnesses in the evidentiary hearing.

Intervenor are not required to reside in the county in which the facility is proposed, but must present a specific reason for seeking intervention that is within the Siting Board's jurisdiction. Requests for intervenor status, citing the case number and the reason for intervention, must be made in writing to the Siting Board at the above address within 30 days of the filing of a complete application.

A formal evidentiary hearing may be held at the request of parties to the case or on the motion of the Siting Board. Participation in the hearing is limited to the applicants and to parties to the case. Testimony is taken under oath. Requests for a formal hearing must be made in writing to the Siting Board within 30 days of the filing of a complete application.

A local public hearing will be held if requested by a local government entity and may be held if requested by at least three residents of the county in which the facility is proposed.

The local public hearing would provide an opportunity for the general public to be heard by the Siting Board in an informal setting. Requests for an informal local public hearing must be made in writing to the Siting Board within 30 days of the filing of a complete

application. The deadline to file requests for intervention, a formal evidentiary hearing or a local public hearing in the ecoPower case is March 22, 2010.

More information on the public participation process is available on the Siting Board Web site. Any hearings in the case will be announced as they are scheduled.

The ecoPower application is the Siting Board's first request to certify a generating facility since 2005. To date, the Siting Board has issued five such certificates, two of which were subsequently vacated. Two other approved facilities, in Knott County and in Estill County, have not yet been built.

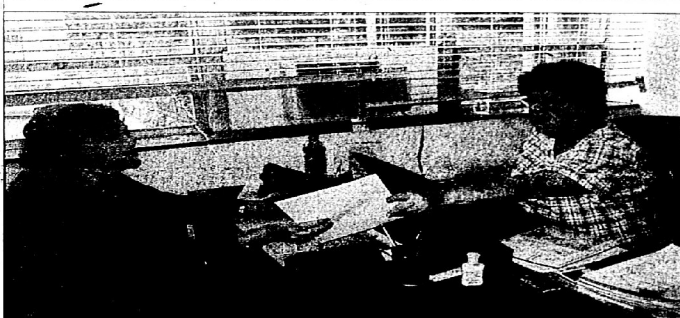
The only generating facility approved by the Siting Board that has been constructed is a 750-MW coal-burning facility nearing completion in Trimble County. The Siting Board's certificate applied only to the 25 percent of the facility that is jointly owned by the Illinois Municipal Electric Agency and the Indiana Municipal Power Agency. The remaining 75 percent of the plant is owned by Louisville Gas & Electric Co. and Kentucky Utilities Co., which are regu-

lated by the PSC. The case number for ecoPower Generation, LLC is 2009-00530.

By law, the Siting Board consists of three members of the PSC, the secretary of the Kentucky Energy and Environmental Cabinet or his designee, the secretary of the Kentucky Economic Development Cabinet or his designee and two local members appointed by the governor to serve for a specific case. The chairman of the PSC serves as chairman of the Siting Board.

In addition the PSC commissioners, the Siting Board members for the ecoPower case are Robert Amato, designated by Kentucky Energy and Environmental Cabinet Secretary Leonard Peters; Ken Robinson, designated by Kentucky Economic Development Cabinet Secretary Larry Hayes; and two members named by Governor Steve Beshear: Perry County Judge/Executive Denny Ray Noble and Hazard resident Charles Earl May, who is the Perry County agriculture extension agent.

The PSC's 100 employees provide staff and administrative support to the Siting Board.



Karen Robinson, right, a tax preparer with Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, hands Sharon Cooper of Sitka in Johnson County her tax return to sign. Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is once again offering free help for eligible tax filers in preparing and filing tax returns. The service, made possible through funding from Community Action Kentucky and the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, is available in Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, Floyd and Pike Counties. IRS-certified BSACAP staff prepares and electronically files tax returns, and offers tax charges and other assistance in Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin and Martin Counties. To schedule an appointment, call (606) 789-3641.

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Viewpoint

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— Friedrich Engels

Guest View

Debate continues on impact of federal stimulus plan

Debate is likely to continue for decades over whether the nearly \$800-billion federal stimulus package adopted one year ago saved the country from economic collapse. The Obama administration and its supporters have been shouting the success of the stimulus for the past week, as they celebrate its anniversary with a marketing campaign aimed at building support for a second phase.

It is indisputable that the economy is growing again — GDP is pushing up at a blistering quarterly rate of 5.7 percent, a result that has to be credited in some part to stimulus spending. What's in play is whether this is a durable expansion or a temporary surge attributable to inventory replacement and other unsustainable factors.

Investors clearly have not made up their minds. They aren't putting their money toward investments that would create jobs and boost growth. Considerable uncertainty remains about the economic direction of the country, as well as the future plans of the taxman. The stimulus package is doing nothing to restore confidence.

We also know for sure that the stimulus hasn't fulfilled its stated purposes. When passed, the nation was assured the massive spending would hold unemployment under 8 percent and "save or create" 3.5 million jobs. The jobless rate eventually topped 10 percent, and has only recently dropped slightly below that mark. The White House's claim of more than 2 million new jobs attributable to the stimulus package has been discredited by investigative reporting from the Associated Press and newspapers across the country.

Most of the jobs saved were in the public sector. That's because much of the first phase spending — \$147 billion — went to states to fill their budget holes or shore up safety net programs such as unemployment insurance and Medicaid. In many cases, Michigan being the prime example, the money allowed states to delay necessary spending reforms for another year.

The stimulus package also didn't deliver on its promise to build a healthier economic infrastructure for the nation. Just \$31 billion was spent on infrastructure projects, with most of that going to road and bridge projects and not to the sort of visionary investments in things such as broadband networks and high-tech manufacturing that might support future job growth.

What we may never know is whether a different approach would have worked better. Would deeper and broader tax relief have triggered a recovery-inducing consumer spending spree, the way the Cash for Clunkers program revived the auto industry last fall?

That's a question that ought to be thoroughly explored before spending an additional \$300 billion of the package.

And if we are entering a sustainable recovery, it may be that not spending the next \$300 billion would have the most positive impact on the economy, considering the jitters at home and abroad over the America's commitment to destructive deficits for the long-term.

Instead of cheerleading for a program that has delivered such uncertain results, the administration should give itself the benefit of an honest assessment of what the stimulus really accomplished, and whether a new direction might produce a better return.

— The Detroit News



Guest Column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

The lives of Kentucky veterans will improve thanks to legislation passed this session by the Kentucky House of Representatives.

House Bill 14 allows for permanently and totally disabled veterans who are citizens of Kentucky to stay at Kentucky state parks for up to three nights per year at no cost. And House Bill 75 amends current state government personnel statutes to provide a preference to veterans when hiring. It ensures that state government employees are aware of an applicant's military service so that our returning service men and women are given every opportunity to become employed. Both of these bills honoring our brave men and women who have sacrificed so much for Kentucky have been signed into law by the governor.

A bill that would ensure our returning combat veterans are connected to available mental health programs when they are accused of breaking the law is now being considered by the Senate after it passed out of the House by a vote of 97-0. Years of war and multiple deployments have taken their toll on the men and women who serve in the Armed Forces, National Guard, and Reserves, and have led to

increased cases of post-traumatic stress disorder and other post-deployment difficulties. Unfortunately, combat veterans may not initially seek help to deal with their difficulties.

House Bill 377 would require investigators to ask if the veteran has ever been in combat during the pretrial investigation. It would also require pretrial officers to give contact information on the Kentucky National Guard Family Services or similar programs. The bill now heads to the Senate for consideration.

Domestic violence protection would be expanded to people in dating relationships with the passage of House Bill 189. Current law permits domestic violence court orders only in cases in which a couple is married, divorced, has lived together or has a child together. House Bill 189 also requires the state court database to show if an assault or homicide was related to domestic violence. Kentucky would be the 40th state in the country to expand this protection. The legislation passed by a vote of 96-0 and now goes to the Senate.

House Bill 58, which would require drivers convicted of their first DUI to use interlock ignition devices on their vehicle, passed the House by a vote of 95-0. An ignition interlock is a device that samples the driver's breath for alcohol content. If there is alcohol, the car will not start, or if the car is in motion, some other signal, such as flashing lights and a sounding horn, will occur. Currently 12 states

require or provide incentives for ignition interlocks for all persons convicted of a DUI. The bill will now be considered by the Senate.

A bill that would raise the school dropout age from 16 to 18 by 2015 has cleared the House Education Committee. House Bill 301 would require students to attend school until at least age 17, beginning July 1, 2013 with the goal of having the state high school graduation rate at least 90% by July 2015. Statistics show that dropouts earn an average of \$7,000 a year less than students with high school diplomas. House Bill 301 now goes to the full House of Representatives.

We are finalizing details on the budget and we should have information to share with you soon. House leaders briefed members with their plan which overcomes a \$1.2 billion deficit without raising taxes. It maintains our commitment to Medicaid, SEEK, corrections and student scholarships and does not rely on gaming revenue that does not exist.

You can stay informed of legislative action on bills of interest to you this session by logging onto the Legislative Research Commission website at www.lrc.ky.gov or by calling the LRC toll-free Bill Status Line at 866-840-2835. To find out when a committee meeting is scheduled, you can call the LRC toll-free Meeting Information Line at 800-633-9650. It is an honor to represent you in Frankfort.

Children's Dental Health Month a good time to assess kids' teeth

by PAUL BROPHY

It's a dubious distinction, but Kentucky has one of the worst track records in the United States when it comes to dental health: nearly a third of its residents lose six or more teeth to decay or gum disease.

Perhaps even more troubling is the state of our children's dental health. One-half of Kentucky's children have decay in their primary teeth, and 47 percent of children between ages 2 and 4 have untreated dental problems — more than double the national average. It's a problem that can lead to other health challenges later in life such as gum disease, bone loss, heart disease and stroke.

Fortunately, Kentucky's leaders are taking note. Gov. Steve Beshear recently announced a three-year, \$2.2 million initiative to improve the dental health of children in southern and Eastern Kentucky in part by training dentists to enhance dental care for children. This initiative is a major step in the right direction, but there are still many things parents can do today to help their children develop healthful dental habits.

Guidelines to keep teeth healthy

Most parents know how important it is to brush and floss daily, but how can they best pass along this habit to their children? How about making it a morning and evening ritual that the entire family can do together? Children can only benefit by their parents' example of practicing good oral hygiene. If you're wondering how early children should start brushing and flossing, dentists recommend parents begin as soon as their child's first tooth appears.

Tooth decay is caused by a specific type of acid-producing bacteria in the mouth, and these dangerous bacteria can be passed between people. So, decrease your child's risk of receiving bacteria and developing tooth decay by avoiding sharing food or utensils with others. A balanced diet can also help prevent tooth decay. Encourage children to eat fruits, vegetables and calcium-rich snacks, but limit sugary foods and drinks such as candy and soda.

Another step parents can take is to ask their family dentist about fluoride dental sealants — thin plastic coating that covers chewing surfaces of the molars. Sealants protect the pits and grooves in a child's teeth to help prevent cavities. They usually last 10 to 15 years and can be applied when your child's permanent molars come in, which usually occurs around age 6 or 7.

Preparing children for their first visit to the dentist

A regular checkup is a must, but when should children make that first visit? A child's first birthday is an excellent time.

The first visit to the dentist could be intimidating for children, but here are some helpful tips. Play "dentist" at home by taking turns looking into each other's mouths with a flashlight, or read to your child a story about a trip to the dentist. Morning appointments are usually best for children since they are generally more rested and cooperative.

Before the visit, explain to your child exactly what will happen at the dentist's office, such as how the dentist or hygienist will examine the teeth, gums, tongue, lips and roof of the mouth.

Also, note that the dentist may take X-rays depending on your child's age and the number of teeth he or she has. X-rays are helpful for both detecting decay and determining whether your child's permanent teeth are developing normally. Your child's teeth may also be cleaned during the visit.

All of these measures are important in protecting our children's teeth. By adopting such healthful habits, we can help our children avoid costly and painful dental and health problems later in life.

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Deadline for Rogers Explorers is March 5

by SHARON DODSON
THE CENTER FOR RURAL
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The Center for Rural
Development is giving more
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Kentucky eighth-grade students than ever before the chance to experience Rogers Explorers this summer and receive hands-on training in math and science while getting their first taste of life on a col-

lege campus. Applications will be accepted through March 5 from graduating middle school students—all rising ninth-graders—within The Center's 42-county primary service area for the 2010 summer sessions of Rogers Explorers.

As an Explorer, participants develop critical leadership skills, explore their interests in math and science, and prepare to become the region's next generation of leaders and entrepreneurs.

The Center is partnering with the University of the Cumberlands, Lindsey Wilson College, and its newest supporter, Eastern Kentucky University, to host Rogers Explorers in three-day, two-night sessions at each campus.

The 2010 summer dates for the Rogers Explorers program are June 6-8 Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia; June 9-11, University of the Cumberlands, Williamsburg; and July 21-23, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond.

"We had an opportunity this summer to further expand our program by adding an additional host site on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University, which provides even more openings for rising ninth-graders to participate in this amazing program," Jessica Melton, associate director of education and training for The Center, said.

During the program, participants live in college dorms, work with professors in hands-on activities in math and science, participate in extracurricular activities, and complete a community service project.

"This program is so important because it gets students thinking about their postsecondary education," Melton said. "They act as a college student for three days and two nights, which creates a comfort level for them in being on a college campus."

Applications are available online at The Center's Web site at www.centerweb.com.

The application must be printed and necessary attachments mailed to: The Rogers Explorers Program, The Center for Rural Development, 2292 South U.S. 27, Suite 300, Somerset, KY 42501.

Applicants may specify their preference of campus locations on the application form, but The Center cannot guarantee placement based on that first choice.

All lodging, meals, and program expenses (with the exception of transportation to and from the host site) are provided free of charge to participants.

For more information, contact Jessica Melton, associate director of education and training, at The Center for Rural Development at 606-677-6000 or via e-mail at jmelton@centerweb.com.



Fred and Valerie Hall, of Allen, are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with a private family dinner. Mr. Hall married the former Iris Valerie Laferty on February 25, 1950 in a private ceremony at Banner. They have two children: Eric David (Cara) Hall of Allen and Teresa (Bill) Snapp of Berea, three grandchildren: Nathan Hall of Allen, Jessica (Paul) Collins of Ocala, Florida and Justin (Mariah) Snapp of Independence, and one great-grandchild, Braydon Collins.



The Riley Family would like to announce the engagement of their son, Christopher Alan Riley, of Pikeville, to Dara Hart Ouseley, of Prestonsburg. Dara is the daughter of Gary Ouseley and Theresa Grove, of Prestonsburg. Chris is the son of James and Tammy Riley of Zebulon and Margaret Riley, of Lexington. They are to be married in Negri, Jamaica, April 8, 2010 with a vow renewal and reception to follow at Jenny Wiley State Park in Prestonsburg.



Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Leslie, of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison Faith, to Royce Lee Bailey, son of Jim & Ethel Bailey, of Lancaster. A June wedding is planned at Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

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ConnectKentucky's 'Computers 4 Kids' receives \$15K from AT&T Foundation

FRANKFORT — The AT&T Foundation awarded a \$15,000 grant Thursday to ConnectKentucky as part of the 2010 Tech Day in Kentucky festivities.

The grant from the AT&T Foundation, the corporate philanthropy organization of AT&T Inc., will benefit ConnectKentucky's Computers 4 Kids (C4K), an initiative that provides computers and enhanced technology tools to children and organizations that provide after-school educational programs to underprivileged communities. Previously, the AT&T Foundation has awarded C4K \$150,000 to distribute computers to more than 20 nonprofits in Jefferson, Franklin, Washington, and Boyle counties.

AT&T and the AT&T Foundation are committed to advancing education, strengthening communities, and improving lives. Through its philanthropic initiatives and partnerships, AT&T supports projects that create learning opportunities, promote academic and economic achievement, and address community needs.

"We applaud ConnectKentucky for the work they do helping kids leverage technology to learn," said Mary Pat Regan, president of AT&T Kentucky. "When we give students more of the tools they need to succeed in the classroom, we are ultimately helping them get ready to compete for good jobs."

Since its inception in 2006, ConnectKentucky's C4K has donated

more than 3,000 computers to community organizations, schools, and nonprofits throughout Kentucky.

"Computer 4 Kids continues to transform the lives of Kentucky's families and communities," said Rene True, executive director of ConnectKentucky. "Through the generous contribution of the AT&T Foundation, the support of our corporate partners and working with local community leaders, ConnectKentucky is closing the digital divide."

Organizations interested in supporting Computers 4 Kids can submit requests to C4K@connectky.org. To learn more about ConnectKentucky and Computers 4 Kids, visit www.connectkentucky.org.

Wildlife Seeds

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Appalachian Artisan Center to exhibit at Kentucky Crafted: The Market in Louisville

HINDMAN — The Appalachian Artisan Center of Hindman will exhibit at Kentucky Crafted: The Market at the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, March 6-7.

This award-winning event, attracting buyers from across the nation, is produced by the Kentucky Arts Council. It brings together over 300 exhibitors of contemporary and traditional art and craft, books, music, film and specialty food products.

The Appalachian Artisan Center has been invited to participate in the show after receiving an Arts Partnership Grant from the Kentucky Arts Council. The Appalachian Artisan Center opened in December 2001 and has participated 6 times in this exciting market.

Appalachian Artisan Center Executive Director Tricia Watts says, "The Kentucky Crafted Market is an exciting venue for both retailers and the public. It represents a significant source of marketing for us. Each year we gain new artists, customers and donors." For more information about the Appalachian Artisan Center and call 606-785-9855 or visit us at www.artisancenter.net.

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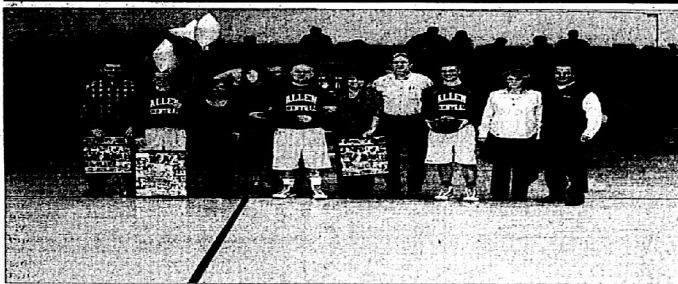
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The Allen Central High School boys' basketball program recently honored seniors Justin Jackson, Chad Nelson and Chris Stumbo. Allen Central is headed into the 58th District Tournament at Prestonsburg High School.

Soccer, Little League signups continue

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Youth Soccer Association will conduct registration for the spring 2010 season on Saturday at the McDonald's located in the Prestonsburg Village Shopping Center. Volunteers will be at McDonald's to accept registrations between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The league is for children ages 4-19 (as of Aug. 1, 2009). The registration fee is \$40 per child. For more information, contact Robin Simpson Smith, Registrar, at 886-9562. Prestonsburg Little League will hold registration at Dairy Queen on Saturday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Lady Eagles fall in finale

TIMES STAFF REPORT

OWENSBORO — Playing in a regular-season season finale, the Alice Lloyd Lady Eagles faced a six-point deficit at half-time and eventually fell to host Brescia 84-69 on Saturday in a regular-season finale.

The two KMAC women's basketball teams met in the final game of the regular-season prior to entering postseason competition.

In the opening half, Brescia stole the play of guard Britney Bird and carried a 39-33 lead into halftime.

Bird received help from forward Charissa Houston in the second half. Houston's six three-point field goals helped the Brescia team to put the contest out of reach.

Bird led Brescia (16-13 conference, 7-6 overall) with 28 points. Houston followed with 20 points for the Brescia Women's basketball team.

Alice Lloyd (9-16, 5-8) featured four scorers in double figures. Junior Nicole Lutes led the Lady Eagles with 18 points. Sophomore Heather Martin followed Lutes in the Alice Lloyd scoring, chipping in 14 points. Junior Whitney Frazier and sophomore Gemma Gray added 11 points apiece for the Lady Eagles.

Alice Lloyd was competing in the opening round of the KMAC Tournament at press time on Tuesday. More on the KMAC Tournament will appear in Friday's edition.

Bobcats brush back Pikeville

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE — Betsy Layne put an exclamation point on the end of the regular-season Friday, defeating Pikeville 49-41. Winning in come-from-behind fashion, Betsy Layne outscored Pikeville 31-13 in the second half. The Bobcats, under the watchful eye of veteran head coach Junior Newsome, ended the regular-season on an eight-game win streak.

Bryce Adkins led Betsy Layne over Pikeville, scoring a game-high 15 points at the forefront of a balanced offensive effort.

Casey Adkins narrowly missed reaching double figures for Betsy Layne, adding nine points. Nathan Martin netted seven points while Jordan Newsman and Adam Howell added six apiece.

Betsy Layne shot 51.5 percent (17-of-33) from the field. The Bobcats were four-of-10 from the free-throw line in the regular-season finale.

Colt Stumbo, Steven Johnson and Derek Tackett tossed in two points apiece for the Bobcats.

Newman grabbed a game-high nine rebounds for the Bobcats. Bryce Adkins added eight points for Betsy Layne in the victory.

Betsy Layne led Pikeville 14-12 at the end of the opening quarter but faced a 10-point deficit at the intermission. Pikeville outscored Betsy

(See BOBCATS, page nine)



Above: Allen Central and June Buchanan players eyed a shot during the late regular-season game at the Grady-Nut Athletic Complex on the campus of Alice Lloyd College. Below: Allen Central junior guard John Dingus (25) eyed the basket.

June Buchanan holds off Rebs

Allen Central enters district tourney 6-18

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — Allen Central traveled to June Buchanan on Thursday to face the host Crusaders in a regular-season finale at the Grady-Nut Athletic Complex. Host June Buchanan was able to secure an early lead over the Rebels, outscoring Allen Central 13-4 in the first quarter. Gradually, June Buchanan distanced itself from the Rebels, outscoring the Allen Central squad in each quarter. June Buchanan claimed the win, defeating Allen Central 63-47.

Senior guard Clint Stepp led June Buchanan to the win, pushing in 26 points. Braxton Childers joined the game's leading scorer in double figures for June Buchanan, adding 19 points. Travis Thomas followed with 10 points for the Crusaders.

June Buchanan exited the regular-season 13-12. The Crusaders led 32-21 at halftime. Maintaining an advantage in the non-district

game, June Buchanan led 50-37 when the third quarter ended.

Chris Stumbo paced Allen Central with 12 points. June Buchanan only allowed one Allen Central scorer to reach double figures. Braxton Tackett and Stephen Goble followed with eight points apiece. Seth Jarrell scored four while Harlow and Chris Hunter chipped in with three apiece for the Rebels.

John Dingus and Chad Nelson added three and two points, respectively.

Allen Central, progressing under the tutelage of second-year head coach Mark Martin, ended the regular-season 6-18. The Rebels will face Betsy Layne tonight in the 58th District Tournament.

June Buchanan 63,
Allen Central 47
Allen Central (6-18):
Jarrell 6, Harlow 4, Stumbo 12, Tackett 8, Dingus 3, Nelson 2, Goble 8, Hunter 4.
June Buchanan (13-12):
Stepp 26, Childers 19, Stone 1, Amburgey 5, Thomas 10, Thompson 2.
A.C. 4 17 16 10-47
J.B. 13 19 18 13-63



15th Region Boys' Basketball Standings

Team	Record
Shelby Valley	24-4
Pikeville	19-9
Lawrence County	16-6
Betsy Layne	16-8
Bellary	14-8
Sheldon Clark	14-11
Phelps	12-7
East Ridge	11-10
Johnson Central	10-13
Pike County Central	8-16
Paintsville	7-19
Allen Central	6-18
Prestonsburg	5-20
Magoffin County	5-22
South Floyd	4-20

(Records do not include results from Tuesday.)

Bears turn back WVU Tech, stop skid

Clark leads Pikeville to conference win

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College ended its four-game losing streak on Saturday afternoon with an 88-80 win over WVU Tech.

Pikeville picked up its 20th win of the season compared to seven losses two weeks after win No. 19. In

the interim, three of the four setbacks were against Mid-South Conference teams as the Bears improved to 7-5 in the league on Saturday.

For WVU Tech, the loss dropped it below .500 on the season at 13-14 and to 3-9 in the league with two games remaining.

Pikeville led 44-35 at the half and saw Tech battled back to within one (57-56) when junior Roi Buchbinder scored on a layup with 11:38 left.

The Bears responded, and a 9-1 run that ended with 5:40

left on a layup by freshman Trevor Setty pushed the lead to 78-63.

But Tech wouldn't stop, pulling within five late before the Bears settled in and took the win.

Senior Jonathan Clark, who had a career-high 35 points in Thursday's loss at Georgetown, finished with 23 points, five steals, four rebounds and three assists in the win Saturday.

Setty recorded a double-double with 22 points and 11 rebounds. Junior Justin Hicks had 14 and a team-high four

assists, while senior Josh Samarco came off the bench for 10.

The Golden Bears had four starters in double figures, with Buchbinder scoring 19 and pulling down 11 rebounds. Senior Darryl Slack finished with 16, while senior Robby Marshall had 12 and seven rebounds while senior Zack Thomsen finished with 11.

Pikeville has one home game remaining, hosting Rio Grande on Thursday night at

(See BEARS, page nine)

P'burg girls defeat Phelps

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PHELPS — The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats halted a two-game losing skid and claimed a momentum-building win in the final game of the regular season Friday. Prestonsburg prevailed on the road, defeating Phelps 56-44.

The Lady Blackcats returned to the win column after absorbing back-to-back losses to Fairview and Bellary.

Kristian Waugh scored a game-high 25 points for the Lady Blackcats. Alexis DeRossett drained four three-point field goals and added 13 points as Prestonsburg claimed the win in its regular-season finale. Excelling from the outside, DeRossett shot 50-percent (four-of-eight) from three-point range.

Prestonsburg executed well offensively, knocking down 22-of-47 field goal attempts. The Lady Blackcats were six-of-16 from three-point range.

Devann Poe pushed in seven points. Cassie Burchett scored four, and Katie Burchett added three for the Lady Blackcats. Tiffany Wertz and Paige Collett rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring with two points apiece.

Cassie Burchett led Prestonsburg in rebounding, securing seven caroms for the Lady Blackcats. Waugh and Poe each had five rebounds for Prestonsburg in the road game.

Prestonsburg enjoyed a solid turnaround in the second half of the regular season. The Lady Blackcats carried a 2-9 record into the month of January.

Prestonsburg was battling South Floyd Friday evening in the 58th District Tournament.

Lady Raiders falter at Perry Co.

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HAZARD — The South Floyd Lady Raiders didn't end the regular-season portion of their record-breaking campaign as they'd hoped. After compiling a school-record eight-game winning streak, South Floyd dropped its second straight game Thursday. Feared annual 14th Region championship contender Perry County Central claimed an early lead and never faded, defeating visiting South Floyd 84-34.

Kiana Hall led the way for South Floyd with 21 points. Hall was the lone Lady Raider to reach double figures in the scoring category. Kayla Hall, Gabrielle Bailey and Chelsea Tuttle tossed in three points apiece for the Lady Raiders.

South Floyd attempted over 50 shots but struggled offensively. The Lady Raiders ended the game 12-of-57 from the field. South Floyd was four-of-23 from three-point range.

Joelyn Isaac and Sierra Hall rounded out the South Floyd scoring with two points apiece.

South Floyd was facing Prestonsburg in the 58th District Tournament Tuesday night. The Lady Raiders finished the regular-season second in the 58th District/Floyd County Conference for the first time in school history.

Results from the South Floyd-Prestonsburg girls basketball game were unavailable at press time.

Official signals modified in high school soccer

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The official signals used for high school soccer have been modified to reflect common practice. This was one of 11 changes approved by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Soccer Rules Committee at its January 25-27 meeting in Indianapolis. The rules changes subsequently were approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

The committee approved a reduction in the number of signals from 23 to eight, effective with the 2010-11 season. The eight signals that were retained are the most common signals used by officials at all levels of play.

"The reduction in the number of signals simplifies the process for officials and standardizes soccer signals across the board," said Mark Koski, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Soccer Rules Committee. "The committee believed it was time to make a change since officials would not have to learn any new signals and many of them work at other levels."

Two changes regarding uniforms were approved with a two-year lead time for implementation. Beginning in the fall 2012 season, the home team will be required to wear solid white jerseys and socks. Previously the wording was "white or light-colored jerseys and socks." The committee made this change to better differentiate between the home and visiting teams.

In addition, effective in fall

2012, goalkeepers will be required to have a number on the back of their jerseys and the front of their jerseys or shorts that is different than any other number used by other players on the team.

Another uniform change, which takes effect this coming season, states that only names, patches, emblems, logos or insignias referencing the school are permitted on the team uniform.

A significant change in the substitution rule was approved for high school soccer. Beginning next year, a team may substitute an unlimited number of players from the bench when a player is injured and removed from the field. Previously, unlimited substitution was only permitted between periods and when a goal was scored.

The committee made one change regarding throw-ins. So as not to interfere or impede the player attempting a throw-in, the opponent shall stand at least two yards from the point at which the throw-in is being taken. The resulting penalty for a violation is a caution for unsporting conduct.

Following are other changes made by the NFHS Soccer Rules Committee:

— A significant editorial change that will affect all sports requires that any athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion, including but not limited to loss of consciousness, headache, dizziness, confusion or balance problems, must be removed from the contest immediately and shall not return to play before being

cleared by an appropriate health-care professional.

— Two equipment rules were modified. In Rule 4-2-1 regarding illegal equipment, item "c" was rewritten as follows: "Hard and unyielding items (guards, casts, braces, etc.) on the hand, wrist, forearm, elbow, upper arm or shoulder, unless covered and must be padded with a closed-cell, slow-recovery foam padding no less than 1/2-inch thick." In Rule 4-2-5, the revised language is as follows: "All permissible artificial limbs must be padded with a closed-cell, slow-recovery foam padding no less than 1/2-inch thick."

— An addition to Rule 5-3-2 clarifies that the referee has the authority to correct the clock when an error is detected.

In Rule 18-1-1, added a definition for misconduct as follows: "Any of the actions by players, substitutes and bench personnel that result in yellow and/or red cards being issued."

In addition, the committee adopted the following Points of Emphasis for the 2010-11 season: concussion management, ankle and knee braces, NFHS Code of Ethics, NFHS Soccer Signals, online education, team areas and throw-in encroachment.

Soccer is the fifth most popular sport for boys and girls at the high school level. According to the 2008-09 High School Athletics Participation Survey, 383,824 boys are involved in soccer and 315,344 girls participate in the sport.

MSU set to induct latest class into Athletics Hall of Fame

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Morehead State University athletics will induct three former men's basketball players into the Eagle Hall of Fame: Howard Smith, Bruce King and Lamar Green. The three will be inducted in a dinner Friday and will be honored on Saturday at the final home men's basketball game of the regular season against UT Martin.

Along with last year's inductees Willie Jackson, the three were a part of the "Birmingham Four" players who came to Morehead State from Birmingham, Ala. to play basketball. They were among the first of a group of talented players to come from outside of MSU's general service region.

"The contributions made by Howard, Bruce and Lamar to Morehead State basketball are immeasurable," said MSU Director of Athletics Brian Hutchinson. "They were a force to be reckoned with on the court, helping to further the regional and national recognition of Eagle basketball at Morehead State University."

Smith joined MSU in 1963-64, playing on the freshman team. He was elevated to the varsity team as a sophomore. Smith earned Bachelor's and Master's degree from Morehead State and a certificate in Advanced Study in Education from UAB and Doctoral Studies at the University of Houston.

In addition to playing basketball for the Eagles, he also played in the military (Special Forces for Seventh Army Division) and for the American Basketball Association (Kentucky Colonels). He also was a member of the famed exhibition team the Harlem Globetrotters. Smith was active military for 3 years (served in Desert Shield/Desert Storm) and Army Reservist for 19 years.

King followed Smith by a semester, joining the Eagle freshman team in the second half of the 1963-64 season. He was elevated to varsity once he became eligible in 1964-65. MSU's rebounding leader in 1965 and 1966, he ranks 13th all-time in rebounding at Morehead State. King was a physical education major and member of the Aquila club (Gamma Theta Lambda). His shot-blocking and ball-stealing abilities made him a feared and respected opponent to Morehead's adversaries.

Green who came to Morehead on the urging of Smith and King, was named to the All-OVC teams of 1967-68 and 1968-69. He still ranks fourth all-time at MSU in rebounding with 914 (one rebound ahead of current Eagle Kenneth Farned). With Green leading the way, the Eagles had their best record overall of the 1969 NBA draft. He played for the Suns from 1970-1975. He also was picked in the NBA draft by the Oakland Oaks, where he played for the 1974-75 season.

Established in 1985, the Morehead State Athletic Hall of Fame honors former Eagles whose achievements both in athletics and as MSU ambassadors have had a profound impact on Morehead State. The Hall of Fame contains 117 members, including 29 men's basketball players with the addition of Smith, King and Green.



Above: Allen Central freshman Stephen Goble (50) extended for a shot over a June Buchanan defender during a non-district game last week.



Left: Senior eyed Chad Nelson (22) forward a shot for the Rebels.



Allen Central is scheduled to face number one seed Betsy Layne this evening in the 58th District Tournament.

Lady Bears end losing streak with win over WVU Tech

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Four players reached double-digit figures and recorded a double-double as the Lady Bears of Pikeville College ended a five-game losing streak with an 83-71 win over WVU Tech Saturday afternoon. Pikeville (15-13, 3-9 in the Mid-South Conference) shot 54.9 percent for the game, hitting half their 28 shots in the first half. The Lady Bears heated up even more after the break, making 60.9 percent for the 12-point win.

Pikeville established an

early lead and never let it get away. The edge was 38-30 at the half.

Junior Natiera Hinton led the Lady Bears with 22 points and 12 rebounds, hitting 6-of-7 from the free-throw line in the win. Junior Lakia Bailey followed with 19 points off the bench, while senior Alexis Johnson tossed 12 points while junior Laura Potts tossed in 10 off the bench.

WVU Tech (10-16, 1-10) also had three players in double figures, led by junior Shyla Jones who had 26 points and 12 rebounds, eight of which were

off the offensive glass. Junior Kerin Roache followed with 15 points while junior Ashley Blanton recorded a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Pikeville will return to action on Thursday night at the East Kentucky Expo Center when they play host to the University of Rio Grande at 6 p.m. It will be Senior Night for Lady Bear Alexis Johnson, who will be honored in a pregame ceremony.

WVU Tech will be back in action on Thursday as well, traveling to Lindsey Wilson.

Rebounds, turnovers doom Eagles in Bracketbuster matchup

TIMES STAFF REPORT

NORMAL, Ill. — Only four times this season has Morehead State been outscored. Three of those, including Saturday's Bracketbuster at Illinois State, resulted in a loss.

MSU was beat on the glass by seven and surrendered the ball 18 times in a 71-62 non-conference loss to Illinois State Saturday at Redbird Arena. ISU won the rebounding battle 36-29 and forced 18 turnovers, although Morehead State tallied 13 steals and forced 23 Illinois State turnovers.

The biggest disappointment was they outrebounded us by seven," Morehead State Coach Donnie Tyndall said. "We came in with the third best rebounding margin in the country and we got our tails whipped on the glass."

The Eagles trailed by four at halftime, but ISU opened the second half with a pair of 3-pointers from Alex Rubin and a free throw from Tony Lewis to

open up an 11-point lead. Morehead State chipped away at the advantage, thanks to seven points by Brandon Johnson in the next eight minutes, and pulled within two. But the Eagles missed a series of 3-point attempts and the Redbirds used a five-minute Eagle scoring drought to get the lead as high as 12.

They are a very good team and this is a tough place to play and we came up short," Tyndall said. "We had our chances, Maze (Stallworth) had two good looks at 3-pointers and we didn't knock them back."

Triples by Maze Stallworth, Terrance Hill and Demonte Harper cut the Redbird lead to four with 2:06 to play, but Illinois State went 8-for-10 at the line to close out the game and earn the win.

Ostris Eldridge put the Redbirds in the lead in the first half, scoring 18 of his game-high 26 points and made 3-pointers. His 18 outscored all

other ISU players combined in the half. The Redbirds hit 61.9 percent of their shots in the first half. MSU's Steve Peterson countered Eldridge with a 3-for-3 performance of his own from beyond the arc for 11 first-half points.

Kenneth Faired led the Eagles with 13 points and eight rebounds. Peterson and Harper each finished with 11 points. Brandon Shingles, who finished with nine points had four assists and four steals.

"I thought our kids played hard, but 18 turnovers on the road is tough," Tyndall said. "We usually overcome those turnovers by outrebounding them, but we didn't do that and so we couldn't overcome the turnovers."

Rubin joined Eldridge in double figures with 15 points and Justin Clark and Dinna Odiakosa each had 10 points. Odiakosa also had a game-high 10 rebounds and Rubin added five assists.

Cousins named SEC Freshman of the Week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky men's basketball player DeMarcus Cousins was named the Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Week as announced by the league office on Monday.

Cousins, a 6-foot-11 forward from Mobile, Ala., averaged 19.0 points and 9.5 rebounds in wins at Mississippi State and at No. 17 Vanderbilt. He recorded his 16th double-double of the

season at Mississippi State with 19 points while pulling down game-high 14 rebounds. Against Vanderbilt he scored 19 points to go with five rebounds and 16 points on a game-high 3-of-3 in his last 19 games.

The honor is the fourth Freshman of the Week award for Cousins this season and his fifth weekly award this season. He was voted Player of the Week earlier this season. The Wildcats have now

received a league record 13 weekly awards from the SEC this season. In addition to Cousins, freshman John Wall has been honored five times and Eric Blodsoe twice. Patrick Patterson was named SEC Player of the Week in week two.

Kentucky will return to action on Thursday, hosting South Carolina. The game is scheduled for a 9 p.m. tip and can be seen live on ESPN2.

Bristol to host cornhole tournament

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — The cornhole craze continues at Bristol Motor Speedway this March with the return of the Scotts Turf Builder Cornhole Classic.

The Speedway's inaugural tournament last August was a rousing success, drawing 128 teams intent on being crowned BMS Cornhole Champions. This year, the tournament lasts three days, Friday, March 19 through the championship Sunday, March 21.

Teams play for some significant prizes, including \$500, suite seats to the Food City 250 and the Irwin Tools Night Race Aug. 20-21, a

camping space for the August race weekend, and trophies which will be awarded to the overall champion. The runner-up will receive \$200 and suite seats to the Food City 250, along with trophies.

Two 64-team double-elimination qualifying tournaments take place March 19 and 20. The top finishers in the qualifiers receive \$200, Irwin Tools Night Race tickets and trophies for first, \$150, Food City 250 tickets and trophies for second, NASCAR cornhole board sets for third, and trophies for fourth place.

The top four teams in each qualifying tournament advance to Sunday's championship tournament to deter-

mine the Scotts Turf Builder Cornhole Classic champs.

Cost to enter is \$40 per team. Each player on each team receives a goody bag and a shirt. Teams may register now.

All proceeds from the Cornhole Classic will benefit the Bristol Chapter of Speedway Children's Charities, a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds for children's agencies in Northeast Tennessee and Southwest Virginia. In the first 12 years of its existence, the Bristol Chapter of SCC has raised in excess of \$12 million.

Bears

It will be Senior Night for five dedicated Bears, with a ceremony honoring them before the tip. WVU Tech will also play again Thursday night, traveling

to Lindsey Wilson for a 9 p.m. EST start.

Saturday game times changed: Pikeville's doubleheader at Cumberland next Saturday to end the regular sea-

son has had a time change to accommodate WYMT. The women's game will now tip off at 3:30 with the men playing at 6:07. The men's game will be televised live.

Bobcats

Layne 16-4 in the second quarter and carried a 28-18 lead into halftime.

The Bobcats, however, wouldn't go away. On a night when Eastern Kentucky legend Paul Gearheart was elected into the Betsy Layne Hall of Fame, Betsy layne reclaimed the lead. West Rowe led Pikeville, scoring 14 points. Gatlin Clark

doubled up Pikeville 16-8 in the third quarter and went on an 15-5 run in the final eight minutes.

Betsy Layne, which connected on 11-of-16 free throws in the win over Pikeville, ended the regular-season 16-6. West Rowe led Pikeville, scoring 14 points. Gatlin Clark

added 13 points for the Panthers.

Number one seed Betsy Layne will face fourth-seeded Allen Central today at 6 p.m. in the 58th District Tournament. The Bobcats swept Allen Central during a two-game regular-season series.

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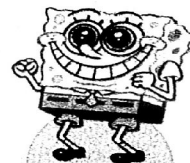


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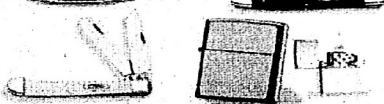
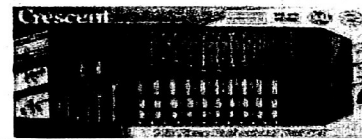
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FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-0555
BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. fka
COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P.
PLAINTIFF**

**VS.
JULIE HALL
TAX EASE INVESTMENTS,
LLC DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 12th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, for the sum of \$94,900.36 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of March, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Beginning at the creek and running a straight line across the bottom to a small drain, thence up the drain to a wire fence, thence south around the hill with said fence to the line of J.E. Hall and Ollie Hall line, thence down the hill with said line following a ditch and fence of J.E. Hall and Ollie line to the creek, thence down the creek to the beginning point. Kenneth Akers reserves the right to use this property until he is deceased.

Property Address: 5782 KY Route 3379
Map ID No. 11-00-00-021.00

Said property was conveyed to Julie Hall by Kenneth Akers (Zellie Akers, deceased), Kenneth Akers (Administrators) on August 10, 2005, by a deed recorded November 15, 2006, in Deed Book 530, Page 27, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-00788
AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCIAL
SERVICES, PLAINTIFF**

**INC. VS. LORI LOWE DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 27th day of October, 2009, in the above cause, for the sum of \$27,881.72 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of March, 2010, at 9:15 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Beginning at an iron pin on the East side of the driveway, said pin being a corner of Jim Thompson and Tim Blewins; thence down the edge of the driveway N 29° 30' W 34.82 feet to an iron pin; thence leaving said driveway N 02° 07' E 12.62 feet to an old fence post of the Hurley line; thence still with the said Hurley fence line N 25° 02' E 42.81 feet to an old fence post; thence continuing with said Hurley fence line N 34° 03' E 53.76 feet to a 36' oak tree; thence up the hill S 68° 42' E 62.70 feet to an iron pin; thence around the hill with the line of Jim Thompson S 37° 39' W 86.36 feet to a 14" sycamore tree; thence still with the Jim Thompson line back to the point of beginning, containing 0.15 acres, more or less.

Being the property conveyed in General Warranty Deed from Don Cox and Janice Cox, spouse, to John Christopher Lowe and Lori Lowe, spouse, dated 05/15/2004, recorded 05/19/2004, in Deed Book 498, Page 601, in the County Clerk's Office for Floyd County, Kentucky.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% percent of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of sixty (60) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-01126
U.S. BANK, NA VS. CLIFTON BLACKBURN and TONYA BLACKBURN DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 25th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$94,748.33 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 11th day of March, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Property Address: 17 Music Street, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
Being Lot No. 22 in Abbott Development, revised by plat dated April 2, 1975, as shown by plat on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Floyd County Court to which reference is made for a more particular description.

Being the same property conveyed to Clifton Blackburn and Tonya Blackburn, his wife, from Danny Tuttle and Jennifer Tuttle, his wife, and Randy Tuttle and Beverly Tuttle, his wife, by deed dated November 15, 2007 of record in Deed Book 440, Page 634, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-01014
KENTUCKY HOUSING CORPORATION VS. BRYAN D. ADAMS, ET AL DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a In Rem Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 11th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$52,793.67 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of March, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Property Address: 100 Hunter Branch Road, Printer, Kentucky 41655
Parcel ID#: 050-00-00-096.01

Beginning at the point where Bill Sammons' property line ceases to run along with the county road line; thence along with the county road property line toward Shumbo Hollow to the point where Hunter Branch intersects with the county road line; thence along with Hunter Branch to the point where Hunter Branch intersects with Left Beaver Creek; thence along with Left Beaver Creek to the point where Left Beaver Creek intersects with Left Beaver Creek; thence along with Left Beaver Creek to the point where Left Beaver Creek intersects with Left Beaver Creek; thence along with Left Beaver Creek to the point where Left Beaver Creek intersects with Left Beaver Creek; thence along with Left Beaver Creek to the point where Left Beaver Creek intersects with Left Beaver Creek.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of ninety (90) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. I
C.A. NO. 09-CI-01114
CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC VS. EARL LEE HALL and VICTORIA HALL DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 12th day of January, 2010, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$34,480.06 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 11th day of March, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Property Address: 8813 Ky Route 850, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

Part #1 - Beginning at Rex Cooley's line on H-way 850 at the culvert, running up H-way 850, 100 feet, turn right then up hill to a post marked 3 hicks and cedar trees, then a straight line to the head of branch to a beech tree with 3 hicks on it, then up the hill straight to the last flat to a hickory with 3 hicks, then up the hill straight in the ridge to a marked hickory marked 3 hicks to Gorman Cooley's line then right to Earl Frasure's line; down ridge to Rex Cooley's line; then back to the beginning running with Rex Cooley's line at H-way 850.

Being the same property conveyed to Earl Lee Hall and Victoria Hall, husband and wife, by deed dated May 6, 2008 and recorded in Deed Book 547, Page 116, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Darrell Crider Jr., 302 Emma Rd., has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to haul fill dirt and install a 16x30 mobile home. The property is located at the intersection of Emma Road and Bridge Street at Emma, 3 miles from Allen, Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. : 16-2009-DR-009657-F-MXX
DIVISION: FM-E

IN RE THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF
AIDYN OSBORNE DEMAIO

NOTICE OF ACTION OF PETITION AND HEARING TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS PENDING ADOPTION

TO Daniel Keith Osborne
Last Known Address: 152 SR 1428, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Joint Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Adoption of a minor child, Aidyn Osborne Demaio, a female child, born on September 8, 2004 at Jacksonville, Florida has been filed in the above-styled case. There will be a hearing on the Joint Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Adoption on Monday the 29th day of March, 2010, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. before the Honorable W. Kendrick at the Duval County Courthouse, Room 503, 330 East Bay Street, Jacksonville, Florida. The Court has set aside ten (10) minutes for the hearing.

You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the Adoption Entity whose name and address is Michael A. Shorstein, Esquire, Shorstein & Kelly, Attorneys at Law, P.A., Post Office Box 10007, Jacksonville, Florida 32247, telephone (904) 322-0000, and file an original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court at 330 East Bay Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202, telephone (904) 630-2111, on or before the 3rd day of February, 2010.

UNDER SECTION 63.089, FLORIDA STATUTES, FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THIS NOTICE WITH THE COURT OR TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING CONSTITUTES GROUNDS UPON WHICH THE COURT SHALL END ANY PARENTAL RIGHTS YOU MAY HAVE REGARDING THE MINOR CHILD.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Darrin B. Kidd. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Darrin's Bar. The nature of the business will be a Bar, location is 20 Frontier Lane, Harold, Ky, 41635. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than March 18, 2010, in writing allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for March 18, 2010. At the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

HON. KEITH BARTLEY
FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that FIA Company, Inc., P.O. Box 1590, Martin, KY 41649, has applied for Phase I bond release on Increment No. 3 of Permit No. 836-0337, which was last issued on June 11, 2007. Increment No. 3 covers an area of approximately 15.34 acres, and is located 1.55 mile southeast of Blue Moon, in Floyd County. The surface area is owned by Terry Hall and Snehal Desai. The operation is located on Little Mud Creek, approximately 0.80 mile south from the junction of Morgan Fork (CR) with Little Mud Creek (CR), and between Morgan Fork and Lower Wolfpen Branch.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 3 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of twenty six thousand and nine hundred dollars (\$26,900.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$26,900.00 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching, completed in September 2009.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, by March 16, 2010.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. This hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 16, 2010.

LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
COUNTY OF FLOYD

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All persons indebted to an estate should settle with the fiduciary within six (6) months from the date of appointment.

Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate of	Fiduciary	Attorney
11-30-2009	09-P-452	Walter Clarence Sherba	Sophie Hillon	Matthew B. DeMarcus
01-22-2010	10-P-032	Elsie Lee Lewis Smith	Fauletta Smith Laferty	
01-25-2010	10-P-033	Lester Johnson	Lillie Johnson	
01-27-2010	10-P-036	Henry Calhoun	Betty Calhoun	
01-27-2010	10-P-039	Sample Sparkman	Troy Sparkman	
01-28-2010	10-P-042	Orby Newman	Freda Burke	
02-02-2010	10-P-046	Amanda Shepherd Music	Monie Alice Hall, Lyda Faye Crum & Denver R. Music	James H. Shannon Jr.
02-03-2010	10-P-051	Albert J. Hall	Ernestine Hall	
02-04-2010	10-P-052	Geraldine Burchett Cesco	Virginia Wallace	
02-04-2010	10-P-053	Yarie Hopkins	Gregory D. Hopkins	
02-04-2010	10-P-055	Donald Eugene Hackworth	Jonathan Wayne Hackworth	
02-05-2010	10-P-056	Teddy Akers	Jance Akers	Thomas Moak
02-08-2010	10-P-059	Edmund L. Blackburn	Armanda Blackburn	
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02-11-2010	10-P-062	Margo Morrison	William Morrison	Robert J. Patton
02-11-2010	10-P-063	Frankie J. Blackburn	Rickie Blackburn	
02-12-2010	10-P-064	Robert G. Vicars	Randall Vicars	
02-12-2010	10-P-065	Otis D. Johnson	Zelma B. Johnson	
02-12-2010	10-P-067	Loretta Akers	Mackie Joe Akers	
02-12-2010	10-P-066	Billy P. Music	Stella Music	
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Candidate

Magistrate Ronnie Akers offering a second, Magistrate John Goble abstaining and Magistrate Jackie Edford Owens voting against. Ironically, Owens made the 1988 motion to create the modification to the county's personnel code.

"I voted against it because I didn't want to see him (Jarrell) lose his income and his insurance," Owens said shortly after the meeting.

Jarrell is now laid off from his position as animal control officer for the county until May 19. A longtime county employee, he also once worked for the road department.

Though Daniels pointed to fairness as his reasons for making the motion, Jarrell said passage to uphold the resolution has only served to fuel his desire for his campaign.

"I'm not dropping out of

the race," said Jarrell. "They just made me want to get out and work it that much harder now. I don't think it's right for him to work for the school board and for the fiscal court and get to work every day and have insurance and then lay off a county employee."

Jarrell ran once before for District 3 magistrate when Larry Foster Stumbo stepped down from the office four years ago. Since there was no incumbent in that race, which ended in Daniels' election to his present term, the 1988 resolution held no bearing.

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"That resolution was done in 1988 for the same situation," said Floyd Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall. "There was a person who ran against an incumbent, the incumbent was Gerald Derosett. So I think the ordinance being in place, we have to honor what was done then because no action has been done to change that."

Daniels and Jarrell are two of eight candidates in total who have filed to run in the May primary for the District 3 magistrate position.

Film

families, community members and many of those who contributed to the rescue and recovery effort following the crash. As they tell their stories, the interview subjects paint a picture of the tragedy and the heroism that resulted from the wreck, the fortitude of the community in its wake and the questions that remain unanswered 52 years later.

Among the 1,030 people who filled every seat of the MAC Friday night was a siz-

able contingent of the white-clad members of the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad, whose organization was borne out of the tragedy.

Friday marked the world premiere of the film, which will also be shown tonight at the Kentucky Theatre in Lexington. After that, Crisp and editor Andrew Moore plan to submit the film to 40 or more film festivals around the nation.

Arts

musician, along with a bachelor's degree in vocal music from Berea College.

Also at the meeting, the board voted to approve a memorandum of understanding with the Floyd County Health Department, the purchase of a wheelchair lift bus, declaring

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three vehicles as surplus property and the purchase of three vehicles to be utilized by the maintenance department.

The next meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education is scheduled to be held at Adams Middle School on March 22.

Body

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text messaged Bostic at about 5 p.m. on the day of his disappearance saying he was leaving the car they had arrived at the college in and that he would get a ride home with his cousin. Blankenship's cousin later told authorities that he did not see him that day.

The search for Blankenship was followed closely by media as his family said they had

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really started to be concerned when the Canada man did not call his twin children in Georgetown on Feb. 14, Valentine's Day and also their birthday.

Blankenship had only recently moved from Georgetown to live with Bostic's parents and enroll with her at the community college. Roberts said that more

Rally

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Commonwealth, including Big Sandy Community and Technical College. These students represent more than 8,000 people who have signed the Kentucky Community and Technical College System petition in support of keeping higher education accessible to grow our economy and to help Kentuckians find high-wage, high-growth jobs."

In a release from the college, Roberts said that more

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than half of the undergraduate students in the state are at KCTCS, which operates 16 colleges on 68 campuses in Kentucky.

The rally is scheduled to begin in Frankfort at 1:30 p.m.

Soccer

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David Baldrige, the city's director of parks and recreation, said this will infuse soccer fans and attract attention to the growing sport.

"This grant will help us to bring a great soccer-specific aspect to our area," Baldrige said. "We will be able to attract statewide tournaments that we normally would not be able to host before."

The sportsplex is to be located along the western end of the park, Baldrige said, in the area that formerly held baseball fields and a horse show ring. He anticipates a completion date for mid-spring.

"During the renovation we will still be able to host normal practices and games for youth

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soccer, youth football and so forth," Baldrige said.

The new field, which will be called the Prestonsburg Soccerplex, will be able to host multi-age tournaments and will be home to one U-14 (under the age of 14) field, three U-12 fields, two U-10 fields, four U-8 fields, and four U-6 fields.

The new fields will be enhanced with additional parking and walking paths, plus aerial lighting, team benches and repositioned bleachers.

For further questions on the new soccer complex or to inquire about current youth soccer registration, please contact Archer Park at 606-886-6390.

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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

Playing for keeps with creepy-crawlies

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
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One of the most charming descriptions I ever heard of why a scientist wanted to work for the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) came from a soil-and-water expert out in Arizona, who explained, "This is the only job where I can get paid to play with mud-pies!"

Maybe something similar explains the scientists at the ARS Nematology Laboratory in Beltsville, Md. These folks still like to play with worms. And it's a good thing for all of us that they do. The Nematology Laboratory has one of the world's largest and most treasured repositories of roundworms, some 43,000 microscope slides and vials of specimens, known as the USDA Nematode Collection.

The collection is more than just enormous and impressive; it's also useful in many ways. For starters, it helps regulatory agencies such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)—the folks charged with stopping unknown bugs and other critters from crossing our borders—know just what they're dealing with.

In 2008 alone, a microbiologist with the Nematology Laboratory identified nearly 700 samples sent to him for identification, including nearly 300 sent in by APHIS personnel at ports of entry or from domestic surveys.

The collection also helps us fight the pests that harm our crops—the ones that threaten to literally take the food right out of our mouths. For example, one ARS scientist in the lab has identified certain molecules called "amines" that nematodes use to signal each other. The idea is that the scientists can use this new information to create eco-friendly means of controlling a nematode species called *Heterodera glycines*, which costs U.S. soybean farmers some \$1 billion annually in losses.

Not all nematodes like to munch on plants. For some, the favorite treat is microbes or insects. And there's also a live collection of bacterial-feeding nematodes, many of which can live inside insects. If that doesn't sound particularly appealing to you, consider this: In the past decade, the ARS scientists have identified seven different species from the invasive Formosan subterranean termite as well as nematodes from various beetles and tarantulas, and word is that some of these species may turn out to be useful biocontrol weapons against those particular pests.

Some of the scientists in the Nematology Laboratory get to play detective on our behalf. For example, in 2000, researchers from the lab met with a visiting Brazilian delegation in response to a ban Brazil had imposed on U.S. wheat imports for fear of introducing into Brazil a particular pest called the seed gall nematode, *Anguina tritici*.

A turning point in this dilemma came when the researchers discovered, somewhere among these 43,000 samples, a single slide of a specimen that a port inspector had submitted to the collection in 1953. A database search revealed that the genus of that particular pest was *Anguina*; it had been isolated from a plant called reedgrass; and it had come from ... Brazil.

As a result of the information that *Anguina* was nothing new to Brazil, the Brazilian government decided to lift its ban, reopening a \$50-\$200 million annual market for U.S. wheat.

Making these kinds of worm identifications isn't always easy, because many different nematodes can have similar-looking body parts, tail tips and other characteristics that are usually useful for identification. Because the nematode species can overlap with respect to those characteristics, it takes an expert with years of experience and a collection of bona fide reference

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On Feb. 1, the Young Professionals of East Kentucky held their first forum since their formation in September of last year. The forum featured comments from U.S. Rep. Harold Rogers, left, of Kentucky's 5th Congressional District, along with former governor and Eastern Kentucky native Paul E. Patton, right. The forum centered on professional leadership in the region and the potential impact of the organization. "This organization serves as an opportunity for young professionals to grow, connect, and lead," said Ryan Stratton, center, National College Career Center Director and YPEK Board member. "When we started the Young Professionals of East Kentucky, we wanted to correct the notion that a young person had to leave our area to start their career, rather we wanted to connect with other young professionals that decided to stay here and start their career or business." For more information or to join this organization for free, log onto www.ypek.org.



BIG SANDY IDOL

South Floyd High School finalists named

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

Hi Hat — Two students from South Floyd High School were selected to participate in the regional Big Sandy Idol competition scheduled to take place at the Mountain Arts Center on March 12-13.

Courtney Hamilton, of Hi Hat, and Tanesha Hood, of Wheelwright, were selected as first and second-place winners. Jesse Osborne, of the Kentucky Opry Junior Pros, provided special

entertainment at South Floyd during the event.

Big Sandy Idol is a talent and scholarship competition that offers two winners from each school a chance to compete in the regional Big Sandy Idol event. The winner will have the opportunity to record a demo CD, a full album, and a \$1,200 vocal scholarship to attend Big Sandy Community and Technical College. The winner will also earn a spot with the Big Sandy Singers.

The competition is organized by the music department of Big Sandy Community and Technical College in partnership with the

Mountain Arts Center.

The regional section of the Big Sandy Idol competition will be held at the Mountain Arts Center on March 12, for the second-place winners, and March 13, for the first-place winners and the championship round.

Tickets for Big Sandy Idol are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. The tickets will be available for sale at the Mountain Arts Center on Feb. 9.

For more information on purchasing tickets, contact the Mountain Arts Center at 1-888-MAC-ARTS.



On Thursday, Maranda Thompson of Webville, a fourth-grade student at Blaine Elementary School donated her hair at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College Cosmetology Program for the Wigs for Kids Foundation. Maranda is 10 years old and is the daughter of J.R. and Melinda Thompson. This is the second time Maranda has donated her hair. Wigs for Kids Foundation is a private nonprofit organization that provides hair replacement systems for children who have experienced hair loss, resulting from chemotherapy, radiation, alopecia, burns, or other medical circumstances. Additionally, Wigs for Kids educates medical communities and the public on issues, challenges and options for children with hair loss. For more information about the BSCTC Cosmetology Program or other programs offered at Big Sandy, visit <http://www.bigsandy.kctcs.edu/>. BSCTC offers a broad range of programs, from two-year associate in Arts or Associate in Science degrees, to various occupational and technical programs that meet workforce needs.



Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Zebulon Lodge 273, F&AM changes meeting dates. Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM has changed the dates of its stated communications from the first and third Saturday to the second and fourth Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m. All Master Masons are invited to attend these meetings.

R410a Training Certification offered, Thursday, Feb. 25. This is your invitation to attend an R410a certification class presented by you at Prestonsburg Brock McVey branch location, on Thursday, February 25, at 1 p.m. Joe Phelps will be conducting the course at Garth Area Vocational Education Center, Rte. 122 in Martin. EPA guidelines and technical details for performing service work using the new R410a refrigerant will be covered. Literature, and materials will be provided. There is a \$45 charge to participate in the class and is limited. Please contact your Brock McVey representative for additional details and to reserve your spot.

Jenny Wiley Chapter AARP Offers free tax service. AARP Tax Aide volunteers, members of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, will provide free tax assistance for elderly (60 and over) and low-income persons at the Floyd County Library each Tuesday, beginning February 2, through April 13, from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Bring your last year's income tax return and current tax information.

Schedule Change for Floyd County. A Veterans benefits field representative will be at the Floyd County Library, on the first Wednesday each month from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., effective March 1, 2010. Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for Federal and State veterans benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, call toll free 1-866-847-2926 to speak with a Veterans Benefits Field Representative.

Floyd County Retired Teachers to hold business meet, March 4. Floyd County Retired Teachers will be having a business meeting on March 4, at the Floyd County Library, Prestonsburg, at 11 a.m.

Highlands Regional Medical Center "Living Well with Diabetes" Support Group. "With Every Beat of Your Heart!"

Learn about heart healthy habits to reduce your risk of Heart Disease. Thursday, February 25, 2010. Meeting will be held in the Medical Office Building, Room A & B 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. All classes are free of charge.

For further information, contact: Food & Nutrition Services at (606) 886-8511 ext. 7353. We look forward to seeing you!

Highlands Regional Medical Center March 2010

Bariatric Program March 3rd
Meeting Place B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Living Well With Diabetes March 25th
Meeting Place A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
For more information concerning the support groups please contact Highlands Educational Services Department at 1-606-886-7424.

Auxier Center Spring Classes begin Monday, March 8
Basic Computer Classes March 8—Mondays, 9 a.m. to noon, instructor Gordon Scott

March 11—Thursdays, 5-8 p.m., instructor Jerry Hatfield. Limited to 12 students per class.

Microsoft Office 2007 Instructor Frank Richter March 8, Mondays, 5-8 p.m. March 9, Tuesdays, 5-8 p.m. Computer Classes Cost \$30. Sewing Classes 8 weeks, instructor Donna Woods

March 8, Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., \$20
March 11, Thursdays, 5-8 p.m., \$20
Quilting Classes 8 weeks, Instructor Nancy Froehner
March 8, Mondays Afternoons 1:30-4:30 p.m., \$20

Lip Bit of Everything Class Starts March 12-6 weeks Soap Making, Scrap Booking and more.
Instructor, Judy McGuire, (Floyd County Extension Office)
Second Friday of each month 1 to 2 p.m. Cost: \$410

Scholarships available to those who qualify.
Call 606-886-0709 for reservations.
The Auxier Center, a program of the Hand Ministries, located 21 South River Street, in Auxier.
*One computer per family—students must meet income guidelines and not have a computer of their own.

Highlands Regional Medical Center February 2010
February 9th, Sr. Advantage, Highlands Medical Office Building, Meeting Rooms A & B, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
February 25th, Diabetes Support Group, Highlands Medical Office Building, Meeting Rooms A & B, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
February 25th, Living Well With Diabetes, Highlands Medical Office Building, Meeting Place A & B, 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Free Tax preparation available in Big Sandy
Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is once again offering EREB help for eligible tax filers in preparing and electronically filing tax returns. The service, made possible through funding from Community Action Kentucky and the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, is available in Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, Floyd and Pike Counties.

BSACAP has IRS-certified staff to prepare and file tax returns, and offers the service free to low-income residents in the Big Sandy area. To schedule an appointment, call (606) 789-3641.

AMiss Southeast Kentucky Pageant is set, Feb. 27
The Miss Southeast Kentucky Pageant will be held February 27, at 2 p.m. at the Guest House Inn, in Hazard. For more information, contact: Tara Smith, 606-269-7988.

The Auxier Learning Center Offers home repair aid
Need help with home repairs? The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help. We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you or someone you know are low income and need help with repairs on

your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by the office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00. Must provide proof of income and ownership.

Benchmark Family Services family care support
Benchmark Family Services is a private, non-profit therapeutic foster care agency seeking caring and compassionate foster parents in eastern Ky. Free flexible training schedules, 24-7 support monthly financial compensation, financial bonuses, and mileage reimbursement available. Call: 606-886-0163. www.benchmark-family-services.org

McDowell High School Class of 1990 reunion
The McDowell Class of 1990 will hold a 20-year class reunion on Saturday, June 12, 2010. The location for the event is the Weyl State Resort Park Pines Building. There will also be a family outing scheduled for that morning. Cost for the reunion is \$100/couple or \$200/single. Checks may be mailed to: McDowell Class of '90, P.O. Box 23, Minnie, KY 41651. If you should have information or questions, please contact: Stephen (Allen) Johnson, 606-377-7811 sjrjray@yahoo.com or Scott Shannon 606-377-7742 scott.shannon45@yahoo.com. You may also join the classmate groups on Myspace and Facebook.

FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes.
The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall gentle exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. at May Drive, just off 14th and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

Become a Volunteer with Victim Services Program
You are more likely to be hurt by someone whom you know rather than be assaulted on Kentucky's streets by a total stranger. Learn to assist victims of sexual assault, child abuse, and domestic violence by becoming a Volunteer with Victim Services Program. Call today to receive an application for our free training program.

Call the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-4323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

Outpatient Drug Treatment Program and Education
Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse.

Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208. www.drugsnoc.com

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!
The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. Call 889-8260 for more information.

Need Help With Home Repairs?
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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8-4.

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

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

Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.
Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

Senior employment program
Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce? If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

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- If you are not watching TV, leave the set off
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- Unplug cell phone chargers and other recharging/transformer devices when not in use

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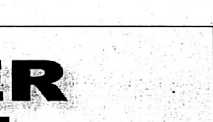
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OUR YESTERDAYS

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Ten Years Ago

(Feb. 20, 23 and 25, 2000)

Pay raises were approved for some county officials in Friday's fiscal court meeting. County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, Commissioners Ernal Tackett, Gerald DeRossett, and Larry Foster Stumbo, and Jailor Roger Webb all received pay hikes...The second reading of an ordinance which gives the city commission powers to remove board members at any time was read at the Wheelwright City Commission meeting Thursday night...Being grounded by bad weather in Frankfort, Gov. Paul Patton's drive to eastern Kentucky left him about 45 minutes late for his speech in Prestonsburg at the Prestonsburg Community College, Friday, to talk about his budget proposal and other items being considered during the legislative session which is at the halfway point of the biennial meeting...As the midpoint of the legislative session came and went, the bottle bill once again took top billing in the state legislature. After weeks of intense wrangling, a vote has finally been taken that keeps the bill alive...On Friday, the Prestonsburg Fire Department conducted a controlled burn to speed the removal of a building that Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin sold to the Floyd County Board of Education to make room for the athletic complex that will be constructed at the school...Under Paul Patton's proposed biennial road plan, Floyd County would see \$133 million in spending for local roads. But the plan could face an uphill battle because it is tied to the governor's request for a seven-cent-a-gallon hike in the state's gas tax...Things got stirred up as a preliminary hearing for Sheridan Martin began yesterday. An expected quick hearing turned into a two-and-a-half hour marathon. The proceedings at times resembled a hearing on the whereabouts of the alleged victim, who failed to show, rather than an inquiry into whether a crime had been committed. The hearing ended with the case being passed to the grand jury...Gary McCoy, 52, of Prestonsburg, a well-known Prestonsburg businessman has been arrested on charges of unlawful imprisonment. He was arrested Saturday for allegedly holding a man at gunpoint for 45 to 60 minutes...Traci Hedrick, 29, of Lancer, a former Maryland resident, has been arrested on theft and forgery charges after working for a doctor less than a week. She is accused of stealing three prescription pads from the office of Dr. Ray deGuzman of Martin...Workers from S&L Company of McDowell are taking out the old bleachers at Betsy Layne Elementary to make room for new ones that are expected this week. The gym is used by both the elementary and high schools...Brian Hughes, who has been featured in several Times Front pages for his fight with leukemia, has found a donor with an exact match that will enable him to receive a bone marrow transplant...The Affordable Housing Trust Fund of Kentucky may get a boost over the next two years thanks to a bill which would extend the state's practice of earmarking unclaimed lottery winnings to the trust fund...Projects proposed for Floyd County could fall victim to the budget axe, now that Gov. Paul Patton has said he is scrapping the tax-and-spend package he proposed to the General Assembly last month, including a seven-cent hike in the gas tax and a reorganization in the state's income tax structure...Despite reports to the contrary, rumors of the death of a bottle bill proposed by Rep. Steve Beshear have been greatly exaggerated, the House majority floor leader said Thursday. Still, Stumbo admitted that the measure does not appear to have the votes to win passage in the House at this time...Eric Vanderpool, of Prestonsburg, driver of a motorcycle, was thrown over the top of a car driven by William Wells, of Auxier, on South Lake Drive, yesterday. The accident is under investigation by the Prestonsburg City Police...Promoting tourism and cultural heritage, two roadways, KY 114 and KY 404, and three bridges in the county may be given names commemorating the Civil War battles fought here...A railway traveler made a stop in a local city that resulted in a trip to Floyd County Detention Center. Roberto P. Rivas, 33, of Mexico, was arrested Wednesday evening by Martin Police Fred Myhrieh. Apparently, Rivas had hitched a ride on possibly several trains, landing him in the CSX yard at Martin. He was charged with trespassing...Emergency workers tended to a motorist injured after his truck struck a concrete barrier diverting Route 114 from ongoing road construction, between Food City and the Mountain Arts Center...The Floyd County Board of Education met in special session, Tuesday night, and devoted nearly all the meeting to a discussion on staffing ratios for the 2000-2001 school year and the impact those ratios would have on the budget next year...Prestonsburg area residents have recently received letters in their mailboxes announcing a public notice of posting 911 addresses...There died: Alex Verich, 75, of Howland, Ohio, February 3, at the Cleveland Clinic, of injuries from a December fall; Jesse Gene King, 62, Bevensville native, February 5, at Magnolia Hospital in Corinth, Mississippi; Mable Mitchell, 61, of Pikeville, February 18, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; McKinley Hunter, 83, of Corbin, February 18, at Prestonsburg, Monday, February 21, at HRMC; Rev. Marvin Booth, 65, of Columbus, Ohio, Monday, February 14; Anna Hyden Rice, 70, of

Nashville, Tennessee, Saturday, February 19; Charles Brent Gibson, 43, of Lexington, formerly of Langley, Sunday, February 20, at the Saint Joseph East Hospital, in Lexington; Elige Combs, 86, of Leburn, Sunday, February 13, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Hattie Ferrell, 89, of Stropover, Sunday, February 20, at her residence; Clarence "Dollar Hide" Hayes, 82, of Langley, Thursday, February 17, at the McDowell ARH; Mellie Moore, 81, of Murray, formerly of Hi Hat, Saturday, February 19, at the Murray Calloway County Hospital; Marcequin "Marcie" Reynolds, 65, of Sassafras, Sunday, February 13, at the Vencor Hospital in Louisville; Sammie Gothard, 80, of Morgantown, North Carolina, Long Term Care, Sunday, February 20, at the nursing home; Eva Handshoe Summa, 90, of Lima, Ohio, formerly of Handshoe, Monday, February 21, at the Bucyrus Adult Care Nursing Home; Shirley Louise Prater, 62, of Marion, Ohio, formerly of Wayland, Tuesday, February 22, at her residence; Charles Mitchell, 44, of Craynor, Wednesday, February 23, at Pikeville Health Care Center; Dennis Lee Pruitt Sr., 54, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, February 23, at the V.A. Regional Hospital, Huntington, W.Va.

Twenty Years Ago

(Feb. 21 and 23, 1990)

Despite a public survey and negative publicity campaign conducted by a local radio station, the Floyd County Fiscal Court went ahead with accepting of bids on four hotly disputed maintenance vehicles during its Feb. 16 meeting. A federal court ruling, last week, may prevent the future operation of a Hueysville coal tipple which plagued nearby residents with dust and noise for many years, and resulted in a 1988 court case brought against the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet by local citizens...A call for help during a domestic dispute, Monday evening, left one Kentucky State Police cruiser turned on its side, a second cruiser stranded on a pile of coal, and an ambulance full of smoke, necessitating the response of the Prestonsburg Fire Department...During a meeting of the Floyd County Housing Authority, Wednesday, a site was selected near Hueysville for the proposed HUD, low-income housing project scheduled for completion no later than March 3, 1993...A group of Floyd County teachers, members of the Floyd County Education Association, voted, last week, to request that the current state supervisor for the Floyd County school system be removed from his position...There died: Seatta Chaffins Foster, 77, Garrett, Feb. 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Clyde Thomas Huchburn, 68, of Prestonsburg, Feb. 14, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center in Paintsville; Arnold R. Cassidy, 93, Prestonsburg, Feb. 17, at HRMC; Hiawaha "Hank" Green, 63, Michigan City, Indiana, formerly of Dema, Feb. 19, at St. Catherine's Hospital in East Chicago, Indiana; Pauline Tackett, 64, Ypsilanti, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, Feb. 17, at Beyer Memorial Hospital; Dorsa Shelton, 67, Drift, Feb. 16, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Charles Thomas Stewart, 71, Tram, Feb. 16, at HRMC; Sara Newsome, 42, Melvin, Feb. 15, at McDowell ARH; Brenda Joyce Davis Centers, 48, Hueysville, Feb. 18, Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Martha L.L. Robinson, 60, Melvin, Feb. 22, at Central Hospital; James M. Hays, 86, of Auxier, Feb. 21, at James Lee Clinic, 43, Adrian, Michigan, formerly of Martin, Feb. 20, at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor; Lillie Mae Case, 69, McDowell, Feb. 20, Whitesburg ARH; Bobby Dewey, 41, of Whitesburg, formerly of Wayland, Feb. 15, at Methodist Hospital.

Thirty Years Ago

(February 20, 1980)

A petition with 2,266 signatures has been presented to the State Department of Transportation, and others, calling for the widening and repair of KY 979, as well as the installation of guard rails, after a school bus with 29 children aboard rolled over the embankment Jan. 2...The 95-year Big Sandy News, the valley's oldest newspaper, was one of three Louisiana businesses which were destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. Two persons have been arrested on arson charges...Stunned by the failure of the city's water commissioners to appear before the council, as directed, Martin City Council voted last Wednesday, to take legal action of "other steps" to force the commission's compliance...Before its adjournment, last Wednesday, the Floyd Circuit Court Grand Jury voted conspiracy to commit murder indictments against four men as a result of trouble between Arkansas Creek neighbors. Named in separate indictments were Buddy Johnson, Darrell Bentley, James Richard Hunt and Ballard Crum, each accused of conspiracy to commit murder by "agreeing with one another that at least one of them would engage in conduct which would constitute the murder of Leonard Hall"...Families welcomed home, members of the Betsy Layne High School band, upon their return Tuesday after participating in this year's Mardi Gras in New Orleans...The band won first place among bands in the Selena parade, Saturday, and was named "outstanding" in the Thoth parade on Sunday...There died: Minnie Marsillett, 77, of

West Prestonsburg, Saturday, Feb. 9, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Raymond Joseph, 55, of Prestonsburg, en route to Highlands Regional Medical Center, Monday; Mary A. Hamilton Howell, 87, of Craynor, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Flara Wilburn, 64, of Harold, Wednesday, Feb. 13, at Good Samaritan Hospital, Lexington; Bess Ratliff, 77, of Langley, Monday, at Riverview Manor; Orville Wells, 38, of Auxier, Monday, Feb. 4, at his home; Henry Rose, 74, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, Feb. 10, at Riverview Manor; Orville Wells, 58, of Auxier, Monday, Feb. 4, at his home; Floyd Blevins, 82, of Tram, Tuesday, Feb. 12; Jim Prince, 69, of Dwalc, Saturday, Feb. 9, at HRMC; Virginia Mills, 86, former Melvin resident, Jan. 5, in Fiddletown Hospital in Ohio; Billy Joe Meade, four-month-old son of Ben and Anna Collins of Meade of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at his home; West Liberty City Councilman Charles E. Campbell, 55, formerly of Floyd County, was found in his truck, at his home, Wednesday morning, of a gunshot wound in his chest; Ada Gearheart, 70, of Hueysville, Monday, at HRMC; Mack Nelson, 53, of Phoenix, Ariz., formerly of Prestonsburg, Friday; Frank Delano Conley, 46, of Lima, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Thursday, Jan. 24, at St. Rita's Medical Center; Elder Mitchell Chaffins, 66, of Minnie, Feb. 2.

Forty Years Ago

(February 26, 1970)

The only educational activity underway in Floyd County this week was that of the Prestonsburg Community College, which was not affected by the teacher strike, which closed all other classrooms in the county...The Kentucky Court of Appeals last Friday affirmed the opinion of Circuit Judge Henry Megis II, of the Franklin Circuit Court upholding the ruling of the Water Pollution Commission to the effect that the proposed high school at Eastern would not pollute Beaver Creek, the water supply source of the town of Martin...Supervisors of the Floyd County Soil Conservation District have filed with the Floyd Fiscal Court a request that the court levy a tax of 2 cents per acre on all lands in the country, except for town lots, to finance soil and water conservation activities...PFC Denny Eugene Blevins, 20, was killed in Vietnam, last Thursday, his family has been notified...There died: James Lee Shaubon, 72, of Drift, Friday, at Pikeville; Lee Hall, 96, of Galveston, last Wednesday, at Pikeville; James Allard Dingus, 65, of Martin, Friday, at Paintsville; John M. Thornberry, 58, of Melvin, Tuesday, at Pikeville; Will Baltimore Jr., 75, of Weeksville, last Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; PFC Denny Eugene Blevins, 20, was killed in Vietnam, last Thursday, his family has been notified...There died: James Lee Shaubon, 72, of Drift, Friday, at Pikeville; Lee Hall, 96, of Galveston, last Wednesday, at Pikeville; James Allard Dingus, 65, of Martin, Friday, at Paintsville; John M. Thornberry, 58, of Melvin, Tuesday, at Pikeville; Will Baltimore Jr., 75, of Weeksville, last Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Webster Bryant Jr., 24, Friday, at home at Teaberry; Mary F. Boyd, 86, of Allen, Sunday, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, here; Alvonda Gay Boyd, 34, Saturday, at home at Estill.

Fifty Years Ago

(February 25, 1960)

Bernard Carter, chief of the Division of Fisheries, Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, said this week, that he will present to the Huntington district office, US Corps of Engineers, a plea that the level of Dewey Lake be held the year round at its previous summertime conservation level...The Prestonsburg High School PTA gave its approval Tuesday evening, to the "Athletic Field Project" for building a football stadium to seat 1970 per-

sons, planned by its Building Improvements Committee...Senators John Sherman Cooper and Thurston Morton announced, this week, that Prestonsburg is one of the 40 communities that will receive federal assistance in their plans for growth and development through a \$75,000 grant...Last Thursday's snow storm, second within a week, blanketed the county with six inches of snow, creating hazardous driving conditions and interrupted schools which had been in session only half a day after a three-day vacation enforced by the previous snowfall...There died: Mary J. Hall, 72, of Teaberry, at home; Moses Bryant, 62, of Ligon, at the home of Lee Caudill; Loretta Tackett, 23, of Ashtabula, Ohio, formerly of Hi Hat, at City Hospital, Cleveland; Walter Crider, 50, of Auxier, at the home of his mother.

Sixty Years Ago

(February 23, 1950)

It was still "no contract, no work," in Floyd County's mines, and in all others, over the soft coal fields this week...Purchase price of the City Board of Education's original individual interest in the high school property here is exactly \$39,921.68, the agreement prepared by C. Kilmer Combs, attorney for the County Board of Education, the purchaser shows...Unless the differential law is effective during the last school year is re-instated, Floyd County schools stand to lose a total of \$81,646 in equalization and transportation aid from the state. Figures released by the Bureau of Finance, State Department of Education, indicate...Plans for another church in Prestonsburg, were being considered, this week, as the purchase by members of the Church of Christ, of the Central Avenue lot of Kelly Wells, was announced...There died: Clayton Stephens, 80, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J.L. Oppenheimer; Oliver Crum, 43, at his home on Arkansas Creek; Jane Hopkins, 77, McDowell, at the home of her daughter.

Seventy Years Ago

(February 22, 1940)

Limited funds restrict nursing services of the Floyd County Health Department to one nurse per 21,000 population, in the face of an apparent need of one nurse to not more than 3,000 population. Dr. Marvin Ransdell, department director states in his report for the year 1939, released last week...Discovery last week of parts of two human skeletons in an abandoned country "coal bank," on the right fork of Middle Creek creates a mystery which may never be solved...The Betsy Prestonsburg's third theatre, opened Monday with the showing of "Clutter McCarty, Detective"...A chew of tobacco, which it is alleged poisoned the chewer, was the subject of a \$40,500 damage suit heard in the Floyd Circuit Court, this week. It ended in a \$250 verdict for the chewer. The plaintiff contends that a 10-cent plug of Day's Wog tobacco, which he purchased in West Prestonsburg, on December 11, 1938, contained some foreign poisons or decay matter, which rendered him "deathly sick" within five minutes. The trial, began Monday, and lasting until Wednesday afternoon, introduced two innovations: the Floyd Circuit Court—a fluoroscope for examination of the tobacco for "foreign" objects; and a cockroach inserted into the tobacco to show that the fluoroscope cannot detect all kinds of objects...There died: Jeff Jarrell, 75; last Thursday, at his home at Justell; Howard Monroe Johnson, 39, of Prestonsburg, last Thursday, at Huntington, W.Va.; William Mallory Roberts, 82, Sunday, at his home; at Dewey.

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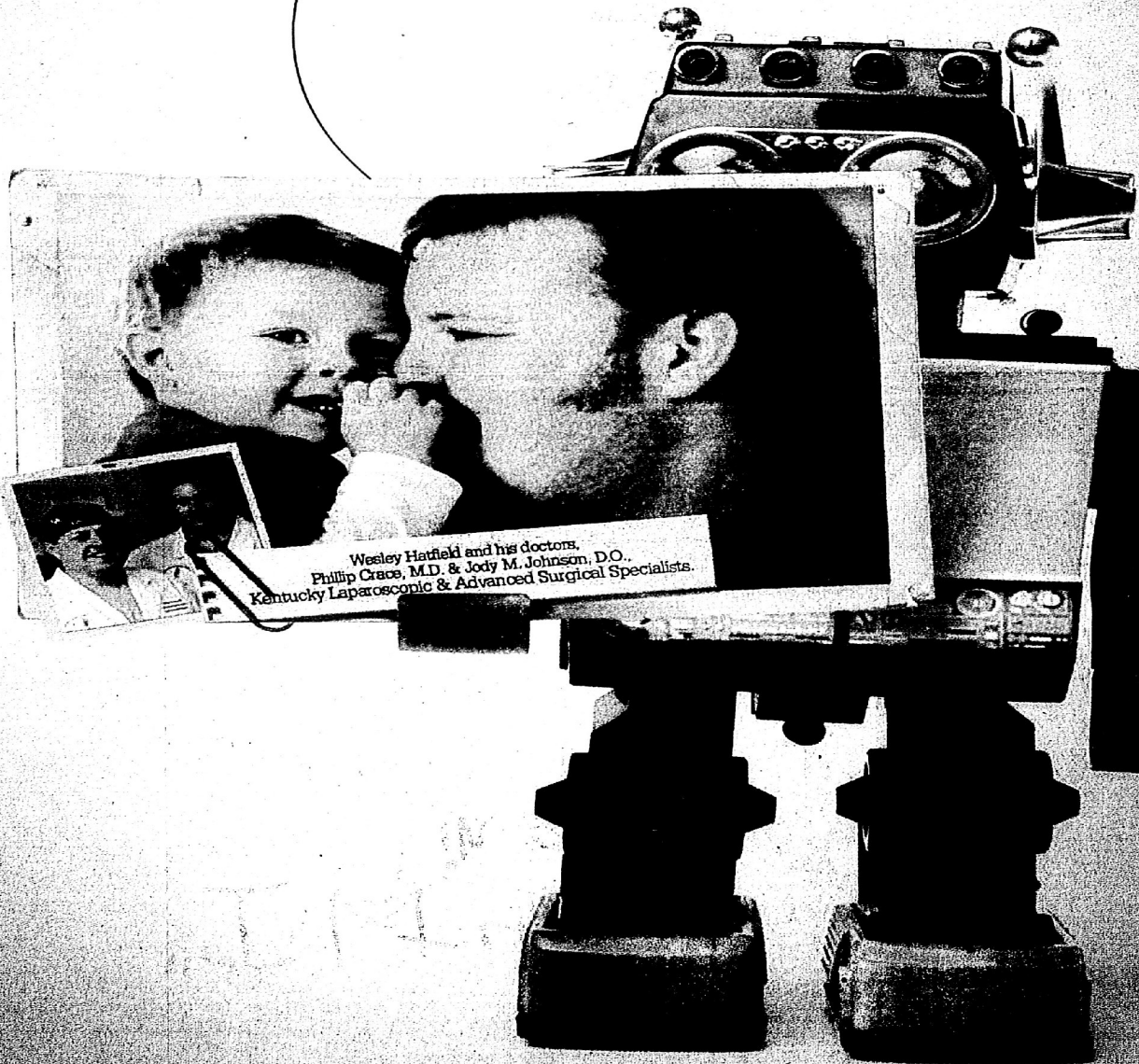
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