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by IYV BRASHEAR
HAZARD HERALD

KODAK — A man and woman were shot in their home on Surry Lane near the Kodak community at approximately 9:30 a.m. Thursday, following an "altercation" at the residence, police said.

Both victims, who state police identified as Albert M. Jent, 49, and Shawn C. Mabelini, 35, were transported with critical injuries. Police say Jent was transported to the Hazard ARH before being airlifted to Holston Valley Medical Center in Tennessee, while Mabelini was airlifted to the scene. Their conditions were not known at press time.

The Perry County Sheriff's Office responded to the scene and began pursuing the two perpetrators, who fled the scene after shooting the victims. Three elementary schools in the area — Viper, R.W. Combs and Leatherwood — were placed on lockdown as a precautionary measure following the shooting, school officials confirmed.

While the shooters have not yet been apprehended, state police have confirmed that one man is being questioned, but has not been charged as of yet.

The case is under investigation by the Kentucky State Police.



The Prestonsburg Police Department, Prestonsburg Fire Department and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department responded to a bank robbery attempt that included a homemade bomb at Glyn View Plaza on Wednesday. The area was evacuated.

Cross-dresser with bomb attempts BB&T robbery

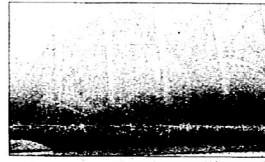
by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A David man is in federal custody after allegedly attempting to rob the Glyn View Plaza branch of BB&T on Wednesday while dressed as a woman and brandishing a gun and a homemade bomb.

Jonathan Hall, 49, was arrested after the Prestonsburg Police Department received a call from a bank employee saying that a suspi-

cious man was on the premises for the second time, having entered the bank earlier in the day to ask about safety deposit boxes.

According to officials on the scene, when officers approached Hall, who was wearing lipstick and a wig, he attempted to flee, but was tackled by an officer and placed under arrest. Officers allegedly located the bomb in a purse that Hall was carrying and then evacuated the area as a precautionary measure.



Jonathan Hall remained at the scene, locked in the back of a squad car, while officials worked to defuse the situation following the attempted robbery.



The bomb squad from Kentucky State Police Post 9 arrived at Glyn View Plaza in Prestonsburg on Wednesday to diffuse a suspected homemade explosive device allegedly used in the attempted robbery of BB&T by Jonathan Hall, of David.

After the arrest, the area was secured by officers and the highway around the plaza was blocked to keep traffic away while waiting on a bomb squad from Kentucky State Police Post 9 in Pikeville to arrive. Along with the Prestonsburg Police Department, officers with the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and the Prestonsburg Fire Department also responded to the scene.

"The FBI and the Kentucky State Police are working on the attempted bank robbery case," said David Beyer, media coordinator for the Louisville division of the FBI.

(See **ROBBERY**, page 2)

Jail chief charged in bribe scheme

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Henry "Butch" Williams, the administrator of the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center, posted bond at the Floyd County Detention Center after being detained there on charges of bribery.

Williams posted a \$10,000 cash bond Wednesday after being arrested for allegedly taking a pickup truck in exchange for getting an inmate's wife transferred to the Johnson County jail.

State police say it was part of a deal he made with the inmate in January of last year.

According to the criminal

(See **BRIBE**, page 2)

Native convicted of meth

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A native of Floyd County who had been living in Martin County at the time he was arrested earlier this year, was found guilty following a trial in U.S. District Court in Pikeville this week.

Jimmy D. Cornett was found guilty on federal charges of manufacturing methamphetamine, along with James Perry, who offered a plea agreement in exchange for conspiracy charges to be dropped.

Perry's agreement left him pleading guilty to aiding

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2 DAY FORECAST

Today
Chance of storms
High: 85 - Low: 58

Tomorrow
Chance of storms
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Event planned to honor past, current soldiers

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A special event to honor veterans and those currently serving in the military is scheduled to be held at the National Guard Armory in Prestonsburg on Tuesday.

The Patriotic Celebration 2010 Kick-Off will include free food and entertainment, according to Paul Edwards, commander of VFW Post 5839 in Prestonsburg.

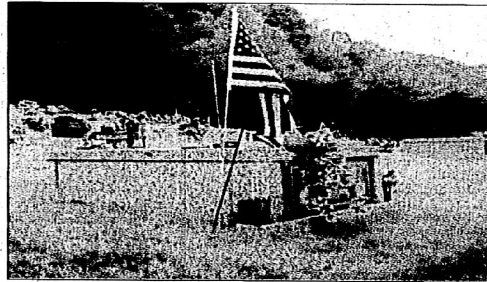
"We hope to get a real good crowd," Edwards said. "We want to honor those who have died for our freedom, our veterans and those currently serving our country and communities."

In a patriotic move of his own, Edwards recently replaced a tattered American flag on a veteran's grave with a new one after a concerned citizen approached him about the condition of the flag.

"I took care of it in about an hour," Edwards said. "The flag was in really bad shape."

As part of the event, organizers will promote other upcoming

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Paul Edwards, commander of VFW Post 5839 in Prestonsburg, recently replaced a tattered American flag on a Prestonsburg cemetery with a new flag after a concerned citizen asked Edwards for help.

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Obituaries

Marie Arms Hayes

Marie Arms Hayes, 92, of Lexington, formerly of Floyd County, died Tuesday, May 18, 2010, at Cambridge Place, in Lexington. Born June 14, 1917, in Johnson County, she was the daughter of the late Bennett and Mary Preston Arms. She was a homemaker and of the Baptist faith. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edgel Hayes. Survivors include her children: Emogene Lafferty of Martin, Peggy Mattingly of Lexington, Larry Hayes of Inez, Juanita Layell of Lexington, Dennis Hayes of Providence and June Hayes of Lexington; 15 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren

and four great-great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her children: Gwendolyn Hayes, Pauline Wilson, Valetta Hayes, Darrell Hayes, Linda Mullins and Charles Hayes; two brothers: Andy Arms and Earl Arms and three sisters: Fannie Manuel, Rena Liden and Martha Everage. Funeral services will be held Friday, May 21, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Don Crisp officiating. Burial will be in the Hagans Cemetery, in Maytown. Visitation is after 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 19, and all day Thursday, May 20, at

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

Zayana Brayel Johnson

Zayana Brayel Johnson, 6, of Kite, died May 17, 2010, at Kite. Born August 26, 2003, in Whitesburg ARH, she was the daughter of Corrie and Malinda Fouts Johnson. She was a student at Beaver Creek Elementary. Survivors, in addition to her parents, include her grandparents: Larry and Edna Stone Johnson of Kite and Vernon and Barbara Mullins Fouts of Dema; a brother, Zadorey Brayden

Johnson; a sister, Zoey Braelin Johnson; cousins: Tiffany Stone, Dee Dee Fouts (Joshua Short), Logan Fouts, Macinzie Johnson, Kelcie Johnson, Kennadie Johnson, Abbie Johnson, Masyon Johnson, Joshua Izeyha Wayne Short and Kayden Gayheart; aunts and uncles: Rodney and Trina Johnson, Danny and Jeannie Fouts, Michael and Leah Johnson and Angela and Nicholas Johnson; special friends: Kaycia and Kadence and several friends, family and classmates. She was preceded in death by a brother, Austyn Chance Johnson and one cousin, Destanie Johnson. Funeral services will be held Friday, May 21, at 11

a.m., at the Providence Old Regular Baptist Church, (Dry Creek), in Topmost, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating. Burial will be in the Johnson Family Cemetery, (Puncheon), in Kite. Visitation is after 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 19, and all day, Thursday, May 20, at the church. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, is in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

James Richard (Jimmy Dick) Spurlock

James Richard (Jimmy Dick) Spurlock, age 75, of Prestonsburg, entered into

Regional Obituaries can be found on page B7

his Heavenly home on Sunday, May 9, 2010, in Nashville, Tennessee, after a long illness. He was preceded in death by his son, James Richard (Dicky) Spurlock II. He is survived by two daughters: Laura Gifford and Beth Stone, both of Nashville, Tennessee and two grandchildren: Lindsey Woods and Seth Gifford. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 19, at 1:00 pm, at the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg. Memorial contributions may be sent to: Alive Hospice, 1718 Patterson Street, Nashville, Tennessee, see, 37203. (Paid obituary)

Bribe

complaint. Williams allegedly accepted a 1987 Ford F-150 truck from inmate Doug Wright in a deal to have Wright's wife transferred from another jail to the detention center in Johnson County. Angie Wright, Doug Wright's wife, was transferred to the Big Sandy Detention Center in February, one month after the alleged deal was

made, according to jail records. Johnson County Judge-Executive R.T. "Tucker" Daniel spoke to reporters earlier this week about Williams' future at the detention center. "It calls into question the ability of the administrator to continue to function as a manager at that facility," Daniel said. "This is a wake-up

call for people to take a long, serious look at what's going on and try to make whatever changes are necessary." The jail, which serves Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Lawrence counties, was the target of audits this past February. Among the red flags that kickedstart that audit were allegations of financial issues,

employee misconduct and treatment of inmates. At that time, acting board chairman Jim Kelly said the jail had a "poorly set-up system" and that many of the problems at the jail centered on a "maverick board member" and a jail administrator "who wields a lot of power."

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Governor issues call for special session May 24

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear today issued a proclamation calling for a special session to begin Monday, May 24, 2010.

"The compromise proposal I put forward offers a path forward to a budget agreement, and an end to this dangerous stalemate,"

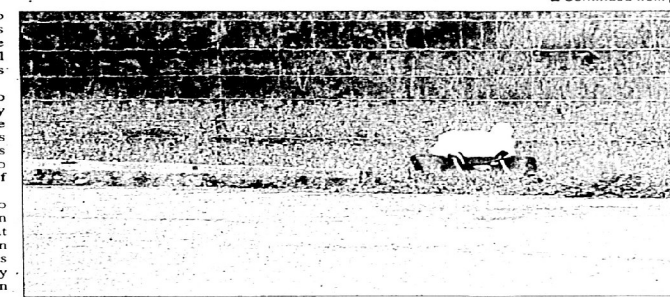
Gov. Beshear said. "I am pleased that there seems to be legislative support in both houses to enact a biennial budget next week."

The Kentucky General Assembly ended the 2010 regular session without agreement, threatening critical state services with a par-

tial shutdown of state government, and jeopardizing significant debt service and other savings counted on by the budget.

Robbery

"Something that appeared to be an explosive device was located on Mr. Hall when he was apprehended. We will pursue federal charges against him."



An alleged homemade bomb in a purse caused the evacuation of businesses near BB&T in Prestonsburg on Wednesday. The bomb was removed by officers with the Kentucky State Police Bomb Squad. (Photo by David Deaton)

According to Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, who arrived at the scene shortly after Hall was arrested, Hall told officers that he needed the money to pay for the medical bills of his wife, who has cancer. Hall was transferred to the Pike County Detention Center on Wednesday, but an employee at the detention center said that Hall was removed early Thursday morning and taken to an undisclosed location. The incident is currently under investigation by the FBI.

Meth

Cornett with a firearm in the act of drug trafficking. According to Perry's plea agreement, police first discovered the meth in a camper on Cornett's property after the vehicle was reported stolen. Acting on a tip that the camper was stolen from a church parking lot in Lawrence County, officers went to Cornett's residence at Rockhouse Road in Martin County on Aug. 11, 2009. There, Perry admitted that the officers located the camper and questioned Cornett before checking for VIN numbers and found him sitting in a wheelchair beside the camper. Perry said he was sitting near the door of the camper, which officers said was half

open. When they found other things in the camper that gave them enough evidence to suppose it was the stolen vehicle, they checked the open door and discovered a soda bottle with a liquid that was consistent with meth. Cornett had told the police when they first arrived that "a Perry County man" had brought the camper to his property, then later, after they discovered the soda bottle and a rifle setting within arm's length of Perry, he reportedly told police, "You got me good this time." A search warrant later turned up a shotgun found in the back room of the camper, a police scanner and several of the items used in setting up the makeshift

meth lab, such as salt, a red container of Liquid Fire drain opener and a prescription bottle half full of an unknown acid substance. As part of their preparation for trial, federal prosecutors had on hand reports from samples of the substance found in the soda bottle that were sent to labs with the Kentucky State Police. Those reports confirmed the substance to be meth. In addition, through a

statewide database known as "Meth Check," a program that tracks the purchase of cold medicines containing pseudophedrine, it was found that Cornett and Perry had made cold medicine purchases within an hour of one another, in the week leading up to the discovery of the camper. Cornett was found guilty on all six counts of his original indictment, including the charge of manufacturing meth.

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Legislation relating to the 2010-2012 Executive Branch budget and the Transportation Cabinet budget, including the revenue measures necessary to support them; and

Legislation to adopt the Biennial Highway Construction Plan and the Six-Year Road Plan.

Additional items included on the call:

Legislation relating to the state's unemployment insurance system, reflecting the compromise agreed upon by a broad-based task force including business

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ing celebrations that will occur throughout the year, including Flag Day, the Fourth of July, Veterans Day and the anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Sponsored by the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, Prestonsburg Tourism, the Mountain Arts

Center and the Prestonsburg Office of Employment and Training, the celebration is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. and last until 8 p.m. For more information on the Patriotic Celebration 2010 Kick-Off, contact Paul Edwards by calling (606) 886-9428.

For the Record

Marriage Licenses
 Martina J. Potts, 37, of Martin, to Michael Paul Pitts, 34, of Martin.
 Tami Faye Tackett, 18, of Harold, to Christopher Scott Walker, 18, of Harold.
 Eva Cook, 22, of Ashland, to Jess Edmund Staggs, 22, of Ashland.
 Sylvia L. Tackett, 61, of Harold, to Steve Carter, Sr., 63, of Harold.
 Mary Sue Conley, 40, of Garrett, to Andrew Osley, 62, of Garrett.
 Misty Dawn Rose, 31, of Prestonsburg, to Jon Michael Booth, 24, of Prestonsburg.
 Kendra Marie Bailey, 26, of Langley, to Kyle Jared Burgess, 26, of Dwale.

Civil Suits Filed
 Audreyetta Lawson vs. Timothy Lawson; divorce.
 Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company vs. Stacy Salisbury; complaint.
 Chase bank USA, NA vs. Deam F. Hunt; com-

Plaint
 Decbra Hall vs. Dana Smith; complaint.
 Discover Bank vs. Dorothy Osborne; complaint.
 CitiMortgage Inc. vs. Joseph C. Akers; complaint.

Charges Filed
 William G. Hale, 41; fourth-degree assault.
 Teresa McCoy; harassment, criminal trespassing.
 Miranda Samons, 20; fourth-degree assault.
 Pamela Jane Samons; 40; fourth-degree assault.
 Benjamin Ruben Davis, 27, David; operating a suspended or revoked license, second-degree wanton endangerment, expired registration plates, expired registration receipt, giving a false statement, fraud in application for operator, failure to produce insurance card, reckless driving, fourth-degree assault.

Anthony Wayne Huff, 40; criminal mischief, criminal trespassing, theft by unlawful taking.
 James Coleman, 26; theft by unlawful taking.
Inspections
 Dollar General Store, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not protected during storage, insect and rodent proof containers not provided, adequate garbage and

refuse containers not provided, floors not in good repair, lighting not provided as required. Score: 94.
 Betsy Layne Senior Citizens, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: non-food contact surfaces not properly maintained, cloths used for food and non-food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, food contact

surface of equipment and utensils not clean. Score: 96.
 Custom Meats, Inc., Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods. Score: 99.
 Newman Country Store, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not

protected during storage, non-food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, sanitary towel or hand-drying device not provided at lavatory or hand-washing sink. Score: 95.

Property Transfers
 Phyllis Dutton Tackett to Carol Dutton Mayor and Jerry Mayor, property not listed.
 Donna Vanover to Jim G. Vanover, property not

listed.
 Linda Woods to Kathy Gayheart and Roger Gayheart, property not listed.
 Susie Dusley Wright to Phyllis Wright Elliott and Wiley H. Elliott, property located at Middle Dale Suter to Sandra Sue Martin, property located at Richmond Addition.
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 JUST WRIGHT (PG) Mon-Sun. 7:10-9:20, Fri. (4:30) 7:10-9:30; Sat-Sun. (2:10-4:20) 7:10-9:30.
Cinema 2—Starts Friday, May 21
 MCDURRUBIN (R) Mon-Sun. 7:10-9:30, Fri. (4:30) 7:10-9:30, Sat-Sun. (2:15-4:30) 7:10-9:30.
Cinema 3—Hold Over
 LETTERS TO JULIET (PG) Mon-Sun. 7:05-9:20, Fri. (4:25) 7:05-9:20, Sat-Sun. (2:05-4:20) 7:05-9:20.
Cinema 4—Hold Over
 IRON MAN 2 (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 6:40-9:10
 HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON IN 2D (NOT 3D) (PG) Fri. (4:15) Sat-Sun. (2:00-4:15).
Cinema 5—Hold Over
 THE LAST SONG (PG) Mon-Sun. 7:05, Fri. (4:20) 7:05; Sat-Sun. (2:06-4:20) 7:05.
 DEATH AT A FUNERAL (R) Mon-Sun. 9:20 ONLY.
Cinema 6—Hold Over
 IRON MAN 2 (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 6:55-9:25, Fri. (4:25) 6:55-9:25; Sat-Sun. (1:55-4:25) 6:55-9:25.
Cinema 7—Starts Friday, May 21
 SHREK 4 IN 3D (PG) Mon-Sun. 7:00-9:20, Fri. (4:20) 7:00-9:20; Sat-Sun. (2:00-4:20) 7:00-9:20.
Cinema 8—Hold Over
 ROBIN HOOD (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 7:45, Fri. (4:45) 7:45; Sat-Sun. (1:50-4:45) 7:45.
Cinema 9—Starts Friday, May 21
 SHREK 4 IN 2D (PG) Mon-Sun. 7:00-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 7:00-9:20; Sat-Sun. (2:00-4:20) 7:00-9:20.
Cinema 10—Hold Over
 NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET (PG-13) Mon-Sun. 7:10-9:20.
 FURRY VENGEANCE (PG) Fri. (4:25); Sat-Sun. (2:10-4:25).

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groups, labor representatives, and executive and legislative branch representatives; and
 Legislation for the expansion of alcohol sampling licenses to support the tourism and convention industries.

"The House and Senate appear to be in agreement on these two items, and that agreement was critical to my inclusion of them on the call," said Gov. Beshear. "In addition, they will both have a permanent and positive economic impact on our state — a resolution to our unemployment insurance fund situation has been welcomed and encouraged by both our business and employee communities, and the sampling legislation will greatly benefit our tourism industry."

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Our View

Rand is wrong ... on civil rights, and for Kentucky

That was fast. Rand Paul, the Tea Party darling who skyrocketed to national prominence Tuesday with his drubbing of Secretary of State Trey Grayson for the Republican nomination in the U.S. Senate race; came crashing back to earth Wednesday night, when he maintained, live before a national television audience, that the federal government has no right to desegregate business.

And that, if Kentucky voters have but a shred of decency, should be about the end of Mr. Paul's future as a politician in this state.

Oh sure, Paul was careful to paint the issue in terms of property rights, rather than civil rights. He said the federal government has no right to tell the private owners of an establishment who they can allow in their business. He went so far as to say it would be equivalent to telling a bar owner that he must allow patrons to carry guns, if they so desire.

But Paul's analogy only makes his argument that much more bizarre. Only a head-in-the-clouds ideologist could equate the basic human right to live and work in peace with bringing a loaded weapon into an alcohol-soaked environment.

Philosophical idealism rarely works when the rubber meets the road.

Kentucky has worked hard over many years to erase the stereotype that it is a land of ignorant, racist hicks. Now, just as the state is attempting to show its best face to the world with the World Equestrian Games, Rand Paul is a clear and present danger to all that has been accomplished.

It matters little whether or not racist intent lurks behind Paul's words. His willingness to ally himself with those who do possess such intent proves that Rand Paul is the wrong choice at the wrong time.

— The Floyd County Times



Beyond the Beltway

Wake me up when it's June

by DONALD KAUL
OTHERWORDS

The poet who said April is the cruelest month obviously didn't know about our May.

As the month began, that unpronounceable Icelandic volcano kept spewing out tons of black smoke, soot, grit, acidic gases, and all manner of obnoxious things. Airports in Spain, Italy, and Portugal had to close again.

The Greek economy threatened to stumble into a black hole that promised to suck the rest of Europe in with it, until the European Union came to the rescue with a (gasp!) bailout.

The stock market plummeted 1,000 points in 15 minutes on May 6 before bouncing back up 600 like a kangaroo on a pogo stick. And the thing is, nobody yet knows why it plunged or rebounded. The first thought was that maybe a trader hit the wrong button on his computer.

That out-of-control well in the Gulf of Mexico continued to gush oil into the water as BP workers struggled, unsuccessfully, to get it under control. Conservatives, most of

whom opposed the regulation of offshore drilling that might have averted the spill, have started calling it "Obama's Katrina." (For all I know, they're blaming him for the volcano too.)

In other words, this is shaping up to be a really, really ugly month. Seldom has so much stupidity, past and present, been on display simultaneously.

And the thing that disturbed me most about all of it is this: A guy hit the wrong button on his computer? What are you, kidding me? Please don't tell me that some clown at the New York Stock Exchange can do away with half of my net worth in 15 minutes because he hits the wrong button.

As it turns out, that's not what they're telling me. After investigating the matter over the weekend officials now think it was a systemic glitch, which, under certain circumstances, can torpedo the market. But they're going to fix it, probably. Great. Do you ever get the feeling that we're shooting craps with the other guys' dice and the dice don't have spots on them?

The second most troubling thing about the events was Greece. It's bad enough having to bail out a country that has lived beyond its means for decades; the real question is, why would you lend money to Greece in the first place?

Have you ever been to Greece? People there can't even stand in line, let alone pay their bills. The national sport is not paying your taxes. People don't even consider it cheating. The second-most popular sport is bribery. Nothing happens in Greece without someone getting greased.

Lending money to Greece is like giving it to the Bernie Madoff Defense Fund. So why do it? Simple. Europe had no choice.

If Greece's economy goes under, it might very well take the Euro with it and if the Euro collapses, can Europe be far behind? Think of Europe as mountain climbers tied together on one rope as they climb. Greece is the fat guy in the middle who is having a heart attack. If he falls, they all fall. It's not their fault that the guy is fat, but they have to save him or die.

Paradoxically, it could well be that the voters in the United States are so enraged by the bailouts here that they will react by throwing out of power the people who are trying to rescue them and replace them with the guys who caused the problem in the first place.

As I said, despite the roses and the peonies, this is an ugly month. It would be, even without the oil or volcano.

OtherWords columnist Donald Kaul lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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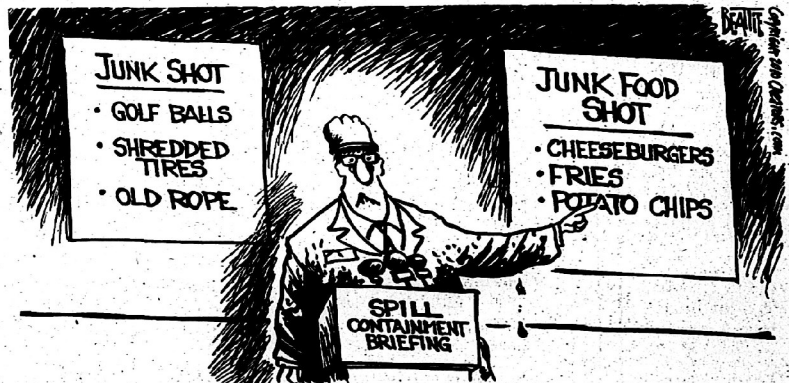
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 Renewal No. 3
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 (2) The proposed operation is approximately 0.4 miles southeast from KY 2030's junction with Gunstock Branch Road and located on Gunstock Branch. The latitude is 37°39'47". The longitude is 82°42'40".
 (3) The proposed operation is located on the Harold and McDowell U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Marion Roberts Estate c/o Frank and Ida Conn.
 The operation will underlie land owned by Marion Roberts Estate c/o Frank & Ida Conn, Albert & Lacie Stephens, Elk Horn Coal Corp., Cla B. & Bee Halbert, James Wilson McKinney, Huber Lawson, Norma Jean Maturo, Martha Yates, Cecil & Martha Hunter, Douglas Gene & Wanda Akers, Anna Mary Perkins, Brigham & Emalee Roberts, Oscar & Orla Judd McKinney, Lowell Thomas Carroll, Ray & Geraldine Spurlock, Donald & Lois Adkins, Edgar & Lucinda Kidd, Charles & Dorothy Meade Heirs, Eddie L. Kidd, Robert Anthony and Dale Kidd, Ronald Spurlock, Del. Wayne McKinney, Walker & Ruby Gayheart, Kenny & Janet Greer, Steve & Phyllis Hall, Harry & Phyllis Lawson, Clyde Greer, Elmer & Phyllis Massey, Wright, Michael & Rita Hancock, John & Ethel Elliott, Dwayne & Sue Carrol, Ivan & Ethel Carrol, Johnny & Sally Meade Heirs.
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 Pursuant to Application Number 836-5504 Renewal No. 2
 (1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FDCD Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 77, Ivel, KY 41642, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 1.5 miles southeast of Printer in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 8.07 surface acres and will underlie 278.33 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 286.40 acres.
 (2) The proposed operation is approximately 0.2 miles southeast from KY 2030's junction with Big Branch-Homaker Road and located adjacent to Spurlock Creek. The latitude is 37°31'17". The longitude is 82°43'12".
 (3) The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Bull Creek Coal Corporation.
 The operation will underlie land owned by Bull Creek Coal Corp., Keith Heirs, Chattie Dicus, Frank Mitchell, Rasser Salinger and Adam Sizemore Estate, Martin Halbert, Tandy Spurlock, Ronald Spurlock, Ray Spurlock, Elmer & Phyllis Massey, Howard Meade, and Gail Parsons Estate.
 The operation will affect an area within 10 ft. of a public road, KY 2030. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.
 (4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
 Pursuant to Application Number 860-5342, Transfer
 In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., 184 Fourmile Branch, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41639 intends to transfer permit number 880-5154 to Kentucky Fuel Corporation, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41639. The new permit number will be 860-5342. The operation disturbs 344.20 surface acres and underlies 685.40 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.
 The operation is located 0.10 mile southeast of Triplett Branch in Knott and Floyd Counties. The proposed operation is approximately 0.80 mile southeast from Triplett Branch Road's junction with Kentucky 550 and located 1.5 mile south of Lackey. The operation is located on the Wayland USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°26'42" and longitude 82°49'50".
 The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
 Pursuant to Application Number 835-8064, Major Revision No. 14
 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FDCD Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 77, Ivel, Kentucky 41642 has applied for a major revision to an existing coal processing facility, refuse disposal, underground, and contour and auger coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.9 miles southeast of Printer in Floyd County. The major revision will add 0.0 acres of surface disturbance area making a total area of 674.69 acres within the amended permit boundary.
 The proposed major revision area is approximately 1.4 miles southeast from KY 122's junction with KY 2030 and located 0.004 miles northeast of Spurlock Creek.
 The proposed major revision is located on the Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use contour, auger, area, processing, and refuse disposal methods of mining. The surface area to be disturbed by the major revision is owned by Black Diamond Mining Land Company, LLC.
 The major revision proposes to add roads and mine management areas and backfilling with refuse material.
 The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
 Pursuant to Application Number 836-5504 Renewal No. 2
 (1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FDCD Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 77, Ivel, KY 41642, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 1.5 miles southeast of Printer in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 8.07 surface acres and will underlie 278.33 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 286.40 acres.
 (2) The proposed operation is approximately 0.2 miles southeast from KY 2030's junction with Big Branch-Homaker Road and located adjacent to Spurlock Creek. The latitude is 37°31'17". The longitude is 82°43'12".
 (3) The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Bull Creek Coal Corporation.
 The operation will underlie land owned by Bull Creek Coal Corp., Keith Heirs, Chattie Dicus, Frank Mitchell, Rasser Salinger and Adam Sizemore Estate, Martin Halbert, Tandy Spurlock, Ronald Spurlock, Ray Spurlock, Elmer & Phyllis Massey, Howard Meade, and Gail Parsons Estate.
 The operation will affect an area within 10 ft. of a public road, KY 2030. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
 Pursuant to Application Number 898-4138, Major Revision No. 6
 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Lendmat Mining Company, Inc., P.O. Box 460, Shelbyana, Kentucky 41582 has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 4.0 miles west of Robinson Creek and situated in both Pike and Floyd County. The major revision will add 0 acres of surface disturbance area and 18.75 acres of underground acreage making a total area of 2,239.85 acres within the revised permit boundary.
 The proposed major revision area is approximately 2.0 miles west from Bear Fork Road's junction with KY 610 and located 0.4 miles north of Sam Hall Branch.
 The proposed major revision is located on the Pikeville/McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. No surface area will be disturbed by the major revision. The operation will underlie land owned by Black Diamond Mining Company, LLC, Virle Brown, Ray and Kelly Stone, Jan M. Hamilton, and Estill Hamilton.
 The major revision proposes to add 16.75 acres of underground acreage. The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

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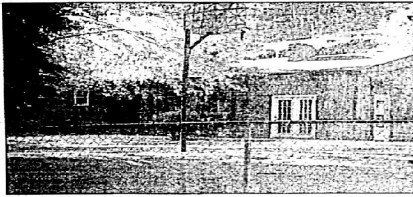
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5430, Major Revision No. 3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that AEP Kentucky Coal, L.L.C., 251-B Tollage Creek Pikeville, Kentucky 41501 has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 6 miles east of Huppoy in Floyd County. The major revision will delete 5.88 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 0 acres making a total area of 147.54 acres within the revised permit boundary. The proposed major revision area is approximately 1.50 miles northwest from Prater Fork County Road's junction with KY Route 850 and located 0.57 miles south of Prater Fork on the Licking River.

The proposed major revision is located on the Martin USGS 7.2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Mont Campbell.

The major revision proposes a post-mining land use change to pastureland for 20.02 acres. The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5580, Transfer
In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., 184 Fourmile Branch, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41839 intends to transfer permit number 836-5439 to Kentucky Fuel Corporation, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41839. The new permit number will be 836-5455. The operation disturbs 2.70 surface acres and underlies 3583.00 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

The operation is located along Lick Fork in Floyd and Knott Counties. The proposed operation is approximately 0.2 mile west from Lick Fork Road's (Route 1280) junction with Route 2029 and located 3 mile northeast of Handshoe. The operation is located on the Handshoe USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°28'44" and longitude 82°52'33".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

- Frasure Creek Mining LLC 8360342 04/07/2010 PIA Company Inc. 8360363 04/23/2010 Indeva Corp Energy Inc. 8365536 04/16/2010 Miller Bros Coal LLC 8580223 04/19/2010 Frasure Creek Mining LLC 8370182 04/15/2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Estate of Frank Conn and the Estate of Ida Conn have been named as defendants in a lawsuit filed in Floyd Circuit Court on April 16, 2010. Said lawsuit is styled Tax Easement Investments 1, LLC v. Estate of Frank Conn, Estate of Ida Conn, Hall Funeral Home, The First Guaranty National Bank and Floyd County, and has been assigned Civil Action No. 10-CI-00412. The Plaintiff alleges that the Defendant Taxpayer owes certain delinquent real estate taxes on certain real property located at 104 Gunstock Branch, Floyd, KY, and the Plaintiff has elected to exercise its rights under KRS 134.4990 (2) to collect all amounts due and payable under the tax liens and enforce its liens against the real property, and collect court costs and attorneys' fees. The Defendants, Estate of Frank Conn and Estate of Ida Conn, must file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Clerk no later than May 20, 2010, if they desire to do so. If the Defendants do not appear in the pending lawsuit or otherwise present a defense to the claims asserted against them, then a judgment may be entered against them. Earl M. McClain, Warning Order Attorney, P.O. Box 1746, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 838-5581, Transfer

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., 184 Fourmile Branch, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41839, intends to transfer permit number 836-5455 to Kentucky Fuel Corporation, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41839. The new permit number will be 836-5581. The operation disturbs 3.70 surface acres and underlies 3583.00 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

The operation is located on Plummer Branch of Raccoon Branch in Floyd, Knott, and Magoffin counties. The proposed operation is approximately 0.3 mile northwest from Kentucky 2029's junction with Kentucky 7 and located 2.7 miles northeast of Handshoe. The operation is located on the Handshoe USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°29'46" and longitude 82°52'55".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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Pursuant to Application Number 836-8070, Transfer

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., 184 Fourmile Branch, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41839 intends to transfer permit number 836-6015 to Kentucky Fuel Corporation, P.O. Box 130, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41839. The new permit number will be 836-8070. The operation disturbs 5.00 surface acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer. The operation is located 0.4 mile east of Right Fork of Beaver Creek in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 0.75 mile northwest from Kentucky 550's junction with Kentucky 7, and located 0.25 mile northwest of Huppoyville. The operation is located on the Martin USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°30'04" and longitude 82°50'27".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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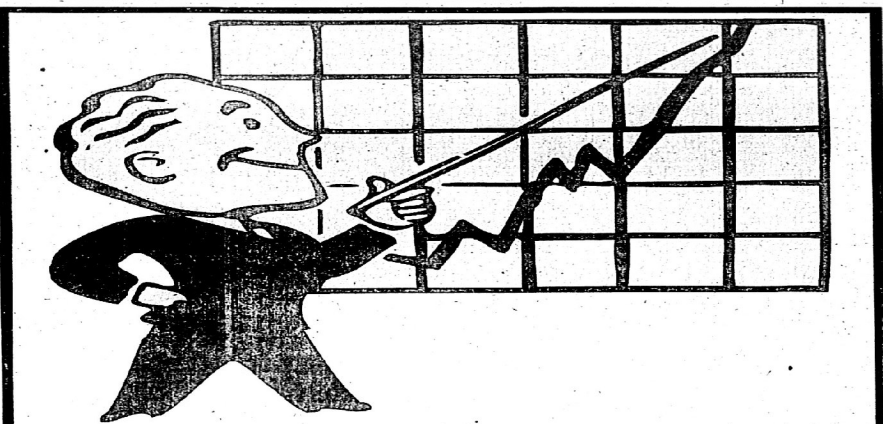
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Associates degree in business or related field is desired. Combinations of education and work experience may be considered.

The successful candidate must have the ability to apply program rules and objectives, excellent computer skills, excellent written and oral communication skills, ability to maintain sensitive and confidential information, and possess strong planning, organizing and problem solving abilities. A valid driver's license and access to an automobile is required.

Qualified applicants may submit a resume and letter of application to Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc., ATTN: Human Resources Manager, 230 Court Street, Paintsville, KY 41240. Closing date for applications is Monday, May 31, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

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**MOVIES FROM
THE BLACK LAGOON**

'Ninja Assassin'

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

A renegade ninja takes on the clan that trained him in this high-octane kung fu fest from the producers of "The Matrix."

The Wachowski brothers (Andy and Larry) had a lot of explaining to do after last year's "Speed Racer," but they get their groove back by lending their keen eye for visuals, and enormous wads of cash, to another director (James McTiegue). The result is the mother of all ninja movies that, once and for all, solidifies these killers in black pajamas as the coolest cats of action cinema.

The film begins with a cracker-jack sequence (that has nothing to do with the rest of the movie, but who cares) that showcases how gnarly ninjas can be. We drop in on a New Age Japanese hood getting a tattoo from an old school ink artist. The gangster may sport a rocking hair-do but he's a wannabe tough guy at best. The tattoo guy, on the other hand, actually survived an encounter with a ninja but refuses to even say their name out loud.

The gangster and his cronies think the old guy is hilarious and



Tom Doty
Times Columnist

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This Town, That World

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

If you tire of hearing the "locusts," console yourself with the thought that you'll not hear them again for 17 years—if ever.

THE LONE SURVIVOR

Among the observations heard recently was one expressing the belief that the Lord doesn't strike people dead, however black their sins are.

"He might," said another. "And who would be left?"

One girl in the group looked very sad. Asked the trouble, she said, "I was just thinking how lonesome I would be."

THE RETORT

Maybe it's well that Kentuckians and Texans don't get together too often. We hear the story of the Lone Star rancher, who came visitin' in these parts and of going with his Kentucky host to look over his farm of 200 acres or so.

"Is this all?" the Texan asked. "Why, back in Texas, I get in my car at 5 in the morning and drive all day. At dusk I just reach the end of my ranch."

The mountaineer ruminated a bit, then drawled, "I used to have a car like that."

He might have added that they

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YARD OF THE MONTH

Woman's Club recognizes Big Branch home

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — While the impressive home and swimming pool of Jerry and Stephanie Wicker might be the first thing one would notice when driving by on the Big Branch of Abbott, the Prestonsburg Women's Club noticed something more, naming the Wicker's yard as the Yard of the Month for May.

"We spend quite a bit of time on the yard," said Stephanie Wicker. "We spend less time now because we have a 16-month-old little boy. I didn't think I would really ever care about a yard until I became a homeowner. We like everything to look nice and neat. We joke about my husband because he doesn't even like for people to walk on the yard. We have tons of bushes and trees around here. We've lived here for four years and we landscaped it all ourselves. We really did a lot of work."

After being notified that her yard had been selected as the Yard of the Month for May, Wicker and her husband were both excited because it meant that all of the work they put in to making the landscape surrounding their home special had garnered enough attention to be recognized by an organization that sets out to specifically locate yards that stand out and are meticulously cared for and maintained.



"We were excited," Wicker said. "I told my husband that all the hard work had paid off. Somebody noticed."

The Prestonsburg Women's Club will soon be on the lookout for a new Yard of the Month for June.

DINNER DIVA

Broccoli block



I have been going through Broccoli Block. You know, when you forget to turn on the veggies and you have your dinner ready to go but the veggies are sitting on the stovetop, cold, raw and just waiting for someone to turn them on and get them cooked?

Why is that? I think the reason is we are zooming around the kitchen, multi-tasking as we should be and for me anyway, the stove isn't where my prep area is (it's to my back), and I just simply forget. Not always, but

sometimes. It ticks me off! I've been cooking for a LONG time and to forget to turn on the veggies is outside of my realm of thinking, or so I thought. I've thought about the old adage, out of sight, out of mind and thought, that's the ticket! So I've taken to moving my prepped veggies (pot and all) and putting it on the countertop where I am preparing the evening meal. Now it's in my line of vision, and I can still stay preoccupied with all the stuff I was so preoccupied with before, but now I won't forget to

turn on the veggies!

If you're having Broccoli Block, maybe you want to fix it too, by putting whatever it is you're forgetting, right in the line of fire, so you see it and remember to do it! Part of getting dinner on the table every night is getting all the components ready at the same time. Doesn't take rocket science, but you do have to think about it!

Here's a recipe to make your next dinner a success, especially if

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Odd braking sensation could be problem
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Family Medicine
OHIO UNIVERSITY
Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A.
Associate Professor of Family Medicine

Bronchitis or pneumonia?

Q I had a cold recently that traveled down into my chest. I went to the doctor and was told that I had bronchitis. My wife, however, argues that I must have pneumonia since I am coughing so much. Are bronchitis and pneumonia very different, and what are the distinguishing factors that tell them apart? Finally, it seems like both illnesses are treated the same way, so how much does it really matter which one you have?

A As you well know, pneumonia and bronchitis are both illness that affect the

lungs and bronchial tubes. Although many of the symptoms are similar, indeed, they are very different diseases.

Bronchitis is an inflammation of the bronchi, the twin passages that connect the trachea to each lung. The symptoms can be quite severe and they can also persist in what we call chronic bronchitis. Chronic bronchitis is a type of ongoing obstructive lung disease. It is usually caused by smoking or long-term exposure to cigarette smoke, and it can last for several months. For this comparison, we will focus on the acute (not chron-

ic) bronchitis, because that sounds more like what you are describing.

Acute bronchitis and pneumonia can both be caused by either viruses or bacteria, meaning that they often start out as a cold or flu, but not always. Both can also be caused by prolonged or intensive exposure to irritants such as cigarette smoke, chemicals or severe dust. Both illnesses can cause a persistent cough. Finally, both illnesses typically last for at least a week and sometimes up to two.

The cough that stems from bronchitis is usually dry in the early days, but then you begin to cough up yellow or green mucus. The cough can be quite harsh and cause pain in the chest wall and, eventually, sore stomach muscles.

Wheezing is usually prominent in acute bronchitis. Often, these symptoms accompany those of the cold that preceded it. Bronchitis patients do not usually have a fever, but they may experience mild shortness of breath.

It may surprise you that pneumonia may cause a cough; but not always. When it does, the coughing typically produces mucus from the onset. Also, pneumonia patients usually experience a fever of over 101 degrees Fahrenheit. They also have some difficulty taking a deep breath, and they are slightly short of breath.

Acute bronchitis and pneumonia can occur at any age, but both illnesses tend to be worse in smokers, elderly people, or people of any age who have other chronic diseases, such as heart disease

and diabetes. Blood tests and x-rays may be needed to differentiate between the two illnesses. If the infection is viral, usually supportive care is all that is needed for treatment of either. If the infection is bacterial, antibiotics are usually prescribed. Based on your specific medical history and illness, your physician will determine the right treatment plan for you.

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

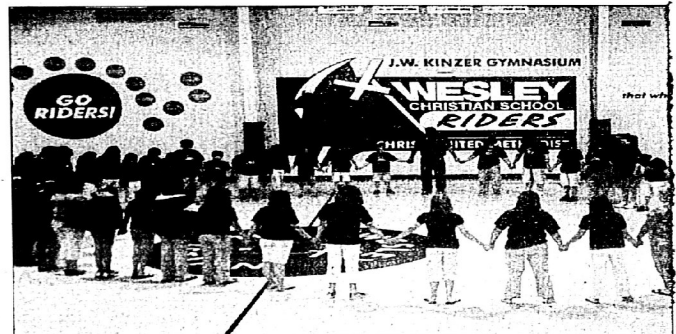
Diva

you've got spring/summer heat to deal with—

- PASTA SALAD WITH WHITE BEANS**
 Serves 6
 1 (16-oz.) package fusilli pasta
 1 cup canned white beans, drained and rinsed
 5 ounces smoked turkey or regular ham, chopped (or omit)
 4 plum tomatoes, chopped
 1 small red bell pepper, seeded, deribbed and cut in long, thin slices
 10 Kalamata olives, pitted and halved (or use black olives)
 2 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped
- EASY BALSAMIC VINAIGRETTE**
 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
 1 tablespoon lemon juice

- 1 clove garlic, pressed
 1/2 cup olive oil
 Salt and pepper to taste
 Cook pasta according to package directions.
- While pasta is cooking, make dressing (see below) Drain cooked pasta, rinse under cold water and set aside.
- In a large bowl, combine remaining salad ingredients, add the pasta, vinaigrette and toss lightly to mix.
- Dressing: Mix all ingredients together, whisking the olive oil in gradually at the end, until dressing is slightly thickened. Season with salt and pepper.
- Per Serving: 424 Calories; 21g Fat; 12g Protein; 46g Carbohydrate; 2g Dietary Fiber; 14mg Cholesterol; 409mg Sodium. Exchanges: 3 Grain (Starch); 1/2 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 3 1/2 Fat; 0 Other Carbohydrates.

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On Thursday, May 6, Wesley Christian School gathered together for a special prayer service honoring the 59th Annual National Day of Prayer. Guest speaker, Dr. Leo Boyd, of Destination Community Church, spoke with the students. Sixth-grade teacher Sara Yeager sang "God Bless America". The service concluded with a special prayer for the nation and schools.

Salome's Stars Weekly Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your Aries self-esteem level is high, as is your impatience to see more action come your way in the workplace. Good news, Lamb: It could start to happen sooner than you think.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Changing things now could upset a lot of people. But if you feel you're acting because you believe it's the right thing to do, others will understand and even come to support you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A change of mind might not necessarily be a change of heart. You still want to go ahead with your plans, but you might see a better way to make them happen. So go for it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An ... business dispute could re-emerge and possibly affect upcoming negotiations. Consider opening up the situation to include suggestions from others on both sides of the issue.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some Leos and Leonas might find it somewhat difficult to get their ideas accepted or even considered. But that's only for a while. Things will soon return to the way you like them.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The pace seems to be slowing down from the hectic on-the-job run you recently enjoyed. But be assured that you're still in the race to pick up new workplace-related goodies.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Seasonal changes create opportunities for busy Librans. However, be sure to balance your workload with your personal life so

that you don't overdo it on one end or the other.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A former critic could make a surprise turnaround and become a supporter. But if your Scorpion sense suspects a questionable motive, who are the rest of us to doubt it?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Data on a new project seems less than dependable. But it might turn out to be just the opposite. Consult with someone who knows how you might best be able to check it out.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Capricornians face many decisions this week, with the Sea Goat's kids rating high on the concern scale, especially regarding vacations and upcoming school matters.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Showing that you care is what Aquarians do so well. It's your very special skill. And this week, you'll have several chances to show off that gift for a very special person. Good luck.

PISCES (February 19 to March 21) That streak of Piscean wariness should serve you well this week should you be among those who come up against a slippery character offering a fishy deal with nothing to back it up.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have an artist's sense of how to help others see, as you do, the beautiful things about the world.

Strange ... but true

■ It was American novelist, poet and painter and prominent member of the Beat Generation of artists — William S. Burroughs who made the following declaration: "I don't care if people hate my guts; I assume most of them do. The important question is whether they are in a position to do anything about it."

■ If you wanted to dig to the center of the earth, you'd have to go down about 4,000 miles.

■ Those of you who need your daily java fix probably won't be surprised to learn that coffee is one of the most popular drinks worldwide and is one of the most traded agricultural

commodities. Due to limitations in cultivation, however, Hawaii is the only state in the U.S. that produces the beans.

■ The world's largest dam, located in Canada, is 2,700 feet long — twice as long as Arizona and Nevada's Hoover Dam. The truly amazing thing isn't its size, though; it's the manner of construction. Over the course of several months, the dam was built entirely by beavers.

■ According to industry experts, beverage makers sell 9 billion cases of carbonated soda in the United States every year.

■ If you ever open a magazine or watch TV, you've probably seen at least one ad from the "Got

Milk?" campaign. You probably didn't know, though, that the same campaign also broke new advertising ground with ads at bus stops that weren't just visual; they also gave off the odor of fresh-baked cookies. That particular approach was quickly abandoned due to concerns about allergies.

■ Popular cooking expert and television host Rachael Ray reportedly has a sign hanging outside her door that says "Martha doesn't live here."

Thought for the Day
 "Not everything that counts can be counted, and not everything that can be counted counts." — Mark Twain

Allen

haven't yet made the car that would travel up there to the end of his property line.

SOCIAL ITEM
 Lenna Moore reports: "Watt Hale entertained Lenna Moore and Shelley Adams at his barber shop in West Prestonsburg last Thursday."

Then, on a complaining note, he adds: "No refreshments were served."

It says here:
 Why a man would want a wife is a mystery. Why he would want two wives is a bigamistry.

THE NAUGHTY PROF
 Richard Howard writes: "The professor who lives in Alabama to this effect: We have a professor here who is noted for his rough language in the classroom."

The girls don't like it and they decided that all would walk out on him, the next time he told a risqué joke or used profanity. One of the male students heard of their plot and told the professor what was afoot.

The next day, the prof began the class by saying, "Have you heard?" All the prostitutes in town are going to New Orleans today.

The girls rose, en masse, to leave the room, and the professor hurriedly sang out, "Wait a minute, girls, the train doesn't leave till this afternoon."

IRS REPORT
 The Internal Revenue Service checks and double-check on the rest of us, but if what a Texas newspaper reports is true, maybe it might well take a look into

how it handles its own affairs.

This report says a young woman who has been working in the Tom Green county courthouse there claims she did several forms for the IRS in Covington, Ky. last year but still hasn't received her W-2 slips from that job.

Now, the law clearly states that employers must send out these forms to their workers by the end of January each year. But she has made two phone calls and written at least one letter to the regional IRS office — and no luck.

Finally, some brain in the IRS office reached a happy solution for her. She told her she could pick up her W-2 forms, in person—in

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by TOM DOTY
 TIMES COLUMNIST

A potent week for baby boomers saw a quartet of releases featuring stars in the over-40 club.

"The Spy Next Door" — Jackie Chan anchors this comedy about a spy who must go undercover as a nanny. The situation offers ample opportunities for Jackie to showcase his signature fighting moves, acrobatics and slapstick comedy chops. Entertaining and expect more of the same when he stars in a remake of "The Karate Kid" this summer.

"Valentine's Day" — Older stars mix it up with younger ones in this romantic comedy that follows several storylines that are weaved throughout the titular holiday. Lots of fluff but it's a well-made, not-slander that features a one-time cast that includes Jennifer Garner, Ashton Kutcher, Shirley Maclaine, Hector

Elizondo and Julia Roberts.

"Extraordinary Measures" — A desperate father enlists the aid of a maverick doctor to find a cure for his sick child in this better-than-average Lifetime Channel-style disease-of-the-week movie. Star casting helps, with Harrison Ford doing a fine job as the eccentric doctor. Brendan Fraser is also quite good as the father and proves, again, that he is a seasoned dramatic performer who has been exiled to goofy comedies.

"Invictus" — Clint Eastwood continues to make the best films of the decade with this rousing drama about sports and politics. It is a true story about Nelson Mandela's efforts to combat racism in South Africa by pooling his efforts with the country's biggest soccer star, Morgan Freeman and Matt Damon, play the leads.

Next week Hollywood celebrates movies that bump the viewer out, with the releases of "Dear John" and "The Road."

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Odd braking sensation supposedly normal, but could be problem

by TOM and RAY
MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray: Every time I am braking and go over a bump in our 2008 Prius (a frequent occurrence in hilly San Francisco), the anti-lock braking system kicks in. The problem is that when it does so, it feels like the brakes disengage for a second and the car goes faster. Our Toyota dealer tells me this is the way the ABS is supposed to work, and the brakes aren't disengaging — the computer system is just taking over the braking process. Is this true? It just doesn't feel safe to me. I had to stop suddenly. I don't feel confident that I'd be able to in this car. Thanks.

— Betsy.
TOM: Gee, Betsy, we hate to kick poor Toyota when it's down. But I guess it's only fair. We've been doing it to GM for the past 35 years.

RAY: I know exactly what you're experiencing. Betsy, I recently was testing a different Toyota hybrid, the RX450h, and had the same sensation with the brakes. And it IS disturbing. There's a moment there where you feel like your brakes are failing.

TOM: Toyota tells us, just like it told you, that this is normal, and not a problem. It says that the ABS system works by momentarily interrupting the braking force to prevent a skid — and the resulting loss of control.

RAY: And that's true. But most ABS systems interrupt the braking force for a fraction of a second. In your case, and in the case of the RX450h, it seemed longer. And scarier.

TOM: So while Toyota might be right that the ABS is working the way it was designed to work, it offers the driver less confidence than ABS systems in other cars. And for that reason,

there are enough verifiable complaints, NHTSA can launch an investigation that may lead to a forced recall. RAY: But before it ever gets to that, we hope that Toyota will learn from the mistakes of GM and, more recently, Toyota, and step up and offer a fix. If for no other reason than that customers like you, Betsy, are lacking confidence in their cars.

How does computer know that spare tire is low?
Dear Tom and Ray: I have enjoyed your column for years and have always admired your bottomless knowledge and advice for car owners, abusers, know-nothings and BYMs (backyard mechanics). I have but one question I need you to resolve, and then I can drive happily

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ever after. The "Low Tire Pressure" warning light on my dash came on this morning. So I looked at all four tires, and they appeared OK. Just to be safe, I fired up my air compressor (with apologies to my sleeping neighbors) and topped off all four tires. The tire warning light returned! I eventually checked the manual of my Toyota Tundra, and it told me to check the spare, too. I did, and sure enough, it was low. My question to you is: How did it know? How does the computer system know that the air pressure is low in my spare tire? Weight? Sonar? Internet? Seismic vibrations? Make me happy and tell me the answer, boys. — Kim

TOM: It works via a wireless transmitter inside the tire, Kim.

RAY: It was first tried with wires, but they kept getting all wrapped up in the axles. TOM: There's a small pressure gauge and wireless transmitter that are part of the valve stems (where you put the air in) in most tires these days. When the pressure drops below a pre-

etermined level, it signals the car's computer wirelessly, and the indicator on your dashboard lights up. Pretty neat, huh?

RAY: On some higher-end cars, the computer even differentiates between the tires. So the computer can tell you, for instance, that your "left front tire is low." Of course, that means you have to reprogram the system every time you rotate your tires, but no one said progress would be easy, Kim.

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Lagoon

they enjoy watching him wince as they chant "Ninja." Teasing the elderly turns out to be the last bit of fun these doofs enjoy, as ninjas promptly show up and reduce the gang into assorted puddles of guts.

Now the film actually starts to develop a plot (or excuse to have a bunch of ninjas kill anyone) as we meet a disgraced member of the ancient art of killing, named Raizo. Flashbacks reveal that he was raised in the Ozunu Clan. Ozunu turns out to be a Dickensian sort that lures orphans into his school, where he can beat on them. If they survive his abuse, they become ninjas; if they don't, then they are pulped and transformed into a valuable mulch for his Banzai garden.

Raizo does pretty well at his classes, which include learning to walk silently, learning to kill guys using all body parts and understanding the valuable lesson of being in pain (which Ozunu gets a perverse pleasure out of teaching).

Trouble looms when he falls for the only female student, but that goes south when she challenges Ozunu's methods and becomes the latest nutrient in the garden.

Raizo eventually decides to leave the school, but not before scarring Ozunu with a nasty looking ninja weapon (that appears to be a large fish hook attached to a length of chain).

Raizo is on the run, but when a female agent is tar-

geted by his former cronies, he finally gets a chance to save a woman from Ozunu's wrath. Luckily this means he'll have to take on everyone from his old school in awesome battle scenes that will require lots of acrobatics. CGI effects and copious amounts of gore.

It all comes full circle when Raizo must square off against his master while their school burns down around them. Great stuff that barely stops for a breather.

This is the ninja movie we've all been waiting for, and it doesn't disappoint. They only slow down for brief scenes involving dull European spies who begin to suspect that there is more to ninja lore than a series of bad movies starring Michael Dudikof. In that way this is like one of those "Aliens vs. Predator" films, as it must rely on these interludes to set up the action (and allow the audience time to microwave an egg roll).

The acting is adequate and ninja fans will be happy to note that Shun Kōsugi (who starred in all of those American made ninja flicks of the 1980s) is cast as the evil Ozunu. It's a fitting tribute to the genre, and Kōsugi still has the chops.

This is macho escapism at its best. Enjoy.

Best line: "I once took a Taeko class, but that is the extent of my kung fu abilities."

2009, rated R.



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FLOYD COUNTY Sports

Cousins to sign autographs in Pikeville

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — University of Kentucky standout DeMarcus Cousins will take part in an autograph session on Saturday, May 29 at 6:30 p.m. in Pikeville. The session will be held at Pikeville High School during the Kentucky Legends-East Kentucky All-Stars game.

The game is scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m. and will feature

former University of Kentucky players Ramon Harris, Mark Krebs, Wayne Turner, Lukasz Orszut and Brandon Stockton. Tickets for the game are \$10 for general admission and \$15 for the reserved seating area.

Cousins, an accomplished power forward/center from Birmingham, Ala., averaged a near double-double of 13.1 points and 9.8 rebounds as a freshman for the University of Kentucky. Highly recruited,

Cousins averaged 26 points, 15 rebounds and 10 assists per game as a high school senior.

East Kentucky Shooting Stars Basketball Camp: Former University of Kentucky men's basketball player Brandon Stockton will host the East Kentucky Shooting Stars Basketball Camp June 9-11 at the Knott County Sportsplex. Cost of the three-day camp is \$80 per player. For more information, call 606-367-3797.



photo by Mark Cornelison/Lexington Herald-Leader/MCT
University of Kentucky standout DeMarcus Cousins will sign autographs on Saturday, May 29 in Pikeville. Several players from the UK basketball program, including former Kentucky Mr. Basketball Brandon Stockton, will be in Pikeville for a game. Stockton will conduct a youth basketball camp in Knott County June 9-11.

Prep baseball, softball seasons winding down

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

It's been a rainy, wet, nasty week here in Eastern Kentucky, and don't expect it to get better the next couple of weeks.

What's this got to do with sports? Simple. Baseball and softball tournaments begin on Monday. That's as sure a sign of rain as turned-over leaves or black clouds.

The post-season action begins at five schools around the region next week, and here's hoping for good weather so they can get them all played in a timely fashion. Normally things are a little rough weather-wise during the tournaments; let's hope this year is the exception.

I wouldn't count on it though. Not with the weather we've had these last six months. There's hardly been a dry day, it seems, so hoping for a couple of weeks of it isn't

(See SEASONS, page six)

Blackcats defeat Pike Central, SC

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg High School baseball team has won three of its last four games. Prestonsburg put together a three-game winning streak before falling to defending 15th Region champion Lawrence County on Wednesday evening. Lawrence County defeated Prestonsburg 10-1. Over the weekend, in a game played on Saturday, Prestonsburg defeated Pike County Central 17-5 in five innings. The Blackcats beat Sheldon Clark 10-6 on Tuesday.

Prestonsburg 17, Pike County Central 5; Freshman Trey Stapleton earned the win from the mound as Prestonsburg defeated host

(See BLACKCATS, page six)

P'burg boys win another meet; girls place 2nd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — The Prestonsburg High School track and field program notched another win on Monday in the Pikeville All-Corners Meet. Prestonsburg finished out in front in the final boys' team standings. The Prestonsburg girls finished second.

"It was another good night for the boys' and girls' teams," Prestonsburg Coach Dewey Jamerson said. "Without points from the pole vault, high jump, 110 and 300 hurdles, to still win on the boys side is good. That is 56 points we didn't get."

A complete rundown of Prestonsburg's individual efforts from the latest meet at Pikeville follows.

(See P'BURG, page six)



Allen Central High School senior Jaimie Mullins made her college choice official last week when she signed to play volleyball for Mid-South Conference member St. Catharine College. Mullins also plays softball at ACHS.

Mullins signs with St. Catharine

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — Allen Central High School senior setter Jaimie Mullins signed with St. Catharine College last week during a ceremony that included family, coaches, friends and teammates. Mullins, a setter for Allen Central throughout her senior season, earned All-Floyd County Conference recognition during her high school career. She was also named to all-region and all-district tournament teams.

During her senior season, Mullins served at 90 percent, recording 29 aces. She hit 70 percent with three balls while running the offense 1,045 times and earning 227 assists. Mullins had 21 reception attempts and logged 15 digs.

Mullins is the second Allen Central volleyball player from the 2010 class to sign a scholarship agreement. Earlier in the year, reigning 15th Region Tournament Most Valuable Player Kelsey Jones signed with nearby Pikeville College.

St. Catharine College competes in the Mid-South Conference along with Pikeville, Georgetown, Campbellsville, Rio Grande, Lindsey Wilson, Cumberland and West Virginia Tech.

Mullins is currently competing in her senior season with the Allen Central softball program.



Family and friends joined Allen Central High School senior Jaimie Mullins during a ceremony held last week as she signed with St. Catharine College. Mullins is the second ACHS volleyball player from the Class of 2010 to sign to play at the next level. Earlier in the year, Kelsey Jones signed with Pikeville College.

NASCAR: Mears to replace Vickers; MWR gets sponsors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Red Bull Racing Team announced Wednesday the No. 83 Red Bull Toyota has requested a driver change and has been cleared by NASCAR to participate in the Sprint All-Star Race on Saturday. Casey Mears will again drive the No. 83, due to primary driver Brian Vickers' diagnosis of blood clots and on-going testing and treatment.

Truex, 26, was hospitalized May 12 in the Washington, D.C., area after discomfort in his chest led him to an emergency room, where blood clots — including at least one near a lung — were discovered in his veins.

— Michael Waltrip Racing announced a three-year deal with Monster Diesel as an associate sponsor on Martin Truex's No. 56 Toyota last week. The deal started with Sunday's race at Dover.

Truex and David

Reutimann drive for MWR. Truex captured the pole on Friday. He claimed his only career victory came three years ago at Dover.

Last race: May 16 — Autism Speaks 400, Dover, Del. (Kyle Busch)

This week's races: May 22 — x-Sprint Showdown, Concord, N.C.
May 22 — x-NASCAR Sprint All-Star Race, Concord, N.C.

2010 NASCAR Sprint Cup Driver Standings

1. Kevin Harvick, 1,768
2. Kyle Busch, 1,699
3. Matt Kenseth, 1,642
4. Jimmie Johnson, 1,637
5. Denny Hamlin, 1,618
6. Jeff Gordon, 1,605
7. Greg Biffle, 1,581
8. Jeff Burton, 1,569
9. Kurt Busch, 1,531
10. Carl Edwards, 1,487
11. Mark Martin, 1,475
12. Martin Truex Jr., 1,434
13. Ryan Newman, 1,404
14. Tony Stewart, 1,397
15. Clint Bowyer, 1,392
16. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,391
17. Jamie McMurray, 1,346
18. Joey Logano, 1,332
19. Juan Pablo Montoya, 1,322
20. David Reutimann, 1,262

Rebels rout South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

DRIFT — Allen Central posted its third straight win on the baseball diamond last Friday, blanking 58th District/Floyd County Conference foe South Floyd 20-0. The visiting Rebels jumped out in front and defeating longtime rival South Floyd convincingly in the road game.

Senior Logan Crowder was the offensive leader for the Allen Central baseball club. Crowder was 4-for-4 with a two-run home run for Rebels. Allen Central hurler Jake Prater was the winning pitcher. Strong from start to finish for Allen Central, Prater tossed a three-hitter.

Every Allen Central starter provided at least one hit as the Rebels notched their 13th win of the season.

Following a weekend off, Allen Central returned to action at the start of the week. Johnson Central sent the Rebels back into the loss column on Monday, defeating Allen Central 8-3.

The Rebels (13-12) are scheduled to visit Phelps today for a regular-season finale. Start time for the Allen Central-Phelps game is set for 6 p.m.

Area squads to participate in PC team camps

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College Coach Kelly Wells and the Bears basketball staff are preparing to host high school and junior high camps during the month of June. The Pikeville College Team Camp, open to high school JV and varsity teams, will be held June 21-24. Teams are guaranteed two games per day in the high school camp. The following high school squads have committed to attend the Pikeville College team camp: Ashland JV/Varsity, Letcher Central JV/Varsity, South Floyd JV/Varsity, Paintsville Varsity, Phelps JV/Varsity, Magoffin JV/Varsity, Haysi, Va. Varsity, Perry Central Freshmen/JV/Varsity, Elliott County Varsity, Pikeville Freshmen/JV/Varsity, Pike Central Freshmen/JV/Varsity, Scott, W.Va. Varsity, Shelby Valley Varsity, Prestonsburg JV/Varsity, Buckhorn JV/Varsity, Burch, W.Va. Varsity, Cordia Varsity, Belfry JV/Varsity, Tug Valley Varsity, Sheldon Clark Varsity, Powell Valley, Va. Varsity, Johns Creek Freshmen/JV and Betsy Layne Varsity.

The Pikeville College Junior High Team Camp will be held June 19-20 and teams are also guaranteed two games per day. The following teams have registered for the Pikeville College Junior High Team Camp: Adams, Pikeville 1, Pikeville 2, Millard, Phelps, Jenkins, Johnson Central, Paintsville, Magoffin, Virgie, Mullins, Perry County, Johns Creek and Rowan County.

For more information on the Pikeville College team camps, email or call Coach Kelly Wells — kwells@pc.edu, 606-218-5352.

Knights remain 15th at NCAA tourney

Senior captain Herriek cards a 78 for Bellarmine

TIMES STAFF REPORT
NOBLESVILLE, Ind. — The Bellarmine University men's golf team improved two shots from its opening round, 317, but remained in 15th place on Wednesday at the NCAA Div. II National Championship at Sagamore Golf Club. The field of 20 team had completed 36 of the scheduled 72-hole tournament as of Wednesday. Bellarmine freshman Bryan Ratterman, who was recently

named Freshman of the Year in the Great Lakes Valley Conference, paced the Knights with a 1-over 73. Senior captain Brooks Herriek continued his steady play and carded a 78 in round two. The remaining three Bellarmine players were struggling to find consistency. Senior Doug Wilkinson and freshman David Sheam both posted 10-over, 82s Wednesday, while Adam Mallory totaled 86 for the second day in a row. Florida Southern moved into the team lead by posting a

292 this afternoon to total 595 for the championship. Sonoma State fired the tournament's low round of the tournament, a 3-over par 291 to move into a tie with first round leader Nova Southeastern at 604. Ben Lasso of the Queens University of Charlotte took the individual lead after a second round 70 moved him to 1-under par (143) for the tournament. Ratterman, the low Bellarmine golfer, is in a tie for 12th at 150 (+6). Results from round three, held Thursday, were unavailable at press time.

Seasons

terribly realistic if you think about it. Baseball and softball tournaments are difficult on the media, particularly the print guys. If you get a rainout on the radio, you just play some music. If you're a newspaper guy, though, you still have to fill the section with something. This can be particularly difficult if you're fortunate enough to convince your publisher to hold the paper. That's newspaper talk for pushing back the deadline so that tonight's game can be in tomorrow's edition. It was always the goal when I was a fulltime newspaper guy, and the two publishers I had were always generous with the scheduling. The problem is this: If you want to speed up the process as best you can, you lay out the stuff you have in advance and the leave a "hole" for the story and a picture from that night. That's fine unless you get a rainout and then you have a huge hole, usually at the top of your section, so all the work you put into it that day has to be destroyed to cover the gap. It's who we age and what we do, but one of the issues

we can have when it comes to outdoor sports activities. A problem we all have when it comes to baseball and softball is the unpredictable temperatures. It can be sunny and 90 one day and then cloudy and cold the next and you just have to deal with it, or be as prepared as you can. I've been known to get some new clothes when away from home covering postseason play if I wasn't properly prepared. It's something you have to plan out in advance. It's why the inside of the car of a media member can be such a mess. You look at the trunk and think it looks terrible if you don't know what it's all about. But that "mess" can look pretty beautiful if you left for work in shorts and had a cold front pass through — or an extra inning game pushes you back to playing at midnight. Then those jeans and that sweatshirt taking up space in the back are simply beautiful. One thing is sure. When you cover sports at this time of year, you'd better be prepared. But it's a small price to pay if you really enjoy what you do. If you love sports and shining the spotlight on a deserving young person, it's well worth it. As a result,

Continued from p5 you'll see many people lugging cameras and headsets and scorebooks and notepads around if you're out at a game the next few weeks. Postseason play in the spring gets us all excited. We've been working these events since the Pike County Bowl — some before that year — and are happy to get outside, wear some shorts if Mother Nature cooperates and cover some baseball and softball. Because you know what follows these sports on the calendar? Nothing! A well-deserved respite for those of us in the sports media. Except, of course, for the newspaper guys. Because games or no games, the calendar keeps turning over and publishers don't like seeing entire pages of white space where the sports should be. So if the sun is shining the next couple of weeks, you'll see a lot of smiles from press boxes and behind the camera lenses. We'll be happy to be outside in the nice, warm weather. And knowing a few weeks of relative downtime is right around the corner doesn't hurt either.

P'burg

Girls' 100 Meter Dash: Catherine Tincher — 13.99; Alessandra Lamolinara — 10th, 14.91.
Boys' 100 Meter Dash: Cameron Tincher — 1st, 11.79; Joseph Jamerson — 3rd, 11.89 (personal record); Austin McKinney — 7th, 12.31.
Girls' 400 Meter Dash: Micheala Stone — 8th, 1:16.45 (personal record); Courtney Foley — 10th, 1:21.11.
Boys' 400 Meter Dash: Joseph Jamerson — 1st, 35.75 (personal record); Devin Clifton — 4th, 59.73; Adam Crisp — 13th, 1:05.21 (personal record).
Girls' 200 Meter Dash: Catherine Tincher — 2nd, 29.30; Kristany Setser — 7th, 31.64.
Boys' 200 Meter Dash: Cameron Tincher — 1st, 24.19.
Girls' 800 Meter Run: Alli Hopkins — 5th, 3:10.48; Makayla Williamson — 8th, 4:14.20.
Boys' 800 Meter Run: Zach Romans — 8th place — 2:46.79; Griffin Baker — 9th, 2:53.56; Austin Bertrand — 11th,

3:07.56.
Girls' 1600 Meter Run: McKenzie Collins — 6th, 8:33.92; Makayla Williamson — 7th, 8:36.46.
Boys' 1600 Meter Run: Zach Romans — 4th, 6:01.12; Griffin Baker — 5th, 6:02.96; Austin Bertrand — 10th, 6:57.83.
Boys' 3200 Meter Run: Zach Romans — 5th, 14:15.64; Austin Bertrand — 7th, 15:14.31.
Girls' 4x100 Meter Relay: Alli Hopkins, Alessandra Lamolinara, Kristany Setser and Catherine Tincher — 2nd, 58.08.
Boys' 4x100 Meter Relay: Austin McKinney, Joseph Jamerson, Cameron Tincher and Josh Craynon* — 1st, 6:20.
Girls' 4x200 Meter Relay: Courtney Foley, Alessandra Lamolinara, Chelsea Hereford and Micheala Stone — 3rd, 2:10.61.
Boys' 4x200 Meter Relay: Nathan Stone, Austin McKinney, Cameron Tincher and Josh Craynon — 1st, 1:38.05.

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Boys' 4x400 Meter Relay: Austin McKinney, Adam Crisp, Nathan Stone and Devin Clifton — 2nd, 4:27.02.
Boys' 4x800 Meter Relay: Wes Robinson, Griffin Baker, Austin Bertrand and Zach Romans — 4th, 11:32.26.
Boys' Long Jump: Leanna Goble — 3rd, 14'00"; Kristany Setser — 4th, 13'06".
Boys' Long Jump: Devin Clifton — 2nd, 16'09.50"; Wes Robinson — 4th, 16'03"; Adam Crisp — 9th, 15'10".
Girls' Triple Jump: Leanna Goble — 1st, 29'07.25".
Boys' Triple Jump: Devin Clifton — 1st, 38'00.50"; Nathan Stone — 7th, 32'07.50".
Boys' Shot Put: Alex Garner — 4th, 39'07" (personal record); Chris Cook — 8th, 34'08"; Kain Collins — 17th, 31'07".
Girls' Discus: Alli Hopkins — 16th, 48'; Micheala Stone — 19th, 42'04".
Boys' Discus: Alex Garner — 9th, 85'05"; Kain Collins — 11th, 82'04"; Chris Cook — 18th, 60'11".

Blackcats

Pike County Central at Johns Creek. The Blackcats plated eight runs in the opening inning and never trailed. Kyle Welch and Josh Blackburn scored three runs apiece for Prestonsburg in the win. Blackburn connected for a three-run home run in the sixth inning. In another solid offensive effort, Seth Carter tagged two doubles for the Blackcats. Prestonsburg 10, Sheldon Clark 6; Visiting Prestonsburg scored seven

runs in the fifth inning en route to a 10-6 victory over Sheldon Clark. Tyler Hall, Corey Carter and Kyle Welch each had two runs for the Blackcats. Kyle Chaffin started on the mound for the Blackcats before Seth Carter came on to pitch out of a relief role. Sheldon Clark couldn't capitalize on offensive opportunities after leading 4-0 through two innings.

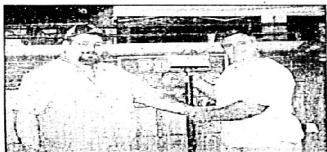
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Belfry	18-12
Maggoffin County	15-14
Sheldon Clark	15-17
Parksville	14-18
Allen Central	13-12
Prestonsburg	13-16
East	8-13
Pike Central	9-15
Betsy Layne	8-11
Shelby Valley	5-9
Phelps	4-11
South Floyd	2-15

JUSTICE SLEDGEHAMMER COMPETITION



GREG DEVERS



JEFF MAYNARD JR.



DAVID MOYE



JAMES MARTIN



GREG NICHOLS



JEREMY GAULKE

2nd Annual Justice Sledgehammer Competition held in Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT
PIKEVILLE — The 2nd Annual Justice Sledgehammer Competition was held in

Pikeville during the 34th Annual Hillbilly Days. Winners crowned during the 2nd Annual Justice Sledgehammer Competition.

were Greg Devers, Greg Nichols, James Martin, David Moye, Jeremy Gaulke and Jeff Maynard Jr.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK
Jaimie Mullins, Allen Central Softball
Logan Crowder, Allen Central Baseball

58TH DISTRICT SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Allen Central	May 24 5:30 PM at Prestonsburg
Betsy Layne	
Prestonsburg	May 26 5:30 PM at Prestonsburg
	May 24 7:30 PM at Prestonsburg
South Floyd	

58TH DISTRICT BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

Betsy Layne	May 24 5:30 PM at Prestonsburg
South Floyd	
Prestonsburg	May 26 6:30 PM at Prestonsburg
	May 24 7:30 PM at Prestonsburg
Allen Central	

NASCAR THIS WEEK: A Hall fit for Kings

by MONTE DUTTON

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — NASCAR opened its Hall of Fame on May 11, giving stock-car racing a shrine to rival baseball's in Cooperstown, N.Y., football's in Canton, Ohio, and basketball's in Springfield, Mass. As former Charlotte Motor Speedway president H.A. "Humpy" Wheeler noted, "This is where the peach basket was put up in 1949, right out on Little Rock Road near the airport." Wheeler was referring to the site of NASCAR's first major race, run on June 19, 1949, on a 3/4-mile dirt track that existed through 1956. That track was located near the present site of Charlotte Douglas International Airport. The NASCAR Hall of Fame occupies a prominent share of the downtown skyline. It bears some resemblance to the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum in Nashville. Above its massive walls, the Hall takes an oval shape, and there's a practical reason. Inside, that oval shape translates into something of a simulated short track — and also a banked ramp to the second floor — with still, full-sized race cars placed around it, frozen in fanciful race mode. The main floor is 10,000 square feet. Exhibit space exceeds 40,000 square feet. The overall budget was \$154.5 million. The exhibit budget alone was \$31 million. The May 23 Induction Ceremony will officially enshrine NASCAR founder William H.G. (Big Bill) France; his successor and son, William C. (Bill Jr.) France; Richard Petty, stock-car racing's most prolific winner; Dale Earnhardt, the only "other driver" to win seven championships; and Junior Johnson, who earned enduring fame as driver, mechanic and owner. NASCAR has been around since 1948, but only five men get into the Hall of Fame each year. Inductions in succeeding years will be eagerly anticipated with legendary drivers like David Pearson, Bobby Allison, Cale Yarborough, Darrell Waltrip, Lee Petty and Curtis Turner still waiting in the wings, so to speak. Among the Hall's features: A theater screen 65 feet wide and 15 feet high, along with a video wall containing 64 plasma-screen televisions. Visitors will wear either video cards or wristbands with computer chips, enabling holders to activate interactive parts of the museum like racing simulations and trivia. Each Hall of Fame inductee will have a "spire" with a video, emblematic photo and quote about him. Monte Dutton has covered motorsports for The Gaston (N.C.) Gazette since 1993. He was named writer of the year by the National Motorsports Press Association in 2008. His blog NASCAR This Week (<http://nascar-rbma.com>) features all of his reporting on racing, roots music and life on the road. E-mail Monte at nascar_thisweek@yahoo.com.

Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY
 Hesta Bates, 85, of Melvin, died Wednesday, May 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, May 16, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Nanny Sue Case Caban, 66, of Wilmington, Ohio, a native of Honaker, died Wednesday, May 12, at the Christ Hospital, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jimmie Caudill, 62, of Columbus, Mississippi, formerly of Floyd County, died Friday, May 14, in North Mississippi Medical Center, in Tupelo, Mississippi. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Caudill. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 20, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Denver "Howard" Coleman, 81, of Allen, died Saturday, May 15, at St. Joseph-Martin. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Treva Carroll Collins, 74, of Honaker, died Saturday, May 15, at her residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Winchester Francis, 83, of Garrett, died Saturday, May 15, in Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Melissa Ann Kelly, 33, of Lexington, a Paintsville native, died Wednesday, May 12, in Lexington. Funeral services were held Sunday, May 16, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ailene Kidd, 82, of Honaker, died Sunday, May 16, at her residence. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 20, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Okie "Burr" Lawson, 67, of Betsy Layne, died Saturday, May 15, at the Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Eunice Sanders Lawson. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 18, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Harold Lewis, 74, of Staffordsville, died Saturday, May 15, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Juanita Webb Stratton, 83, of Banner, died Wednesday, May 5, at the

Riverview Health Care. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY
 Willie Bartley, 85, of Kokomo, Indiana, died Tuesday, April 27, at Saint Joseph Hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 1, under the direction of Ellers Mortuary of Kokomo.

Tessa Faith Coleman, six months old, of Cookeville, Tennessee, died Monday, May 10, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, in Lexington. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 15, at her home. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Patricia Myrtle Collins, 70, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, May 12, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 15, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

James Lawson Dotson, 85, of Stopover, died Sunday, May 16, at St. Francis Hospital, Charleston, West Virginia. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services Inc. of Phelps.

Willie Lee Howell, 69, of Harold, died Thursday, May 13, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Paulette Spears Howell. Funeral services were held Monday, May 17, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Richard Melvin Hunt, 63, of Canada, died Thursday, May 13, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Janie T. Mullins Hunt. Funeral services were held Monday, May 17, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Bertha Justice Maynard, 77, of Steele, died Monday, May 17, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Bobby Maynard. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 20, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Donald Burton Michael, 79, of Feds Creek, died Thursday, May 13, at his residence in Nicholasville. Funeral services were held Sunday, May 16, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Gary Morley, 53, of Raccoon, died Monday, May 17, at Raccoon. Funeral services were held Friday, May 21, under the

direction of Community Funeral Home.

Leonard Green Mullins, 79, of Elkhorn City, died Saturday, May 8, at his residence. A memorial service was held Thursday, May 13, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Lenora William Philpot, 89, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, May 21, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Joyce Philpot. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 22, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Aubrey Ratliff, of Booker Fork, died Friday, May 14, at Pikeville Medical Center. Arrangements, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

Aubrey Ratliff, 83, of Booker Fork, died Friday, May 14, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 18, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Bonnie Rhodes, 59, of Virgie, died Saturday, May 15, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 18, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Frank Junior Riley, 77, of Big Rock, Virginia, died Sunday, May 16, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Claydene Dameron Riley. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 20, under the direction of Grandy Funeral Home.

Edith Reynolds Roberts, 94, of Pikeville, died Monday, May 17, at her home. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m., Friday, May 21, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Malcolm "Mack" Robinette, 82, of Williamson, West Virginia, died Wednesday, May 12, at the Veterans Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Janice L. Ball Robinette. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 15, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

Tom Russell Jr., 30, of Bean Station, Tennessee, formerly of Pike County, died Wednesday, May 12, at his home. Funeral services were held Monday, May 17, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

Stacy Gordon Thacker, 73, of Lower Pompey, died Sunday, May 17, at his home. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 20, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Coma Wright, 78, of McRoberts, died Sunday, May 16, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Beverly Mullins Wright. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 20, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Gordie Yates, 86, died

Sunday, May 16, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY
 Jimmy Dale Adkins, 52, of Warfield, died Sunday, Sunday, May 16. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Janet Cline Cornette, died Sunday, May 16, after battling cancer. She is survived by her husband, Jack Lawrence Cornette. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 20, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Hollen Cain Maher, 84, of Inez, formerly of Ceredo, West Virginia, died Sunday, May 16, at Three

Rivers Medical Center, in Louisiana. Graveside services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Marie Dalton Mills, 80, of Inez, died Friday, May 14. Funeral services were held Monday, May 17, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Callahan Funeral Home.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

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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;
 - 2) Child's Social Security card;
 - 3) Child's insurance card; and
 - 4) Proof of income for one month.

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:

- Allen Elementary874-2165
- Betsy Layne Elementary.....478-9755
- J.A. Duff elementary358-9420
- May Valley Elementary285-0883
- McDowell Elementary377-6640
- W.D. Osborne Elementary ...452-2307
- Prestonsburg Elementary ...886-3891
- J.M. Stumbo Elementary587-2212

WELCOME HOME!

THE MAYTOWN HOMECOMING ASSOCIATION

invites everyone with connections to Maytown, Kentucky to come home

Memorial Day Weekend, May 28, thru May 29, 2010

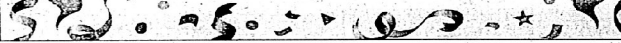
Friday, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
 Registration in the main school building, along with a packet of events.

Friday, 7 p.m.
 Gospel Sing at Graceway United Methodist Church

Saturday, All Day
 Gatherings all day at the old school. Breakfast and an afternoon meal will be served in the old school lunchroom, \$22 for both.

Saturday Evening, 7 p.m.
 Josh Martin and Fast Lane—\$10.00 admission

For more information, call Ruth Martin, 606-358-4269



Attention To All
 Churches, civic clubs, booster clubs, businesses and residents of Floyd County. The Prestonsburg Tourism Commission is inviting everyone to participate in the third US 23 Country Music Highway Yard Sale. **May 27-29, 2010**

COUNTRY MUSIC HIGHWAY 23 YARD SALE

In the past two years many yard sale sites stretched through Floyd County. Many people received permission from property owners to set-up on their property.

This year, we encourage people to continue to repeat those locations, if they desire.

Also, we are inviting folks to set-up at the Mountain Arts Center. The Christmas in July Car Show will be there, too, with their event.

This is a great way to raise money for your organization.

Please call us at 606-886-1341 to let us know if you want to participate.

MOUNTAIN ARTS CENTER
 PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

WIC Wants You To Know!!!!!!

Kentuckians who qualify for the Women, Infant and Children (WIC) Program do not have to be unemployed or on welfare to receive benefits. A household of four with the monthly income of \$3,400 may qualify.

WIC is a supplemental nutrition program for women who are pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding, and infants and children up to five years of age.

WIC clients receive nutritious foods free of charge. Infants receive infant formula and at the appropriate age, infant cereal, infant fruits and vegetables. Women and children receive food such as milk, cheese, cereal, juice, peanut butter, eggs, whole grain breads and fresh fruits and vegetables. Nutrition and referrals for other health services are also provided.

The FLOYD COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT has three locations call for an appointment today.

Floyd County Health Department (Main Office)—(606) 886-2788 Betsy Layne Office (606) 478-5454 Wheelwright Office (606) 452-9300

INCOME GUIDELINES FOR THE WIC PROGRAM 185% OF POVERTY

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	MONTHLY INCOME								For each additional household member add:
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
WEEKLY	\$386	\$519	\$652	\$785	\$918	\$1,051	\$1,184	\$1,317	+\$134
BI-WEEKLY	\$771	\$1,037	\$1,303	\$1,569	\$1,836	\$2,102	\$2,368	\$2,634	+\$267
TWICE MONTHLY	\$835	\$1,124	\$1,412	\$1,700	\$1,988	\$2,277	\$2,565	\$2,859	+\$289
MONTHLY	\$1,670	\$2,247	\$2,823	\$3,400	\$3,976	\$4,553	\$5,130	\$5,706	+\$577
ANNUAL	\$20,036	\$26,955	\$33,874	\$40,793	\$47,712	\$54,631	\$61,550	\$68,469	+\$6,919

PERSONS WHO RECEIVE MEDICAID OR FOOD STAMP BENEFITS AUTOMATICALLY MEET THE INCOME REQUIREMENTS FOR THE WIC PROGRAM

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 theirs 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



Above - Refinery representatives will be on hand next week, starting Tuesday and continuing through Thursday, to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!

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 shopkeepers 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 Philippe, 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.



Above: Refinery representatives will be on hand next week, starting Tuesday, to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!