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FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Division of Forestry is currently accepting grant applications for the 2010 Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant Program. The objective of the program is to improve the capability of Kentucky's rural volunteer fire departments to protect lives and property through training and by equipping local firefighters in rural areas, including communities with a population of 10,000 persons or fewer.

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Additional details about eligibility and program objectives along with application forms and proposal instructions are available online at www.forestry.ky.gov.

Governor appoints Owens to fill late husband's seat

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Hattie Owens, widow of Jackie Edford Owens, was sworn in as magistrate for District 2 on Thursday to serve the remainder of her late husband's term.

Jackie Edford Owens died on April 1 after suffering a brain aneurysm.

"It is both a sad and joyous occasion," said Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall, who read the order from Gov. Steve Beshear appointing Owens to the position. "It's sad because we lost a comrade that did a great job

for 20 years. We are going to miss him. Now we have his beautiful wife, and that is why we're here today."

Hattie Owens, surrounded by family, was sworn in by Circuit Judge John David Caulhill. After taking the oath of office, Owens addressed the large crowd including Sheriff John K Blackburn, County Clerk Chris Waugh, County Attorney Keith Bartley, and former Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson. Family and friends also filled the seats in the courtroom and congratulated Owens after completion of the ceremony.

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Hattie Owens was sworn in as District 2 magistrate on Thursday. Owens was appointed to the position by Gov. Steve Beshear to complete the term of her late husband, Jackie Edford Owens.

photo by Jamid Deaton

40TH ANNUAL EARTH DAY



Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin joined Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center Director Thomas Rainey and students to celebrate Earth Day by planting a tree on Thursday. Students at the center have been participating in Earth Day events all week.

photo by Jamid Deaton

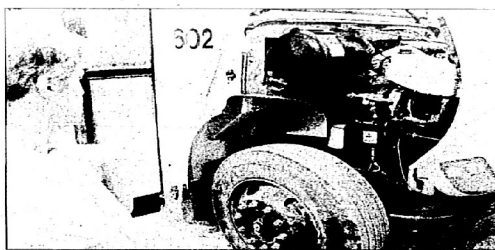
School buses going greener

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

MARTIN — Over 70 school buses in Floyd County will produce less diesel emissions, thanks to a combination of diesel oxidation catalysts, multi-stage filters and crankcase shaft filters made possible by a grant of over \$200,000 from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Karen Johnson, director of transportation for the Floyd County School District, led the effort to apply for the grant funding after it became available last April.

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Director of Transportation Karen Johnson looks over the new parts on a Floyd County school bus that will reduce diesel emissions.

photo by Jamid Deaton

Police work quickly to catch suspects

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — An attempt to rob Earl Castle's Jewelry in Prestonsburg late Tuesday afternoon was thwarted after three people were arrested just before getting away with the merchandise.

Three Johnson County residents, two men and one woman, have been charged with robbing the jewelry store, located along Court Street, and are now being held at the Floyd County Detention Center.

Robbie Dean Ward, 21, of Sitka, Zachary A. Blair, 22, of Paintsville, and Laura Lewis, 19, of Van Lear, have been charged in connection to the robbery.

According to police, the robbery was planned as the trio took a display case from the

(See ROBBERY, page five)

Report notes deficiencies in East Ky. Power

Times Staff Report

FRANKFORT — East Kentucky Power Cooperative should make substantial improvements in its governance and financial condition.

"That was the finding of an independent audit of the utility commissioned by the state Public Service Commission and released yesterday.

"This report raises serious questions which the PSC intends to explore," said David Armstrong, chairman of the regulatory body. "We look forward to working with EKPC and its member cooperatives as they work to address the audit's findings and recommenda-

(See AUDIT, page five)

Hope in the Mountains adds greenhouse

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Hope in the Mountains now has a greenhouse thanks to the students from the human services and carpentry programs at Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

"This is a win-win for everyone involved," said Tammy Compton, human services coordinator at Big Sandy Community and Technical College. "Our college plays an important role in not only molding the minds of tomorrow's leaders, but also allowing students to experience firsthand the rewards of giving back to the com-

munities they call home."

The project was part of the Service Learning Initiative, a program at the college that promotes public service engagement through activities that benefit the community.

"It allows my students to sharpen their skills while giving back to the community," said Mike Froman, a car-

penry instructor on the Mayo Campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

Hope in the Mountains, located in Prestonsburg, opened in 2008. The facility provides a 90-day treatment for women with drug and alcohol

(See GREENHOUSE, page five)

2 DAY FORECAST

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Tomorrow

Chance of storms
High: 76 • Low: 52

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Despite lack of budget, General Assembly still passed a multitude of other bills

FRANKFORT — State lawmakers have adjourned "sine die," bringing the Kentucky General Assembly's 2010 regular session to a close on the 60th and final session day allowed by the state constitution.

The Senate and House — which each had their own preferred budget plans — didn't reach a final compromise on the state's next two-year spending plan by the session's end, creating expectations that Gov. Steve Beshear will call lawmakers back to Frankfort for a special-legislative session before the July 1 start of a new fiscal year.

Lawmakers considered more than 800 bills during this year's session, including measures to improve services to stroke victims, offer new protections to domestic violence victims and require more transparency and openness from taxpayer-funded organizations.

Topics covered by legislation approved this year include the following:

- Accountability. Senate Bill 88 allows greater public scrutiny of the Kentucky League of Cities and the Kentucky Association of Counties by making both groups adhere to the state's open records and open meetings laws. The bill also requires the groups to place spending reports online and develop policies on ethics, procurement, hiring and compensation.
Agriculture. House Bill 398 creates an equine council to advise the state on equine health matters and strive to establish regional care centers for unwanted, neglected and

abused horses. The legislation also establishes a livestock care standards commission and prohibits local governments, with some exceptions, from having on-farm animal care standards that exceed state standards.

Acivism. HB 159 expands health insurance coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders. The bill requires large-group and state employee insurance plans to provide coverage in the annual amount of \$50,000 for children with autism from age 1 to 6 and up to \$12,000 a year for older children with autism.

Bee habitats. Senate Joint Resolution 177 requires the state apiarist to work with the Transportation Cabinet and local beekeeping clubs to identify state-owned rights-of-way that could be made into pollinator habitat sites for bees. Another piece of legislation, HB 175, encourages the development of bee habitats on mine reclamation sites to speed up plant growth and improve soil stability.

- Child abuse. HB 285 boosts training for health care officials, day care workers and others who work with children to improve their abilities to spot signs of child abuse.
Coal. HB 283 reduces delays in issuing coal mine permits. The legislation increases certain coal mining fees and directs money from the increased fees to expedite the mine permitting process.
Corrections. SB 17 makes it a felony for workers at prisons, jails or detention centers to have sex with inmates.
Domestic violence. HB 1

allows judges to order those who violate a domestic violence order (DVO) to wear a global positioning system tracking device to help ensure that abusers remain the required distance from victims. The bill allows felony charges to be pressed against DVO violators who attempt to remove a court-ordered tracking device. The legislation is known as Amanda's Bill in honor of state worker Amanda Ross, who was shot to death outside her Lexington home last fall.

Drugs. HB 265 strengthens the prosecution of drivers found to be under the influence of illegal drugs or certain prescription drugs. The legislation also criminalizes two street drugs: synthetic marijuana and piperazines.

Education. HB 160 makes it easier for community and technical college students to transfer credits to four-year universities.

Historic site. HB 420 designates the Hurricane Creek mine site in Leslie County, at which 38 miners lost their lives in 1970, as a state historic site.

- History. HB 339 creates the Commonwealth of Kentucky War of 1812 Commission to plan activities for the War of 1812 Bicentennial — which is two years away — and commemorate the significant roles Kentuckians played in the war.
Licenses. SB 71 creates a special license plate for recipients of the Silver Star Medal or the Bronze Star Medal awarded for valor. HB 96 permits the surviving spouse of a Purple Heart recipient to keep special license

plate assigned to that recipient. HB 261 creates Gold Star Fathers license plates similar to the Gold Star Mothers plates that are already offered.

Literacy. SB 163 directs the Department of Education to provide assistance in teaching strategies that help teachers improve their students' reading skills. The bill also encourages development of comprehensive middle and high school reading plans.

Mental health. HB 231 creates a new level of specialty treatment centers for children with severe psychiatric disorders who must currently go to other states to receive the level of care they require.

Military family assistance trust fund. SB 30 extends the eligibility of military personnel and their families eligible for military family assistance trust grants from 90 to 180 days after the end of deployment.

Music. House Joint Resolution 154 designates Kentucky's Sam Bush as "The Father of Newgrass Music" and Bowling Green as "The Birthplace of Newgrass Music."

Nurses. SB 127 allows every public university in the state to offer advanced doctoral programs in nursing upon approval of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

Parks. HB 114 offers up to three free overnight stays at state parks lodges to totally disabled military veterans, subject to space availability and other criteria.

Parole. HB 564 increases the amount of good time and education credits available to prisoners. The legislation reduces prison time by up to

90 days — instead of the current 60 — for any prisoner who receives a GED or high school diploma, college degree, or certain other certifications of education achievements while incarcerated. Prisoners who complete drug treatment programs can receive up to 90 days credit.

Road safety. HB 415 prohibits texting while driving. Violators will be given court-ordered warnings until Jan. 1, 2011, after which violators will face fines and court costs. The legislation also prohibits cell phone use by drivers under 18.

Salvia. SB 107 makes it illegal to possess, grow or traffic a form of the salvia plant that some people use as a substitute for marijuana.

Student-athletes. HB 327 encourages high school athletic competitions to be scheduled outside the regularly scheduled school day. The legislation also allows student-athletes to be counted present at school on the dates of athletic competitions on two days each year, provided that the students make up any missed assignments.

Stroke centers. SB 1 is aimed at saving lives and improving health care by attracting stroke patients to the state's best stroke care centers. The legislation allows the state to bestow a special designation on nationally certified primary stroke centers in Kentucky.

Suicide prevention. SB 65 requires annual suicide prevention instruction for school principals, guidance counselors and teachers. HB 51 requires suicide prevention materials to be distributed to middle and high school students and requires the state Cabinet for Health and Family Services to post suicide prevention information on its website.

Teachers' retirement. HB 540 shores up the teachers' retirement fund by increasing payments into the fund by teachers, retired teachers under 65 and school districts. The measure is expected to save the state an estimated \$61 million over two years.
Veterans' services. HB 377 ensures that combat veterans charged with crimes are provided with contact information for services that offer help for post-traumatic stress and other combat-related disorders.

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HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON (PG), Mon-Sun 7:00-9:15, Fri (4:15) 7:00-9:15, Sat-Sun (2:00-4:15) 7:00-9:15
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DEATH AT A FUNERAL (R), Mon-Sun 7:15-9:30, Fri (4:30) 7:15-9:30, Sat-Sun (2:15-4:30) 7:15-9:30

Cinema 7—Starts Friday, April 23
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THE LOSE WINNER (R), Mon-Sun 7:15-9:29, Fri (4:20) 7:10-9:20, Sat-Sun (2:10-4:20) 7:10-9:20
Cinema 9—Hold Over
KICK ASS (R), Mon-Sun 7:00-9:25, Fri (4:25) 7:00-9:25, Sat-Sun (2:00-4:25) 7:00-9:25

Cinema 10—Hold Over
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Jessie Clay Daniels, 24, of Prestonsburg, to Matthew Douglas Hackworth, 22, of Prestonsburg.
Marhonda Gaye Hamilton, 35, of West Liberty, to Delmer Kendrick, 57, of West Liberty.
Alexandra Monte Johnson, 37, of Blue River, to Phillip Michael Sparks, 28, of Blue River.

Civil Suits Filed
Volney Brent Allen vs. Grange Mutual Casualty Company; complaint.
J.G. Wentworth LLC vs. Robert L. Keathley; debt collection.
Asset Acceptance vs. Cindy Paek; debt collection.
Garrison Law Firm vs. Edred Walters; debt collection.
Wheelwright Utilities Commission vs. Walter Owens; complaint.

Charges Filed
James Greer, 19, of Prestonsburg, second-degree assault, alcohol intoxication in public.
Elaine R. Biehl, 40, of River, possession of marijuana, tampering with physical evidence.
Delbert Prater, 49, of Lancaster, first-degree assault.
John Alan Barker, 32, of Martin, first-degree possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in proper container, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, public intoxication.

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Nathaniel James Dingus to Lesia Dingus, property not listed.
Seth Christian Dingus to Lesia Dingus, property not listed.
John Donaldson to Eddie Paige and Jackie Paige, property not listed.
Rita Roberts Donaldson to Eddie Paige and Jackie Paige, property not listed.
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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

Of all forms of caution, caution in love is perhaps the most fatal to true happiness.

— Bertrand Russell

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Guest View Lack of budget alarming

incompetent, adj. not competent; lacking qualification or ability; incapable

The above definition could surely and adequately describe Kentucky's legislative leadership and how they have behaved in regard to the recent breakdown of state budget negotiations, for certainly they are not capable of working together, and therefore incompetent at their jobs.

Gov. Steve Beshear told reporters last week that he and 10 people off the street could have resolved these budget issues in mere minutes, where the Commonwealth's legislative leaders have failed to do so in a matter of three months. And the governor is probably correct.

The level of our disappointment that a new two-year state budget was not sent to the governor's desk before the General Assembly adjourned last week can not be adequately put into words. Suffice it is to say that Rep. Greg Stumbo and Sen. David Williams have let Kentucky down, and now the taxpayers will be forced to pick up the tab on a special session as a result — to the tune of about \$60,000 per day. Inexcusable.

Speaker Stumbo quickly sent a statement to media outlets following Thursday's breakdown, saying he thought the legislature would move ahead with a one year continuation budget.

"This is a stunning development that flies in the face of all that I thought we had agreed upon," Stumbo said last Thursday. "House and Senate leaders and our staffs were working late last night on getting the final agreements, giving me every indication they were acting in good faith."

Not good enough. We realize these are trying times, but to fail to come to a compromise, and then blame it all on the other guy just doesn't cut it. Compromise should work both ways.

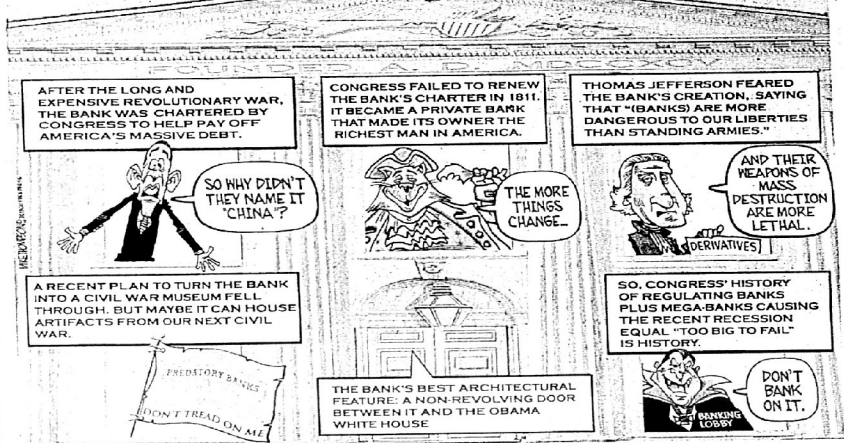
And that goes for Senate President David Williams as well. You can't compromise by allowing the other person to submit all of the concessions. It should be give and take, not take and take.

But now that we've cried over the spilled milk, there is still a job to be done before July 1. Gov. Beshear will most likely call the special session in May. What say you do your job this time around? You don't have to agree on everything all the time, but you can at least do your job from time to time.

— The Hazard Herald

"NEVER AGAIN SHOULD AMERICANS HEAR THE WORDS, 'TOO BIG TO FAIL.'" SEN. MARK WARNER, D-VA., SAID LAST NOVEMBER. FINANCIAL REGULATION CURRENTLY BEING CONSIDERED IN CONGRESS WOULD BREAK UP THE GIANT BANKS THAT CAUSED THE ECONOMIC MELTDOWN. IN THEIR BOOK, "13 BANKERS," SIMON JOHNSON AND JAMES KWAK WARN THAT

A FAILURE TO BUST UP MASSIVE BANKS THAT ARE "TOO BIG TO FAIL AND POWERFUL ENOUGH TO TILT THE POLITICAL LANDSCAPE IN THEIR FAVOR" WILL SPELL DISASTER. OUR FOUNDING FATHERS SHARED THESE CONCERNS ABOUT THE DANGERS POSED BY BANKS AS THEY FOUNDED OUR FIRST BANK IN PHILADELPHIA IN THE LATE 1700'S.



Letters

Shocked by letter

Wow! It is difficult to believe a practicing attorney issued the correspondence of "Sometimes a warning words" [Letters to the Editor, Floyd County Times, April 14]. I hope and pray I never have to obtain your services to navigate the murky waters of Family Court.

However, I have a much better alternative answer — why not have the abuser in put "time out," or better yet, say "naughty, naughty."

Of course, it is always the victim's fault. The victim was too weak, too nice and too needy, or just plain deserved and/or liked the beating he/she received.

I am shocked by your cavalier attitude. Are you serious? Talk to the abuser? Do you not think this has been tried?

Remember, Steve Nunn was the one that violated a protective order. This is the same protective order that prohibited Nunn from purchasing, carrying or otherwise being in possession of a firearm. I can guarantee one thing: Had he not purchased the handgun, Ms. Ross would surely still be alive.

Do you not think that Nunn knew what he was doing was incorrect, as well as illegal? He was a former GOP lawmaker and should be held to a higher standard than the typical citizen.

Have you ever been stalked or followed, or felt scared that someone twice your size was after you? It is unbelievable you are desirous to have or wish to issue the privilege of a hunting license complete with firearms to an abuser, stalker or someone of that magnitude.

You are the one who needs to hear "calm down" or be told to "get a clue." In case you are unaware, Steve Nunn had a history of domestic abuse and this was not his first time abusing a significant other.

Would an ankle bracelet have helped? Who knows, but he should not be considered above wearing one because of his political ties. He should be held accountable the same as anyone else and not be considered exempt because of his father.

May I close with, "Wow! I still cannot believe your letter." Thankfully, all Floyd County attorneys and judges do not think the way you do.

Pauline S. Baldrige
Prestonsburg

Bullying needs to be taken seriously

My name is Johna Lawson, and I live in Prestonsburg. I have a 16-year-old son who attends the local high school here. On Monday, another child who attends an alternative school in the county, got off the bus at the high school where my child attends and sucker-punched my son. He then hopped back on another bus and headed home.

As the bus drove off, this kid yelled out the window that he would be back the next day to kill him. The sucker-punch sent us to the emergency room where we spent the whole evening. I was sure my son's nose was broken.

He bled for four hours, which covered not only the sidewalk, but my son's tennis shoes, jeans and shirt. On top of all the drama, in its seriousness, no one seems to want to be responsible for the medical bills. The lady at the courthouse where charges were filed told me not to count on any reimbursements for out of pocket monies.

I think the parents or the school should be forced to be responsible for those bills — especially since it happened on school property. I just want my child to be able to go to school in a safe environment where he can learn and not feel like he has to constantly be looking over his shoulder.

My concern is, these children who are thrown out of public schools are still allowed by law to be dropped off at our mainstream schools, where they are not allowed to attend, to have breakfast and wait for a bus exchange to get to the alternative school. If these children are not allowed to attend mainstream schools because of the trouble and problems they have imposed, then why are they allowed to come there at all?

This child did, in fact, come back the next day with two other children who also do not attend the school, looking for my child. My son had to dodge these kids all morning in fear of what they might do to him.

It is already a struggle for our children, mentally and emotionally, to maintain their reputation and "cool" status under normal circumstances. These three kids rode the bus to the high school and instead of getting on the bus to go to the alternative school, they stayed there (skipping school) and lurked around the halls and bathroom waiting to find my son. Were they, in fact, planning on killing him?

This child was supposed to be suspended from school on Tuesday — the very next day — but since he did not get on the bus and go there, nothing has been done.

I was advised to go to the courthouse and file charges, which I did do — fourth-degree assault and terroristic threatening. The process of the petition to this child and his family is via mail. A summons of the charges with a court date is mailed to them to appear. What happens in the meantime?

There is so much media going around right now about children who are bullied in our school systems and on the street. No one seems to think it is a big deal around here: "Not in our town" seems to be the attitude!

Why can't the security at the school be better? When I talked to the principal, he told me that the superintendent was aware of the problem, but nothing would probably be done until next year maybe. How does that help my current situation? Is it necessary to wait for my child to be injured severely, maybe even killed, before anything is taken seriously in our small town?

What about the 15-year-old boy in Florida who was set on fire? Or the teenager who was beaten into a coma over a text message?

The child who attacked my son has been in trouble numerous times before, even busting out all of another child's front teeth! Please help me convince my community, school and law enforcement officials and agencies that this is a serious dilemma that our children are facing.

Johna Lawson
Prestonsburg

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Members of the Friends of Middle Creek came by the Floyd County Times last week in full Civil War regalia to support the extension of the Civil War Highway.

Civil War Highway celebrated

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — In light of the recent legislation that extended the Civil War Highway in Floyd County, members of the Friends of Middle Creek donned period costumes in celebration.

Members of the group recently walked the highway to show their support for the project. The extension includes Route 850, Route 550 through

Garrett, and ends with Route 7 to the Knox County line. "This marks the route by which Confederate forces withdrew back to Virginia following the Battle of Middle Creek in 1862 and provided access to Confederate forces into eastern Kentucky for several incursions later in the war," said Floyd Davis, with Friends of Middle Creek. "The walk went very well. It gave everyone a very different perspective. By walking, you can

see and feel the topography of the land and understand just how hard the walk was for the soldiers. They had to travel in and out of the creeks. It was a journey of great hardship."

The group is also working to have bridges in the area named after Floyd County residents involved in the Civil War, and Davis said he also hopes to install kiosks at various locations along the Civil War Highway to provide information to visitors.

Pony with prosthetic leg visits patients and families at Cardinal Hill Hospital

LEXINGTON — Molly the Pony, a Katrina survivor with a prosthetic leg, visited the patients of Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital April 19.

After surviving Hurricane Katrina, Molly was attacked by a pit bull, sustaining severe, life-threatening wounds. Molly's caretakers sensed her determination and agreed to remove her leg and replace it with a prosthetic limb.

Today, Molly travels across the country inspiring others with her story of hope. She proves that people, as well as ponies, face obstacles every day but can overcome adversity.

Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital serves patients of all ages recovering from a variety of illnesses and disabling conditions, including amputations. Molly and Kaye Harris, her caretaker, will share this message with the patients at Cardinal Hill.



Students from Big Sandy Community and Technical College recently constructed a greenhouse for Hope in the Mountains, a drug treatment facility for women in Floyd County. Shown are from front: Whitney Lopez, Chana Allen, Jessica McCarty and Keisha Little; middle: Roger Bowling, Tammy Compton, Jessica Wireman, Kim Evans and Katie Cook; and back: Adam McGinnis, Will Steele and Mike Franon.

Greenhouse

addition. The facility was founded by Jimmy and Renee McCoy.

"We are very thankful for the greenhouse and the students — from Big Sandy Community and Technical who volunteered their time to construct it," said Renee McCoy. "This greenhouse will provide a great source of con-

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fort and peace for our clients, and it will also symbolize the continued support we have from the college and many other business, church and civic leaders who continue to support us."

For more information on Hope in the Mountains, visit the organization's website at www.hopemountain.org.

Buses

"We were very excited about being able to get the grant," Johnson said. "We should have 73 buses fitted by the end of May."

Thirty-two districts across the state received funding from the grant, with \$2 million in total awarded. Floyd County received one of the largest sums in the amount of \$203,000. The funds will be used throughout the district to raise educational awareness among

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students, staff and the community regarding particulate matter emissions and fine particle emissions through the Floyd County Air Reduction Policy.

According to Johnson, the new policy also includes not leaving the buses running while waiting on the students to exit the school, which will not only reduce emissions, but will also end up saving the school district money by using less fuel.

Robbery

business and tried to flee from the scene in their vehicle and then later on foot.

Police said the store owner, Earl Castle, first tried to catch Ward and Blair, but was unable. The two were later captured by Prestonsburg Police Officers about a block from the store after they had abandoned the vehicle and started to run on foot.

"The three of them, the two guys and the girl, came in and I guess they were casing the place," said Mike Castile, who said this hadn't happened

before at the location. "They came back an hour or so later, just the two boys; grabbed the case and ran."

Castle said what he did next was just instinct. "I just ran after them," he said. "I got in front of the car and the passenger window rolled down and I was going to try to pull the young man out, but they took off and I couldn't hold on to the car."

Castle then called police, who he said were on scene within seconds. "Everything worked out

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just right," said Castle. "They were just nearby when I called and they came by here within 10 seconds."

Lewis was found a short time later, two blocks from the scene, while using a cell phone to get a ride, officers said.

Prestonsburg Police officers Assistant Chief Bryan Hall, Det. Steve Little, Lt. Ralph Frasure and Officer Adam Dixon later searched the vehicle and found the display case of items taken from the store and returned them to Castle.

Audit

The PSC ordered the audit after EKPC's financial condition had declined over several years, as demonstrated by deteriorating financial ratios and a prior default on credit agreements. In ordering the audit, the PSC noted that EKPC was "perilously close" to a second credit default.

EKPC's 16-member distribution cooperative, including Big Sandy Rural Electric, have over 500,000 customers in 87 counties in eastern and central Kentucky. The utility generates electricity at four plants and operates 2,755 miles of high-voltage transmission lines.

According to the report, those cooperatives "should take the initiative now to change direction" because the EKPC board seems unwilling to do so on its own.

The report notes that the cooperative is threatened by a "real, continuing and hazardous conflict" created by an overriding priority on keeping

rates low at the expense of the utility's financial condition, and that responses to financial difficulties have been "ineffective."

Those problems have been caused, the report says, by a reliance on building, owning and operating electric generating facilities, rather than purchasing power from neighboring utilities.

To address the problems, the report recommends:

■ The EKPC board "immediately reconcile the conflict of interest" created by the emphasis on low rates by adopting plans and policies that favor the financial health of strategic plans and rate strategies that favor the financial health of the utility.

■ EKPC develop and implement strategic plans to address issues including power supply, financial strength, rates and competitiveness. Attaining strategic goals should be the top priority for the EKPC board and management.

Financial management be improved in areas including capital and operating expenditures, financing and the impact of financial decisions on rates.

■ EKPC evaluate its generation and transmission assets to determine the most economically effective ways of meeting future needs.

■ The EKPC board adopt modern governance standards, along with a mechanism for compliance with those standards.

■ The board emphasize strategic planning and the financial health of EKPC and move away from its focus on low rates "at the expense of all

Owens

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"You always stood behind Jackie, and I have big shoes to fill," Owens said. "I believe I can do it. If you need anything, just call me."

Hattie Owens will be a write-in candidate on the November ballot. Those running for District 2 magistrate in May are William Salisbury, Marie Martin Holbrook and Kenneth Prater.

"I want to thank everyone for giving me this opportunity," Owens said. "I hope the people of District 2 will continue their support in November."

To All Voters In District 4:

My son, Dean M. (Deano) Hall is running for magistrate. I feel that he is well qualified and would make a good magistrate for all the people. We need someone who will look out for our needs and help provide those needs all four years. If elected, I know Dean will be there for everyone. He will also respect everyone equally. Your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.



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FLOYD COUNTY Sports

Barnhart speaks to Floyd Chamber of Commerce

by JOSHUA BYERS PUBLISHER

PRESTONSBURG — Mitch Barnhart, athletic director at the University of Kentucky, said he was glad to speak at the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce's membership meeting Thursday afternoon, especially after the men's basketball team posted a successful season with 35 wins.

"I'm sure you wouldn't have wanted me here the year before," he said in reference to the team's tumultuous season under Coach

Billy Gillespie. Barnhart immediately made it clear he couldn't answer any questions about recruiting, but did say he hoped there would be some news on that front in the very near future.

He spent a majority of time talking about leadership — something he said is often made too complicated.

Barnhart said there are five keys to what he wants from the student-athletes at UK:

- Be people of character
- Have integrity

- Get a degree
- Be good stewards and good givers
- Learn how to compete with maximum effort.

Barnhart said two of the team's freshman point guards already had number number four down pat.

"John Wall and Eric Blodsoe spent two hours yesterday teaching elementary kids how to play basketball," he said. "They've learned to be good givers."

(See BARNHART, page seven)



University of Kentucky AD Mitch Barnhart spoke to Floyd County Chamber of Commerce members and others on Thursday during a visit at the Heritage House in Prestonsburg.

R.I.P. Charlie Adkins: There will never be another quite like him

by RICK BENTLEY TIMES COLUMNIST

All due respect to the rest, there was nobody like him.

There have been hundreds of baseball coaches in the 15th Region. Some good. Some not so good. Some were great.

There was only one Charlie Adkins.

The venerable old coach finally succumbed to the cancer that had plagued him for years on Wednesday. Charlie forced it into the bottom of the seventh before it finally won. Cancer may have won the battle, but it never got the best of one of the state's most legendary characters.

Ask someone who played for him. They'll tell you a story. Often they were the butt of his force, but they'll tell you, and they'll laugh.

Ask someone who played against him. It'll be the same. They'll tell you their story — often second- or third-hand — and they'll laugh.

I will miss Charlie Adkins. He of the 785 wins and the 1990 state championship. I can tell you I loved the guy, loved being around him, loved the stories.

I can also tell you this, something that made Charlie give that

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Hamilton claims another hoops honor

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

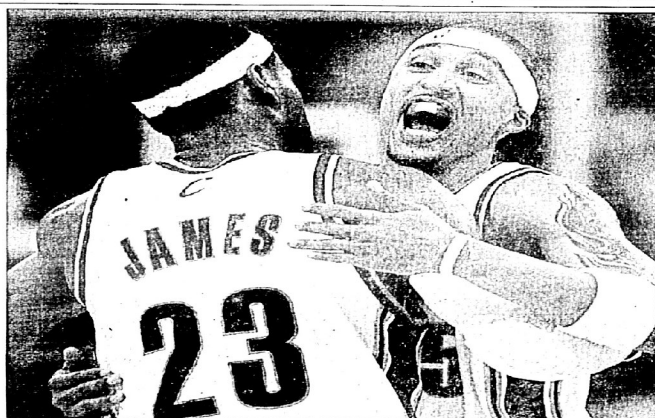
BETSY LAYNE — Betsy Layne senior guard Megan Hamilton has earned another honor for her play during the 2009-10 Kentucky high school basketball season. The Lexington Herald-Leader has touted Hamilton as an Honorable Mention All-State selection. This year's 15th Region Player of the Year, Hamilton was invited to attend tryouts for the Kentucky All-Stars. Hamilton — one of the top players in the Betsy Layne High School girls' basketball program's history — claimed the Floyd County Conference Player of the Year award. The Louisville Courier-Journal also named the Betsy Layne senior guard Honorable Mention All-State along with teammate Taylor Holt.

Area players-joining Hamilton as Honorable Mention All-State selections were Pike County Central's Holly Harris and June Buchanan's Marie Hovey.

Sheldon Clark junior guard Carla Booth was the lone 15th Region player to make either the Herald-Leader's First- or Second-Teams. Booth, who averaged 19.9 points and 5.7 rebounds per game for the Lady Cardinals, earned a spot on the Second Team.



MEGAN HAMILTON



Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James, left, congratulated teammate Jamario Moon after Moon hit a three-point shot against the Chicago Bulls in Game 2 of an NBA Eastern Conference playoff game at Quicken Loans Arena on Monday in Cleveland, Ohio. The Cavaliers defeated the Bulls, 112-102. Moon and former East Kentucky Miners head coach Kevin Keathley worked together in a player-coach capacity as part of the ABA's Kentucky Colonels organization. The athletic Moon is in his first season with the Cavaliers. Cleveland is contending for an NBA title.

Coming Friday, April 30: East Kentucky Miners: Where Are They Now?

Keathley-coached player Jamario Moon in the hunt for NBA championship

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LeBron Shaq Jamario First-year Cleveland Cavalier Jamario Moon is playing on the same team as two defining future NBA Hall of Famers, Moon, who now hauls in \$2.75 million per season thanks to his current one-year salary with the Cavaliers, essentially got a professional basketball head white playing under a coach whose roots stem back to Eastern Kentucky. In 2004, following a stint with the storied Harlem Globetrotters organization, Moon signed on to play for the ABA's Kentucky Colonels. Moon inked to play for the Colonels for \$500 per week in the historic Louisville Gardens. The future NBA player's coach during his stint with the Louisville-based franchise was Floyd County native and future East Kentucky Miners head coach Kevin Keathley.

Keathley has become known for his uptempo fast-paced style of play as a coach. That style was evident during his two seasons at the helm of the East Kentucky Miners franchise as his squads led pro basketball in team scoring. However, he's

also earned the reputation of finding little known or undiscovered talent over the years.

During a 16-game stint with the Colonels, Moon averaged 15 points and nine rebounds per game. The emerging professional basketball star suited up for Keathley's team for a part of the 2004-2005 season, playing alongside former Kentucky Wildcats Anthony Epps and Antwan Barbour along with Luke Whitehead and Jeremy McNeil, among others.

Now, six years, one dozen minor league teams, four NBA Summer League squads and one season in Mexico later, Moon is a solid member of the NBA championship-contending Cleveland Cavaliers.

"Jamario (Moon) is playing really well as of late, he's averaging about six points and five rebounds per game with Cleveland," Keathley said. "However, he started three games at the end of the regular-season and had 15, 14 and 15 points in his starting role. He also came up here in Cleveland's opening round win, scoring 12 points and blocking two shots. He's a

(See NBA, page seven)



Floyd County native Kevin Keathley (pictured above) coached current Cleveland Cavaliers forward Jamario Moon during a minor league stint early in his career.



Blackcats fend off Magoffin County

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Host Prestonsburg pushed its way out in front in the opening inning and never trailed Wednesday evening against 15th Region foe Magoffin County. The Blackcats used a five-run scoring flurry in the sixth inning to beat Magoffin County 11-2.

Seih Carter started on the mound and for the Blackcats and limited Magoffin County batters en route to the win. Carter was strong from start to finish, recording 12 strikeouts.

Austin Whitaker worked from the hill out of a starting role and suffered the loss for the Hornets.

Tyler Hall went three-for-three from his number three slot in the Prestonsburg order. Hall reached base on an error in the opening inning before

connecting for a hit in three straight plate appearances. The Prestonsburg senior second baseman scored a game-high four runs.

Prestonsburg, which led 1-0 after Hall crossed home plate in the first inning, added two more runs in the third stanza. Corey Carter singled to get Prestonsburg started offensively in the third inning. With two outs, Hall doubled and drove in Carter. Hall later scored in the same inning to put the Blackcats ahead 3-0.

Magoffin County generated both of its runs in the fourth inning. Taylor Howard and John D. Kuzee, hitters number three and four, respectively in the Hornet batting order, scored after reaching base via singles.

Prestonsburg (7-9) answered with three runs of its own in the fourth inning, pushing its advantage out to a 6-4 lead.

Alex Griffith doubled as part of Prestonsburg's five-run sixth inning. Hall and Kyle Chaffin each had a single for the Blackcats in the productive at-bat.

SOFTBALL: The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats claimed their third straight victory (second in the 58th District) on Wednesday, edging visiting Allen Central 2-1 in eight innings. Prestonsburg defeated Betsy Layne 12-2 in five innings on Tuesday in another district softball matchup. The Lady Blackcats started their winning streak on Saturday, April 17 with a 16-1 win over Cordia in the Lady Cardinal Softball Bash at Sheldon Clark. Prestonsburg is slated to compete in the Wayne County Round Robin on Saturday with games against the host team and Southwestern.

Bobcats pull away from Jackson City

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — One day after edging Allen Central 14-13 in a Floyd County Conference/58th District matchup, Betsy Layne dismantled visiting Jackson City last Friday. The Bobcats pulled away and defeated Jackson City 16-6 in six innings via the KHSAA Mercy Rule.

Betsy Layne, which won its second straight game, improved to 5-3 after posting the win.

Jackson City dropped its fifth straight game as Tigers flipped to 1-6 after absorbing the loss.

Sophomore Corey Jarrell and freshman Michael Henson split time on the mound for the Bobcats, pitching three innings apiece. The two Betsy Layne pitchers combined for eight strikeouts opposed to two walks.

Betsy Layne enjoyed multiple multi-run innings, thriving at the plate during the home game.

Six different Betsy Layne batters delivered two or more hits. Senior Brandon Mulkey and freshman Kannon Newsome led Betsy Layne at the plate with 3-for-4 performances. Jarrell, Andrew Roberts, Dylan Watson and Brandon Jarrell each had two hits for the Bobcats. Henson, Nathan Hall and Tyler Lewis aided the Betsy Layne offensive effort with one hit apiece.

The Bobcats were productive on the basepaths, recording 11 stolen bases in the home game.

Allen Central 9, Betsy Layne 6

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — Allen Central halted a five-game losing streak on Tuesday, defeating Floyd County Conference/58th District foe Betsy Layne 9-6 at Stumbo Park.

Senior pitcher Logan Crowder earned the win for the Rebels, registering seven strikeouts. Offensively, senior Hunter Crowder went 3-for-4 and collected three RBIs for the Rebels.

The Rebels avenged a loss they had suffered to Betsy Layne less than one week earlier. The Bobcats edged Allen Central 14-13 in nine innings on Thursday.

Senior pitcher Brandon Mulkey absorbed the loss for the Bobcats after pitching six innings and allowing nine runs (four earned) on 11 hits.

Brandon Jarvis, Nathan Hall and Kannon Newsome each had two hits for the Bobcats. Mulkey and Michael Henson notched one hit apiece for Betsy Layne in the loss.

Allen Central improved to 5-6 after posting the win. Betsy Layne dropped to 6-5 following the loss.

Allen Central (5-6) was hosting Perry County Central on Thursday evening. In another game that also ended too late to make this edition, Betsy Layne was facing Phelps.

SOFTBALL: The Allen Central Lady Rebels had won two of their last three games prior to facing Magoffin County in a home game Thursday evening. Allen Central edged South Floyd 2-1 last Friday and prevailed 5-1 over Sheldon Clark Monday, prevailing in a pair of home games. Prestonsburg edged the Lady Rebels 2-1 in eight innings Wednesday.

Kentucky All-Stars rosters released; Valley duo included

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The Kentucky rosters for the Kentucky/Indiana All-Star basketball series have been finalized and released. The boys' roster includes a pair of players from state champion Shelby Valley. Knott County Central senior guard Tate Cox was among the invitees who did not attend the tryouts.

Rosters for both teams follow. Kentucky boys' roster: Colt Barnhill, East Carter, Taylor

Epley, Trinity; Will Evans, Lexington Christian Vance Hall, Franklin County; Ashley Hatfield, Shelby Valley; Thomas Jackson, Jefferson County; Ricardo Johnson, Holmes; Keisten Jones, Ballard; Elisha Justice, Shelby Valley; Tanner Peurach, Lexington Catholic; Elijah Pittman, Holmes; Josh Sewell, Trinity; Aaron Watts, McCreary Central.

Kentucky girls' roster: Samh Beth Barnette, Lexington Christian; Jackie Alexander, Rockcastle County; Katie Allen, Highlands; Samantha Drake,

Nelson County; Portia Durrett, Seneca; Mary Jehlik, Montgomery County; Therese Montana, Mercer; Ebony Rowe, Paul Dunbar; Heather Sandlin, Boone County; Andrea Shaw, Moore; Antonia Slaughter, Christian Academy; Kayla Thacker, Bullitt East.

The games between the Kentucky All-Stars and Indiana All-Stars will be held on June 11 at Belmont University in Louisville and on June 12 at the Conoco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

Hatfield signs with Transylvania

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ROBINSON CREEK — Shelby Valley standout Ashley Hatfield has chosen to play basketball while continuing his education at Transylvania University in Lexington. Hatfield played for 2010 KHSAA State Champion Shelby Valley throughout his prep career. He was the leading scorer in the state championship game with 21 points to go along with eight rebounds, five assists, three blocks and three steals.

"We are excited Ashley has chosen Transylvania," said Transylvania University Coach Brian Lane. "He certainly is a very nice player but his leadership and willingness to do whatever it takes to win is what

really appealed to me and my staff. He performed masterfully on the biggest stage in Kentucky high school basketball and I thought he was a major reason his team was able to take home a state title. He joins a long list of Transylvania players to have been selected to the Kentucky All-Star Team. We have several long conversations about his college choice and in the end I think it came down to attending a nationally ranked university with a Top 20 basketball program in a city that was going to allow him to get ready for a successful career after graduation."

Shelby Valley head coach Jason Booher talked about Hatfield's basketball skillset.

"He's going to be a good player for them," Booher said.

"He's a versatile small forward that can take a big outside. He can shoot the three really well and he can take little guards inside and post them up. He can also take people off the dribble and handle the ball really well."

Booher also commented on Hatfield's exceptional efforts in the classroom.

"He's really smart, made a 28 on the ACT, 4.0 student," said Booher. "He's going to be our Salutatorian of the Senior class when we have graduation in June. I'm the huddle leader for Fellowship of Christian Athletes at school and he's on the leadership team, which means he conducts a lot of the Bible studies and stuff. Transy will be a real good fit for him and I'd say they're excited to get him."

Barnhart

Barnhart was asked if it was difficult to run an athletic department with so many of today's athletes leaving early for the professional ranks.

He responded by telling the story of Oklahoma University Quarterback Sam Bradford who could have gone pro after his junior year and been a first round pick but returned for his senior season only to face injuries that could have been career-ending.

"Knowing John Wall and the difficulties he came from I could not look him in the eye and tell him to stay in school," he said. "He's prepared himself to go to work."

Barnhart said too much is made of the university's athletes leaving for the professional ranks. He talked of a violinist at the school who is super talented and will be leaving school early to join one of the world's best

orchestras.

"I do hope the NBA will change the one and done rule," he said.

He said you've got to give forward Patrick Patterson a lot of credit because he got his degree in three years.

"We've also got a kid who signed with us. I can't mention his name, but he's got a 4.4 grade point average," Barnhart said.

Kinzer finishes 15th in VRS feature

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

RINGGOLD, Ga. — Brandon Kinzer and the Kinzer Motorsports team competed in one Dirt Late Model event last week, competing in the E.A. Boyd Anniversary Classic 'Spring Fling' on Friday night

at Boyd's Speedway.

The Volunteer Racing Series (VRS) sanctioned its first-ever event with a \$3,000 top prize. Kinzer finished a strong second-place in his heat race. The second-place finish earned him the fifth starting spot in the 40-lap main event. Kinzer, however,

was caught up in a couple of early race incidents, none of which were his fault. Following the mishaps, Kinzer finished 15th in the final, rundown Ronnie Johnson led flag-to-flag in the 40-lap feature race for the win. Hazard-based driver Eric Wells finished fourth.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Hunter Crowder, Allen Central Baseball
Branda Hamby, South Floyd Softball

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Adkins

nervous chuckle every time I said it in his presence. I am one of thousands of young men whose high school baseball career ended at the hands of the legend from Paintsville. And while I never watched him play and never enjoyed it — my dad told me many times as a child, "I don't care if you shoot marbles, shoot to win," something that sounds very much like Charlie Adkins on this day — it is an honor to be among those who have fallen to a legend.

My personal favorite Charlie story involves, as so many did, my friend Jason Blanton. Jason played at the archival. He was a Central guy. And while Charlie began his career across town at Johnson Central, he was a Paintsville guy, through and through.

As this story goes, Charlie arrived at the 57th District finals — against Central, of course — and when the final came down to Paintsville and Central — again — the coaches agreed to move the Saturday afternoon game to 11 that morning. That way, regardless of the outcome, they could play 18, maybe 36 holes of golf that day.

One year at Paintsville his team was involved in a fight in a regional tournament game with Phelps. A couple of players were kicked out, meaning they'd miss the next round. I was in the press box doing radio with Jason, but through my headset I heard him hearling from the third-base coaches' box. "I hope you boys are proud of yourselves," he screamed. "Just coast yourself a regional championship!"

After that game, by the way, I went down to interview

for yet another district title with only one umpire.

What sealed the deal? This line from Charlie. "I swear, Jason, I won't say a word." And he didn't. Until the first pitch. It came out lower than Charlie liked. It was called a strike. He could be heard all over Paintsville. "Well, you don't need two umpires to get it in the strike zone!" Charlie Adkins.

Speaking of Collins, many felt they hated each other. They ran the top two programs in the region for decades and shared a town, doing it from the same pool of players. But there was no hatred, none whatsoever. In fact, they were teammates at Morehead State — batterymates, to be exact. Collins was an all-league catcher, and Charlie spent a few years in the Reds organization as a pitcher.

There are other stories. One year he hosted the regional tournament and when the finals came down to Paintsville and Central — again — the coaches agreed to move the Saturday afternoon game to 11 that morning. That way, regardless of the outcome, they could play 18, maybe 36 holes of golf that day.

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NBA

big-time player who excels at both ends of the court."

Moon began his NBA career with the Toronto Raptors during the 2007-08 season. During his rookie season, Moon averaged 8.5 points and 6.2 rebounds per game. Moon played one season and 54 games of another for Toronto before being traded to the Miami Heat. After finishing out the 2007-08 season with Miami, Moon signed with the Cavaliers.

Keathley developed an eye for talent early on in his coaching career. After the last few seasons, Keathley has had an opportunity to coach NBA-caliber players. Jermaine Blackburn and Josh Pace in both Kentucky and Texas. Blackburn and Pace continue to draw interest from multiple NBA franchises.

"I think one of the most exciting parts of coaching on the college or pro levels is going out and finding kids covered or little known talent," Keathley confided. "Probably our biggest find as a staff was back in 2004 when I was the head coach of the Kentucky Colonels. My player personnel adviser Brandon Paquin and I were looking for a swing man to replace David Scott, a player of ours who was leaving for overseas. We really try to have a backup plan in case of injuries or players signing contracts elsewhere which is a regular occurrence on this level. We had a young guy who was playing for the Harlem Globetrotters at the time that we were really high on and that was Jamario Moon. He didn't have any pro experience with the exception of a couple of brief stints, one-to-three games, with a couple of other teams. He really fit the type of mold I looked for at the swing forward position — very athletic, could shoot the ball and could really pass the basketball. Being really good in the open court is what excited me the most about Moon's game."

Moon made an immediate impact upon his arrival for the Colonels. In Moon, Keathley saw plenty of high-level potential.

"I knew immediately that Jamario was an NBA-type talent," Keathley said. "Having him and Antwain Barbour on the wings made me job pretty easy. He ended up averaging about 15 points and nine rebounds a game for us. Looking back, he had the talent and ability then; I think what he was lacking at the time was

the killer instinct."

In addition to the ABA and NBA D-League, the much-traveled Moon has logged minutes in various leagues, including the IHL and CBA. Moon averaged 18.8 points in 44 games for the CBA's Albany Patroons and former NBA All-Star turned coach Michael Ray Richardson during the 2006-07 campaign, one season before Keathley guided the East Kentucky Miners franchise during its debut season in the same league. He was named a CBA All-Star and the league's Defensive Player of the Year that season.

"I think Moon having the opportunity to play for Michael Ray Richardson in Albany helped him understand what NBA coaches and scouts were looking for," Keathley said, looking back at Moon's run with the Albany Patroons. "Michael Ray is a former NBA All-Star, so he knows what it takes. I've coached in many games against Coach Richardson over the last two to three years and the one thing his teams do is play hard for 48 minutes. They will defend on and off the ball. I think Jamario took from that and became a complete player under Coach Richardson."

When he tunes in to a Cleveland Cavaliers game, Keathley watches proudly as he sees a former player donning a No. 15 jersey and performing in the NBA.

"I'm very happy for Jamario and what he has been able to accomplish," Keathley added. "I don't take any credit for his success or anything like that, but I do feel we opened the door for everyone to see what type of player he was. He got to show us his talents for more than a couple of games. It took a team taking a strong look at him and letting him play in more than a couple of games and we did that with the Colonels. After the 2005 season concluded, I spoke with the Arkansas Rimrocker of the NBA-D League the night prior to their draft. I urged them head coach Joe Harge to take a look at him in one of the early rounds. Coach Harge agreed he was well worth the draft pick and drafted him the next day. I don't think he lasted very long with the Rimrocker but it continued to move him towards the NBA."

Keathley feels Moon deserved the opportunity he got to catch on and play in the NBA.

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Charlie and found the press corps waiting outside the fence to the dugout. Twenty minutes, maybe longer, he hadn't left the field. In fact, he was sitting in the grass down the left-field line. None of them would approach him, choosing to wait him out.

I knew Charlie a little — if I'd known him a lot I may not have been as bold — so I walked in and headed down the line. He told me to take a seat. I did. Got my interview from perhaps the calmest Charlie Adkins I ever talked with, and left.

Charlie also coached a little basketball — and I mean a little basketball — at Paintsville. One year the talented Tigers were dismantling somebody in the All "A" Classic. Charlie gave up his seat near the head of the bench and moved to the end — where he held court with us sportswriters for an entire basketball game.

Only Charlie.
There was a time when Paintsville dominated high school sports in the mountains. Charlie was the man in baseball. Walter Brugh was making his name legendary on the football field. And Bill Mike Runyon — the young guy who assisted both the others — was coaching basketball.

None coach there now.

It's sort of sad. And now, one has left us.
My friend Adam Collins played for Charlie at Paintsville. On his Facebook page, he wrote, "Charlie just got a little better in heaven. And he's right."

They'll have to play it perfectly to satisfy Adam's old coach.

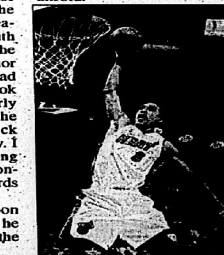
He won't settle for anything else.

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very good guy," Keathley said. "He was always a laid back young man who was easy to get along with. I've told this story many times, one morning before practice, Jamario surprised me with four tickets to a Harlem Globetrotters game for my family. He deserves all the success he's having in the NBA. A right number with Cleveland. I'm rooting for Jamario, LeBron and Shaq to win it all. It's amazing to even say that — Jamario in the same sentence with Shaquille O'Neal and LeBron James. It just goes to show you if you work hard enough and believe in yourself, nothing is out of reach."

Is there another Keathley-coached player bound for the NBA? Could be. But for now, Keathley is content to watch and root for Jamario Moon as his former player and teammates in Cleveland compete for an NBA title.

"I know Jamario still talks about how difficult his times were — chasing his basketball dream," Keathley said. "On different occasions he has brought up the Kentucky Colonels as a reference to his struggle. There were times the owner of the team would hand out paychecks a few days late and all of us would rush to the bank to make sure it cleared. It became an ongoing joke amongst us as a team. I know his journey hasn't been easy and that's what makes his success even more special. I'm just really proud of what he's accomplished and the adversity he's overcome. For a guy to go from playing in the Louisville Gardens and making 500 dollars a week to now making almost three-million dollars a year and competing for an NBA championship with two of the great players of the game is a great story to watch unfold."



JAMARIO MOON

Outstanding KHSAA officials recognized at banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

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

A total of 36 officials were nominated for the awards, which celebrate the outstanding officials from baseball, basketball, football, golf, soccer, fast pitch softball, swimming & diving, tennis, track and field/cross country, volleyball and wrestling.

The winner of the Larry G. Boucher Jr. Supervisor of the Year Award was John E. Drake of Danville, an official and assigning secretary with more than two decades of service to high school sports in the Commonwealth.

The winners for each sport were Baseball — Steve Thomas (Jackson); Basketball — Charlie Chappie (Covington); Football — Phil Faust (Louisville);

Golf — George Gupton (Campbellsville); Soccer — Bill Herald (Elizabethtown); Softball — Darnell Kelly (Owensboro); Swimming &

Diving — George Hubbard (Louisville); Tennis — Aaron Browning (Louisville); Track & Field/Cross Country — Tim Henderlight (Greorgetown); Volleyball — Beth Wychulis (Louisville); Wrestling — Chris Shaw (Louisville);

Larry Boucher Supervisor of the Year Award — John E. Drake (Danville).

Tickets remain for 2010 KHSAA Hall of Fame Banquet: A limited number of tickets are available for the 2010 Davawares/KHSAA Hall of Fame banquet, scheduled for Saturday, May 15 in the Bluegrass Ballroom at the Lexington Center. Tickets may be purchased for \$50 each. The Class of 2010 Hall of Fame class consists of Simidele Adeagbo, Temitayo Adeagbo, Bill Brown, Tom Creamer, Bridgid DeVries, Dr. Mar. Lloyd Ireland, Arthur "Ozz" Jackson, Ivan McGilone, Sam Moore, Gene Pendleton, Mel Purcell, Bob Schneider, Craynor Storie and Corky Withrow.

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

UPCOMING KHSAA EVENTS/MEETINGS

April 25: Forch Group of Kentucky/Kennucky National Insurance/KHSAA Sportsmanship Winners Banquet, Lexington.

May 15: Davawares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Banquet, Bluegrass Ballroom, Lexington.

May 27-29: Boys' and Girls' State Tennis Tournament, UK Boone/Downing Tennis Center and Sayre Athletic Complex, Lexington.

June 3, 5: Boys' and Girls' State Track Meet at the University of Louisville, Louisville.

June 11-12: State Fast Pitch Softball Tournament at Jack C. Fisher Park, Owensboro.



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NBA-BOUND: Kentucky freshmen DeMarcus Cousins and John Wall (both pictured above) have announced that they are leaving college for the NBA.

Junior Patrick Paterson (left) will announce his plans — entering the NBA Draft or stay at UK for a senior season — during a press conference this morning.

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

Team	Record
Johnson Central	14-5
Magoffin County	13-6
Pikeville	10-8
East Ridge	9-5
Prestonsburg	9-12
Lawrence County	8-6
Bell	8-8
South Floyd	8-3
Shelby Valley	6-11
Allen Central	4-5
Paintsville	3-9
Sheldon Clark	3-14
Phelps	2-17
Betsy Layne	1-13
Pike County	0-6

Defense thrives during UK football practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The University Kentucky football defense played well during practice Wednesday morning, perhaps the best it has played this spring. Coach Joker Phillips indicated following the workout.

"I think that it was (the defense's best practice)," Phillips said. "They did a good job of holding their gaps and stopping the run and the safeties did a good job of filling. We have to get better in our pass defense because we didn't do that as well but one of the things that we have been putting an emphasis on is stopping the run in the last couple of practices."

"I am really pleased with the way that the defense has started to practice. They are wrapping people up and putting their face on people. (Linebacker) Danny Trevathan was one of the leaders over there in doing that and I think that they have taken what he has shown them and they all have started to practice that way. We are not there yet but we are getting better."

The Wildcats will return to practice Friday for the final workout before the Blue/White Spring Game on Saturday.

Blue/White Game, presented by Verizon Wireless, set for Saturday: The Kentucky football team will have its first Blue/White Spring Game under the direction of new head coach Joker Phillips on Saturday at 1 p.m. in Commonwealth Stadium. The event is presented by Verizon Wireless.

Here is some additional information on the Blue/White Game: Admission and parking are free on a first-come, first-served basis; Parking lots open at 8 a.m. and fans are welcome

to tailgate; Stadium gates open at 11:30 a.m.; There will be a radio broadcast on the Big Blue Sports Network, including WLAP in Lexington (630 on the AM dial), WHAS in Louisville (840 AM) and WCKY in Cincinnati (1530 AM); Concession stands and the Nike Team Shops will be available on the stadium concourses; The stadium ticket office outside Gate 4 will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in order for current season-ticket holders to renew their tickets. Current season-ticket holders should have received their renewal forms in the mail this week.

Revised format for Blue/White Game: Because of some injuries at key positions, the coaching staff has decided to make the Blue/White Game offense vs. defense instead of a standard game format.

"We have changed the format now because of some injuries at some positions that won't allow us to break the teams up," Coach Joker Phillips said. "We will go offense vs. defense and (use a) scoring system. It will be similar to the first scrimmage that you guys saw but we will keep a scoring system for the defense so they will be able to score points. We feel that the way our numbers are and having to switch people back-and-forth that it will be better to do offense vs. defense."

The scoring system for the offense features: First down = 1 point; Field goal = 3 points; Touchdown = 6 points; PAT = 1 point.

The defensive scoring system features: Three and out (force punt on first series) = 3 points; Stop on downs (force punt during the series) = 1 point; Stop on fourth down = 2 points; Turnover = 6 points; Touchdown = 10 points.

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MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON 'Black Dynamite'

by TOM DOTY TIMES COLUMNIST

In 1972, one righteous dude is all that stands between L.A.'s African-American community and an insidious plot in this free-wheeling tribute to urban action epics of the '70s decade.



Tom Doty Times Columnist

Our story hinges on a deathbed promise our titular hero made to his mother. He avowed that he would look out for his brother and keep him off drugs. Brother gets gunned down in the opening minutes and Dynamite is not at home to letting the death go unavenged.

He proceeds to track down the guys that his brother knew. The most flamboyant turns out to be a cat named Creamed Corn. He leads Dynamite on a rooftop chase but is eventually cornered and lets it be known that B.D.'s brother was dealing smack.

Dynamite goes on a rampage and soon brings the local drug operations to a freeze. Soon it's safe enough for kids to walk the streets but we then learn that Dynamite's work is far from over. A coded message soon reveals that a master plan to destroy the black community is in motion and only Dynamite can stop it. He

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This Town, That World

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

It's not the insult that's hurled in the best tradition that gets you. It's one that's eased in, so to speak that does you in—as this character did the other day, edging up to me and murmuring, "It's a good thing you live to fish instead of fish to live."

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And I am reminded by Earl Castle—and others—that my checklist last week failed to include, of all things, fishing tackle.

THE ATTENTION-GETTER

A correspondent reminded me recently that it is unfortunate that some of the experimental or "demonstration" projects that the Appalachian Regional Commission has supported have attracted more attention than the \$350 million the ARC has invested in highways, vocational schools, water and sewer systems and other community facilities.

He has a point there. But that's life for you. Let a good citizen spend all his years in one community, be a good husband and father, contribute greatly as an individual. He's appreciated, sure, but nobody's going to get excited about him.

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GOING TO THE DOGS Children's author, friend a hit with students

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg Elementary went to the dogs on Wednesday morning as author David Sargent, Jr. visited the school to talk with students and give them the chance to meet the dogs that inspired his books.

One of Sargent's dogs navigated a tunnel and jumped through a hoop in order to reach a treat, a trick that delighted the children in the audience.

The gym at Prestonsburg Elementary was filled with students who cheered loudly for the dogs and appeared genuinely interested in what Sargent had to say.

Sargent, a nationally known children's author, speaks to students across the United States to share his experiences of being a responsible dog owner and how he became an author. Many of Sargent's books are named after his dogs. In total, Sargent is the author of 41 books.

According to information from Ozark Publishing, "David's highly interesting and informative talks are sure to teach children the importance of being able to read and how to use that ability to receive the highest education possible. David and his books are sure to touch the hearts of many. He shows students that anyone can be an author, that authors are real people, just like them. David manages to stimulate the children's story writing ability using the universal love of animals."



DINNER DIVA

Awareness counts



In life, it's the little things that count. Not the great big momentous occasions, but the daily moments that all strung together, make up your own personal circle of life. We cannot measure the quality of our lives by the big events like birthday celebrations, weddings, baptisms and graduations. It's the day-to-day stuff that makes up your life.

This is also true with eating. It's not just the big meal occasions—dinner out, Thanksgiving, birthday cake and such. Becoming a healthy eater has everything to do with daily decision making over what will go in your mouth, rather than

worrying about a special occasion (I say, splurge and enjoy it! The next day, do penance and throw in a little extra exercise and pare a few calories off your daily intake for the next few days.)

But it's those daily decisions that count; to choose not to drive thru and wait an extra 15 minutes to get home to real food. It's choosing fruit over donuts; water over soda and not to have that bowl of ice cream watching TV. Those are the little decisions that matter much more so than eating an extra piece of pie at Thanksgiving. Yeah, overindulging is hard on your body and we talk about

being "Thanksgiving full" as the ultimate test of fullness, but the daily awareness of what you put in your body is what the definitive cause and effect of how your body looks, feels and operates.

Sometimes it's easy (like the above example of fruit over donuts). Other times, it's harder to know what to do. Here are some easy swaps to help you to save calories, your health and your sanity, too, so you know that what you're doing will make a difference!

Instead of a blueberry muffin (which,

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Family Medicine

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Q My husband and I have been bothered with chiggers. We have tried everything for the itching - alcohol, peroxide, sprays, lotions, nail polish and cream from the doctor. This has been going on for about four months, and they seem to be spreading. What can be done?

A First, I'll describe what chiggers are and why they cause itching. Then I'll tell you how to prevent and treat them. You and your doctor can decide if you really have chigger bites.

Chiggers are microscopic insects

in the mite family. They are arachnids and are closely related to ticks. It is the larval form of the mite that bites. Interestingly, after they feast on humans and other animals, they mature and eat only the eggs of certain other insects.

Chiggers do not burrow under the skin, as is commonly believed. Instead, when chigger larvae bite, they insert a mouth part that injects saliva into a skin pore or hair follicle. This dissolves the skin cells it contacts into a liquid that the chigger can ingest. After a few hours, the tissues

Prevention is the best treatment for itchy chigger bites

surrounding the withdrawn liquid harden, creating a tube-like structure. This structure, called a stylostome, acts like a drinking straw, allowing more saliva to be injected, and more liquefied skin to be withdrawn. This is what creates the appearance of burrowing.

It is the stylostome that causes the itching and characteristic red welt to form. The itchiness can be quite severe and usually peaks about two days after the bite. The stylostome is destroyed by your body in about 10 days.

Chiggers are found in grassy places, and in thick brush. They are most active when the ground temperature is between 77 and 86 degrees and become inactive below 60 degrees.

Prevention is the best way to manage chiggers. Wear clothes that pre-

vent chiggers from making contact with your skin. Long-sleeved shirts, tightly woven socks, pants tucked inside of boot tops, and buttoned cuffs will all reduce chigger bites. Most mosquito repellents will fend off chiggers, too, so it's good idea to use these products when you go into fields or woods or if you plan to sit on the grass. Remember to reapply it every few hours since repellants only last a few hours.

After you return from any potential exposure, a hot bath with lots of soap will wash many chiggers off before they have a chance to bite. If you have been bitten, over-the-counter creams with benzocaine or camphor-phenol can help reduce the itching.

It's also a good idea to wash clothes that are potentially chigger-infested in hot, soapy water.

Unlaundered clothes or clothes washed in cool water will allow chiggers to survive.

Unless you keep getting re-infested with chiggers, it seems unlikely to me that you would still be itching from chiggers after four months. You and your husband need to see your physician for a reevaluation of your rashes. What you may have not be chiggers at all.

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Family Medicine(r) is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701, or via e-mail to readerquestions@familymedicine-news.org.

Allen

But let this same citizen suddenly plop himself onto the sidewalk and begin trying to scratch his ear with his foot, and he's just bound to attract attention.

That ARC venture into teaching teachers via satellite approaches such as car-scratching.

NEIGHBORHOOD REPORT

When I inquired of Ralph Marshall today about what was going on in the Bull Creek section he reported in rather somber tones that one of the neighbors was in pretty bad shape. Had "got too hot," he explained, watching his wife work in the garden. And the poor fellow, he said had com-

lications which came about in his way. He was charged with the task of supplying the woman with ice-water and, each time, became so thirsty he drank it before reaching her. Got sorter waterlogged before the afternoon was over and was suffering some pain, low down, Ralph reported.

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Big Sandy Community and Technical College students Justin Robinson and Roger Bowling joined volunteers from the WestCare Foundation in helping construct a Habitat for Humanity home in Pikeville.

BSCTC Mayo Carpentry Program and Habitat for Humanity spearhead construction of home

by DAPHENE KIRK GOBLE

PAINTSVILLE — The Big Sandy Community and Technical College Carpentry Program, directed by Assistant Professor, Michael K. Froman and students from the University of Kentucky, University of Idaho and WestCare Foundation recently combined skill, craft and expertise to build a Habitat for Humanity home in Pikeville.

With the goal of increasing life, liberty and happiness for one fortunate family, the BSCTC Carpentry students jumped in headfirst, taking on enormous work and toiling tirelessly to achieve an attractive, practical and convenient home through the Habitat for Humanity.

The Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry which encourages all backgrounds, races and religions to build homes via partnerships

for families in need. It was founded in 1976 by Millard and Linda Fuller and has built over 350,000 homes around the world, hence provided more than 1.75 million people in 3,000 communities with safe, decent and affordable shelter.

Habitat for Humanity homes are possible through volunteer labor, financial donations and giveaway construction materials. These homes are not queenway homes. Homeowners are responsible for down payments and monthly mortgage expenditures. Additionally, homeowners invest hundreds of hours of labor into the construction and building of their home as well as another Habitat for Humanity homes.

Habitat for Humanity homes are sold to partner families at no profit and are financed with affordable loans. Monthly mortgage payments provide financial funds for the

construction of other Habitat for Humanity homes.

Due to the diligent work of the BSCTC Carpentry students, students from the University of Kentucky and the University of Idaho and WestCare Foundation, Paul and Shannah Mullins of Pikeville will enjoy the comforts of home within a few weeks. The home is located behind Chidlers and Venter's Automobile Sales—past a Bowling Alley, up the hill to the right, in the Robinson Heights community.

Many BSCTC students worked through spring break to speed up the process and provide quick occupancy of the home. BSCTC Professor, Michael K. Froman remarked, "The BSCTC Carpentry students have worked hard and we are pleased with their dedication in this worthwhile venture." Additionally, Froman commented, "Our students have put their hearts and souls into this project." Participating BSCTC students include Chris Amburgey, Roger Bowling, Fred Hayes, Adam McGinnis, Justin Robinson, Brandon Spencer, and William Steele.

For more information about the BSCTC Carpentry Program and the Habitat for Humanity Program, contact Assistant Professor, Michael K. Froman at (606)789-5321, ext. 82842 or via e-mail at michael.froman@kctcs.edu.

GOOD HEALTH

Knobby finger joints indicate osteoarthritis

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I'm beginning to get little knobs on my finger joints. I believe this is arthritis, and I have seen it in the advanced stages. What can I do to prevent it from getting worse? —Anon.

ANSWER: The knobs on the finger joints below the fingernail are Heberden's nodes, named after an English doctor who died at the start of the 19th century. Knobs on the middle finger joints are Bouchard's nodes, named after a French doctor who died in the early years of the 20th century. Both of these knobs are signs of osteoarthritis—the common kind of arthritis, the kind that most seniors have at least a touch of. They're similar to bone spurs seen on backbones and other bones, another consequence of osteoarthritis.

Osteoarthritis comes from fraying of the cushioning cartilage inside joints. How extensive or how incapacitating it will be is unpredictable. Most people manage to get along in spite of it. However, it can be a great burden to others.

There is no preventive medicine to stop osteoarthritis in its tracks. It has a predilection for the fingers, hips, knees and

spine. Should it strike larger joints like hips, knees and backbones, muscle strengthening will serve you well. Strong muscles protect joints. The exercise should not be so vigorous that it causes pain, but it should be vigorous enough to encourage strength building. Being overweight increases the stress on knees and hips, so you should strive to stay on the lean side. Many people swear to the effectiveness of chondroitin and glucosamine, both of which are available without a prescription, and often they come in combination. Not a lot of evidence exists to endorse them wholeheartedly, but if you want to give them a try, they won't hurt you.

The arthritis booklet deals with osteoarthritis, also called degenerative arthritis. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 301W, Box 536475 Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE:

For quite some time, my right shoulder has hurt. I saw an orthopedic doctor, who says I have a tear of my rotator cuff. He suggested surgery. What do you think of surgery for this? I am scared that I could be worse off after the operation than I am now. I am only 44 and am quite active. —K.M.

ANSWER: The rotator cuff is a band made up of five tendons of four back muscles. The tendons wrap around the topmost part of the upper arm bone, the humerus, to keep the bone in the shoulder socket. Tears of the rotator cuff are a common problem and one of the principal causes of shoulder pain. Small tears can heal on their own. Larger tears almost always require surgical correction. All surgical procedures demand respect. Suffering can always go wrong. Most people who have had surgery to correct a rotator cuff tear are glad they had it. By most, I mean more than 95 percent. I would not hesitate to have this surgery.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible.

Diva

let's be honest, is really a cupcake with blueberries in it!) have a cup of lowfat yogurt with 1/2 a cup of blueberries in it. Save yourself 249 calories (and some considerable fat and sugar grams).

Instead of a 2 slices of whole wheat bread, have 1 Wholeheat Sandwich Round

(whole wheat also), saving yourself 140 calories!

Instead of 1 cup of white rice, have 1/2 cup of brown rice, mixed with chopped steamed broccoli. You just saved yourself nearly 100 calories (and ratcheted up the fiber count, too!).

Instead of a pork chop, go

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for an equal serving of pork tenderloin and save yourself 50 calories (plus a lot of fat grams!).

It's not that difficult to make a big difference a little bit at a time. Awareness counts as much as calories do. Keep that in mind as you hit the grocery store this week!

Salome's Stars Weekly Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The Lamb is usually excited about talking up a new challenge. But if that's a touch of doubt you're feeling, maybe it's you telling yourself to go slow on this until you learn more about it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Accepting new commitments when you haven't yet finished the old, and could be a bit rash. Better to ease up on the new ones until you get further along with your current lot.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Reward yourself for what's sure to be a dynamic week with a getaway to someplace wonderful, hopefully with a wonderful someone. You'll return refreshed and ready for what's ahead.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Some people might be anxious about your plans. So you need to take time to explain what you expect to do and how you expect to do it. And don't forget to ask for suggestions.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Dealing with an unfamiliar problem can be difficult. The wisest course you can take is to ask for advice from those who have been where you are and have come through it. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Tackle a frustrating job problem by considering possibilities you might have ignored before. This reassures colleagues you're serious about finding a solution, even if it's not totally yours.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your balanced approach to life proves to be helpful

this week when someone you care for needs your spiritual comfort, while someone else benefits from your tough-love practicality.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Once again, you're likely to be asked to keep a secret for someone. But do you really want to do so? Be honest with yourself and with your needs before you make any such commitment.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Taking a more direct approach from the more diplomatic one you've used before could make a difference in finally resolving a too-long-held disagreement. Try it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Being asked for advice is flattering to the Sea Goat, who has a habit of saying the right thing. This time, expect someone to be especially impressed and to act on that sentiment.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With a number of pressures easing, your project could be making a lot more progress than you expected by this time. That's a great news. But don't let yourself be distracted; stay with it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) An interesting challenge looms that could be exactly what you've been looking for. Discuss this with colleagues who could have much to contribute and who might want to join with you.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your heart is always open to offer loving concern for others. And they, in turn, reach out to complete the circle.


Democrat HELP IS ON THE WAY! Democrat

Elect **William "Twinkie" Salisbury** Magistrate in District 2 #1 On The Ballot

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May 18th—Be There

Paid for by the candidate.



Water is both culprit and diagnostic tool in this problem

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray: I bought a '72 Porsche 914 a few weeks ago. It was running great for about 10 days. Then it took off through a carwash. When it came out, it ran terribly. It was underpowered, and sputtered whenever I hit the gas. Hoping to clear up the problem, I took it on a long trip (100+ miles), which brought its performance back to normal. Can you explain what happened? And can you tell me how I can prevent it from happening again? — Jonathan

TOM: Sure. Hand-wash it. RAY: What happened was that you got something wet, and then you dried it out.

TOM: Right. That "something" is some part of the secondary ignition system.

RAY: Electricity is supposed to travel from the coil to the distributor, and then through the spark-plug wires to the spark plugs.

TOM: If the insulation on one of those parts has been compromised, and moisture diverts the electricity from its intended destination, one or more of your spark plugs won't fire.

RAY: And that'll make the car

sputter and seem underpowered because it is underpowered. It's running on three (or fewer) cylinders.

TOM: Eventually, this problem will plague you in the rain, too, Jonathan. So you'd be wise to fix it now.

RAY: It should be easy to diagnose. Take a spray bottle and fill it with water. Then, on a dry night, open up the engine compartment, start the engine and begin spraying one suspect at a time.

TOM: First, spray the coil tower. That's where the coil wire plugs in. If you see sparks jumping in that area, the coil is no good, and it probably has a hairline crack in the tower.

RAY: If you don't see any sparks around the coil, then move on to the spark-plug wires. Spray them one at a time, starting at the spark plugs and moving toward the distributor. If you don't get any sparking around the wires, then spray the distributor itself.

TOM: Or if you want to save time, just skip the diagnosis and replace everything. Chances are, on a car of this age, you need all that stuff anyway. Good luck, Jonathan.

Stalled-car situation leaves reader in the dark

Dear Tom and Ray:

A scary thing happened to me yesterday on the highway. I was driving a 1999 Nissan Altima that I bought last year. It has about 90,000 miles. Yesterday I was in the far-left lane on the highway, coasting along at about 60 mph, when I came around a curve and noticed a huge backup in front of me. It was very sunny, so I didn't see the stopped cars until I was very close to them. I slammed on my brakes very hard and stopped just short of the car in front of me. I also skidded a bit. After catching my breath and almost having a heart attack, the cars in front of me started moving again!

but I was completely locked up! My brake pedal was frozen, the gas pedal wouldn't do anything and my steering wheel wouldn't budge! All of my dashboard lights were on, including the Check Engine light. At this point, there were cars piling up behind me. With my hazards on, I called 911 (because I was blocking traffic and couldn't move). In the first minute of the call, I decided to try turning the car off and then on again, which did the trick, thankfully. Trust me, the rest of the drive home was a shaky and slow one, but I was glad I was not hurt. Do you know

why my car would freeze up like this? Suggestions I've heard are that my car thought it was in an accident so it froze up, or that there is a mechanism in my car that would cause it to freeze

when the brakes are really slammed on. Any information would be helpful.

Thanks. — Sarah

TOM: I'd like to come up with some exotic explanation. Sarah — something about your Highway Speed Reduction Traffic Backup Kill Switch or the like. But all that happened is that your car stalled.

RAY: Right. The key fact is that you skidded a little bit, which means your wheels locked up.

TOM: If you're bopping along on the highway and your wheels are turning at 60 mph, and then suddenly the wheels are going zero mph, the transmission doesn't have time to disengage, and it causes the engine to

stall.

RAY: It's as if you were driving a car with a manual transmission and suddenly stopped it without pushing in the clutch pedal.

TOM: Stalling explains every one of your symptoms, Sarah: All the dashboard lights come on when you stall. You lose your power steering and power brakes, and the gas pedal does nothing.

RAY: And how do you fix it? You put the transmission in park or in neutral, turn it off and turn it back on again. Yay!

TOM: So your car is fine. And now you'll know what to do if this ever happens again. It sounds like all you need is a better pair of sunglasses.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY

TIMES COLUMNIST

Dramas were big this week as well as Oscar nominees.

■ "Avatar." This event film showed what James Cameron has been up to since making "Titanic." He delivers lots of eye candy with this story of a marine who must go undercover as a new species to save mankind. Turns out that he can still deliver on the action front with some great special effects here, but his narrative abilities have shrunk since crafting "Aliens." Still, this is a lot of fun, so who cares?

■ "44-Inch Chest" — When a mobster gets down in the dumps (due to his wife's affair with another guy), his buddies come to the rescue by kidnapping the other man and

letting his boss decide his fate in a mock trial. This melodrama actually works well, though it can't hide its stage roots, thanks to a strong British cast. The powerhouse ensemble includes Ray ("Sexy Beast") Winstone, John ("Alien") Hurt, Ian ("Deadwood") McShane, and Tom ("The Full Monty") Wilkinson.

■ "The Lovely Bones" — This film had all of the earmarks for a drama classic when it was announced. The bestselling novel by Alice Sebold would be adapted by Peter Jackson (fresh from remaking King Kong). Despite all of the talent (including a stellar cast that includes Mark Wahlberg and Stanley Tucci), this turned out to be a slow-moving dud. The story is still meaty and concerns a young

woman who is brutally murdered by a creepy adult. This happens in the opening and the victim observes the after-effects of her disappearance on her family and friends. A great notion that doesn't translate.

■ "Crazy Heart" — Jeff Bridges won an Oscar for his performance here as an aging musician who finds redemption in life. The problem is that the narrative is kind of weak, though Bridges is still very good. Nothing much happens here, but this is still compelling for the performances. It's like "The Wrestler" in that regard. Worth watching but don't expect too much in the way of story.

Next week look for Steve Martin in "It's Complicated" and check out some amazing acrobatics in "District B13: Part 2."



What does a volcano in Iceland have to do with an Eastern Kentucky native headed to Japan? The recent eruption of a volcano in Iceland prevented Lynn G. Schornak, daughter of James E. and Marie Goble of Prestonsburg, from attending a conference in Tokyo. Schornak is the Business Group Chief of the Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA), Northern Europe, and is stationed in England. The ash cloud from the volcano shut down all air traffic into and out of the U.K. and most of Europe, thereby causing the Tokyo trip to be canceled. Several of Schornak's co-workers are stranded in various parts of Europe and the U.S. DCMA administers contracts issued by DoD for various weapons systems, vehicles, and other supplies that go directly into Iraq and Afghanistan.

Strange ... but true

It was beloved American comedian and actor Bob Hope who made the following extremely sage observation: "People who throw kisses are hopelessly lazy."

■ Next time you're in Tinseltown, remember that it is unlawful to herd more than 3,000 sheep at a time down Hollywood Boulevard.

■ In the naming of American states, there is quite a few that never quite made it. It's interesting to speculate about the possibilities, though. For instance, if you currently reside in the state of Kentucky or parts of Tennessee, but for the whimsy of fate you could be a Transylvanian. Some peo-

ple once wanted to take parts of Texas and Oklahoma to create the great state of Tekslahoma (perhaps displaying a slight lack of imagination). When the Mormon church settled out west, Brigham Young petitioned to have the state of Deseret created, and the land he suggested make up the state included present-day Utah almost all of Nevada and Arizona, a sizable chunk of California and bits of five other states. Long Island, in New York, even had designs on statehood at one time.

■ In the 19th century, ice accounted for more shipping than any other commodity except cotton.

■ William Howard Taft, the 18th president of the United States, was a large man. Quite a large man. In fact, he was so large that his 300-pound bulk got stuck in a White House bathtub, and he had to summon help to extricate himself.

■ The French town of Versailles was originally built solely to house the staff of the extravagant palace.

Thought for the Day

"The telling of jokes is an art of its own, and it always rises from some emotional threat. The best jokes are dangerous, and dangerous because they are in some way truthful." — Kurt Vonnegut

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Technically the film is also top notch. The cinematographer and designer get every frame right while the costumers and make-up people do a fine job of making this look like a 1970s film. They also earn points for not trying to make the film look dated by adding scratches.

All this and you get great musical cues (a chorus sings "Dynamite" every time our hero appears in a new outfit) as well as a smart script that doesn't leave any clichés un-punctured.

Best lines: There are a ton so we'll leave you with three of my favorites:

"First lady, I'm sorry I pimp-slapped you into that China cabinet."

"Donuts don't wear alligator shoes."

"Your knowledge of scientific transmigration is only as good as your zest for kung-fu treachery." 2009, rated R.

Lagoon

entists the aid of some colorfully named friends like Corn and Bull Horn (who speaks in rhyme) and the gang is soon duking it out with the mob and assorted goons until the trail takes them to "Kung-Fu Island" for a showdown with an Asian master called Dr. Wu. This turns out to be a false ending though because the real villain is actually the most powerful man in the country.

Plenty of people have tried doing an homage to the urban action genre of the 1970s. Some were comedies ("I'm Gonna Get You Sucka") while others were action-oriented ("Original Gangsters") but none were very successful. This film didn't make a lot of bucks at the box office either, but it sure should have because it gets every note absolutely right.

The humor mainly comes from the situations and it ranges from silly to spot-on social satire. The whole enter-

prise works because they play it straight and have actually seen the films they are satirizing, and loved them to boot.

Michael Jai White ("Spawn") stars as Dynamite. He rocks a porn star mustache, a moderate afro and a selection of 1970s duds that would make "Shaft" look like a wannabe tough guy. He anchors the film and plays it pretty straight all the way through. His Dynamite is too cool to get very emotional (though he does anger well).

The other actors are on board, too. Tommy Davidson is funnier here than he's been in anything else. He makes "Creamed Corn" an amalgam of 1970s films that would appear to have been carved from the persona of the late Rudy Ray Moore ("Dolemite").

Pikeville College ready to share the gospel with 'Godspell'

PIKEVILLE — Thirty years since Pikeville College's last performance, students are ready to hit the stage once again. PC Presents... an interdisciplinary humanities group at the college, is performing Godspell April 23-25 in Booth Auditorium. Under the direction of Janean Freeman, instructor of music, and Merry George, associate professor of communication, Pikeville College students, along with members of the Pikeville community, are prepared to offer an evening of music, acting and life lessons.

Godspell, a musical based on the gospel of St. Matthew, was first performed off Broadway in 1971. The musical is unique in the way it uses a wide variety of musical styles, comedy and moving moments while teaching a life lesson in the process. It is a story of kindness and compassion.

"Godspell tells the story of Jesus as told in parables," George said. "It tells you how to go about living."

The inspirational story is being woven together a collaborative effort that includes Pikeville College students and faculty as well as youth and adults from the community. Freeman and George have brought together a number of talented people to make the production possible.

Members of the College's division of humanities formed the performing group PC Presents... to bring theatre back to the Pikeville College stage. Faculty in communication, art and music are teaching a variety of courses in which students' efforts are benefiting the Godspell production.

Art students, under the direction of Pat Kowalok, professor of art, designed original logos and artwork for publicity purposes. The same students created stage and costume designs.

Students in a technical production class taught by Basil Clark, associate professor of speech and theater, built the sets and are running the lighting and sound for the show.

Public relations students under the supervision of Chandra Massner, associate professor of communication, have designed tickets, posters, flyers, advertising and the playbill. They will also run the box office during the performances.



Freeman and George are co-teaching a humanities course and working with the cast on acting, singing, and choreography.

"Students are getting firsthand experience to complement their lectures. They are applying their skills to provide a quality production for the campus and community to enjoy," Massner explained. "Our production is unique in its interdisciplinary and collaborative nature."

Additionally, Freeman is directing a gospel choir comprised of volunteer students and community members. Pike Central High School's Matt Moon is directing the pit orchestra largely comprised of Pike Central students.

"It really feels like a family effort," Freeman said. "I've never been involved in a production with an across-the-board collaboration like this one," Freeman said.

Godspell appeals to audience members of all ages. It will be performed Friday, April 23, at 7 p.m., Saturday, April 24, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, April 25, at 3 p.m. in Booth Auditorium, level five of the Record Memorial Building. Tickets are \$7.50 for the general public, \$5 for senior citizens and students ages 6-19. Children under age 5 are admitted free. Group rates are available for local churches.

"It is an amazing musical for all ages to see. It is comedic and moving at the same time. You will feel like you have experienced something special," Freeman said.

George agrees. "I've been in tears at rehearsal, and I can't wait to see the live performance," she said.

Faith & Family

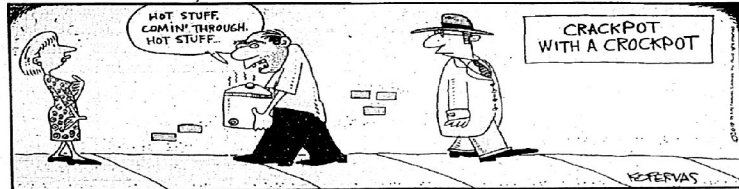
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by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



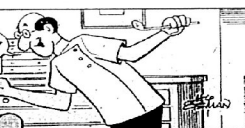
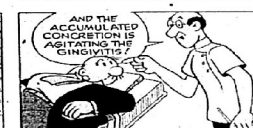
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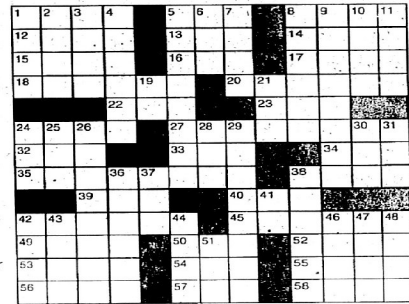
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Elevator man
- 5 Playground game
- 8 Uncertain
- 12 Rid of rind
- 13 Inseparable
- 14 Exposed
- 15 Egress
- 16 Atmosphere
- 17 Pedestal
- 18 Drop from the will
- 20 Computer-to-phone links
- 22 Nourished
- 23 Nov. follower
- 24 Musical phrase
- 27 Pollution filter of a sort
- 32 Greek H
- 33 Vitamin stat
- 34 Fish eggs
- 35 MySpace rival
- 38 Without acting
- 39 Mess up
- 40 Type measures
- 42 Prophet
- 43 Wise donkey
- 45 Awkwardly stiff
- 49 Cowheaded goddess
- 50 Lawyers'



- 6 Blackbird
- 7 Bacterium
- 8 In the same place (Lat.)
- 9 Jack, e.g.
- 10 Gift-tag word
- 11 Longings
- 19 Lindbergh
- 21 Praise in verse
- 24 Ump
- 25 Call — day
- 26 "Nip/Tuck" offering
- 28 Commotion
- 29 One-sided contest
- 30 Fa-la connector
- 31 Crucial
- 36 Obliterates
- 37 Support provider
- 38 Weather map line
- 41 Criminal's procedure ("Ably")
- 42 Check
- 43 One side of the Urals
- 44 Creche trio
- 46 Eat in style
- 47 Sicilian spouter
- 48 Actress
- 51 Still or Stein

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: *

- * Moderate ** Challenging
- *** HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLLINGOFF



Differences: 1. Letter is different. 2. Arrow direction has changed. 3. Color is different. 4. More than one missing. 5. Block added to building. 6. More bits of grass by tree.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple puzzle in which each letter used stands for one and the same letter. It is a word search puzzle. Clue: C equals T.

- PRGZ CRG.NZQFHT BQNMGT
- CF UVZBCHFZ ZFQONKKS. HC
- VZTQDQPGZC N ENMHB
- UQFZCNK. QFEFCFOS.

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When the android ceased to function normally, it underwent a basic frontal lobotomy.

CryptoQuip

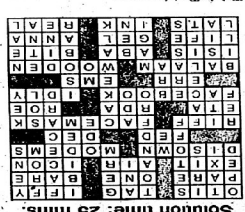
Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

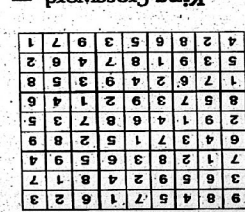
1. GEOGRAPHY: The country of Belize is located in what part of the world?
2. HISTORY: In what country did the 1960 Sharpeville massacre occur?
3. LITERATURE: In what city and state did poet Emily Dickinson live almost her entire life?
4. MEDICAL: What part of the body does Bell's palsy affect?
5. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: A strong, cool wind called the Mistral is associated with which country?
6. MYTHOLOGY: What kind of creature was a griffin?
7. TELEVISION: Which character on "The Addams Family" spoke the catchphrase "you rang"?
8. THEATER: Which play's title character was nicknamed "The Demon Barber of Fleet Street"?
9. LANGUAGE: What is a evert?
10. MOVIES: In the Disney movie "Aladdin," how long was the genie inside the lamp before Aladdin released him?

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10. 10,000 years
9. A very tall
8. "Sweeney Todd"
7. Lamb wings and claws
6. A horn's body with an eagle's head.
5. France
4. The face - Bell's palsy causes partial paralysis of facial muscles on one side.
3. Amherst, Mass.
2. South Africa
1. Central America



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PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Denver Ousley, 1400 Kentucky Route 404, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, to construct a small storage building and swimming pool on the existing fill. The site is approximately 1.50 miles West of the intersection of Kentucky Route 404 and Kentucky Route 114 near David in Floyd County, Kentucky. No encroachment upon the floodway channel of Left Fork of Middlecreek will occur. Comments or objections concerning this application should be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort, KY 40601, Phone: (502) 564-3410.

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Dear Edward Osborne:
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NOTICE TO CAROLYN HALL WARNING ORDER
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned attorney has been appointed to notify the Defendant, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CAROLYN HALL, that a civil action has been filed against him in Floyd Circuit Court, Division II, as C.A. No. 10-CI-00387. Said Defendant must immediately file an Answer to the complaint, otherwise, judgment may be entered against him. Said Defendant should contact the undersigned attorney immediately. Anthony Craig Davis 104 Hays Complex P.O. Box 220 Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605 Office: (606) 478-1002

PUBLIC NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE
PERMIT NO. 836-0326
In accordance with 405 KAR 16:120E, Frasura Creek Mining, LLC, 497B Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560 proposes the following blasting schedule. The blasting site is located approximately 1.7 miles southeast of the junction of Ky. State Route 80 with Ky. State Route 680, approximately 2.5 miles northwest of Minnie in Floyd County, Ky. Blasting is proposed beginning April 22, 2010 through April 22, 2011. Blasting will be conducted during daylight hours, Monday through Sunday. No blasting will be done from sunset to sunrise. Access to the area will be blocked ten (10) minutes prior to shot by a company representative. Appropriate signs and markers will be placed at all entrances to the mine to regulate entry to the blasting area. The warning signal and all clear signals, using a siren/airhorn, will be audible within one half mile of the blasting area, and will be sounded before and following a blast. A series of one (1) minute blasts of a siren will be sounded five (5) minutes prior to the blast signal. The blast signal will be a series of short blasts of the siren sounded one (1) minute prior to the blast. The all clear signal following blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of the siren.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5537, Renewal
In accordance with KRS 350.065, notice is hereby given that HWP, LLC, 2532 Abbeywood Place, Lexington, KY 40515 has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation. This application proposes 4.10 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 242.0 acres, for a total proposed permit acreage of 246.10 acres, located 0.4 miles southwest of Tram in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 0.6 miles southwest from US 29 and 4620+ junctions with Mara Creek Road and located 0.01 miles east of Powell Branch. The proposed operation is located on the Herold U.S. 63 S. 7 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area is owned by ACIN LLC and will underlie land owned by ACIN LLC, Stanford Martin, Clyde Blevins, Barbara Joann Campbell, Beulah Stone, William Stone, Barbara Campbell, Ivese Taylor, Marvin & Marie W. Lewis, George Robert Gardner, G.C. Blair, Clay Justice Estate, Pete Wilson Estate, Jessie Honaker Estate, Grady C. & Irene Tackett, Eugene & Julia Lawson and James A. & Archer B. Dale. The operation will affect an area within 100' of public road Powell Branch County Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits: #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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Notice is hereby given that Donna S. Goble of 110 Blue River Branch Road, Blue River, KY, 41607, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to dredge a section of Blue River Branch for residential purposes to prevent flooding. This property is located 1.4 miles from KY 114 on KY Rte. 404. Turn right on first side road on the right, known as Blue River Branch Road, aka M. Dempsey Hollow. 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, KY, 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Thelma Dempsey of 50 Blue River Branch Road, Blue River, Ky, 41607, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to dredge a section of Blue River Branch for residential purposes to prevent flooding. The property is located 1.4 miles from Ky. 114 on Ky. Rte. 404. Turn right on first side road on the right known as Blue River Branch Road aka as M. Dempsey Hollow. 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, KY, 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410

PUBLIC NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE PERMIT NO. 877-0182

In accordance with 405 KAR 16:120E, Frasure Creek Mining, LLC., 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560 proposes the following blasting schedule. The blasting site is located in Magoffin and Floyd counties of Ky, on Brushy Fork of the Licking River. Blasting is proposed beginning April 22, 2010 through April 22, 2011.

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

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

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

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Interested persons should respond with a letter of interest by April 27, 2010. At that time a packet of documents which will contain all pertinent information and forms needed to submit your proposal will be sent to you.

All final proposals must be received at the office of the housing authority by 4:00 p.m., May 7, 2010, in order to be considered. Please address your letter and proposal to: Ms. Rhonda Burchett, Executive Director, Housing Authority of Prestonsburg, 12 Blaine Hall Street, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.



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