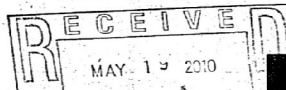


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Blackburn defeats incumbent for surveyor

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

After the dust settled between five candidates for the position of county surveyor, it was Curtis T. Blackburn who emerged Tuesday to defeat incumbent Teresa Hall.

Blackburn took 29 percent of the votes to Hall's 25 percent, with the next closest candidate, Earnie Moore, taking 22 percent of the vote.

In total, Blackburn finished with 3,351 votes to Hall's 2,893 votes to win election.

Of the 11,529 people who cast votes in the surveyor's race, the margin was spread relatively evenly across the five candidates, as each obtained at least 1,200 votes each, with Lamar Tackett seeing the fewest with 1,279 votes.

Marshall cruises to convincing win

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

With just over half the votes cast Tuesday in his favor, Floyd County Judge Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall held more than his own against challengers Charles "Chuck" Meade, Brent Graden and Boyd Barry Bowling.

Marshall took 53 percent of the

votes cast Tuesday with 7,016 Floyd Countians voting for him, while Meade finished with 4,699 votes, or 36 percent. Graden had the third most votes of the four candidates with 1,003, or 8 percent, while Bowling garnered only 3 percent with 418 votes.

The win will see Marshall serve his second term as the county's top official. Meade, a past state representative,

had in the past weeks issued several ads questioning Marshall's decisions during his first term, something Marshall addressed Tuesday night once votes were counted.

"I have never been a negative person," Marshall said. "The glass is always half-full. Never half-empty."

(See MARSHALL, page 5)



Marshall

ELECTION DAY



photo by Sheldon Compton

Just over half of registered voters in Floyd County went to the polls Tuesday to cast votes in the primary election. This figure, though low, reflected some 20 percent higher than the number of voters who turned out statewide.

Voters return Blackburn, Webb in convincing fashion

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn and Jailor Roger Webb handily won reelection to their positions on Tuesday.

Blackburn emerged victorious 6,829 votes, which was 50 percent of the total. Steve Little came in second in the race for sheriff, taking 4,375 votes. Bobby Johnson was third with 2,375, while Curtis L. Lewis followed 112 votes.

In the race for jailor, Webb received 3,653 votes, for a total of 66 percent. Webb's only opponent, Stan Lee, received 4,399 votes.

"Once again, the good citizens of Floyd County have entrusted me to be their jailor," Webb said. "I like I've done in the past, I am going to make Floyd County proud."

In the constable races, Lester Jarvis will be the new constable in District 1, receiving 1,396 votes. Roger Rowe received 1,311 votes. Larry "Boss" Jarrell received 443 votes. Ben Ferguson received 268 votes and Mike Hall, the incumbent, received 321 votes.

In District 2, Samuel Duncan received 1,034 votes to win the race. Kenneth L. Prater received 627 votes. Terry Triplett received 620 votes, Zeb Ousley

received 333 votes and Ricky D. Mitchell received 92 votes.

In District 3, Mike Tackett received 1,322 votes for the win, with Barry Hopkins coming in second with 1,036 votes. Ernie Ray Moore received 858 votes, Ronnie Vicars received 279 votes and Tony Flancy received 82 votes.

In District 4, Alfred "Junebug" Newsome won the race with 1,320 votes. John Kidd came in second in District 4 with 711 votes. James B. McKinney received 456 votes, Hermit Newsome received 276 votes, David "Winford" Wakeland received 244 votes and Scottie W. Reed received 68 votes.

Holbrook wins in District 2

Goble again fends off Derossett; Jarrell knocks off Daniels

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

The late Jackie Edford Owens was the top vote-getter in the race for District 2 Magistrate, receiving 1,078 votes, but the votes will not count.

Marie Martin Holbrook, Owens' niece, won the election with 627 votes. However, Owens' widow, Hattie Owens, views the votes for her late husband as a victory for her family. Hattie Owens will be a write-in candidate for

(See MAGISTRATES, page 5)

Half of voters show up

Few problems reported

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — This past Veteran's Day, the local VFW and DAV posts held a dedication for new additions to the war memorial at Allen Park. Markers were added for fallen Afghanistan veterans, along with Kuwait, Iraq and others.

Now, more will be added for veterans of the Korean War and World War II, something local veterans say is certainly due.

"I think it's a great idea," said Paul

(See TURNOUT, page 5)

Kids miraculously spared from careening pickup

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — An accident that took place at the corner of West Graham Street and Front Street in Prestonsburg had parents and residents alike cringing at the possibilities.

Police said 27-year-old Ben Davis, was speeding across the Woodrow Burchett Bridge coming out of Town Branch, when he lost control of his truck and careened into a ditch at the corner.

The truck landed on a concrete drain inches from where two boys, Henry Graden and Karson Roop, were sitting.

"He must have been flying out of there," said Shawn Roop, father of Karson and a former police officer. "It was a close call and should have never happened in the first place."

Henry Graden, the son of city employee Brent Graden, said when Davis opened his door to exit the vehicle, the door struck him.

(See KIDS, page 3)

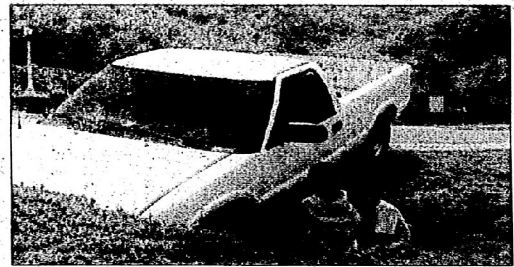


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Henry Graden and Karson Roop sit in the same spot they were when this truck lost control exiting Woodrow Burchett Bridge in Prestonsburg and landed inches from them. The driver, Ben Davis, was arrested at the scene.

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Obituaries

Hesta Bates

Hesta Bates, 85, of Melvin, died Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born April 22, 1925, in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late Jonts and Victoria Cook Isaac. She was a homemaker and a member of the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church, in Melvin.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Vence Bates.

Other survivors include three sons: Fossil (Pamela) Bates of Zionsville, Indiana; Roland (Patricia) Bates of Waterloo, Nebraska; and Larry (Nora) Bates of Bloomfield, Indiana; one daughter, Ruby (Jack) Kendrick of Melvin; one brother, Berlin (Pauline) Isaac of Topmost; two sisters: Gertrude Jones of Grove City, Ohio; and Lillie Coleman of Columbus, Ohio; nine grandchildren: Jack Jr., Terry, Brian, Sherry, Anthony, Christopher, Kelly, Eric and Kevin; and 20 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Sterlin Isaac and Shirley Isaac; three sisters: America Johnson, Flora Hall and Sadie Hicks and one grandchild.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 16, at 11 a.m. at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church, in Melvin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Buckingham Cemetery, in Bevsinsville.

Visitation was at the church.

Pallbearers: Fossil,

Roland, Larry, Jack Jr., Zackery and Berlin. **Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, was in charge of arrangements.** (Paid obituary)

Nanny Sue Case Caban

Nanny Sue Case Caban, 66, of Wilmington, Ohio, died Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at the Christ Hospital, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Born December 8, 1943, in Honaker, she was the daughter of Sidney and Beulah Case. She was a member of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints Church, in Wilmington, Ohio and a 1962 graduate of Betsy Layne High School.

Other survivors include two daughters: Marisol (Chris) Baker of Wilmington, Ohio and Yolanda (Frank) Rojas of Lorain, Ohio; two brothers: Elford Case of Freemont, Ohio and Vernon Case of Honaker; two sisters: Cindy Kidd of Honaker and Madeline Clark of Harold; seven grandchildren: Adrianna, Aiyanna, Isabella, Hiana, Francisco, Hannah and Alex; and very special friends: Hesa Ray Carroll of Clarksville, Ohio and Cathy Maki of Wilmington, Ohio; and special friends: David Carroll, Theresa Carroll and Dusty Carroll of Clarksville, Ohio.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Milford Case and Claude Case and four sisters: Pauline Ramey, Gerlane Case, Lovella Johnson and Josephine Case.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 15, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in

Martin, with Frank Kidd Jr. officiating.

Burial was in the Truman Kidd Cemetery, in Honaker.

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

Jimmie Caudill

Jimmie Caudill, age 62, of Columbus, Mississippi, formerly of Floyd County, husband of Phyllis Langley Caudill, passed away Friday, May 14, 2010, in North Mississippi Medical Center, in Tupelo, Mississippi.

He was born on July 15, 1947, in Martin, the son of the late Johny Caudill Sr. and Maxie Lawson Caudill. He was retired from the Air Force as a Master Sergeant and DynCorp.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis; two daughters: Bobbie Caudill Gustafson of Seattle, Washington; Jimmie Rene Caudill of Mansfield of Columbus, Mississippi; one son, Mark Douglas Caudill of Birmingham Alabama; two brothers: Jackie Caudill of Mt. Vernon, Illinois and Bennie Caudill of Prestonsburg; three sisters: Dorothy Caudill Hand of Eden North Carolina; Mary Caudill Hamilton of London and Maudie Caudill Osborne of Hi Hat and six grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers: Johny Caudill, Jr., Edward Caudill, Ralph Caudill, Audrey Caudill and Robert Caudill; and one sister, Dixie Caudill Mullins.

Funeral services for Jimmie Caudill will be conducted Thursday, May 20, at 2:00 p.m., at Hall Funeral Home, with Glenn Hayes and Greg Hand officiating.

Burial will follow in the Lawson Cemetery at Price, with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is after 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, at Hall Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

Elder Denver "Howard" Coleman

Elder Denver "Howard" Coleman, 81, of Allen, died Saturday, May 15, at St. Joseph-Martin.

Born April 29, 1929, in Pike County, he was the son of the late James and Virgie Coleman. He was a TV repairman for Flannery and Dingus TV and a member of the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, Wolfpit, in Pike County.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Baldrige Coleman.

Survivors include two sons: Timothy L. and Tammy Coleman of Flat Gap and James H. Coleman of Allen; one daughter,

Lesha and Glen Ison of Allen; six brothers: Doug Coleman and Harvey Coleman of Wolfpit, Ival Coleman and Jerry Coleman of Ash Camp, Ray Coleman of Maddison Heights, Michigan and Ellis Coleman of Alabama; three sisters: Patty Lewis of Fortsmoth, Arkansas, Ruth Helton of Wolfpit and Helen McGuire of Leo, Ohio; four grandchildren: Evan Lee and Olivia Coleman, Emily Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman and Matthew Glendon Ison.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by two sisters: Margie Holt and Mary Coleman.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 19, at 1 p.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, in Wolfpit, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Baldrige Family Cemetery, in Paintsville.

Visitation is at the funeral home, with nightly services at 7 p.m.

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

Treva Carroll Collins

Treva Carroll Collins, 74, of Honaker, died Saturday, May 15, 2010, at her residence.

Born November 9, 1935, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Nathan and Delpha Hall Carroll. She was a retired cook for Highlands Regional Medical Center and a member of the Regular Baptist Church.

She was twice married, first to Eugene Collins and later to Orris Collins. They both preceded her in death.

Other survivors include two sons: David Collins of Cynthia and Danny Collins of Pikeville; four daughters: Debra Jean Wicker of Sandusky, Ohio, Scharlene "Kay" Kidd, Donna Sue Collins and Roberta Lynn Collins of Honaker; one brother, Ivan Eugene Carroll of Galveston; three sisters: Ivelce Slaughter of Freemont, Ohio, Irene Sparks and Mary "Sis" Hall, both of Galveston; nine grandchildren: Brian, Carrie, Nathan, Dougie, Jason, Davin, Delaina, Derrick and Kirklin; six great-grandchildren; two stepgreat-grandchildren and two stepgreat-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husbands, she was preceded in death by one brother, Reavis Carroll and two sisters: Syrvellia Sparks and Earvinia Adkins.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 19, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Elisha

Branham and Bruce Coleman officiating.

Burial will be in the Collins Cemetery, in Honaker.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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



Francis, Gary Nicholas Francis, Danny Francis, Randall Francis, Paul Francis, Larry Francis, Ernest Francis and Donnie D. Francis.

Honorary pallbearers: James A. Bowers Jr. and Scottie Francis.

In lieu of flowers, family request donations be made to the charity of choice. (Paid obituary)

Melissa Ann Kelly

Melissa Ann Kelly, 33, of Lexington, died Wednesday, May 12, 2010, in Lexington.

Born June 17, 1976, in Paintsville, she was the daughter of Thelma Jean Shepherd Joseph and the late Melvin Grace Kelly. She was a disabled drug-store clerk.

In addition to her mother, survivors include two sons: Samuel Kelly and Isaiah Kelly, both of David; four daughters: DeShawna Riley, Chavella Kelly, Selena Kelly and Susana Silva, all of David; one sister, Lisa Gail Robinson (Joshua Vick) of Lexington; one niece, Carina Robinson of Hippo and one nephew, Erick Robinson of Hippo.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by one son, Yanna Kelly.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 16, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Living Word Pentecostal Church and Charlene Orsborne officiating.

Burial was in the Shepherd Cemetery, (Open Fork Road), in David.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to: Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1609, Martin, KY 41649. (Paid obituary)

(See OBITUARIES, page 8)

Card of Thanks

The family of Bill David Marcum would like to sincerely say, "Thank you," to all of our wonderful friends and neighbors, who helped to comfort our family during this difficult time. Those who sent flowers, food, or came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Rev. Ken Lemaster for his comforting message and Christ United Methodist women for the dinner. We also thank Hall Funeral Home and the Sheriff's Department for their service.

THE FAMILY OF BILL DAVID MARCUM

Card of Thanks

The family of Kathryn Johnson would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to friends, neighbors, and loved ones who helped comfort us during this time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, cards, prayers, or who spoke kind words. A special thank-you to the pastor for his kind and comforting words; and to the Carter Funeral Home for kind and professional care.

THE FAMILY OF KATHRYN JOHNSON

Card of Thanks

The family of Elberta Tackett Howard would like to express our sincere appreciation to all who sent food, flowers, and/or prayers to our family. A special thanks to Carter Funeral Home for their efficient and caring service, and to the Community United Methodist Church for providing the service and for hosting dinner. Thanks also to Rev. Ray Snider Jr., former pastor of Community United Methodist Church, and Rev. Jimmy Brown, Bonanza Baptist Church. Thanks to Highlands Regional Medical Center, doctors, nurses, and aides, for their care and support. Also to the Prestonsburg City Police and Floyd County Sheriff's Dept. for their safety service. Thanks to the grandsons and great-grandsons for acting as pallbearers. Very special thanks to Jean Burke and Lynn May and to musicians Clayton Case, Dr. Phil Simpson, and Pam Goble. With grateful hearts, we will always remember each and every one of you for your love and support.

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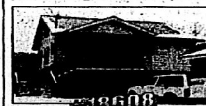
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Methadone doc sentenced to four years

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

Floyd and Pike counties. Most of the prescriptions were for methadone, and Naramore said he was aware that the patients were likely distributing the pills throughout Eastern Kentucky. "Mr. Naramore helped promote drug trafficking in Eastern Kentucky," said Assistant U.S. Attorney Roger West. "I think that his sentence shows that not only will users and distributors of prescription pills be punished, but key sources

of supply such as doctors will also be held accountable." West also said in his statement that the U.S. Attorney's office, along with other federal and state agencies, were "committed to stopping the prescription pipelines that continue to devastate Eastern Kentucky." According to court documents, in 2005, Naramore, a Vermont native, was hired to work at a Cincinnati company called Urgent Care. The

majority of his clients were from Eastern Kentucky, according to court records, and each paid Naramore \$400 for each monthly visit. Over the course of the two-year period, Naramore wrote prescriptions for Floyd Counties, it was estimated that he distributed some 50,000 pills. During questioning, Naramore also admitted that many of the patients he saw at Urgent Care were former patients of Dr. Randy Weiss. Weiss, who worked at the Philadelphia Urgent Care Clinic, was sentenced in 2009 to four years for the same offense. Approximately 60 patients of Naramore and Weiss have been charged as part of the conspiracy and roughly half of those have already pleaded guilty, West said. In addition, the

Urgent Care president and CEO of the Philadelphia and Cincinnati clinics have been charged as well.



A Wal-Mart truck wrecked Sunday night on Route 80 near the Floyd and Knott county line. The driver was not injured. Garrett Fire Department and Ball Fork Fire Department responded to the scene.

County gets \$150K for Middle Creek flood study

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

Floyd County will be one of several counties to benefit from recent federal funding set aside for flood control and mitigation.

The county was given \$150,000 for a flood prevention study of Route 114 at Middle Creek, a section of the county that has long been prone to flooding during heavy rains.

The funding comes as part of \$2.18 million awarded to several communities in the Big Sandy and Cumberland River watersheds, according to U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, who made the announcement Tuesday. "The devastating storms that ripped through Kentucky nearly two weeks ago left behind a grim reminder of the importance of not only creating, but maintaining flood control projects," Rogers said in a statement Tuesday. "These funds are vital to communities that otherwise cannot afford to meet the cost of repairs, replacements and various compliance issues for flood protection." The Kentucky

Emergency Management Office worked with Rogers' office to oversee each of the flood control projects throughout the state. Other projects that will see funding include the city

of Pikeville, which will receive \$120,000 for certification of a floodwall and Pike County as a whole with \$350,784 for additional floodwall certification.

Happy 91st Birthday Mr. Goble

From all your buddies at the Times

Baldrige-Thompson To Wed



Ronnie and Delores Baldrige of Blue River, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, JoyGina Baldrige, to George Thompson of Stanville, the son of Ruth Thompson and the late Ted Thompson. He is the maternal grandson of Louise Mayton and the late Robert Mayton; and the paternal grandson of the late George and Oma Thompson. JoyGina is the maternal granddaughter of the late Jay and Kittie Shepherd and the paternal granddaughter of the late Monroe and Ollie Baldrige. George is employed as an engineer for CSX Transportation. JoyGina is in the nursing program at National College. They plan to wed on May 29th, 2010, at three thirty in the afternoon, at Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church in Prestonsburg.

Where's Hal?
4. Kentucky Derby Parties

Congratulations AMY!

Amy Lyn Wallen, daughter of Linda Wallen Prater and the late Jim Wallen, graduated from Morehead State University Saturday, May 8, 2010.

Amy earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree with an emphasis in Advertising and Public Relations. She plans to pursue a career in Public Relations while also running and maintaining her own Photography business.

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Kids

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"That's how close he came to running over them," Roop said.

The residents near this area say they have been asking the city to place speed bumps along sections of Front and Graham Streets. Two were put in place along Front Street less than two weeks ago, but Roop and others are now saying two more should be placed along the bridge and at the corner.

Davis was expected to be charged with two counts of wanton endangerment, operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license and possibly an assault charge at the time of his arrest yesterday.

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2009	CRF250R	4,831	CRF150F	2,445	
2009	CRF150R	3,999	CRF150F	2,445	
2009	CRF150R	4,915	CRF150F	1,918	
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Viewpoint

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— J. R. R. Tolkien

Guest View

Razzing Arizona

Arizona, a state where every 13th person is in this country illegally, has decided to take on the job of enforcing immigration laws since the federal government continues to sit on its hands.

Arizona's reward: Critics say the state is filled with racists and encourage a boycott of Arizona, a call that is endorsed - this is where it gets really weird - by one of the state's own U.S. representatives, Raul Grijalva, a Democrat from Tucson.

Critics of Arizona Senate Bill 1070, which was signed into law on Friday by Republican Gov. Jan Brewer, say it will result in the harassment of Hispanic citizens - and surely some of that will happen. They worry about racial profiling, but we say any determined attempt to enforce immigration laws will result in a roundup of Hispanics, so that charge will always be made.

Already there are reports that illegal immigrants are leaving the state. A million have left during the past year, mostly because work is scarce, but there are still 460,000 in the state, which has a population of 6.6 million.

The Arizona law simply mimics the federal law, but the objection is in how it would be enforced. It asks that law enforcement officers when making "lawful contact" with a person and "reasonable suspicion exists" that the person is "unlawfully present in the United States" shall, "when practical," try to determine the person's immigration status.

The question, destined to be answered by the courts, is whether or not a state has the right to enforce federal laws.

The immigration disaster is the federal government's doing, which is acknowledged by President Obama, who said this, some of which we agree with: "Our failure to act responsibly at the federal level will only open the door to irresponsibility by others, and that includes, for example, the recent efforts in Arizona, which threaten to undermine basic notions of fairness that we cherish as Americans, as well as the trust between police and their communities that is so crucial to keeping us safe."

The lack of enforcement can be blamed on the federal government, but this mess we all made. The country has benefited greatly from the cheap labor that is provided by laborers who illegally cross our Southern borders, but their numbers have ballooned to as many as 20 million, and the American public's patience with the pressures that have been put on law enforcement, social services and our health system - all at taxpayer expense - has been exhausted. It should also be noted that jobs Americans once gladly left to illegal immigrants are now more coveted because of the economy.

President Bush tried to pass immigration reform, but was rebuffed by his own party. Until Arizona acted, there was little reason to believe that the current Congress, with mid-term elections on the horizon, would have the courage to take on the issue anytime soon.

But Arizona going maverick changes the dynamic. Should it force a national debate that leads to real immigration reform, we should all thank the state, regardless of what we think of its new law.

— The Robesonian, Lumberton, N.C.

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Guest Column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

As we wait for a special session on the state budget to begin in Frankfort, many people outside of the Capitol have been asking, "just what exactly is the process by which a state budget becomes law?"

Well, the constitutional process by which a state budget becomes law is simple. What is confusing and oftentimes complicated is the political horse trading and even the terminology used to describe what is happening with the budget from day to day. Take what "state budget" means, for example.

When you read in the papers about there not yet being a "state budget" for the next two years, the reporters are referring only to the Executive Branch budget that funds most state government agencies and programs over what has historically been a two-year budget cycle, not the Legislative or Judicial branch budgets which did pass the 2010 General Assembly in the last session's final days. So, "state budget" refers to only those agencies under the governor's direct control.

It is also simply stated in the Kentucky Constitution that only state lawmakers can pass a state budget. But look a little further and you will see that the governor has an important role in the budget process. This role is spelled out in Section 79 of the state Constitution which requires the governor to "give to the General Assembly information of the state of the Commonwealth, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he may deem expedient." The governor presents his proposed budget to a joint session of lawmakers in the first weeks of the session, but rarely if ever is that proposal passed as-is. The House usually makes several changes to the proposal and files the revised proposal for consideration over several weeks of budget tweaks and debate.

The Constitution has clear restrictions on what can be in a bill and, in the case of budget bills, that raise revenue, what chamber of the General

Assembly must file the bill. All bills raising revenue must be filed or begin in the House, although the Senate can later amend the bills after they have cleared House budget committees, passed the House and been sent to the Senate for approval.

The process of moving the state budget bill through the House is, again, simple in theory but complicated in practice. You can literally bat an eye and miss something, which is why state lawmakers in the House and the Senate are lucky to have their first line of defense in all things budgetary—the Legislative Research Commission's statutory Budget Review Committee.

After we lawmakers receive the governor's budget proposal, typically sometime in January of even years, our Budget Review staff work with us for up to two months or longer to further study the proposal, examine the budgets of dozens of state agencies and prepare detailed fiscal notes on the cost of the pending state budget legislation. It is from this staff research that the House is able to create a state budget that can eventually be pushed through to the Senate.

The state budget bill follows a basic path to passage at this stage of the process, which I have outlined below. The bill usually takes at least two months to pass both chambers, unless there is a budget impasse as there is now.

1. After the bill is introduced in the House, it goes to a group of House legislative leaders called the Committee on Committees that assigns the bill to the appropriate committee for study. Budget bills are referred to the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee, which in turn assigns portions of the bill dealing with specific subject matter such as Medicaid or agriculture to a group of 7 budget review subcommittees (The Senate has 6 budget review subcommittees to handle its work on the bill). The bulk of the work on the bill is done in these subcommittees, which make recommendations to the full House A & R committee on what they believe should be included in the bill.

2. After the subcommittees have finished their work and made recommendations, the budget is acted upon by House A & R and given the first of

three readings (required by the Constitution) which involves the bill being read on three different days, unless a majority of members of the chamber where the bill is pending vote to do away with the second and third readings in the interest of time. The first reading allows the bill to be placed on what is called a "calendar", or a list of bills that have had one reading and are ready for a second reading. After the second reading, or without one if members waive the reading, the bill is sent to the Rules Committee—a group of legislative leaders and other members who schedule bills for a vote on the chamber floor—and then returned to either A & R or another committee for more study.

3. If the bill is approved, it is sent to the Senate where it will go through the same process followed in the House.

4. If the two chambers pass different versions of the bill—as is always the case with the state budget bill—they may appoint a conference committee (a group of lawmakers from both Houses) to get together and try to work out their differences, then send the bill back to each chamber. Another committee called a "free conference" might be required if the conference committee is unsuccessful at reaching an agreement as it was this past session.

5. If the bill is passed by both chambers, it goes to the governor for his signature. If not, the House and Senate find themselves snared in a budget impasse which-if not ended before the end of the Regular Session-will require a special budget session just like the one the governor has called for next week.

Probably those Kentuckians who are most informed about the budget process are those who live and work in Franklin County since they are exposed to state government every day. I found it interesting that when Franklin Countians were polled by their local paper The State Journal with the question "Who's most responsible for the state budget impasse?" their answers (published on May 9) were: the Governor, 31 percent; the House, 18 percent; the Senate, 49 percent. Here's hoping this is our last budget impasse for a long, long time.

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Paul rolls; Conway, Mongiardo in dead heat

by RALPH B. DAVIS
MANAGING EDITOR

Early results in the U.S. Senate race showed a political newcomer to be getting the best of one of the state's highest profile Republicans, while on the Democratic side, an Eastern Kentucky native was in danger of losing his bid to return to the November race after falling just short six years ago.

With 113 of Kentucky's 120 counties fully reporting, and another three delivering partial results, Bowling Green ophthalmologist Rand Paul, son of two-time presidential candidate

U.S. Rep. Ron Paul (R-Texas), drew on heavy support from so-called "Tea Party" activists, as well as nationwide financial support from fans of his father's maverick political style, to cruise to a win over Secretary of State C.M. "Trey" Grayson. Paul had moved into an early lead with 59 percent of the vote, compared to Grayson's 35 percent.

Paul and Grayson were joined in the race by four other candidates, who fared considerably worse: Bill Johnson, Gurley L. Martin, Jon J. Scribner and John Stephenson each failed to

pick up 2 percent of the vote. Johnson finished fourth in voting, despite dropping out of the race several weeks ago.

Results from Floyd County closely mirrored statewide figures, with Paul picking up 354 votes to Grayson's 225. None of the other candidates obtained more than 25.

Meanwhile, Attorney General Jack Conway was holding on to a lead over Lt. Gov. Daniel Mongiardo. Conway was winning with 44 percent of the vote, while Mongiardo stayed within striking distance at 43 percent.

Out of just over 507,000 votes counted in that race at press time, the margin between the two men remained less than 5,000.

There were three other candidates also in the Democratic race. Darlene F. Price, Maurice M. Sweeney and James Buckmaster all polled in the single digits.

Mongiardo fared somewhat better in Floyd County, where he won with 6,511 votes, compared to Conway's 4,644. Price finished third with 368, followed by Buckmaster with 353 and Sweeney with 309.

Assuming voting results remain the same, Paul and

Conway will square off in November for the right to replace retiring Republican Sen. Jim Bunning.

U.S. Representative
In the Democratic primary for Fifth District congressman, James E. "Jim" Holbert was leading Kenneth Stepp and David Prince, with just over half the vote counted.

With 17 of 29 counties reporting complete results, and four others giving partial figures, Holbert led with just over 39 percent of the vote, compared with Stepp's 33 percent and Prince's 27 percent.

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'Click It or Ticket' enforcement campaign begins

FRANKFORT — Despite a wealth of data showing that seat belts save lives — and also despite implementation of a primary seat belt law — Kentucky's 80 percent seat belt usage rate lags behind the national rate of 84 percent. The annual Click It or Ticket enforcement campaign, which runs from May 17 to June 6, will attempt to bring awareness to this issue as officers buckle down on those not buckled up.

Transportation Cabinet and Office of Highway Safety officials, along with the Kentucky State Police, launched the battle of the belt today at the Capitol. "Kentucky undoubtedly experiences far too many fatalities that could have been

avoided with the simple use of a seat belt," said Acting Secretary of Transportation Mike Hancock. "Clearly this is an indication that people are just not aware of the huge risk taken by not buckling up."

Hancock said the cabinet is optimistic, with fatality numbers steadily decreasing each year. However, statistics for 2009 indicate 398 (61.3 percent) of the 649 people who were killed in motor vehicles last year were not wearing a seat belt. "We believe a majority of these lives could have been saved if they had been restrained."

Traffic safety checkpoints and saturation patrols will be conducted by state and local law enforcement during the two-week Click It or

Ticket mobilization, looking for any traffic violation with an emphasis on seat belt usage. Those not buckled up or who are in violation of other laws will receive a citation. But those who are buckled will receive a different kind of ticket — a "Click It FOR Tickets" voucher that allows them to register to win a pair of tickets to the Kentucky Speedway.

"Kentucky State Police will join with local law enforcement and the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety to support this national mobilization," said Lt. Col. Mike Sapp, director of the KSP Operations Division. "We will implement an aggressive, high-visibility enforcement plan to support this effort —

so please, buckle up."

Office of Highway Safety Executive Director Chuck Geveden says the office awarded more than \$240,000 in federal funds to 59 state and local police agencies across the Commonwealth to help bolster seat belt enforcement during the campaign. The funding is provided through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Although enforcement officers will be prevalent during the campaign, Geveden emphasized, "The Click It or Ticket campaign is not about writing tickets. It's about awareness and saving lives. If one life is saved through this effort, it will be worth it."

Schlumberger suit settled

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

INEZ — A settlement has been reached in the lawsuit filed against Schlumberger, a trucking company, for an accident that occurred in Martin County in 2008.

According to information provided by the Kirk Law Firm, Zachary Todd, of Inez, was injured in a single-vehicle accident when his car hit a spot slickened by oil at the intersection of Route 3 and Route 645 at Middle Fork. The oil reportedly caused Todd to lose control and "flip off the roadway."

In the suit, Todd claimed that prior to the accident, a large truck owned by Schlumberger and operated

by Michael McCoy became damaged when it struck debris in the road and started to leak hydraulic fluid, making the road slick and creating a dangerous condition. The suit alleged that Schlumberger failed to clean the oil from the roadway, even though the company "owed a duty to use care toward the plaintiff and the traveling public."

Schlumberger was represented by Don Jones, an attorney from Paintsville, and denied liability in the company's court filings.

Todd was represented by Jeffrey Hinkle and Kyle Salyer, with Kirk Law Firm. The settlement terms in the case were not made available.

Marshall

will not go negative and talk about someone's character. I would never take that road and I think this campaign has proven that the people don't want that."

Marshall, who held a victory celebration at the Martin Community Center following the election, also spoke of his future plans in the coming term.

"The people have spoken

and have said resoundingly that they did not want this county to go backwards. We are going to move forward," he said. "The people that know me knew what direction that I would always take this county and the things we have yet to do is something I'm very excited about. I want to continue working on our parks and with our senior citizens,

sewer and water projects and, well, it just goes on and on."

With this, his first political outing, Graden said he will remember it well. "It was a positive race," he said late Tuesday night.

Meade and Bowling could not be reached for comment.

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Turnout

Edwards, a Vietnam vet and Commander of the VFW Post 5839 in Prestonsburg. "It's about time we have something in this area to recognize those veterans. At my post we have about 10 to 20 World War I veterans."

Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall said Edwards and others have been in talks with county officials lately about getting the addition at the park.

"These folks with the VFW and DAV posts were asking about this and they helped us get some coal sev-

erance money to fund the project," Marshall said. "I'm thrilled to now have the chance to do this."

Marshall and the fiscal court members approved a bid for the construction of the new additions in special meeting last week. A single bid was accepted for the work, which will have an estimated cost of \$27,798.

According to fiscal court records, the memorial would consist of two 10-foot by 6-foot gray granite polished markers and four granite benches for visitor use.

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Magistrates

District 2 Magistrate in November.

"We wanted to finish out what Jackie started," Hattie Owens said. "It's overwhelming to me. I want to thank the people for standing behind him. The family appreciates it from the bottom of our hearts."

Also in District 2, Kenneth Prater received 423 votes, Kenneth Roberts received 312 votes and William "Twinkle" Salisbury received 338 votes.

In District 1, John A. "Big John" Goble, the incumbent, won reelection in a very close race, with 1,443 votes. Gerald DeRossett, a former magistrate, received 1,398 votes. Also in District 1, Janice Pennington Davis received 375 votes, Keith Stapleton received 284 votes, Billy E. Frasure received 218 votes, Cecil Jarrell received 99 votes and Danny H. Hamilton received 80 votes.

Warren Jarrell will be the new magistrate in District 3, bringing in 1,395 votes. Incumbent Donny Daniels

received 1,027 votes. Also in District 3, Ronald Stewart received 320 votes, German Stumbo received 380 votes, Glenn "Bubbo" Moore received 119 votes, James "Bimbo" Collins received 109 votes and Basel Moore received 21 votes.

In District 4, Ronnie Akers easily won his bid for reelection, receiving 1,982 votes. Dean M. Hall, the only other candidate, received 975 votes.

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Obituaries

Ailene Kidd

Ailene Kidd, age 82, of Honaker, widow of Miles Kidd, passed away Sunday, May 16, 2010, at her residence.

She was born August 7, 1927, in Honaker, a daughter of the late Marion and Zelma Mae Williams Akers. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by one son, Christopher Eric (Stephanie) Kidd of Auxier; one sister, Nova Clark of Honaker; two grandchildren: Deanna Nicole and Dexter Alexander Kidd; numerous nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Eugene Otis Akers and one sister, Vertie Rae Kidd.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, May 20, at 10:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation is after 6 p.m., Tuesday, at the funeral home, under the kind and professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin. (Paid obituary)

Okie "Burr" Lawson

Okie "Burr" Lawson, age 67, of Betsy Layne, passed away Saturday, May 15, 2010, at the Pikeville Medical Center, in Pikeville.

He was born at Honaker, the son of the late Columbus Lawson and Oma Martin Lawson.

He was a member of the Church of Christ for 38 years and a preacher for

many of those years. He was an Army veteran, serving in Germany during the Vietnam Era, with a rank of Spec. 5. He was a two-time Past Department Commander of the Disabled American Veterans, Department of Kentucky, as well as the Commander of Pikeville Chapter No. 134 and a Kentucky Colonel.

He is survived by his wife, Eunice Sanders Lawson; one son, Jeffery Randall Lawson; one daughter, Patricia Dawn (Thomas) Mizer; a grandson he raised as his own, Justin Lawson and one step-son, Robert Wayne Sanders, all of Betsy Layne; two grandsons: Ryan Lawson and Sam Sanders and one granddaughter, Nikita Mizer, all of Betsy Layne; and a very special mother-in-law, Kathryn Sanders of Betsy Layne.

Additionally, he is survived by two brothers: Emmett (Velma) Lawson and Roy (Mary) Lawson, all of Harold; four sisters: Maudie Hill, Harold, Reba Lawson, Coyette Lawson and Shelia Lawson, all of Honaker.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Elizabeth Yates. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 18, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with A.E. Hurley officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation was after 6 p.m., Sunday, under the kind and professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Palbearers: Sammy Sanders, James Craft, Colbert Craft, Johnathan Newsome, Jeff Leblanc, Shawn Case, Bo Hamilton,

Shannon Hamilton and Brett Preston.

Honorary: Larry Roberts, Sam Booher, Jewel Stumbo, Cledis Hall, Tom Mizer and John Adkins. (Paid obituary)

Harold Lewis

Harold Lewis, 74, of Staffordsville, died Saturday, May 15, 2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born October 26, 1935, in Ivel, he was the son of the late George W. and Maggie Hunt Lewis. He was a retired coal miner, a former Floyd County Deputy Sheriff and a member of the Baptist Fellowship Church, in Banner.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth Mollet Lewis.

Survivors include two sons: Michael Wayne Lewis of Sevierville, Tennessee; Danny (Charity) Kerr of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Wonell (Benson) Blair of Hager Hill and

Linda (Lionel) Chaffins of Warfield; two sisters: Vannie Rieckman of Washington, Ohio and Mary Wright of Warsaw, Indiana; four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one son, Harold David Lewis; three brothers: Joe W. Lewis, Rudolph Lewis and Mack Lewis and four sisters: Myrtle Knisley, Amy Jackson, Bonnie Lewis and Callie Lewis.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 18, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Doug Lewis officiating.

Burial was in the Lewis Family Cemetery, (Mare Creek), in Stanville.

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

Juanita Webb Stratton

Juanita Webb Stratton, 83, of Banner, died Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at the Riverview Health Care.

Born March 25, 1927, in Dwale, she was the daughter of the late Darwin and Hazel Webb. She was a homemaker and a member of the Martin Freewill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Stratton.

Survivors include two sons: Danny Gene Stratton of Johannesburg, Michigan and Freddie Allen Stratton of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Linda Gail Burchett of Prestonsburg and Lena Mae Brown of McDowell; five brothers: Estill Webb and Harlan Webb, both of Wabash, Indiana; Garlie Webb of Burket, Indiana, Charles Webb and Bobby Webb, both of Prestonsburg; four sisters: Betty Daniels,

Verdia Boyd, Rita Crum and Evalace Stacy, all of Prestonsburg; 13 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Edward Ray Stratton and two sisters: Glenna Deskins and Ruby Stone.

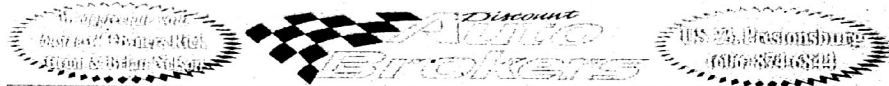
Funeral services were held Saturday, May 8, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Richard Greene officiating.

Burial was in the Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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

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Hunters take a record number of turkeys during spring season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — For the second year in a row, hunters took a record number of wild turkeys during the state's spring season.

Hunters telechecked 36,094 birds during the 23-day season, which closed May 9. It was the first time since 2002 that hunters had posted a record harvest for

two years in a row. Kentucky reached its record despite high winds, heavy rains and extensive flooding which made the hunting difficult during the last two weeks of the season.

Steven Dobby, wild turkey biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, said he believed the foul weather had an impact on the

harvest. "It rained the last two weekends of the season," he noted. "If it had been clear, I think over 40,000 birds would have been taken."

The final tally for the 2010 spring season was an increase of 24 percent over the 29,007 taken during the 2009 spring season. Kentucky wild turkey flock currently has an esti-

mated 220,000 birds. Dobby said while turkey populations have "reached capacity in some areas, there is still room to grow in others."

Kentucky held its first modern day, statewide spring wild turkey season in 1996. Hunters are experiencing quilty hunting in all 120 counties, where suitable habitat is available, with a stable percentage of adult

gobblers in the harvest. Clearly, Dobby said, flocks east of Interstate 75 are continuing to expand.

The biggest increases in harvest occurred in the mountain counties, especially in the 7th (Fish and Wildlife Commission) District, where the harvest was up 42.3 percent over 2009," he said.

The 7th District contains

13 counties bounded by Pike, Lawrence, Owsley and Harlan counties. Eleven of those counties are within Kentucky's elk restoration zone, which includes a substantial amount of reclaimed coal mine land. "There's lots of good habitat for turkeys in elk country," said Dobby.

The 9th District, which

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Booher leaves state champ Valley; takes over at Holmes

Coach won four region titles with Wildcats

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

COVINGTON — Jason Booher has been announced as the new head coach at Covington Holmes. Booher — one of the most successful boys' high school basketball coaches in 15th Region history — accepted the position as Holmes head coach less than two months after guiding Shelby Valley to the state championship. He replaces David Henley, who resigned last month after 13 years at the school to take the head coaching job at North Oldham. Henley guided Holmes to four Ninth Region titles in six years and won the 2009 state title.

Covington Superintendent Lynda Jackson confirmed Booher's hiring on Monday morning.

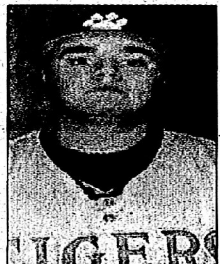
Moore head coach Larry Miller was also being considered for the Holmes boys' basketball position.

Booher made history in the 2009-10 season, coaching Shelby Valley to All "A" Classic and KHSAA state titles. In six seasons at Shelby Valley, Booher compiled a 160-37 record and captured four 15th Region titles. The Booher-coached Shelby Valley boys' basketball program won back-to-back All "A" Classic state titles in 2009 and 2010. Shelby Valley defeated Louisville Ballard for the 2010 state title.

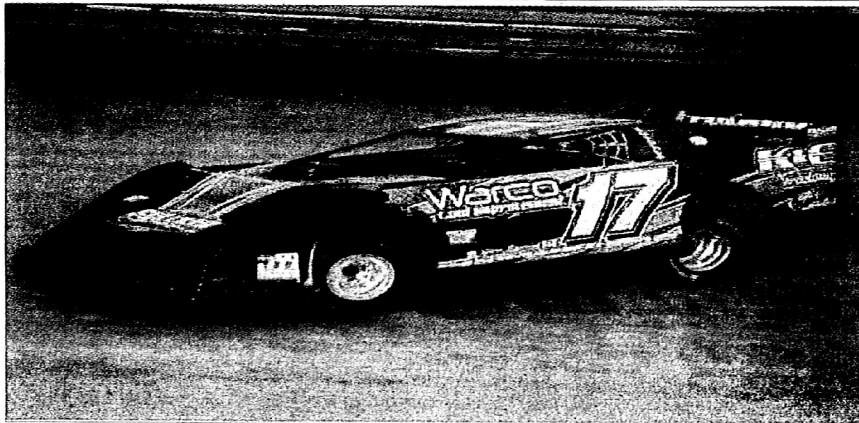


JASON BOOHER

Lyons to sign on Thursday



HEADED TO THE NEXT LEVEL: Paintsville High School senior Austin Lyons will sign to play college baseball on Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in Tiger Alley. Lyons ranks as one of the state's top high school baseball players.



RACING IN 2010: Floyd County driver Shannon Thornsberry, pictured racing during the 2009 campaign, debuted in the 2010 season earlier in the year. Thornsberry is a veteran Dirt Late Model driver.

Kinzer competes in Lucas Oil event

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RURAL RETREAT, Va. — The Kinzer Motorsports team invaded the Wythe Raceway Saturday night. The Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series sanctioned its first-ever race at Wythe Raceway with a \$10,000 winner's check on the line. Floyd County driver Brandon Kinzer could not find his way into the 50-lap main event after finishing sixth in his competitive heat race and fifth in his B-Main. Jimmy Owens prevailed in the feature race.

The feature finish shaped up as follows: 1. Jimmy Owens (Newport, Tenn.); 2. Earl Pearson Jr. (Jacksonville, Fla.); 3. Dale McDowell (Chickamauga, Ga.); 4. Steve Casebolt (Richmond, Ind.); 5. Scott Bloomquist (Moorestown, Tenn.); 6. Ray Cook (Brasstown, NC); 7. Chris Madden (Gaffney, SC); 8. Eric Wells (Hazard); 9. Steve Shaver (Vienna, W.Va.); 10. Chris Wall (Holden, La.); 11. John Blankenship (Williamsburg, W.Va.); 12. Don O'Neal (Martinsville, Ind.); 13. Eric Jacobsen (Watsonville, Calif.); 14. Tommy Kerr (Marysville, Tenn.); 15. Dennis Erb, Jr. (Carpentersville, Ill.); 16. Jonathan Davenport (Blairsville, Ga.); 17. Vic Hill (Mosheim, Tenn.); 18. Will Vaughn (Grane, Mo.); 19. Skip Arr (Georgetown, Tenn.); 20. Benji Cole (Canon, Ga.); 21. Dennis Franklin (Gaffney, SC); 22. Jeff Smith (Gastonia, NC); 23. Mike Marlar (Winfield, Tenn.); 24. Bub McCool (Vicksburg, Miss.); 25. Dan Schlieper (Sullivan, Wis.).

Rainouts: Officials from 201 Speedway were forced to cancel Saturday night's feature races due to inclement weather in the form of heavy rain. The Johnson County track is scheduled to host feature races during the upcoming weekend.

Young Pike County racer among winners at Bristol Dragway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — While last Saturday's activities at the DER Racing Series event in Thunder Valley were cancelled, weather held off long enough for competition to be completed in all categories on Sunday.

Chris Barker of Morehead prevailed as the winner in an extremely close Super Pro final round. Barker had a .009 reaction time and a 5.267 elapsed time (5.26 dial-in) at 131.05 to defeat Trevor Denton from Bristol, Va. Denton left the line with a .017 R.T. and completed his run in 4.916 seconds (4.91 dial-in).

Richard Newman (Rogersville, Tenn.) defeated Steve Foley of Barbourville, in Sunday's Pro division final. Foley lost the race at the line when he jumped the start and received a red light to disqualify himself. After seeing the red light, Newman ran faster than his dial-in (7.408 E.T. on a 7.41 dial-in) to earn the win.

Jason Nelson (Bluff City, Tenn.) drove to victory in the Street category over Van Greer (Kingsport, Tenn.). Nelson's winning run had a .025 R.T. and a 10.813 E.T. (10.75 dial-in) at 121.90 mph. Greer left the line with a .020 R.T. but ran a little faster than his dial-in (17.031 E.T. on a 17.05 dial).

Cody Spears claimed the Trophy division final over Aaron Roberts. Michelle Jacobs from won the Motorcycle class over a red-lighting Mike Conley of Jonesborough.

Dane Shinault from Hillsville, Va. took home Junior Dragster Division II. Ethan Hawkins, a Pike County racer from Virgie, claimed victory in the Junior Dragster Division I.

The DER Racing Series will be back in action this weekend with events on Saturday and Sunday. Gates will open at 10 a.m. on Saturday, with tech inspection at 10:30 a.m. Time trials will begin at noon. Gates will open at 9 a.m. on Sunday, with tech at 10 a.m. Time trials are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.



photo courtesy of Bellarmine University PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE BROOKS HERRICK is competing for the Bellarmine University men's golf program in the NCAA Division II Championship. Herrick and his Bellarmine teammates teed off yesterday in Noblesville, Ind. Opening play in the NCAA tournament against teams from across the country. The Prestonsburg native is in his senior season with the Bellarmine University men's golf team.

Porter sets new home run, RBI records at ALC

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — Alice Lloyd College junior baseball player Kyle Potter enjoyed quite a spring. Potter, a Boyd County High School graduate, hit a school-record 11 home runs for the Eagles. The former 16th Region standout also set a school record for RBIs, amassing 47 while batting .390. Potter was a unanimous All-Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (KIAC) selection.

East Carter High School product K.W. Sexton owned the previous ALC record of 10 home runs.

Potter had 13 stolen bases and a .782 slugging percentage. He also delivered seven doubles and four triples.

The Boyd County native had one home run during his freshman season at Alice Lloyd before attending Morehead State University and taking a break from baseball.

Potter will play in the California wooden bat collegiate league this summer.

Post 117 to host meeting

PAINTSVILLE — The Post 117 American Legion Baseball Team will host a player meeting on Sunday at 3 p.m. at Charlie Adkins Field in Paintsville. For more information, call Coach Tim Pelfrey at 367-4744.

P'burg boys win Pikeville All-Comers meet

Girls place second in 10-team field

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — The Prestonsburg High School track and field program made a strong showing on Thursday in the Pikeville All-Comers Meet. PHS track and field competitors continue to thrive as the regional meet nears. Prestonsburg's boys' team finished first in the Pikeville meet. The Prestonsburg girls placed second out of 10 teams in attendance at Pikeville.

"The boys and girls teams are coming along pretty nice," Prestonsburg Coach Dewey Jamerson said. "The girls has really stepped it up the last few weeks with plenty of top-three finishes."

— Catherine Tischer had a third-place finish with a time of 13.98 in the 100 meter dash. Alessandra Lamolinara placed 11th. Her time was 15.65. Courtney Foley's time of 15.96 (PR) gave her a 15th place finish.

— Micheala Stone turned in a personal record time of 1:16.75 for a second-place finish in the 400 meter dash. Courtney Foley finished third with a time of 1:21.69.

— Tischer won the 200 meter dash with a time of

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Hunters

stretches west past Lake Cumberland along the state's southern border, includes public land in the Daniel Boone National Forest and Lake Cumberland Wildlife Management Area. That district posted a 32.6 percent increase in harvest.

In the northeastern 8th District, which stretches from Ashland to Bourbon County,

hunters took nearly 25 percent more turkeys than last spring.

Despite the increase in the season harvest, hunter success remained unchanged, Deboey said. "Seventy-three percent of hunters telechecked one bird. Overall, more hunters were successful — and that's a great thing to see."

Hodges named Morehead State women's basketball coach

Becomes NCAA's youngest head coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Morehead State University Director of Athletics Brian Hutchinson announced Monday that Tom Hodges has been named as the Eagles' ninth women's basketball coach. He becomes the youngest head coach in Division I.

A 27-year-old native of Shelbyville, Tenn., Hodges has spent the past five years at Middle Tennessee State, including the last two as an on-court assistant to Rick Insell. He just completed his 10th season on a college staff. Prior to MTSU, Hodges also worked at Chattanooga and Morehead State's Ohio Valley Conference rival Tennessee Tech.

He has been a part of seven conference championships and seven trips to the NCAA Tournament in just 10 years, and the three teams he has been a coach for have compiled a cumulative 218-86 record. Hodges has coached five conference players of the year (Janet Holt and Emily Christian, Tennessee Tech; Katusha Brown, Chattanooga; Chrissy Givens and Alysha Clark, Middle Tennessee State) and three All-Americans (Givens, Clark and Amber Holt, MTSU).

He's also had three players drafted by the WNBA (Givens — 31st to the Phoenix Mercury, Holt — Ninth to Connecticut Sun; and Clark — 17th to San Antonio Silver Stars).

Hodges tutored Clark, helping her earn All-American accolades. He also mentored Brandi Brown to All-Sun Belt honors, which led to her selection as the recipient of the Sun Belt Postgraduate Scholarship Award. His primary charge on court was the development of the Blue Raider post players, including Clark and Brown.

A well-rounded coach who understands all aspects of a program's success, Hodges was also responsible for recruiting and scouting opponents and he oversaw video editing and breakdown. As a director of operations for MTSU he handled scheduling and travel arrangements for the Blue Raiders.

Hodges was a full-time assistant for the 2004-05 Chattanooga team that went 25-5, won the Southern Conference regular-season championship, and earned a berth to the Postseason WNIT.

He began his coaching career at OVC for Tennessee Tech as an undergraduate assistant for coach legendary coach Bill Worrell. The Golden Eagles won two Ohio Valley Conference regular-

season titles during Hodges time, amassing a 78-42 record, including 26-4 in 2000-01 (which included the nation's longest winning streak of 19 games) and 22-8 in 2001-02.

At both Chattanooga and TTU, Hodges was responsible for all video editing and breakdown, film exchange, development of post players and coordination of all team travel.

In addition to his collegiate coaching, Hodges has coached at the AAU level for the Shelbyville Sports Shop. He coached in four national tournaments (2000, 2002-04) and won the 2004 U15 national title in Winston-Salem, N.C.

Hodges received his bachelor's degree in extended education with a concentration in health and history in 2004 from Tennessee Tech.

He was married in June of 2009, to the former Hillary Maxwell, who is also a basketball coach. Maxwell most recently was the head coach at Riverdale High School in Murfreesboro, Tenn. where she won a state title.

The Morehead State University women's basketball is coming off the best two-year period in school history with 39 wins, including a school record 22-11 this past season. The Eagles return the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year in Chynna Bozeman.

15th Region Baseball Standings

Team	Record
Johnson Central	19-13
Belfry	18-12
Lawrence County	18-13
Pikeville	17-9
Magoffin County	15-13
Sheldon Clark	15-16
Paintsville	15-16
Allen Central	14-12
Prestonsburg	12-17
East Ridge	9-13
Pike Central	9-15
Betsy Layne	8-9
Shelby Valley	5-9
Phelps	4-11

15th Region Softball Standings

Team	Record
Magoffin County	23-10
Johnson Central	21-12
East Ridge	18-9-1
Prestonsburg	18-16
Lawrence County	14-12
Belfry	13-13
Shelby Valley	13-19
Pikeville	12-17
South Floyd	11-8
Allen Central	9-11
Paintsville	7-16
Sheldon Clark	6-28
Pike County Central	5-11
Betsy Layne	3-19
Phelps	2-12

P'burg

29.49. Kristany Setser finished third. Her time was 31.20. Chelsea Hereford placed fifth with a new personal record of 32.50. Lamolinara placed 10th with a time of 34.33. Micheala Slone's time of 34.92 put her in 12th place.

— Alli Hopkins ran a 2:53.41 (new PR) for a second-place finish in the 800 meter run. McKenzie Collins ran a new personal record time of 3:15.17 for a third place finish. Hannah Hitchcock, who has been out with a stress fracture in her foot for three to four weeks, ran a personal record of 3:32.52 placing her sixth. Makayla Williamson finished seventh with a time of 3:49.05.

— Hitchcock also had a personal record in the 1600 meter run, placing fifth (7:34.61). Collins placed seventh with the time of 7:41.69, turning in a new personal record. Williamson placed ninth with a time of 8:35.64.

— Tischer placed fourth with a personal time of 19.12 in the 100 meter hurdles.

— In the 300 meter hurdles, Leanna Goble ran a 57.35 for a third-place finish. Setser ran a 58.81, good enough for fourth place.

— The newly-formed foursome of Hopkins, Lamolinara, Setser and Tischer ran the 4x100 meter relay in 57.54 and finished third in a season-best time.

— Hopkins, Lamolinara, Slone and Hereford placed third in the 4x200 meter relay, finishing the event in 2:06.51.

— In the most exciting race of the night, the 4x400 meter relay team of Goble, Tischer, Setser and Slone won with the time of 5:19.59.

— Hereford jumped 4'04" in the high jump, placing fourth.

— Goble had a new personal record in the long jump, going over 14 feet for the first time, 14'02.50", which was

good for third-place. Setser placed sixth with a jump of 13'09". Lamolinara placed 10th with a jump of 12'05.50". Collins and Foley tied for 11th place with a jump of 12'05.50, new personal records for both individuals. Hitchcock placed 16th with a personal record of 10'05.50. Williamson jumped 7'09" for a 17th place finish.

— Goble finished second in the triple jump with an effort of 27'10".

— Slone placed 14th in the discus with a throw of 47'03". Hopkins placed 15th with her throw of 46'.

BOYS

— Cameron Tischer finished first in the 100 meter dash with a time of 11.88. Austin McKinney placed fifth with a time of 12.21 (new PR). Wes Robinson placed 12th with a time of 12.96. Kain Collins placed 16th with a time of 14.35.

— Tischer continued his winning ways with a first place run in the 200 meter dash — 24.13 was his time. Josh Craynon placed seventh with a time of 26.03. Nathan Slone, running for a little extra work, placed 10th with a time of 26.68.

— Joseph Jamerson placed sixth in the 400 meter dash with a new personal record time of 59.38. Adam Crisp finished 12th with a time of 1:08.15.

— Zach Romans led the way of our 800 meter runners with a ninth place finish. His time was 2:34.07. Younger brother, Griffin Baker, finished 11th with a personal record time of 2:48.01. Crisp's time of 2:55.77 just beat out Alex Garner for 15th place. Garner completed the event in 2:56.23.

— Romans had another ninth place finish in the 1600 meter run. He ran 5:50.74. Baker, finishing 11th again, ran a 5:55.91. Austin

Bertrand placed 18th with a time of 6:34.33.

— Romans, running the 3200 meters event for the first time, had a fourth-place finish with a time of 13:51.81. Austin Bertrand placed fifth with a time of 14:33.58. Baker placed sixth in a time of 14:35.04.

— Jamerson won the 110 meter hurdles with a time of 15.89. Wes Robinson placed fifth with a time of 22.16.

— Robinson finished third (53.00) in the 300 meter hurdles.

— The 4x100 meter relay team of McKinney, Tischer, Craynon and Joseph Jamerson had a winning time of 46.67.

— With Slone replacing Jamerson in the 4x200 meter relay, that foursome won with a time of 1:36.51, matching its best time of the season.

— The 4x400 meter relay team of Robinson, McKinney, Crisp and Slone ran to a second place finish with a time of 4:13.11, which was a season-best.

— Jamerson and Craynon tied for 7th in the high jump with jumps of 4'06".

— Nathan Slone, with a personal record of 10 feet, Josh Craynon for first in the pole vault.

— Adam Crisp placed ninth in the long jump with a jump of 16'07".

— Nathan Slone has found himself another event — the triple jump. Slone's jump of 36'04" allowed him to finish in second place.

— Garner threw 37'06" in the shot put, finishing third. Chris Cook placed seventh with a throw of 34'09". Kain Collins placed 12th with his throw of 30'10".

— Collins had a personal record throw of 95'08" for fifth-place in the discus. Garner had a personal record throw of 89' for ninth. Chris Cook placed 11th with a throw of 63'04".

rebounds, handed out five assists and was credited with four steals per contest.

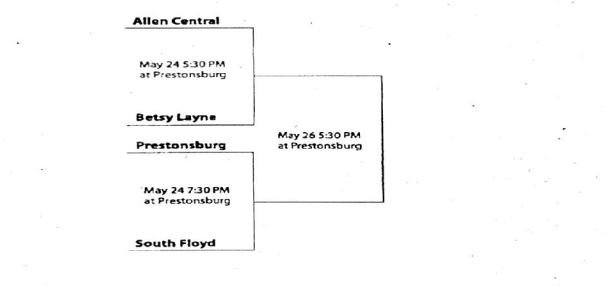
In her career, she averaged 18 points per game, was a four-year starter and was honorable mention all-state twice, including this season, and was first-team All-Mingo County.

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58TH DISTRICT SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT



58TH DISTRICT BASEBALL TOURNAMENT



Three Williamson student-athletes sign with Pikeville College

Girls' basketball player among trio of signees

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Three student-athletes from this year's senior class at Williamson, W.Va., High School won't have to travel far to continue their educational opportunities. On Monday afternoon, two baseball players and a women's basketball standout signed scholarship opportunities with Pikeville College.

Baseball players William Hale and Matt McCormick will play for Coach Robert Taylor next season, while Jessica Fields will join the teams headed by Bill Watson.

Hale is hitting 310 this season for the Wolfpack, blistering the basepaths with 21 steals as well as having 17 runs batted in while splitting time behind the plate and in the outfield. Last year he hit .345 with a pair of home runs, 21 runs batted in and 28 stolen bases.

McCormick is a four-year letterman in baseball. This season his batting average is above .400 with 25 doubles and five triples.

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EKU men's basketball program adds two transfers

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — Eastern Kentucky University men's basketball head coach Jeff Neubauer has announced that Mike DiNunno and Devin McDonald have transferred to EKV for the 2010-11 season.

DiNunno spent the prior two years at Northern Illinois University. The Chicago, Ill., native started 21 of 30 games for the Huskies in 2009-10 while averaging 7.0 points and 3.0 assists per game. DiNunno, a 5-11 guard, recorded his first career double-double with season highs in points (21) and assists (10) in NIU's win over Western Michigan on Jan. 13.

"Mike is a very skilled guard who can score and distribute the ball at this level," Neubauer said. "We are looking forward to working with him during his redshirt season and believe he will have a positive impact on EKV basketball."

McDonald, a native of Houston, Texas, played for the University of New Orleans last season. The 6-0 guard started the final 15 contests in 2009-10 and tallied a career-high 24 points in a win at Louisiana-Monroe on Feb. 18. McDonald averaged 8.3 ppg this past season while leading New Orleans in three-pointers made (46) and three-point shooting (38.7 percent).

"Devin is a proven Division I guard," Neubauer said. "He has shown he can shoot from behind the arc at a very high rate."

Due to NCAA transfer rules, DiNunno will have to sit out the 2010-11 season. However, McDonald will be able to play immediately because New Orleans is making the transition from Division I to Division III. DiNunno has two seasons of eligibility remaining while McDonald has one season left to play at EKV.

The Colonels concluded the 2009-10 season with a 20-13 overall record and tied for third in the Ohio Valley Conference. EKV advanced to the postseason for the second time in five years under Neubauer with an invitation to the College Basketball Invitational.

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Pikeville College nursing students honored



Graduates of the Elizabeth Akers Elliott nursing program are, front row, from left: Jennifer Blackburn of Salyersville; Brandi Walters of Varney; Rachel Ritz of Pikeville; Andrea Hutton of Pikeville; and Ashley Bowling of Robinson Creek. Second row, from left: Jordan Shea Mullins of Prestonsburg; Loren May of McDowell; Brittany Coleman of Pikeville; Kisha Carr of Prestonsburg; and Bobbie Sue Rice of Wittenville. Third row, from left: Jami Baldridge of Helliwell; Britney Taylor of Pikeville; Leslie Easterling of Elkhorn City; Samantha Stanley of McAndrews; Teresa Blanton of Staffordsville; and Julia Terry of Pikeville. Back row, from left: Angela Clevinger of Pikeville; Amanda Newsome of McCarr; Coty Mullins of Neon; Justin Dove of Phelps; James Stanley of Hardy; and Heather Kidd of Dana.

PIKEVILLE - Graduates of Pikeville College's Elizabeth Akers Elliott nursing program were honored for their academic achievements during a traditional nursing pinning ceremony May 6.

"The contributions of the family of Elizabeth Akers Elliott have made this one of the premier nursing programs in Kentucky," said Pikeville College President Paul Patton. "This is a milestone for you and your family and we're proud to be a part of it," he told nursing graduates.

Students were pinned by nursing faculty members and afterward participated in a beautiful candle-lighting ceremony. The new nurses in the graduating class recited the Florence Nightingale pledge, vowing to devote themselves to quality nursing care. The traditional pinning ceremony dates back to the 1860s

and was adopted by Nightingale as a way to honor her most outstanding graduate nurses.

Coty Layne Mullins of Neon was the recipient of the Elizabeth Akers Elliott Award. She was selected by the nursing faculty as the student who "best exemplifies the caring compassion and empathy that are the very spirit of nursing." The award also holds special significance for the family of Elizabeth Akers Elliott, as they established a trust fund to launch a nursing program in her memory. The Elliott family has been faithful in supporting the program since its inception.

classmates to the nursing student they would "most like to have care for themselves or their family," was presented to Amanda Akers Newsome of McCarr.

Jordan Shea Mullins of Prestonsburg received the Vivian Day Award, presented for earning the highest grade-point average in nursing courses.

The Student Nurses Association of Pikeville College also donated a gift of \$600 to the Kentucky Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in memory of Heath Thompson.

Members of the Gideons International Women's Auxiliary presented graduates with a New Testament especially for medical personnel.

PCSOM dean receives honor



Dr. Boyd R. Buser

Osteopathic Family Physicians, he is a member of the American Osteopathic Association's (AOA) Board of Trustees and Chairman of the AOA Department of Educational Affairs. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Osteopathic International Alliance. Dr. Buser is a member of the Kentucky Institute of Medicine and serves on the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure.

PIKEVILLE — Boyd R. Buser, D.O., FACOFP, was awarded the American Academy of Osteopathy's most prestigious award, the A.T. Still Medallion of Honor, at the 2010 American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) Annual Convocation in Colorado Springs. Buser is vice president and dean of the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine.

The Medallion of Honor is awarded to deserving members of the Academy who have exhibited, among other accomplishments in scientific or professional affairs, an exceptional understanding and application of osteopathic principles and of the concepts which are the outgrowth of those principles. Andrew Taylor Still, M.D., D.O., was the founder of osteopathic medicine. The award recognizes Buser's unremitting dedication to the osteopathic profession and his reputation as a clinician and educator.

A native of Iowa, Buser received his bachelor's degree from the University of Iowa. After earning his osteopathic medical degree from the Des Moines (Iowa) University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1981, he went on to complete an osteopathic internship at the former Cranston General Hospital in Cranston, R.I. He is board certified in family practice as well as osteopathic manipulative medicine.

As past-president of the AAO, the New England Academy of Osteopathy, the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) and former chairman of the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners, Buser maintains a leadership role within the osteopathic medical profession. A fellow of the American College of

Since earning his D.O. degree, Buser has received many awards for outstanding achievements within the osteopathic medical community. The MOA presented him with the Distinguished Service Award in 1996 and 2007 and the Roswell Bates Award in 1994. Also in 1994, the AOA, along with the American Osteopathic Foundation, named him Educator of the Year.

The Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine was established in 1997 with a mission to provide men and women with an osteopathic medical education that emphasizes primary care, encourages research, promotes lifelong scholarly activity, and produces graduates who are committed to serving the health care needs of communities in Eastern Kentucky and other Appalachian regions.



Emma Kathryn Bailey would like to announce the birth of her new baby sister, Ava Kristyn, who was born on February 11 at 5:42 p.m. at Pikeville Medical Center. Ava weighed 9 pounds and 10 ounces and measured 22 inches in length. Emma and Ava are the daughters of Chris and Katie Bailey, of Langley, granddaughters of Jim and Tomi Bailey, of Langley, and Jerry and King Fultz, of Wayland. They are the great-granddaughters of Betty Meade, of Langley.



Regan Kinley Bryant celebrated her fourth birthday with an early party. Regan is the daughter of Amanda and Kevin Bryant, of Weeksbury. She is the granddaughter of Larry and Carolyn Bryant, of Wheelwright, and Doris and the late Ricky Bryant, of Weeksbury.

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SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS

Jacob, Isabella are most popular baby names

There's a new queen of baby names. Isabella took the crown from last year's winner, Emma, to claim the top girl baby name of 2009. Jacob continued his remarkable run by holding onto the top boy name for the 11th year in a row over a new number two for boys, Ethan. New to the top 10 this year for boys are Jayden and Noah, and for girls, Mia.

To see all the top baby names for 2009, go to Social Security's website www.socialsecurity.gov. Here are the top 10 boys and girls names for 2009:

Boys

1. Jacob
2. Ethan
3. Michael
4. Alexander
5. William
6. Joshua
7. Daniel
8. Jayden
9. Noah
10. Anthony

Girls

1. Isabella
2. Emma
3. Olivia
4. Sophia
5. Ava
6. Emily
7. Madison
8. Abigail
9. Chloe
10. Mia

A favorite feature of Social Security's baby names website is the "Change in Name Popularity" page. This year's winner for the biggest jump is Maliyah, which undoubtedly is related to the popularity of the

First Family, Malia (the spelling used by the First Daughter), also is one of the top 10 fastest risers among girls names. Isla, the name of popular actress Isla Fisher (and wife of Sacha Baron Cohen — aka Borat, which thankfully has yet to make the list) was the second fastest riser among girls.

On the boy's side, Cullen had the biggest increase, likely attributable to the popular character Edward Cullen in the "Twilight" novels and movies. King came in as the number three top mover for boys, but more on Elvis later.

The girl's name Marely, which interestingly had the third largest increase last year, had the biggest drop this year from number 334 to 851. Mylee had the second biggest drop; Miley (as in Cyrus) also dropped in popularity. In the wake of controversies surrounding Lindsay Lohan, Lindsay dropped from number 381 to 524.

Brett, Jonas and Alvin are among the boy's names with the largest decreases. With Brett, Social Security wonders if Americans are ready to retire the name (sorry Vikings' fans, we mean Jets' fans, um Packers' fans). And despite the soaring popularity of singing trios — whether human brothers or the chipmunk variety — fewer people apparently are willing to

name their sons Jonas or Alvin.

With 69 baby Baracks born in 2009, Barack continues to move up the list to number 1,993 from 2,424 in 2008, and 12,535 in 2007, but still lags well behind First Dog Bo at 782.

Many patterns of recent years continued. Religious names continue to be very popular, including the girl names Heaven at number 275 and Nevaeh (Heaven spelled backwards) at 34. Messiah was number 663 for boys. An extraordinary 3.7 percent of the Top 1,000 boy names rhymed with the word "maiden" and names associated with cities, states, or countries were popular, particularly for

girls.

And for all of you Elvis fans out there, here's the annual update from Social Security Commissioner Michael J. Astrue: Elvis slipped from number 713 in 2008 to 858 in 2009. Unconfirmed reports indicate he was "all shook up" by his 2009 rank, but pleased that Presley is number 268 for girls, and that King and Memphis landed at 462 and 605 for boys.

As the federal government's leading expert on baby names, Commissioner Astrue commented "I have no idea what any of this means, but nonetheless urge you to go to our website www.socialsecurity.gov to have a little fun with baby

names and to see if you can help an older relative or friend qualify for \$4,000 of extra help with Medicare prescription drug costs."

The Social Security website offers lists of baby names for each year since 1880. Social Security started compiling baby name

lists in 1997.

Be sure to check out www.socialsecurity.gov on May 14 to see the most popular baby names for each state, as well as an exclusive video of Chubby Checker counting down the most popular names of the past decade.

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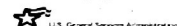
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MONTHLY	\$1,670	\$2,247	\$2,823	\$3,400	\$3,976	\$4,553	\$5,130	\$5,706	+\$577
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4-H Youth Development

Heather J. Nelson
Floyd County Extension Office



Floyd County 4-H Camp date announced

Have you heard the great news? Summer is approaching fast, and you know what that means. It's time for 4-H camp. Floyd County youth will be attending the J.M. Felner 4-H Camp in London July 26-29. Youth grades four through eight and third-grade graduates may attend as campers.

Let me tell you a little bit about the 4-H camp. Floyd County youth will be attending. The J.M. Felner 4-H Camp covers 182 acres of scenic foothills near the Daniel Boone National Forest and Levi Jackson State Park. A one and one-half acre lake provides opportunities to fish, canoe and participate in pond studies and other environmental activities. The camp offers facilities for archery, riflery, horseshoes, volleyball, basketball, tennis, crafts, nature classes and a low-ropes challenge course.

Here are some of the other things our young people will get to participate in while at camp. They can catch everything from butterflies to fish; take nature hikes and learn to identify trees and different animals

found along the way; learn to swim and use a canoe, create crafts; participate in challenge courses and relay games; sing songs and learn new dances; learn responsibility and develop leadership skills, make new friends and, of course, have fun.

The camp experience helps our youth to work toward the 4-H Youth Development mission to become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society. Youth develop inquiring minds, an eagerness to learn, and ability to apply science and technology. They learn practical skills, develop competencies and acquire knowledge in such areas as citizenship, communication, self-expression, leadership, personal standards and concern for community involvement. Campers also strengthen their abilities to make decisions, solve problems, manage their own lives and develop interpersonal relationships with adults and other youth.

All campers are well supervised by Agents, 4-H leaders, trained camp staff, adult volunteers and teen

leaders, who will be attending camp all week.

The cost for camp is \$120.00, if you register by July 1, 2010. This covers meals, lodging, insurance, transportation, swimming and much, much, more.

For more information on this and other 4-H programs in Floyd County contact Heather J. Nelson, County Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development at 606.886.2668 or visit her at the Floyd County Extension Service Office at 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg.

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National College in Pikeville announces spring graduation

PIKEVILLE — On Friday, May 28 at 6:30 p.m. the Pikeville Campus of National College will hold its graduation ceremony at Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center with special guest State Representative Leslie Combs. Over 120 students are expected to attend the ceremony and receive their diplomas and degrees.

Combs currently represents Kentucky's 94th legislative district. She previously worked as vice president for SouthEast Telephone, Inc. She also worked for Pikeville College from 1984 to 2007 holding positions such as controller, vice president for business affairs/treasurer, and special assistant to the president for resource

development. Combs graduated from Transylvania University with a bachelor's degree in accounting.

Founded in 1886, National College is dedicated to the training and education of men and women for a full life and a successful career in a number of fields in business, computers, and health care. The College offers more than 40 academic programs including a master of business administration, eight bachelor's degrees, and numerous associate degree and diploma programs. Serving 26 communities through campus locations in Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, and Indiana, the College currently serves more than 10,000 students annually.

Project Home Repair offers help to low-income residents

Low-income Big Sandy residents whose homes are in need of minor repair work again have an opportunity to get help through Project Home Repair. Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is accepting applications for Project Home Repair's summer training session set to begin soon. Homeowners may apply for home repairs beginning on Monday, May 24, at any of their BSACAP's county offices.

The agency's Project Home Repair is providing basic home repair services to qualifying homeowners who do not have the money or who may be physically unable to make the minor repair themselves. The homeowner furnishes the materials needed for the work. In turn, BSACAP

provides the manpower, using staff and PHR trainees, who will be learning on-the-job skills.

Since the project is funded by ARRA, income guidelines are higher, meaning more people may qualify.

For more information on Project Home Repair, homeowners call Chris Abshire at (606)-874-2420 to schedule an appointment, or contact the local BSACAP office in your county at the following numbers:

- Johnson County: 606-789-6515
- Floyd County: 606-886-2929
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It's that frantic time of day — after work, after school, after day care, and after sports events — when you have to get dinner on the table. Overwhelming? It's more than enough to drive you to the fast food lane.

But relax! You own a microwave oven! In mere minutes, you can zap a nutritious, home-cooked, family-friendly dinner — even if the meat is still in the freezer when you get home.

The microwave oven has been called one of the greatest inventions of the 20th century. Over 90 percent of homes in America have at least one. In fact, if you have ever been without one for a few days, you find out just how much you rely on it. But most folks are using theirs only for reheating leftovers, defrosting food or making popcorn.

Loyalists testify that the microwave is great for cooking ground meats, poultry, and vegetables — three items that can make a fast, family dinner. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) would like to add "safety" to that. Microwave ovens cook food to temperatures hot enough to kill bacteria, but they can cook food unevenly and leave "cold spots" where harmful bacteria survive.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), not cooking food to high enough temperatures to destroy bacteria is one of the top two causes of foodborne illness. For this reason, it is important to use a food thermometer to verify that foods reach USDA-recommended temperatures.

Know the wattage of your microwave

It's important to know the wattage of your oven when using cooking directions from various sources. Microwave ovens vary in wattage, and the higher the wattage of a microwave oven, the faster it will cook food.

If you don't know the wattage of your microwave oven, try looking inside the door, on the back of the oven, or in the owner's manual. If you can't find it, read the publication "Microwave Ovens and Food Safety" at www.fsis.usda.gov to learn how to use a "Time-to-Bowl" test to estimate your oven's wattage. This publication also tells how to determine if a utensil is safe to use in a microwave oven.

Microwave frozen convenience foods until safely cooked

In addition to microwaving home-cooked foods safely, it's also very important to follow handling and cooking instructions on frozen convenience foods. Some frozen foods, such as breaded chicken cutlets, can look fully cooked. However, many people have gotten sick from such products that were undercooked. Just thawing them in the microwave isn't enough to make them safe. You must microwave such foods to a safe minimum internal temperature of 165°F to be safely cooked.

Microwave Safety Tips

Following the USDA's microwave recommendations will help you get dinner prepared speedily but safely.

- Know your microwave's wattage.
- Before freezing a package of ground beef, form it in a donut shape to thaw faster.
- Remove frozen meat and poultry from packaging before thawing to avoid chemical contamination. Transfer the frozen meat or poultry to a microwave-safe dish.
- Remove thawed portions of ground meat and transfer them to a plate; return frozen portion to the microwave for additional defrosting.
- When thawing chicken parts, break them apart as they defrost and rotate them in the dish so that the frozen areas are to the outside of the dish.
- Cook meat and poultry immediately after microwave defrosting because some areas of the frozen food may get warm or begin to cook during the defrosting time. Do not hold partially cooked food to use later.
- To remove fat from ground beef, crumble the meat into a hard-plastic colander set over a microwave-safe casserole. After microwaving, discard the fat that has drained into the casserole.
- Cover food to create steam that helps destroy harmful bacteria.
- Follow package directions to make sure all foods reach safe internal temperatures. Sometimes frozen foods look fully cooked, but they actually require cooking to be safe.
- Microwave foods to safe minimum internal temperatures as measured with a food thermometer (165°F for poultry; 160°F for ground meats).
- After microwaving, allow the food to rest so cooking is completed.
- Use cooked meat and poultry within 4 days. Leftovers may be frozen.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at AskKaren.gov. The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline, 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854), is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.



12-Minute Sombbrero Supper

Tested in an 800-watt microwave oven
Makes 4 servings

- 1 pound lean ground beef or ground turkey
- 1 small green bell pepper, cored and chopped
- 1 (1.25-ounce) taco seasoning packet
- 1 (8-ounce) can tomato sauce
- 1 (14.5-ounce) can dark red kidney beans, drained
- Round tortilla chips
- 1 cup shredded cheese

Crumble ground beef into a hard-plastic colander set over a 2-quart microwave-safe casserole. Microwave on high 3 minutes. Stir to break up beef and scatter bell pepper over the top. Microwave on high 3 minutes.

Discard fat that has drained into casserole dish, and transfer meat mixture into same casserole. Stir in taco seasoning and tomato sauce. Cover and microwave on high 3 minutes. Stir and add kidney beans. Re-cover and microwave on high 3 minutes. Test meat mixture with a food thermometer to make sure it reaches 160°F. Let mixture rest 2 minutes before serving.

Two ways to serve: (1) Transfer meat mixture to the center of a large platter; or (2) divide the meat mixture among 4 individual plates. Surround the meat mixture with tortilla chips to resemble a hat brim. Scatter cheese over the meat mixture to resemble a straw hat, and serve hot.

Serving suggestion: To make a complete meal, accompany the dish with a salad and a green vegetable.

Quick Chicken Nuggets

Tested in an 800-watt microwave oven
Makes 4 to 6 servings

- 1 1/2 pounds boneless chicken breasts
- 4 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 cup dry herb stuffing
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 teaspoon dry basil leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme

Cut chicken into bite-size chunks. Place butter or margarine in a glass pie plate and microwave on high 1 minute, or until melted.

Put dry stuffing on a piece of wax paper and crush with a rolling pin. Add cheese, basil and thyme; mix. Dip chicken chunks into melted butter and then roll in stuffing mixture.

Arrange coated chicken in a single layer in a 2-quart rectangular glass dish. Cover with wax paper and microwave on high 3 minutes.

Using a fork, move less-done chicken to the edges of the dish. Re-cover and microwave on high 3 to 4 minutes, or until chicken reaches 165°F as measured with a food thermometer. Let stand 2 minutes before serving.

Serving suggestion: To make a complete meal, accompany the dish with side dishes of rice or potatoes and a green vegetable.

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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

Just the birds, not the bees

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

Unless you haven't touched a newspaper, watched the TV news or listened to the radio for the past three years, you've probably heard about a mysterious condition called Colony Collapse Disorder, CCD for short.

Don't worry, this isn't a disease that's going to affect you... unless you like to eat, that is. CCD devastates honey bees, which are the principal pollinators of a whole host of crops, including almonds and other nuts, berries, fruits and veggies. In fact, about one mouthful out of every three in our everyday diet directly or indirectly benefits from honey bee pollination. The California almond crop alone uses about 1.3 million honey bee colonies annually to pollinate its orchards.

But when CCD hits a hive, the honey bees disappear. It's not that beekeepers go out to their hives and find dead bees lying hither and yon, they don't find bees at all, because the bees have simply vanished.

The scientists of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) have teamed up with university and industry colleagues to try to find the cause of this mysterious malady and thus discover ways to stop it. They believe that the answer isn't going to be a single "smoking gun" cause, but instead a combination of factors affecting bee health, including harsh environmental conditions, pesticides, disease-causing organisms and parasites, bee nutrition, and even bee stress (those managed bee colonies that pollinate the California almond orchards are often hauled hundreds, if not thousands, of miles to "get work").

But with fewer bees to carry the load, what if there were other ways to reduce that stress, such as, for example, self-pollinating almond trees?

That's no scientific pipe dream. ARS scientists in California have pulled this one off. They've developed new and improved self-pollinating almond trees that can produce a bountiful harvest without the benefit of insect pollinators.

Brief disclaimer here: Self-pollinating almonds are not unheard of. In fact, there's a variety called Tuono, originally from Spain, that's been around for centuries. But Tuono has its drawbacks.

For one thing, its seed coat has a hairy texture — and yes, you can actually feel that hairiness on your tongue when you pop the Tuono almonds in your mouth. That's a major turn-off for those of us who are used to the silky texture of California almonds such as Nonpareil.

And Tuono is a tough nut to crack, literally. It has a very thick, hard shell, so only about 32 percent of the nut is edible kernel, compared to Nonpareil's 60 to 65 percent edible portion.

But Tuono has its pluses, too, including that super-hard shell. That gives the nut more resistance to navel orangeworm which, despite its name, is actually the primary pest of almonds in California.

So the ARS scientists in California decided to take the best of both worlds — the old and the new. Beginning with seedlings first planted in 1996 and every year thereafter, the scientists used Tuono as the male parent (the pollen source) in conventional plant hybridizations with California-adapted almond cultivars and selections.

The scientists made the crosses as the almond trees were blooming, and came back at harvest time to collect the nuts. Then they grew out those nuts into seedlings, and surrounded the seedlings' branches with insect-proof nylon bags to exclude any insects that might serve as pollinators. The seedlings bloomed, some produced nuts inside the bag, and

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CHAMBER BANQUET

Event features awards, UofL coach

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce held its annual banquet on Friday at the Wilkinson-Stugibo Convention Center, and the event featured former University of Louisville Basketball Coach Denny Crum as the guest speaker, along with numerous awards for local businesses and community members.

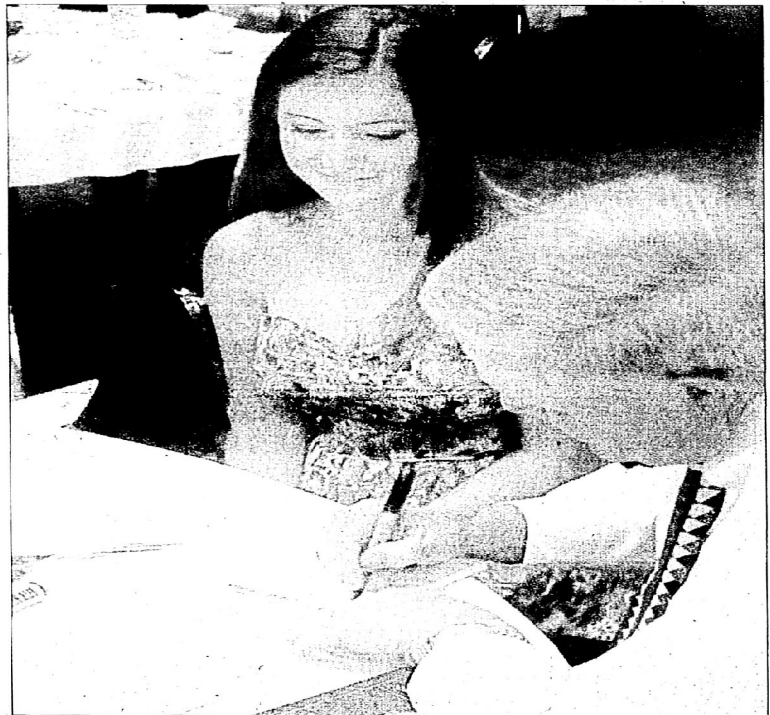
Crum spoke to the audience of around 400 people, relating stories of his mentor, UCLA Coach John Wooden, and talking about leadership and reaching goals.

"You Kentucky fans are just too demanding," Crum joked, before talking about ways to deal with obstacles in life. "If you read Coach Wooden's book, I guarantee it will help you no matter what kind of problems you are having."

The awards section of the event moved quickly, as Dr. Lee Boyd received the Chamber Partner in Education Award, the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center received the Community Service Award, Appalachian Wireless received the Community Contribution Award, Daffodils was selected for the Horizon Award, Steve and Alicia Dawson, with McDowell Professional Pharmacy, were selected as the Business People of the Year, the Highlands Center for Autism received the Special Recognition Award, Rick Hughes was selected for the Excellence Award, Big Sandy Community and Technical College was the Business of the Year, and the late Jackie Edford Owens was inducted to the Floyd County Hall of Fame.

"This community lost a long-time friend," said State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, who inducted Owens. "He will truly be missed by the people he served."

The late O.J. Dorton was also honored at the event with a special tribute by Dr. George



Former University of Louisville Basketball Coach Denny Crum signed autographs at the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce's Annual Awards and Installation Banquet on Friday. Crum was the guest speaker at the event.

Edwards, president of Big Sandy Community and Technical College. The end of the banquet featured recognition of Youth Leadership Floyd County, the Learning Ethics Through Service Program, the outgoing Board of Directors and the installation of the new Board of Directors.



A camera crew from Animal Planet was on the campus of Highlands Regional Medical Center last week to tape for an upcoming segment of a show called Monsters Inside Me. Dr. Bahram Forouzandeh, a Gastroenterologist at Highlands, was chosen to reenact a case dealing with a parasitic infection. The show should air some time in late August or early September.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Jervis-Jarvis Family Reunion
The Jervis-Jarvis Family Reunion will be held Saturday, June 19, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Cow Creek Baptist Church. Everyone bring a covered dish. Call Curt Jarvis—874-1103, for more information.

May Valley Elementary taking nominations for PTO officials from May 24 thru May 27
May Valley Elementary will be taking nominations for PTO officers May 24th thru May 27th. A nomination box will be in the family resource center at the school. The elections will be held on Tuesday, June 1st, from 3:00 until 4:00.

Attention! Floyd County Veterans A Veterans Benefits Field Representative will be at the Floyd County Public Library, in Prestonsburg, on Wednesday, June 2, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for Federal and State veterans

benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, please call toll free 1-866-647-2926 to speak with a Veterans Benefits Field Representative.

Auxier Methodist Church to hold Song Fest, May 29

The Auxier Methodist Church will be having a Song Fest May 29, at 6 p.m., with Mary Holbrook, Stephanie Presley and the Katy Friend Church singers. Refreshments immediately following the singing in the fellowship hall. Come join us for a blessing.

Appalachian SPCA presents Bark in the Park, Sat., May 22

Appalachian SPCA presents Bark in the Park, Saturday, May 22, City Park, Downtown Pikeville. Schedule of Events:

11:00 a.m., Registration begins and continues until 1:00 p.m.
1:15 p.m., Blessing of the Animals
1:30 p.m., Pet Show Judging Begins (all pets may participate)
Throughout the day activities; Throughout the day contests; and a full day of fun for your family and pets.

Floyd County Retired Teachers to hold Memorial Service

The Floyd County Retired Teachers will be having a Memorial Service on June 3, 2010, at 10:30 a.m., at the Josie Harkins School House at Jenny Wiley State Park.

DAV Chapter 169, Betsy Layne Memorial Day Ceremony is set

DAV Chapter 169, Betsy Layne, invites the public to attend its Memorial Day Ceremony on Sunday, May 30, at 2 p.m. at Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

J.A. Duff Elementary School SBDM parent election

Nominations for two parent members of the J.A. Duff Elementary SBDM council will be received in the Family Resource Center beginning May 17, 2010, through Friday, May 21st. The hours for receiving nominations will be from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You may bring your nomination form to the center or drop off in the front office to be placed in my box. Please find the nomination form to be completed and returned on the back of this information.

The election will be held on Thursday, May 27, 2010. Voting will take place between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Winners will be announced on Friday, May 28.

PHS class of 1960 50th-year reunion

The Prestonsburg High School class of 1960 has scheduled a 50th year reunion for September 17 and 18, 2010, to be held in Prestonsburg. The reunion committee is seeking addresses for several classmates. If you know of anyone not contacted by the committee, please call Sallye at (606) 886-6460 or Marjha at (606) 886-2939.

Autism Awareness & Support Group, 2nd Monday of each month.

Calvarys Call Church, Lancaster, Ky. (6-7 p.m.). Contact: Billie Chain, eastkyautismawareness@gmail.com

Homecoming 2010 will be held on Sunday, June 6.

Singing, special music, pot luck dinner following worship service. Worship—each Sunday beginning 11:00 a.m. Please, join us for these

special events, and consider joining our church family. Everyone is welcome. Please call 886-2214. If you have any questions.

Garrett School Reunion
Garrett School Reunion May 29, contact Sally at 606-358-9463 or sally-davisadkins@yahoo.com

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

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

Maytown Homecoming

The Maytown Homecoming Association invites everyone with connections to Maytown on Memorial Day weekend, May 28-29, 2010. Registration will be Friday, from 1 p.m.-6 p.m., at the

main school building. There will be a Gospel sing on Friday at 7 p.m., at the

Graceway United Methodist Church. On Saturday—gatherings all day at the school. Breakfast and afternoon meals will be served in the old school-room lunchroom—\$22 for both. Must be paid in advance. For more information, contact Ruth Martin at 606-358-4269. Also there will be a Saturday evening program at 7 p.m., with Josh Martin and Fastlane band performing. Admission is \$10.

Highlands Regional Medical Center "Living Well with Diabetes"

Support Group "We are Champions"
Keeping on track with blood sugar control with an AIC Champion

Meeting Agenda 2010 Highlands Regional

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Science

voila (self-pollinating almond trees!

The early harvests from those seedlings were small, but by 2006, the trees had begun producing good harvests. In November 2008, the ARS scientists were able to present eight very promising self-pollinating selections to the Almond Board of California for evaluations of taste and appearance.

The new almonds share a lot of favorable characteristics with the favorite Nonpareil, which currently accounts for 37 percent of all California almonds grown. But what's different,

of course, is that these new almonds don't need honey bees' pollination services.

Naturally, there will still be plenty of pollination chores for the honey bees, but these ARS scientists are well on the way to giving those beleaguered bees a much-needed break!

The Agricultural Research Service is the chief in-house scientific research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. You can read more about ARS discoveries at <http://www.ars.usda.gov/news>

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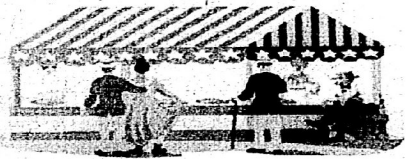
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OUR YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago (May 14, May 17, May 19, 2000)

From all appearances, Floyd Countians could likely soon pay a \$11 tax on their monthly phone bills once again. County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson is trying to establish a new rate for the levy to present for approval from the fiscal court.

A busy week by the Commonwealth's Attorney's office has resulted in at least five cases ending in plea agreements for five people. James Patrick Allen, 37, of East Point, pleaded guilty in two separate cases. He was offered a five-year suspended sentence and five years under supervised probation for pleading guilty to second-degree burglary and being a persistent felony offender.

Eighteen months after coming to live with their aunt in Kentucky, three Ohio girls have been returned to their mother in Meigs County, Ohio. Autumn, 8, Megan, 10, and Sarah, 13, Bush were removed from their mother's home in December 1998 after their parents were arrested the day after Christmas.

One of the issues facing the Commonwealth's Attorney was whether to take the position to full-time status. John Earl Hunt, current holder of the office, filed a request to make the office full time late last year. Kentucky State Police Detective Terry Thompson sought charges against Rodney Clyde Bates, Friday afternoon, for the Sunday, May 7, alleged attempted burglary of a Hi Hat man. Bates and two other unknown men were allegedly attempting to burglarize a vehicle belonging to Rodney Johnson of Hi Hat, when Johnson pulled up in another vehicle. Bates was shot three times in the incident by Johnson and was transported to the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center for treatment.

Johannitha Turner, a young driver, was involved in a bizarre accident in the pre-dawn hours of Monday morning in the Minnie area. He was driving along new KY 680 when the vehicle he was driving went out of control and rolled. He was returning home from work when he saw a coyote in the middle of the road. When he swerved to avoid the animal, he lost control of his vehicle.

The Prestonsburg Police Department received a Sunday afternoon call

reporting that a Prestonsburg man was about to exact revenge on the man who allegedly killed his father. Dispatchers reported that Henry Clifton Jr., the 30-year-old son of Henry Clifton, was said to be on his way to kill Ernest "Bucky" Collins, who was located at his ex-wife's residence.

Jacob Alleshouse, an Indiana inmate from the Otter Creek Correctional Facility, was in district court, accused of promoting contraband for allegedly trying to bring marijuana into the prison. He may have talked himself into a little more time in the institution. Monday

Tragedy struck in the city of Allen, Wednesday evening, as three youths were struck by an oncoming vehicle, fatally one teen and leaving another in critical condition. Pedestrians, Brandi Lynn Mosely, 14, Deanna Briggs, 16, and William Sosebee, 20, were walking along Main Street, in Allen, when a vehicle driven by David T. Cecil, 16, of Pikeville, failed to negotiate a curve and traveled through an intersection.

U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers has obtained a \$92,500 grant to pay for additional educational programs at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg. The money, to be provided by the U.S. Department of Education, will help the center acquire equipment for music education programs and provide expanded resources for music lessons and other educational outreach programs, a statement from Rogers' office said. Spending will be targeted to reach a greater number of disadvantaged students, as well as gifted children.

Wade and Jennifer Burleigh, from the First Century Ministries headquarters in Jefferson, Oregon, teamed up to deliver the scriptures through the traditional word and through the media of wood, sculpting, blacksmithing, and pottery. For five days, the Burleighs have held the congregation at the Methodist Church in Manin in awe as Jennifer, dressed in the fashion of a woman in the time of Jesus, delivered the word of God while Wade dressed as a carpenter much like Jesus was created an art piece to illustrate the lesson.

Daniel Ray Taylor, of Harold, a construction worker, died Monday after he apparently fell off a cherry picker while he was working on a job site in Hamilton,

Ohio, after sustaining injuries while on the job.

There died: Robert Craft Jr., 56, of Prestonsburg, Friday, May 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Judge James A. Knight, 63, of Paintsville, Thursday, May 11, at his residence; Corine Fitzpatrick, 68, of Lackey, Saturday, May 13, at McDowell ARH; Landon "Bruce" Patton, 88, of McDowell, Friday, May 12, at McDowell ARH; Arlin Hall, 88, of Pinetop, Tuesday, May 16, at the Hazard ARH; Maggie Mae Reynolds Mitchell, 83, of Gretna, Monday, May 15, at her residence; Dassy Slooe Branham, 98, of Winter Park, Florida, formerly of Martin, Friday, May 12, at her residence; Ella "Rie" "Ellen" Howell, 58, of Andrews, Indiana, Wednesday, May 10, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne; Estil Rowe, 79, of

Crystal River, Florida, formerly of Pike County, Monday, May 15, at his residence; Helen Scott, 74, of Georgetown, formerly of Paintsville, Friday, May 12, at her residence; Timothy Wayne Isaacs, 37, of Connelly, Springs, North Carolina, formerly of Knott County, Sunday, May 7, in Morganton, North Carolina; Danny J. Williams, 34, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, May 14, at his residence; Cornelius Hall, 76, of Mt. Sterling, formerly of Wheelwright, Sunday, May 14, at the Mary Chiles Hospital, in Mt. Sterling; Daniel Ray Taylor, 35, of Harold, Monday, May 15, at University Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio; Grace H. Campbell, 87, of Allen, Tuesday, May 16, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Martin D. May, 57, of Lexington, Saturday, May 13; Hannah Jones, Tuckett,

85, of Hi Hat, Wednesday, May 17, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Twenty Years Ago (May 16 & 19, 1990)

A boating accident, Tuesday afternoon, on Dewey Lake resulted in the death of one of nine passengers on board. Timothy Crum, 35, of Arkansas Creek, drowned sometime around 4 p.m., after the boat he was traveling in hit a rock or sandbar near the German Bridge area and tipped over. Several members of the Floyd County Sheriff's office conducted a drug raid, Tuesday afternoon, at a residence on Stratton Branch on the Dewey Lake Road.

Members of the Floyd County Rescue Squad performed dragging operations on the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River this weekend in an attempt to find the body of an unidentified man

Prestonsburg City Council passed on second reading two ordinances, affecting traffic fines and restricting through trucks on residential streets.

Creating a hostile climate for private landfills was the idea behind the Floyd County Solid Waste Commission passing a resolution to ban out-of-state garbage from entering the Garth Landfill.

Barrett Endicott, 198, of Prestonsburg, was shot and killed, Sunday in Johnson County.

The new Festival of FACES kicked off on Thursday, in Prestonsburg. Billie Jean Osborne brought together musicians from county schools and announced her dream for the Kentucky Opry.

Dustin Haley of Prestonsburg has been designated YESTERDAYS, page 59

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Dr. Kulwicksi is a 1996 medical school graduate of St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Mo. He continued his medical education by completing an internship at the Madigan Army Medical Center, Tacoma, Wash. (1997); a residency at the Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii (2004); and a fellowship at New York University Hospital for Joint Diseases, New York, N.Y. (2008).

Dr. Kulwicksi is board certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and specializes in shoulder and elbow surgery and sports injuries.

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7th Annual Shelton McSurley Family reunion to be held

The 7th Annual Shelton McSurley Family Reunion will be held on Saturday, June 12, at the Minnie Ball Park at Minnie, located at the junction of Rt. 122 and 80. Festivities will begin at 9 a.m. and last until dark. Everyone related to these families is invited to attend.

For information, contact Mr. Pat Shelton, 490 Arrowhead Spring Lane, Versailles, KY 40383 or Pshe605014@aol.com

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Free Tax preparation available in Big Sandy
Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is once again offering FREE help for eligible tax filers in preparing and electronically filing tax returns. The service, made possible through funding from Community Action Kentucky and the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, is available in Johnson, Martin, Floyd and Pike Counties. BSACAP has IRS-certified staff to prepare and file tax returns, and offers the service free to low-income residents in the Big Sandy area. To schedule an appointment, call (606) 789-3641.

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McDowell High School Class of 1990 reunion
The McDowell Class of 1990 will hold a 20-year class reunion on Saturday, June 12, 2010. The location for the event is Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Pines Building. There will also be a family outing scheduled for that morning. Cost for the reunion is \$40.00/couple or \$20.00/single. Checks may be mailed to: McDowell Class of '90, P.O. Box 23, Minnie, KY 41651. If you should have information or questions, please contact Stephanie (Allen) Johnson, 606-377-7811 sjcray@yahoo.com or Scott Shannon 606-377-7742 scott.shannon45@yahoo.com. You may also join the classmate groups on Myspace and Facebook.

FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes
The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall gentle exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. at May Drive, just off 1428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg.

Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

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4323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

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

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

Reunion/Memorial to be held in 2010
Old House Hollow, "Bristle Buck", East McDowell, to be held in 2010. For information, Send a post card to 47

Frasure Creek Road, McDowell, KY 41647, or e-mail: patricia.466@hotmail.com; also Post Card, P.O. Box 431, McDowell, KY 41647.

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

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

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The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit

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

PUBLIC NOTICE
Starting Wednesday May 19th 2010, RT 1428 at the junction of 3384 will be closed due to The Storm Drains and Sanitary Sewer Separation Project.
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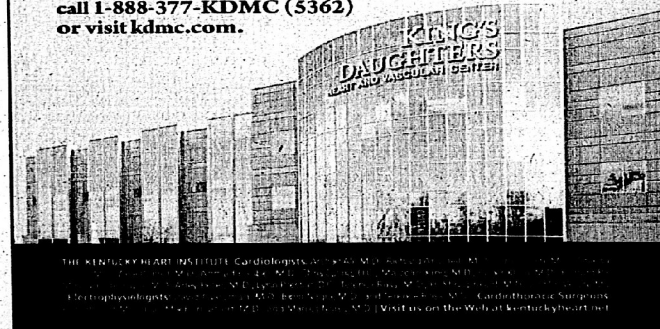
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James D. Adams Middle School will be accepting nominations for parent representatives for Site-Based Decision Making Council from Monday, May 17th through Monday, May 31st.
Parents who wish to make a nomination may do so during school office hours. Elections will be held on June 1st and parents/guardians may vote in the Youth Services Center office between the hours of 8:30am -6:00pm. In order to be eligible to nominate/vote, you must be a parent or legal guardian of a student who will be enrolled at James D. Adams Middle School for the 2010-2011 school year.

Floyd County Head Start & Preschool
It is time to complete an application for your child to attend Head Start/Preschool during the 2010-2011 school year.
TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO HAVE:
1) Child's proof of birth;
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To make an appointment, please call any of the following numbers between 2:00-3:30 p.m. (Monday-Thursday) or anytime Friday, and ask for Head Start:
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Yesterdays

nated a National Merit Scholar

Tim Preston joined the Times staff as a writer. There died: George Stone, 71, of David, May 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Agnes Mason, 64, Lima, Ohio, formerly of Prestonsburg, May 8, at her residence; Hershel D. Newsome, 65, of Ashland, Ohio, April 25, at Metro Health Center in Cleveland; Janet Little Scheidrich, 47, of Detroit, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, May 10, at Henry Ford Hospital; Alvis Johnson, 72, of Harold, May 9, at his residence; Frederick Caudill, 44, of Banner, May 12, at his residence; Lillian Gibson Muncy, 54, of Huntington, West Virginia, formerly of this area, May 11, at St. Mary's Hospital; Lura Wright Hubbard, 78, of Zebulon, formerly of Martin, May 10, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Barrett Heath Endicott, 19, of Prestonsburg, May 13, a shooting victim; Alma June Thomas, 78, of Dwale, May 13, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Timothy Crum, 35, of Arkansas Creek, May 15, as a result of a boating accident; Roxie Ratcliff, 78, of Prestonsburg, May 16, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Thirty Years Ago (May 21, 1980)

The victory, hard won by Left Toler residents late last year when the State Transportation Department committed \$31,000 to build them a road, is already in ashes due to state budget cuts. With the signing by Mayor Harold Cooley of a "letter of conditions and assurances by the Farmers Home Administration of funding approval, work contracts on the multi-million dollar Prestonsburg Water System expansion and improvement program affecting a sizable section of the county may be awarded late this year.

Graduating from Floyd County's five high schools will be 472 students during the next week. Prestonsburg's 156 graduating seniors is the largest class, followed by 106 at Allen Central, 70 at Wheelwright, 70 at Betsy Layne and 46 at McDowell. Tele-Com Inc., of Harold, has awarded a contract to

Central Associated Engineers, Versailles, to do strand mapping, plant layout and design for the upgrade of its facilities in Floyd and Pike counties.

Sheriff's deputies were expected to leave today for Florida to return to this county, two men who State Detective Danny Stumbo has named in a warrant charging them with the May 11 robbery of the Kitten Truck Stop here.

Two prisoners face added charges following an altercation with Deputy Officer Charles Clark at the county jail, here, last week. As a result of the incident, Rodney Blackburn, 21, was charged with attempting to escape custody and Gary Dale, 22, with assault.

There died: Francis O. Goines, 22, of East McDowell, from injuries suffered in a go-cart accident, Sunday; Harrison Marsillett, 55, of Rochester, N.Y., formerly of Floyd at Woodlawn Hospital, Tuesday; Lola Hamilton Haywood, 71, of Blue River, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Paulina H. Robynette, 49, of Banner, Tuesday, at HRMC; Harold Hall, 69, of Melvin, Tuesday, at HRMC; Julia H. Holbrook, 82, of Ixvton, Thursday, at Riverview Manor; Bessie Gibson, 56, of Garrett, Sunday, at her home; Mattie Hall, 87, of Halo, May 15, at her home; Maudie Compton, 70, of Water Gap, Monday, at Riverview Manor; Florence S. Howard, 74, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, May at Riverview Manor; Florence S. Howard, 74, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, May at Riverview Manor; Fair Hicks, 91, of Mouser, at McDowell ARH, May 15; Lonnie "Bud" Pruitt, 66, of Allen, Thursday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Delma Faye Stone, 42, of Eramalema, at her home; May 12; Newberry Tackett, 56, of Detroit, Michigan, formerly of McDowell, Sunday.

Forty Years Ago (May 21, 1970)

The Island Creek Coal Company, largest coal producer in the county, last Friday, cut back production, eliminating work for 7 of the 10 sections opening in its Wheelwright-Price complex and laying off 330 employees-members of the United Mine Workers of America.

Sheriff Frank Leslie and four of his deputies constituted a boarding party, Saturday afternoon, when they took to boat to reach another craft in Dewey Lake for which they had a search warrant.

McDowell High School will represent Floyd County in the regional basketball tournament at Morehead, Thursday.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Terry D. Bentley, of Hite, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. Hall, of Minnie, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Milford Stone, of Mousie, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hall, Jr., of Gredeth, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Webb, of Wheelwright, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Segall, of Hi Hat, a daughter.

There died: John Dennis Sturgill, 33, a Hindman native who, at one time, was associated with the Floyd County Health Department, last Thursday in an apartment fire in Lexington; Mary Wallen Short, 72, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Belle Kiser, 69, of Pikeville, formerly of Martin, Thursday, at Bowling Fork; Tom Harris Allen, 66, of Prestonsburg, Friday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Susie M. Ballew, 65, of Wheelwright, Thursday, in a Harlan Hospital; Arthur Wiley, 87, of Garrett, Monday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Eugene Howens, 58, of Hippo, Saturday, at Paintsville; Andrew Wccreth, 80, of Halo, a native of Russia, last Wednesday, at the McDowell ARH.

Fifty Years Ago (May 25, 1960)

Floyd County may have within the past ten years had the heaviest population loss in Kentucky, preliminary figures from the 1960 census indicate. The population in 1950 was 53,500 as com-

pared to 41,483 at which it now stands.

Contents of Scott's Music Shop were destroyed or ruined by fire here. The loss was estimated at between \$35,000 and \$40,000.

Floyd County high schools will graduate 511 seniors beginning this week, and extending through June 10, at Prestonsburg High School leads with 142 to receive diplomas. Wheelwright is second with 81 seniors.

Based on normal usage the 7330 passenger cars in Floyd County, as reported for early 1959, are now costing local residents approximately \$8,789,000 a year.

Eastern Kentucky has lost its fight in the House to get approval for funds, which to start construction of the Fishtrap dam in Pike County, but hope remains for favorable action in the Senate.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. French Campbell, of Banner, a daughter, Gina Denise, on May 7.

There died: Bill Crum, 35, of West Prestonsburg, near Scottsboro, Ind. in a car wreck; Charlie Patrick, of Garrett, 69, the result of being beaten with a 2x4 in a S20 robbery; Jordan W. Moore, 54, of Printer, at his home; John Henry Roberts, 56, of Prestonsburg, at his apartment; Wilburn Jones, 82, of Bevinville, at his home; Mrs. Mickey Owsley Halbert, 78, of Martin, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Columbus Jackson, 99, formerly of McDowell, at the home of a son, in Springfield, Ohio; Celia Robinson, 78, of Boldman, at her home; Myrtle Brown, 47, formerly of Prestonsburg, resident at home at Ypsilanti, Michigan; Mrs. Elizabeth Sparks, sister of Floyd woman, at her home at Paintsville; Nelse Harvey, 80, of Hunter, at home; Tommy Blackburn, 70, of Endicott, at home.

Sixty Years Ago (May 25, 1950)

The town of Martin is a fourth class city, made so by the General Assembly, and the courts cannot upset the Assembly's act, was the ruling of Assistant Attorney General Walter C. Herdman last week.

Contracts valued at \$1,737,813 and providing for 205 miles of state and federal-aid highway improvement, including the Northern-David road in this county, were awarded by the Department of Highways last Thursday.

Orders of the Prestonsburg City Council, duly prescribed by a legally adopted resolution, as a move to whip up interest in the upcoming Floyd County Sesquicentennial Celebration decrees that adult male residents of Prestonsburg should grow beards, or else purchase proper permits, allowing them to shave.

Sam J. Owsley, who left Johns Creek by steamboat, on November 5, 1881, (69 years ago), for Abilene, Texas, returned this week to find the Big Sandy valley sans steamboats and fighting vainly for their restoration as a major means of transportation.

There died: Robert Clinton Dingus, 52, Friday, at his home near Martin; Maggie Sanders, 48, Floyd County native, Monday, at her home in Pike County; Sylvania Hall Hatfield, 69, last Wednesday, at the home of a daughter, at Hi Hat; Wilce Newsome, 72, of McDowell, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Martin; John Emerick, 72,

father of Mrs. Frank Layne, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at his home in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Seventy Years Ago (May 21, 1940)

Speaking before the juvenile committee of the Louisville Kiwanis Club last Friday, ex-judge John W. Caudill, Prestonsburg, told the group probation has failed. "At least 75 percent of youngsters sent to reform schools are back before me again. Idle minds in Floyd county are breeding places for crime, and elders are likely more to blame than youth," he said.

Big Sandy lock and dam proponents view with increased enthusiasm the valley's chance of winning the fight for a canalization system which will give this section water transportation to market for coal and other products.

Civil cases of the Floyd Circuit Court from 1808 to the present are being indexed as the result of a Works Progress Administration project sponsored by the Floyd Fiscal Court. Twelve persons are employed and the work is being supervised by W.C. Parsley, of Prestonsburg.

There died: Malcolm Stanley, 52, at his home near Prestonsburg; Mintie Burchett Ward, 79, at her home at Banner; Laura Daniels White, of Garrett. She was 60 years old; Tom Skucas, 67, of West Prestonsburg, at the Beaver Valley Hospital at Martin; Albert B. Caudill, 37, of Derna, at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital, Lackey.

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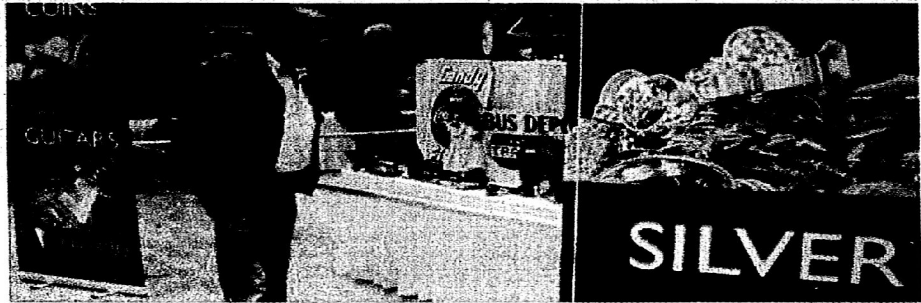
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Anticipation High as Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery Opens for Business Next Week in Prestonsburg!

By CHRISTINA BUTLER
STAFF WRITER

Been following the gold and silver market lately? Well if you have a jewelry box or lock box full of gold or a coffee can full of old coins you should be according to Ohio Valley Refinery spokesperson John Miller. "The gold and silver markets have not been this strong for over 30 years" said Miller. Typically when the U.S. dollar is weak and the economy is flat gold and silver markets soar. "That's good news if you are setting on a few gold necklaces or an old class ring" says Miller.

Next week, starting Tuesday at 9am and continuing every day next week through Thursday, the Ohio Valley Refinery will be setting up a satellite refinery right here in Prestonsburg at the Comfort Suites. During their 3 day stay anyone can bring gold, silver or platinum items and turn them in for immediate payment, explains John Miller. "Just about everybody has some amount of gold or silver just lying around collecting dust and next week anybody can sell their direct to our refinery. Typically selling direct to a refinery is reserved for larger wholesale customers like jewelry stores, pawn shops, and laboratories" says Miller. "We are changing how business is done" he explains "we want to do business with everybody so we took our business to the streets". "Our teams visits various cities around the country hosting 3 day events allowing the general public to take advantage of our services. The turnout has been overwhelming" says Miller. "Usually each day is busier than the previous day. It seems once people come to us and sell something they are so amazed what an old ring or gold coin is worth they go home and start digging around for more and telling relatives, friends and neighbors. It's like a feeding frenzy by the third day. People line up with everything



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from gold jewelry to sterling silver flatware sets to old coins. I think during this bad economy everybody can use extra money but most people say they are taking advantage of selling direct to our refinery because of the higher prices we pay".

During this special event anyone is welcome to bring all types of gold, silver and platinum to the refinery and turn it in for instant payment. The types of items they will accept include all gold jewelry, gold coins, gold ounces, dental gold, old coins made before 1964 including Silver Dollars, halves, quarters and dimes, anything marked "sterling" including flat ware sets, tea pots, silver bars, silver ounces and all industrial precious metals.

What should you expect if you go to the event to sell your gold and/or silver? Just gather up all gold silver and platinum in any form. If you are not sure if its gold or silver bring it in and they will test it for free. When you arrive at the event you will be asked to fill out a simple registration card and

will be issued a number. Seating will be available. When your number is called you will be escorted to a table where your items will be examined, tested and sorted. This only takes a few minutes using their expertise and specialized equipment. Items will be counted and/or weighed. The value of the items will be determined based on up to the minute market prices. Live feeds will be available at the event displaying current market prices of all precious metals. If you choose to sell your items they will be bagged and tagged and you will be escorted to the cashier to collect your payment. Waiting time to sell your items may range from just a few minutes to 1 hour so bring something to read.

If you are the owner of a jewelry store, pawn shop, dentist office or a dealer you are encouraged to call ahead to make an appointment with the smelt master to discuss their special dealer programs. They can be reached during refinery hours at (606) 886-2555.

Ohio Valley Refinery will open for business next Tuesday from 9am-6pm and continues every day through next Thursday. No appointment is needed.

If you go:

- WHO: Ohio Valley Refinery
Reclamation Drive
- WHAT: Open to public to sell gold and silver.
- WHEN: May 25th-27th
- WHERE: Comfort Suites
51 Hal Rogers Drive
Prestonsburg, KY 41653
- TIMES: TUESDAY-THURSDAY
9:00am - 6:00pm
- SHOW INFO: (217) 523-4225

Silver and Gold Coin Prices Up During Poor Economy.

Collectors and Enthusiasts in Prestonsburg with \$200,000 to Purchase Yours!

By CHRISTINA BUTLER
STAFF WRITER

Got Coin? It might be just the time to cash in. Next week, starting Tuesday and continuing through Thursday, the International Collectors Association in conjunction with the Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery will be purchasing all types of silver and gold coins direct from the public. All types are welcome and the event is free.

Collectors will be on hand to identify and sort your coins. Then the quality or grade will be determined. The better the grade the more they are worth according to collectors I talked to. With the silver and gold markets high prices of older coins are too. Any coins minted before 1964 in the U.S. are 90% silver except nickels and pennies.

The coins worth is determined by the rarity and the grade. Old silver dollars are worth a great premium right now even well worn heavy circulated ones are bringing good premiums. Franklin and Kennedy halves, Washington quarters, Mercury and Roosevelt dimes are all worth many times the face value. While older types like Seated Liberty, Standing Liberties, and Barber coins are worth even more.

Gold coins are really worth a lot right now according to Brian Eades of the International Collectors Association. This country didn't start minting coins until 1792 says Eades. Before that people would trade goods using gold dust and nuggets. Some shop keepers would take more gold than needed to pay for items purchased. There was no uniform

system of making change.

The government opened the first mints and began distributing the coins in 1792. By the beginning of the 19th century coins and paper currency were wide spread and our monetary system was here to stay. In 1933 Roosevelt required all banking institutions to turn in all gold coins.

Once all banks turned in this gold the president raised the gold standard from \$20.00 per ounce to \$33.00 per ounce. This was his way of stimulating the economy during the great depression. However gold coins were never redistributed after the recall. Not all gold coins were turned in. Many folks during that time didn't completely trust the government and choose to keep their gold.

These gold coins are sought after collectors today and bring many times the face value. Any gold coins with the mint marks of CC, D or O will bring nice premiums. Collectors at the event will be glad to show you where to look. Other types of coins will also be purchase including foreign coins, Indian head cents, two cent pieces, half dimes, three cent pieces and buffalo nickels to name a few.

Collectors warn people against trying to clean their coins as significant damage can be done and the coins value lessened.

Items we will accept include:

- Scrap Jewelry
- Dental Gold
- Sterling Silverware
- Sterling Silver-Tea Sets
- Silver Dollars
- All Coins Dated before 1964
- Industrial Scrap
- All forms of Platinum

Items of Interest:

Vintage Guitars:
Martin, Gibson, Fender, National, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, Mandolins, Banjos and others

Pocket Watches:
Hamilton, Illinois, Waltham, Patek Phillippe, Ball, Howard, South Bend, Elgin and others
Wrist watches: Omega, Accutron, Longines, Hamilton, Breitling and many more

Old paper money: United States, Confederate States, Blanket Bills, \$1000.00 bills and more

Antique Toys: Trains, Tin wind-ups, Mechanical Banks, Robots, Pressed Steel trucks, and many more

War Memorabilia: Swords, Bayonets, Helmets, German, Confederate, Union, USA, and others

Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event next week via live database feed.



Local Residents are ready to cash in!

International antique buyers in town this week and ready to stimulate economy!

By CHRISTINA BUTLER
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of phone calls from local residents this week to the corporate office of the Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery pour in inquiring about items to be purchased next week by the team of antique buyers that is on site with OVGSR.

The team of buyers next week are purchasing a vast array of vintage items (see below) along with coins, gold jewelry, and sterling silver items the refinery deals in. It is a Local shot in the arm for our economy. The spokesperson for the event expects to spend in excess of \$200,000 next week at the Comfort Suites paying local residents on the spot. The spokesperson for the company explained that these collectors are paying collector price for vintage items. It's a great way for people to get a great value for their items.



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