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May Valley wins regional award
by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

MARTIN — May Valley Elementary has added another first-place award to its lengthening list of accolades, after winning the Regional Governor's Cup competition.

"Congratulations to May Valley Elementary for placing first at the Regional Governor's Cup competition," said Supt. Henry Webb. "This is the highest level at which elementary schools compete. We are also excited to see that of the top five, Floyd County Schools hold four of these spots. Congratulations to Duff Elementary, Prestonsburg Elementary, and Osborne Elementary. We also want to thank the academic team coaches, students and parents for all their hard work and dedication."

May Valley took first in Future Problem Solving, Quick Recall and in the final standings. James A. Duff Elementary took third in Future Problem Solving and second in Quick Recall, and came in second in the final standings. Duff Elementary also received the Hume Sportsmanship Award. Also in the final standings, Prestonsburg Elementary took third place and W.D. Osborne Elementary finished fifth.

Jury recommends 20 years for shooting

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The three-jury trial for Jimmy Thacker Jr. ended Wednesday after a jury recommended a 20-year prison sentence for the 50-year-old.

A Floyd County jury returned a

guilty verdict against Thacker Wednesday in the shooting of Elizabeth Conn, 27, this past July.

Thacker was arrested in Pike County in June, shortly after police said he shot Conn. Police said Thacker fled the scene in a vehicle and was taken into custody along the Right Fork of Island Creek.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Shaun Little said that Thacker, who had fled and hidden in a wooded area of Island Creek, must have had a cell phone with him at the time and called police saying he wanted to turn himself in.

Little said other units who were called to assist spotted a car match-

ing Thacker's, as they were making their way to the scene of the shooting. Police say Thacker emerged from a wooded area near his vehicle and was arrested without further incident.

Reports at the time were that

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NATIONAL CHAMPS



Pikeville players and supporters celebrated after an 83-76 win over Mountain State in the NAIA Division I men's college basketball championship game at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo., on Tuesday.

Bears win NAIA tourney

Times Staff Report

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Pikeville College slid out of Cinderella's slipper and donned the crown of a champion Tuesday night, knocking off Mountain State University 83-76 in overtime to win the 2011 Buffalo Funds-NAIA Division

I Men's Basketball National Championship.

Pikeville finished the season with a school-record 30 wins compared with seven losses and became the first team in NAIA history to beat five seeded teams en route to the title.

"Our motto all season has

been 'All In.' This isn't just about us, about this team and this staff," said Kelly Wells, who was named National Coach of the Year. "This is bigger than us. This is for all of us. Everyone who ever played at Pikeville or coached there or

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Pill pipeline expanding beyond Florida

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Officials with UNITE are now saying the "pill pipeline" is not simply centered in Florida as a route into Kentucky, but now extends into the states between the southern-most state and the bluegrass.

Essentially, UNITE officials are saying a new "threat" is rising up from the South, as "pill mills" are turning up in Georgia.

"We have learned that several of these pill mills have popped up in the state of Georgia; several in and around the Atlanta, Ga., area," Dan Smoot with Operation UNITE told WYMT this week. "We even got one call that

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Blue Moon Fest adds to lineup

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — At least one performer has been added to the list of those who will be taking part in the upcoming Blue Moon Bluegrass Festival, slated for July 27 through July 31, said Heath Scott.

Scott, a native of Floyd County who now operates The Scott Organization after years of public relations work in Nashville, said that it has been announced that J.D. Crowe will be added to the already packed ticket and that Don Rigsby is expected to also be at the festival.

Country and bluegrass stars already scheduled to perform at the event, which will take place at Stonerest, are Ricky Skaggs, Joe Diffie, Marty Raybourn, Dale Ann Bradley and

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Big Sandy Community and Technical College student Tabitha Howard sang "Never Alone" during the lighting of the candles at the "Take Back the Night" ceremony in Prestonsburg earlier this month.

'Take Back the Night' raises sex assault awareness

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The recent "Take Back the Night" candlelight vigil at Big Sandy Community and Technical College was a success, according to Patricia VanHoose, outreach education coordinator for Mountain Comprehensive Care Center's Victim Services Program.

"The purpose of the ceremony was to help create a world without sexual assault and to empower people to speak up about sexual assault prevention," VanHoose said. "Everyone here volunteered their

time and efforts in order to help end sexual assault."

College students and staff, high school students, community members and Sandy Valley Abuse shelter employees joined together with employees from the Victim Services Program to present material relating to sexual assault prevention.

Also at the event, VanHoose spoke about bystander intervention and the role of individuals in preventing violence.

After the presentations, a candlelight vigil was held in honor of those who have

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Obituaries

Crystal Denise Scarberry Anderson

Crystal Denise Scarberry Anderson, 31, of Auxier, died on March 21, 2011, at Parkview Huntington Hospital, in Huntington, Ind. Born March 29, 1979, in Martin, she was the daughter of Elizabeth N. Hall "Libby" Lawson and stepdaughter of Roger Lawson. She was the wife of Robert Bobby Anderson. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include two sons: Darren Tackett and Andrew Tackett, both of Weeksbury, two stepsons: Dustin and Hunter Anderson, both of Virginia, two brothers: Billy Joe Hall and Charles Hall, both of Banner, four nieces: Becky, Christina, Victoria and Coreia, and a special papaw: Timothy Stanley.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents: Will R. and Thelma Bates Hall, Faye and Martha Lawson and Hester and Victoria Scarberry.

Funeral services will take place Friday, March 25, 2011, at 1 p.m. at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Richard Johnson officiating. Burial will follow at Burke Cemetery, in Bevensville. Visitation is after 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23, 2011, at the funeral home.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Louetta Bickford

Louetta Bickford, 63, of Salyersville, died on March 22, 2011, at her residence. Born August 18, 1947, in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Casey Parker and Betty Thompson. She was the wife of Michael Bickford. She was an R.N. at Pikeville Medical Center and a member of the Rockhouse Freewill Baptist Church and Burgett Community Church.

Survivors include one son: Richard (Amy) Bickford, one daughter: Jana (Dewayne) Gray, four grandchildren: Dagan Bickford, Devin Michelle Gray, Richard Gray, Gareth Wayne Meade, Darrell Harmon, and others officiating. Burial will follow at the Annie E. Young Mausoleum.

Lucas and Son Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

America Adkins Hall

He was married to Annie Marie Anderson Hall and was a diesel mechanic.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by one brother: Fred Hall.

He is survived by his children: Thomas Hall and Deanna Hall; brothers and sisters: Roy Hall, Edgar Hall, Andy Hall, Ronnie Hall, Loretta Hall, Betty Hall, Anna Sue Hall, Marie Rogers and Carol Hall.

Funeral services were held March 25, 2011, at 11 a.m. at the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church at Galveston, Kentucky with various Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial followed at Adkins Cemetery at Galveston.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home were in charge of funeral arrangements.

and her son, Trenton McClanahan

and daughter, Becky Bentley; Vickey Blackburn, and her sons, Jeremy and Peyton Blackburn; and Debbie Martin and her late son, Justin Daniel Martin; sister: Maxie Howell, of Grethel; and a host of family and friends.

He was preceded in death by: brothers Walker Hall, Clarence B. Hall, William J. Hall and Walter Hall; sisters: Martha Newsome, Mary Jelle Newsum, Maudie Hall, Nannie Hall, Cora Mae Hall, Hazel Hall and Dona Jones.

Funeral services will be Saturday, March 26, at 1 p.m. in the Pilgrim's Home Regular Baptist Church at Grethel, with Regular Baptist Ministers officiating. Burial will follow in the Rod Hall Cemetery at Grethel, with the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements. Visitation is after 5 p.m., Thursday at the Church.

She is survived by her companion, Johnnie Akers

one son: Hobert G. (Renee) Hampton of Dayton, Ohio; one daughter: Julie Mae Leet of Dayton, Ohio; two brothers: Eugene Kidd of Morgan Co. Kentucky and Willard Kidd of Dana, Kentucky; four sisters: Juanita Hall of Norwalk, Ohio, Alice Lawson, Miannie Jarrell and Lori Akers all of Dana, Kentucky; two grandchildren: Melissa and Kristina and one great-grandchild: Kohnor.

Funeral services were held March 26, 2011, at 1 p.m. at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home in Martin with Ed Kidd officiating.

Burial followed at the Kidd Family Cemetery.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home were in charge of funeral arrangements.

Justice officiating. Visitation is after 6 p.m. Friday, March 25, 2011, at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Justice Cemetery, in Harold.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ellis Raymond Reffitt

Ellis Raymond Reffitt, 58, of Martin, died March 23, 2011, at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

Born March 19, 1953, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, he was the son of the late Ellis and Rosie Ousley Reffitt and husband of Yvette Kay Griffith Reffitt. He was a disabled coal miner.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Kenneth Reffitt and Frank D. Reffitt and one sister: Irene Griffith.

He is survived by one son: John Paul (Kashetta) Reffitt of Martin, Kentucky; one daughter: Nicole Elaine (Harold Mosley) Niese of Martin, Kentucky; one sister: Barbara Griffith, of Martin, KY; four grandchildren: John Braxton Reffitt, Katarina Brooke Reffitt, Ricky Edward Niese and McKaylin Nicole Niese.

Funeral services will be held March 27 at 11 a.m. at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home at Martin with Curt Howard officiating.

Burial followed at Reffitt Cemetery at Martin, Kentucky.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

James Edward Hall

James Edward Hall, 46, of Ecorse, Michigan, died March 19, 2011, at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan.

Born on January 17, 1965, in Betsy Layne, he was the son of Bert T. Hall, of Galveston, and the late

Otis "Peanut" Hall Jr.

Otis "Peanut" Hall Jr. age 66, of Grethel, passed away Tuesday, March 22, 2011, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born January 25, 1945 at Baltimore, Md, the son of the late Bessie Elizabeth Hall and the adopted son of Rod Hall and Francis Hall.

He was retired Grocery Store owner and installer.

He is survived by family members Brenda Mitchell, of Grethel, and her son, Brent Mitchell; Linda McClanahan, of Grethel,

Nannie Mae Hampton

Nannie Mae Hampton, 75, of Dana, died March 22, 2011, at her home.

Born May 20, 1935, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Allen and Cindy Case Kidd and the wife of the late Hobert Hampton.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one daughter: Kathy Lynn Fuller; one brother: Lyle Green Kidd and two sisters: Alene Crum and Shirley Branham.

Lisa Ann Hinkle

Lisa Ann Hinkle, 42, of Dwayne, died on March 23, 2011, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital Born June 3, 1968, in Columbus, Ohio, she was the daughter of Yvonne Justice Carroll, of Pikeville, and the late Raymond Wolford and the wife of Bobby Hinkle. She was homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church, of Harold.

Survivors include one son: Andrew Hinkle, of Dwayne, and one brother: Stephen Johnson, of Grethel.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, March 27, 2011 at 1 p.m. at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Paul Grant, Dewey Ratliff and Ray

For the Record

Marriage Licenses

- Carol Esther Mitchell, 36, of Eastern, to Charles Thomas Weiss, 33, of Eastern.
- Debra Brock, 38, of Wayland, to Billy Joe Brown, Jr., 39, of Wayland.
- Amber Kaye Jacobs, 20, of Prestonsburg, to John Alex Wallen, 36, of Prestonsburg.
- Dana Leann Vaughn, 31, of McDowell, to Joseph Todd Vaughn, 31, of McDowell.
- Savannah R. Mullins, 24, of Prestonsburg, to Ricky D. Ward, 31, of Price.
- Ethel Michelle Thompson, 47, of Lebanon, to Thomas Gregory Mills, 47, of Staffordsville.

Civil Suits Filed

- Kentucky Housing Corporation vs. Dewana Tackett; complaint.
- Terry Click vs. Mary Crum; complaint.
- Judy Conley vs. Amy L. Stone; petition for child support and healthcare insurance.
- Chase Bank USA, N.A. vs. David Fitch; complaint.
- Vickie Fry vs. Lee Fry; divorce.
- Carl Trent Hicks vs. Leitha Salisbury; divorce.
- James Fund vs. George Bevins; complaint.
- Discover Bank vs. Michael T. Auxier; complaint.
- Zeb Prater vs. Ollie Blackburn; complaint.
- Brittany D. Collins vs. Nicholas C. Bartram; petition for healthcare insurance.

Charges Filed

- Edd Moore, 82, Martin; operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, failure to produce insurance card, no or expired registration receipt, no or expired registration plates, identification of contributors or advertisers.
- Joshua G. Music, 20, Prestonsburg; operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, fleeing or evading police, endangering the welfare of a minor.
- Shane Howard, 20, Allen; second-degree burglary, public intoxication.
- Chad Reed, 22, Prestonsburg; giving an officer a false name or address, public intoxication.
- Maramda D. Poston, 27, Prestonsburg; violating an emergency protective order.
- Ned Hall, 76, Eastern; theft by failure to make required disposition of property.
- James W. Miller, 26, Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication, fourth-degree assault.
- Kandy S. Gibson, 27, Salyersville; theft.
- Shawn Michael Davy, 33, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault, violating an emergency protection order.

Inspections

- Shag's, Banner, regular inspection. Violations noted: lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of numerically scaled thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous foods, no hair

restraints, improper display/storage of single service items, floors not maintained, constructed and/or installed properly, light fixtures not shielded as required. Score: Food: 93, Retail: 98.

Double Kwik, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of numerically scaled thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous foods, food not protected during storage, food not protected during preparation, food contact surfaces and/or utensils are not durable, corrosion resistant or non-absorbent, food contact surfaces and/or utensils are not sufficient in weight and thickness to withstand repeated warewashing, food contact surfaces are not smooth and easily cleanable, unclean cavities and door seals of microwave ovens, non-food contact surfaces have accumulation of soil, garbage and refuse containers not covered as required, floors not clean, floors not maintained/constructed and/or installed properly. Score: Food: 91, Retail: 97.

Saint Joseph's Market, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: food contact surfaces and/or utensils are not durable, corrosion resistant or non-absorbent, food contact surfaces are not resistant to pitting, chipping, etc. Score: 99.

Property Transfers

- James David Alley to Josh Stumbo, property not listed.
- Shelia Alley to Josh Stumbo, property not listed.
- Linda Bartrum to Charla Burgett and Robert B. Burgett, property not listed.
- Ethel Clause to Floyd County Fiscal Court, property located at Martin.
- Drema Collins to Peggy Collins, property not listed.
- Dennis Francis to Ruby Spencer, property not listed.
- Edith Francis to Ruby Spencer, property not listed.
- Marjorie Francis to Ruby Spencer, property not listed.
- William Francis to Ruby Spencer, property not listed.
- Kimberly Little Frasure to Karen Hall and Wendell Hall, property located near Hi Hat.
- Ronald Frasure to Karen Hall and Wendell Hall, property located near Hi Hat.
- Donna J. Griffith to Floyd County Fiscal Court, property located at Martin.
- Raymond Griffith, Jr. to Floyd County Fiscal Court, property located at Martin.
- Rudy W. Harris to Leigh Ann Crider, Ronda Grace Harris, Rudy Wayne Harris, Jr. and Jamie Rhea Lemaster, property not listed.
- David King, to Wayland Historical Society, property located in Wayland.
- Rose Warren to Ruby Spencer, property not listed.
- Victor Warren to Ruby Spencer, property not listed.

AAH groups take part in 'spring clean' movement



Highway District 12 employees are among the groups in the seven-county area who help keep state roadways litter-free. This group works a two-mile stretch of Route 138 between Cedar Creek and Hurricane in Pike County.

Adopt-a-Highway groups in District 12's seven counties joined other local organizations this week to spring clean state roads in Lawrence, Johnson, Floyd, Knott, Pike, Martin, and Letcher counties.

"The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet appreciates the efforts of our Adopt-a-Highway volunteers who help keep our highways and communities beautiful and litter-free," said Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock.

More than 900 groups participate in Kentucky's Adopt-a-Highway program, established in 1988 to help preserve Kentucky's scenic beauty. Volunteers clean approximately 6,800 miles of roadside annually, setting an example of responsible environmental stewardship. Approximately 25 percent of the district's 1,875 road miles are adopted, some by church or civic organizations, others by businesses, still others in memory of family members.

The Adopt-a-Highway program promotes public environmental awareness and supports tourism. The program also creates

a partnership between citizens, community and government, and establishes a sense of pride in the Bluegrass State.

"Speaking of pride," said D-12's coordinator Dan Hall, "we have a very good partnership in this district with the local PRIDE groups. Their goals are the same as ours and we encourage each other. We must remember, though, that PRIDE only exists in Congressman Hal Rogers's district and not statewide. In many areas, it's primarily the Adopt-a-Highway groups who tackle roadside litter. We are fortunate in District 12 that so many people care about the appearance of our roadways as well as the safety of our highways."

Replace roadside memorials

Hall said that the Adopt-a-Highway program offers people who are maintaining roadside memorials to honor the memory of their loved ones in an official manner. "We realize that these memorials are located at places where someone lost his or her life in a traffic crash," Hall said. "When family and friends join the Adopt-a-Highway program, the name of their loved one goes on a permanent sign maintained by the state. The family doesn't have to worry about replacing ribbons or flowers that could be damaged by weather or blown away by the wind."

Hall explained that each AAH group commits to picking up litter from its stretch of road four times a year. The state provides warning signs for motorists, safety vests, and trash bags. Plus District 12's maintenance crews pick up the bags for proper removal.

Interested? Contact Dan Hall at dan.hall@ky.gov or call him at Highway District 12's central office in Pikeville at (606) 433-7791.

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came to a game to offer support. It's for all of Eastern Kentucky, for all the mountains and the entire Commonwealth.

"This is for everybody. I hope they're as proud of us as we were to represent them out here this week."

It is the first national championship in a men's sport in Pikeville College history, the first NAIA title and only the third in school

history, after two championships by the women's bowling team.

Sophomore Trevor Setty won the Chuck Taylor Most Valuable Player Award after matching his career high with 32 points and pulling down 17 rebounds.

The Maysville product, who won two Kentucky state titles at Mason County including one playing for Wells, came into the post-

season with a chip on his shoulder. "It bothered me that I wasn't even honorable mention all-conference," he said. "I'll admit that. But tonight we won the national championship and I think people know. We're the champions."

Setty finished the tournament as its leading scorer with 108 points, and added 49 rebounds while stroking 18 three-point shots.

Mountain State Coach Bob Bolen, who fell to 1-3 in championship games, praised Setty. "He was shooting from 6.7 feet behind the line," he said of Setty, who finished 7-of-12 from downtown. "I thought some of his three-point shots we had a good handle on."

The five-game win streak in the tournament was the longest stretch of wins since the team won six straight from Nov. 10 through Dec. 2.

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time in the second half of a game that never saw a lead of more than seven points. It was Hankins-Cole who stepped to the line with 28 seconds left and tied the game, with two free throws to send it to overtime tied at 68.

Hankins-Cole entered the national tournament a 66 percent free throw shooter on the season but hit 24-of-30 (80 percent) in the tournament.

Mountain State (33-4) junior Doug Wiggins made two free throws 19 seconds into overtime to put the Cougars in front, but Hankins-Cole scored inside a minute later to tie the game for the sixth time. With 2:55 left, senior Justin Hicks hit a running floater to put the Bears in front 72-70.

They never trailed again.

Hicks, who hit three three-point shots in the game's first 3:10 to get his team off to a quick start, finished with 21 points in his final game and finished his career with 1,571 points, one point shy of the school's Top 10.

Pipeline

there was a recreational vehicle that would meet patients in parking lots."

UNITE and other law enforcement agencies are now shifting their gaze to Georgia while maintaining a close watch on Florida.

Smoot said even in one instant, an KY no longer look from that said Atlanta

Medical Company, trying to make it seem legitimate.

Police agencies on the front line of a large entry point for pill dealers say they have, an even longer battle ahead, with the pill mills spreading throughout the South.

"You no longer look for them in the older car, the vehicle that's leased.

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Whatever you can transport drugs in, they do," Whitley County Sheriff Colan Harrell told media representatives this week. "We are the gate to Kentucky. So wherever you can make a dollar, and you really don't care how you do it, they're gonna do it."

Hankins-Cole finished with a tournament-best 59 rebounds and had back-to-back 16-rebound games in the last two nights.

Pikeville trailed most of the game and led only one

Shooting

Thacker had shot Conn "multiple times" and that the 27-year-old had been transported to Pikeville Medical Center for treatment and then later flown to the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington.

Wednesday a jury recommended 20 years in prison for Thacker, finding him guilty of first-degree assault in the shooting of Elizabeth Conn, and individual counts of first-degree wanton endangerment in connection with other individuals present at the time he shot Conn.

Those individuals were Hannah Thacker, Lois Conn, Ernie Hamilton, Joshua Coleman and Theresa Howe.

Thacker was also found guilty on a single charge of

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persistent felony offender at the conclusion of the trial Wednesday.

In the original complaint after Thacker's arrest this past summer, after which he was held on a \$200,000 cash bond, the 50-year-old went to Elizabeth Conn's home in Harrell, drew out a firearm and then fired several shots that struck Conn at numerous places throughout her body.

A date for sentencing has yet to be set for Thacker.

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GAC's Headline Country is set to host the festival and those seeking more information can visit www.blue-moonmountain.com.

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experienced sexual assault. Tabitha Howard, from Big Sandy Community and Technical College, performed the song "Never Alone," during the lighting of the candles.

According to VanHoose, a second "Take Back the Night" event will be held next year in March.

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Lineup

Danny Paisley, among others.

The event also affords those attending a chance to have a true multi-day concert experience with offers of overnight camping throughout the duration of the festival, meaning that numbers could well exceed even those estimates.

Camping will be available with electric and water resources, Scott said, but with limited space. Tickets for the event were \$75 earlier in the year, but since March I have now risen to \$100 to attend, Scott said.

Scott and company have not organized without timing in mind. The five-day festival will be celebrated in the year of Bill Monroe's 100th birthday anniversary, the bluegrass legend many consider the "Father of Bluegrass."

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MARS NEEDS YOU 3D (PG), Mon.-Thurs. 7:15; Fri. (4:30) 7:15; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:30) 7:15

Cinema 2 - Hold Over
RED RIDING HOOD (PG-13), Mon.-Thurs. 6:50-9:20; Fri. (4:10) 6:50-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:50-4:10) 6:50-9:20

Cinema 3 - Hold Over
THE LINCOLN LAWYER (R), Mon.-Thurs. 6:55-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:20) 7:15-9:15

Cinema 4 - Hold Over
RANGO (PG), Mon.-Thurs. 7:15-9:15; Fri. (4:30) 7:15-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:30) 7:15-9:15

Cinema 5 - Hold Over
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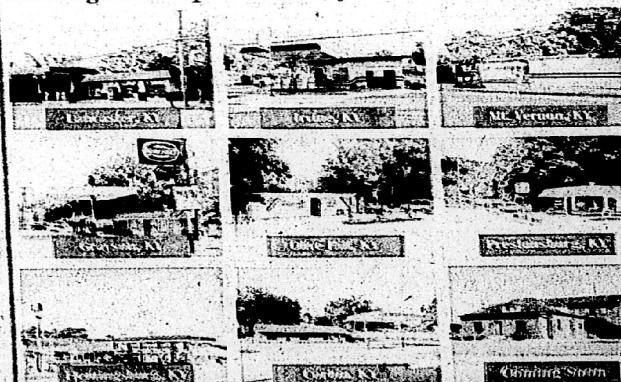
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Worth Repeating ...

A liberal is a man who is right most of the time, but he's right too soon.

— Gregory Nunn

Guest View What happened to gloomy predictions?

by FRANK KNAPP JR.

Economic reports show that most job growth in our country this year has come from small- and medium-size businesses. That trend will only accelerate, according to the recently released Small Business Index from the Center for Excellence in Service at the University of Maryland's Robert H. Smith School of Business.

Nearly 3.8 million new jobs will be created by small businesses with fewer than 100 employees in 2011, says the report. That will be enough alone to lower the U.S. unemployment rate by 2.4 percent. The survey, conducted in January, also found that only 2 percent of small businesses planned to lay off workers.

Major health insurance companies nationwide are reporting dramatic increases in small businesses offering health insurance to employees. This reverses a trend for small businesses dropping insurance because of affordability.

This is not what opponents of health-care reform told us would happen if Congress passed the Affordable Care Act (ACA). They warned us strenuously before the ACA became law March 23 of last year that small businesses would not only stop hiring out of fear of the future but would begin laying off workers because of anticipated new taxes, fees and health-insurance mandates under the ACA. Small businesses also were supposed to start dropping health insurance because the ACA would drive up premiums. These dire predictions continued right up until last year's November elections.

Fortunately, the gloom and doomers were wrong. Those of us who supported the ACA have tried valiantly to put out more realistic predictions about how the ACA was going to help small businesses. There will not be new taxes, fees or health-insurance mandates for small businesses with 50 or fewer employees (approximately 96 percent of all businesses). However, most of the mainstream media preferred to report on the negative tea-reading.

But now the good news for small business is rolling in and the positive future effect of the now 1-year-old ACA is becoming clear.

More than four million U.S. small businesses with fewer than 25 employees are eligible to receive health-insurance tax credits under the ACA. That's 87.3 percent of all small businesses in the country that the ACA can help by making health insurance more affordable.

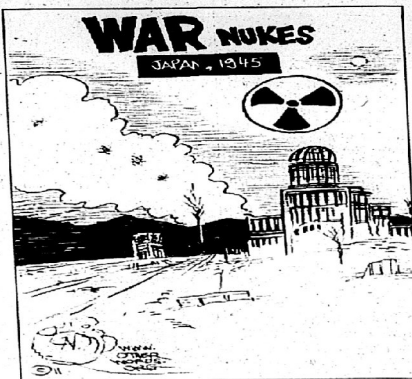
As for the ACA dramatically increasing the cost of health insurance, a senior vice president at Harvard Pilgrim says that the federal law has only increased premiums by 1 percent.

The ACA is helping small-business owners who have been locked out of health insurance because of their own pre-existing condition. Right now, these entrepreneurs are eligible for affordable coverage from new high-risk pools established under the ACA.

This year, the ACA is requiring that at least 80 percent of every premium dollar being paid in small group health insurance plans is actually paying for medical costs — not marketing, CEO salaries or profit. If not, the policyholder is owed a refund.

These benefits for small business are in place now. Today, small businesses are paying as much as 18 percent higher premiums than big businesses. This is a result of higher administrative costs for small groups. In 2014, this extra cost is eliminated, so small-business employees, along with individuals, will be able to purchase their coverage from the new health insurance exchanges in each state.

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Beyond the Beltway

The dangers of nuclear 'ice-nine'

by DONALD KAUL
OTHERWORDS

The great cautionary tale of the 19th century is *Frankenstein*, Mary Shelley's novel. It's the story of a brilliant scientist, Victor Frankenstein, who builds a monster out of spare parts and then breathes life into it.

Instead of being grateful to his creator, the monster runs away. It eventually destroys Frankenstein and everyone he cares about.

The great cautionary tale of the 20th century is *Cat's Cradle*, Kurt Vonnegut's novel. It's the story of a brilliant scientist, A. Felix Hoeniker, who invents a substance ("ice-nine") that can freeze water at room temperature.

It's a military project designed to freeze mud at any temperature, thereby making it easier to wage war in the rainy season. Ice-nine's only failing is that you can't make it stop. It freezes the mud and nearby streams and all other water it comes in contact with.

In the course of Vonnegut's book, the substance is carelessly delivered into the ocean where it freezes pretty much all water everywhere, ending life as we know it.

The cautionary tale of the 21st century is Japan.

The novel has yet to be written, but that country seems to be locked into a Domsday scenario that reminds one of Dr. Strangelove's

end-of-the-world machine. In quick succession, it has suffered an earthquake, a tidal wave, a flood of Biblical proportions, fire, and the threat of a nuclear holocaust. Maybe not the end of the world, but you can see it from there.

The nuclear disaster is the most worrisome of all. There seems to be no end — one reactor after another fails, threatening to produce its own little Chernobyl.

That would be bad enough if it were just another foreign disaster, but we were just about to start getting back into the nuclear energy business ourselves after refraining from building any new nuclear reactors for decades.

Halting nuclear power plant construction was our reaction to the Chernobyl debacle and our own brush with nuclear disaster, Three Mile Island. It became an article of faith in the environmental community that nuclear power was too dangerous to mess with.

That argument had just about gone past its sell-by date. Apparently nobody, but nobody, was thinking we could reduce our reliance on fossil fuels without using nuclear energy, which doesn't unleash carbon into the atmosphere. We were told that the technology was much safer now.

President, Barack Obama had already proposed an expansion of nuclear energy technology and \$36 billion in Department of Energy loan guarantees for the construction of 20 new nuclear plants.

Now, with Japan experiencing a nuclear nightmare, nuclear energy looks different.

Except in the eyes of Mitch McConnell, the Republican leader in the Senate. He may be wrong but he's always sure.

"My thought about it is, we ought not to make American and domestic policy based upon an event that happened in Japan."

One can only say: "Huh?" Does McConnell's comment make sense at any level to anyone? It apparently does to Republican senators. They elected him their leader. (I'm going to start putting aside a nickel every time a conservative Republican politician says something intelligent. When I collect enough money I'm going to buy a pack of chewing gum. It shouldn't take more than three or four months. Six at the outside.)

Apparently, Japanese reactors were designed to survive either a tsunami or an earthquake, but not both. This is the problem when designing fail-safe systems — they fail in the most unexpected ways.

This, in turn, leaves the environmentalists among us in a quandary. We believe in climate change and want cleaner energy than fossil fuels provide. But we know it will be hard to get the quantity of energy we need from alternative sources like wind, geothermal, or solar.

But nuclear energy is our Frankenstein monster, which might prove as uncontrollable as ice-nine. It's humbling to learn that our most proudest accomplishments are hostage to a shrug of the earth.

OtherWords columnist Donald Kaul lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan. www.otherwords.org

The Usual Eccentric

Attack of the snack food giants

by WILL E. SANDERS
CREATORS SYNDICATE

For years, a steady anger grew within me as I watched one candy bar manufacturer or snack food company after another slowly decrease the size or quantity of their product, but the price remained the same orrose.

If you don't believe me, look at a Cadbury Egg the next time you're at the store — they are so small that I could take them like aspirin. Or a Snickers bar. When I was a kid, they cost 50 cents and seemed as large as diving boards. And don't even get me started on bags of anything, especially chips. Sometimes I wonder if I'm buying a bag of snacks or pre-packaged oxygen.

But something happened recently that sent me over the edge. I noticed that family-sized bags of Combos went from 8.5 ounces to a slim 7 ounces, yet the price stayed exactly the same. That's right, the fat cats over at Combos are ripping us off, America!

Now some of you might not be

aware of what a Combo even is, even though the thought appalls me. Combos are those oven-baked, cylinder pretzel or cracker snacks with flavored filling injected in between. And I love them. I could probably live exclusively off of Combos for the rest of my life — but only if a private party funded the experiment. In all honesty, if Combos aren't going to be in Heaven, then I am not sure I want to die.

Are times that tough over at Combos? Has the price for a pound of pretzel gone up these days? Did crackers and cheese become an endangered species? I mean, what gives?

I decided to call Combos headquarters in Clovis, Calif., the other day to get some answers. While I was on hold, I heard a recorded message that stated the following: "If you have a medical emergency, hang up the phone and call (908) 979-XXXX."

I imagine Combos has that message playing for a reason. Some idiot out there probably stuck a Combo some place he shouldn't have, so now

they need that disclaimer. Boy, I sure would hate to be that guy.

I can see it now: A guy injures himself while trying to open a bag of Combos with a pair of scissors. "Honey," he yells to his wife, "I've just cut off my thumb. Where in the heck did you put that Combos snack food emergency number again?"

"Don't you think we should call 911 for something like this?" she replies.

After I called Combos headquarters a second time, I reached a representative named Tyrell. "Tyrell," I asked him, "why am I paying the same price for a smaller quantity of your delicious, salty treats?"

Tyrell was taken aback at the question, and I don't blame him. "Let me look up the manufacturing history," he replied. "Please hold." Three minutes later, Tyrell came back on the line (and for some reason seemed like he was out of breathe, but I didn't ask why). "It was a marketing decision."

Now there is a marketing strategy I can stand by: less quantity, same price. As a consumer, I find the philosophy doesn't carry much weight.

So how can Combos get away with it? Unlike most snack foods, Combos does not have a generic off-brand. If you have orange gunk on your hands,

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BAPTIST

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 Auxler Freewill Baptist, Auxler; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
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 Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.
 Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
 Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, 4102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.
 Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
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 Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
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 Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
 Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner Services; Saturday night, 7 p.m., Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.
 Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Jim Fields, Minister.
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Church every Sun. Morning 11:00 a.m.; Wed. evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; First Sat. evening Service, All Welcome 7 p.m.; Pastor Mark Hunt, 606-478-2698
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 First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
 First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.

First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wed, 5:30 p.m.; Jerry C. Workman, minister.
 Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.
 Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
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 Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branch's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 11:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Larry Patton, pastor. Phone 358-9610.
 Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Trusty.
 Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Trusty.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy Caudill, Pastor.
 Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
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 Left Beaver Regular Baptist Church across from Gath School, 4th Saturday & Sunday 10:00 am, Odd Saturday 6:00 pm.; Gary Compton, Pastor.
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 Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, (The Bottom Association); 1st Saturday & Sunday 9:30 am, 2nd Sunday 9:30 a.m., 3rd Sunday 9:30 a.m., 4th Sunday 9:30 a.m.
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 Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Phillip T. Smith, Minister.
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 Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
 Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.
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 Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Makem Stone, Minister.
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 Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Church, Dvale; Services Saturday, 6 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Service.

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 Faith Revelation, Harkins Ave., West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister: 889-9490.
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 Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.
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 The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
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 Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday, Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
 Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Prayer Line: 358-2464; Darlene W. Arnette, Pastor.
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 International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.
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Moving Memory of Thelma O'Brien Osborne Her 90th Birthday, March 25, 2011

Mrs. Thelma O'Brien Osborne, born March 25th, 1921, died on January 21st, 2011.
 She was the wife of the late Ed Osborne and the daughter of the late Fred O'Brien and the late Ruth McPeeks O'Brien.
 She was preceded in death by her brothers: Orville O'Brien, Fred O'Brien Jr., Jesse James O'Brien, Raymond O'Brien, Hershell O'Brien and two sisters: Reable O'Brien Gullette and Elsie McPeck.
 She was also preceded in death by her sons: Freddie James Osborne, Danny Phillip Osborne and Paul David Osborne.
 She is survived by one son: Dorsey Edward (Donna) Osborne, 4 daughters: Anna Ruth (Nanis) Samons, Mary Francis (Earl) Webb, Glenda Helen (Chalmer) Hicks, and Joyce Rae Akers, as well as 20 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and 8 great-great-grandchildren.
 Born in Pike Co., Ky, Thelma (Granny) moved to Floyd Co. as a youth and was able to reside in Hunter, Ky for almost 75 years. She was able to live independently until a brief illness just two days before her death.
 There are a million things that could be said about this amazing woman... to touch on just a few, it should be mentioned how she had an overwhelming love for life and the beauty that she found in all of God's creations. She was a lover of animals, birds and nature. She was fascinated as much by the intricate details of a spider's web as she was by the beauty in the changes of the season.
 She had many talents... and this multi-talented lady enjoyed gardening, canning, sewing, spending time with family and friends, recounting memories of her past and long conversations with her friends and loved ones. She was a true matriarch and raised a large family... she also opened her home, and heart, to many other children, members of the community and her house of worship. She had not the easiest of lives, but always made the most of what she had. Among many other things she could accomplish, she could turn a meal sack into a dress or a piece of fabric into a quilt.
 She worked hard to raise her family by working in a variety of jobs and helping run a home and farm. One of the things she loved the most was nursing others back to health and was even able to work at the old Beaver Valley Hospital here in Martin.
 She had no formal education, but learned to read, write and do arithmetic almost completely on her own. She had an unlimited amount of common-sense, integrity and willpower. She was able to use her combinations of knowledge to be a very productive member of society and even became a midwife... one of the things she did that she was most proud of. Granny was the first licensed midwife in Floyd Co., and from what we know, she helped deliver over 200 children. She was often called out in the middle of the night, to the home of an expectant mother, and unselfishly offered her services.
 She used her love of reading to read many books, but her favorite was the Bible. She could often be found reading the scriptures, and, with an incredible memory, re-telling the stories from the Bible to anyone who would listen. As her eyesight grew more faint over the past few years, she had tapes of the scriptures that she listened to be able to continue her love of God's word and the Bible stories.
 There's no way to adequately give enough information; in this brief moment of time, to cover all the friendships, kindnesses, strengths, memories and workings of this magnificent woman of almost 90 years. What can be said is that she loved her family, and no matter how near or far the family spread throughout the world, they were always in her thoughts and prayers.
 It is also true that if you were one of the fortunate individuals that was able to know her, you were truly touched by an angel. Her honesty, courage, advice and love, that she brought to so many of our lives, will certainly not be forgotten and we are all better for having known her.
 Her passing from this life will leave a void in the lives of so many. However, it is a comfort to know that she lived her life as such that we can be content with knowing her relationship with God will give us the opportunity to be with her again someday.
 This was an incredibly strong woman whose spirit can be rivaled, but not equaled. And, though she will live on through us in some shape, form or fashion, it is still as if a tall tree, high on the mountain, has left a vacant spot in the sky.
 She will always be loved, remembered, and dearly missed.

Written by Granddaughter... Ms. Bridget D. Akers (January 22, 2011)

Dollbaby - that's what your mom called you.
 Your children called you mommy, your grand-children called you granny.
 You used to tell us how you would fall flat on the floor and cut a fit on your mommy - and then she would say, "now, dollbaby, you know you can't act that way."
 You would laugh and tell us how you couldn't believe you acted that way.
 You would always talk about how you loved your mommy and how you couldn't wait to see her again.
 She died when you were just 7 years old. I think you must have spent the rest of your childhood fending for yourself.
 You were special, unique.
 You made little things an adventure.
 I always thought you were making it an adventure for us - but when I got older, I realized you were having just as much fun as we were.
 You were the best storyteller I ever knew - You loved us all and we were lucky to have had you in our lives.
 Granny, I know you're with your mommy, Pappy, Uncle Danny and Uncle Freddie.
 So, we're not going to say good-bye - we're just going to say we'll see you later.
 - I will always love you.

Written by Melissa Hicks Jones (granddaughter)



From my first memory, granny always called the shots. She was the glue that kept everything and everyone together - always in control, always with a home remedy that forever worked. She literally worked her fingers to the bone, skipping and scrapping for food to eat and sewing clothes out of feed sacks for her children. I owe much of my creativity AND temperament to her! These two attributes I've used to my advantage more than once. Granny laughed in the face of opposition. She knew when to say something and how! She could regulate any situation, no matter who was involved. If she liked you - you had a friend for life, but if you crossed her - an enemy would arise. I admired my granny. I admired her for many reasons - her courage, her wisdom, her humor, her dignity - and these are only a few. Granny had to fight from the time she was a small child. She had to grow up and become a mother at a very young age. There were many tragedies that took place in granny's life, most of which she had no control over. She only had control over how she responded to them and what her next move would be.
 Unfortunately, I wasn't close to my granny. I moved away from her at a very young age. However, I LOVED visits to her house. I remember sitting in her kitchen, refusing to budge from a small wooden chair when our visit was over. I remember my mom reassuring me, "We'll be back." As long as I live, whenever I hear wind chimes, I will think of granny's house. I wish I had spent more time with her. I wish I would have listened to just one more eloquently told story. I wish I had known her better, but that wasn't meant to be. She loved me - I do know that, as I loved her. Granny was funny when it came to love. She loved everyone, all in a different way, but she loved all of us.
 Granny lived her life on her own terms and she died on her own terms. She died a dignified death. She choose how and when she would depart. How many people would love a chance like that? Even in death, she called the shots. Still in control of her life, telling death when he was welcome and when he was not. She had time to say goodbye and time to say her "I love you's". I envy that. Not many people have such a blessed life and death.
 All the memories I have of granny are awesome. I'll dream of her little budge in front of her house that I loved to play on as a little girl. I'll dream of her out-house that I thought was the greatest playhouse I'll dream of going to the chicken house to check for eggs. So many memories of a granny I'll NEVER forget. She will live in my memories and in the stories. I'll tell my children and grandchildren. My granny - what a character!
 I love you granny. I know I'll be seeing you one day. I know you're with your mother now. I wonder if she called you "doll baby" when she saw you? I bet she did... and I bet you gave her a long awaited hug.

Written by Michelle Hicks Krueger (granddaughter)

My Granny - A Tribute to Granny from the Grandchildren's Perspective

Due to the stories that Granny would tell us, we knew that Granny's mother died when she was only seven years old from complications during childbirth. We all knew that this was a very painful and devastating loss for Granny since she was such a young girl. Granny's father moved to Hunter, Ky to work in a mill. He had a second wife and she had a son. She was the only one who became her so-called adopted mothers per say. They taught her to sew, quilt, cook, and as Granny would say, "Make do with very little."
 When Granny got older, she met and married our Pappy. They lived their entire lives on the family farm at Hunter hollow. They had seven children together. They also raised a grandson and a granddaughter. These grandchildren we also their children. As most of us can recall, Granny was so wise with her philosophical quotes on life and would say, "Whoever raises you is, is your mother." Granny also raised and helped any family or neighborhood children that she could.
 Granny and Pappy did not own a car until all their children were grown. Pappy did not like driving so Granny became the chauffeur. We all think that Granny finally "made up for lost time", once she got her driver's license. She knew just about every creek and hollow in Floyd County and enjoyed going out to witness with her many friends.
 Granny also had a special love for children and animals. In addition, Granny and her children raised a variety of farm animals in which almost all of them granny gave a nickname. For instance, she had a goose that she named Gussie - but Granny was more partial to cats. Lequita and her daughter Megan, Bridget, Crystal and I - just to name a few, also personally share a love for cats like she did. One of the funniest names that Granny gave her cats was the one she named Stupid. When asked why, she told that it was because she was so smart that it was stupid. Granny really had a great sense of humor and loved to have a good laugh. My brother Bryan said that he used to call Granny's house and Stupid would answer the phone when he was a little boy and he would actually talk to Granny's cat on the phone. Some of her other beloved felines' names were: Diny-a-Ling, Freckles, Tiny, Unnie or Boo-Boo, as she called him, and the present one named, Katie. Granny would laugh and say that she named the last cat Katie even though it was a boy because she thought he was a girl. She said it did not matter if she had given him a girl's name because he would not know the difference in names and was already used to answering to it! There was never a time you went to Granny's house that you were not asked if you were hungry or offered something to eat. If you stayed overnight, you would awake to the smell of breakfast. As you entered into the kitchen, you would see a large spread of breakfast being prepared by Granny, as she would be asking you, "how you wanted your eggs cooked." When Granny was able, after breakfast was finished, it was time to do chores. She would assign them to you as well as if you were there and I am so happy to say that it made me feel good to help Granny because I like to work too. She was also very wise on how to cure most ailments at home without having to go see medical attention and was called upon by many family members and neighbors for her help. I have had numerous family members as well as neighbors and friends tell me that if Granny had not told them what to do or how to care for their conditions, they do not know what they would have done - especially for her help with their children. I think that, Granny was one of the influential individuals in many that taught us how to do many things such as working hard and completing something once you start it. Granny wanted all of her children and grandchildren to get a formal education because this was something she was not able to achieve due to moving often with her family from one mining camp to another in order for him to find work. Granny talked longingly of how she would have been a nurse if she had been given the opportunity. My Granny had quite a measure of success, though by becoming the first licensed midwife in the County. She delivered numerous babies in Floydland surrounding counties. She would also tell about her daughter and four granddaughters who became nurses as well as two grandsons who became doctors. She also has a granddaughter-in-law who became a medical doctor and a grandson-in-law who is an orthopedic surgeon. This is not to leave out any of the other children and grandchildren or their successes because she was proud of each and every one of us - no matter what our job was as long as we worked at something because she was always a worker and wanted to instill this quality in each of us.
 After her tragically days declined, Granny still enjoyed awakening early, listening to the radio and having a lively conversation with her good friend that she loved so dearly. He happens to be a local radio station and well-known radio personality, Dale McKinnis. Honestly, she probably talked to Dale more than she talked to most of us. I cannot tell you how many times that I would call or go to visit Granny and she would tell me that she had talked to Dale today. Or she would tell me she called and told Dale to play a song for her and would proceed to tell me some portion of her conversation with Dale. Granny would say that she and Dale, "were two of the earliest risers because we are both up and at it before daylight!" Dale, Marty and all of the WMDJ radio station staff graciously accommodated and played many of her favorite songs that also included recordings of her grandson and bluegrass singer, Tommy Webb. We had only did Granny like to listen to the music, but she paid the utmost attention to the lyrics and messages that were portrayed as well.
 Although life has many milestones and trials, God blessed our Granny with many good years and we are all truly grateful for her stories of our heritage, of her life, and of her life with her children and grandchildren. We each have our special memories that are many in number of Granny and we need to remember them and pass that on to the next generation so they can know about their heritage and about Granny as well.
 In closing, the Lord blessed Granny with physical and spiritual strength to overcome her hardships throughout her life and she remained steadfast and endured through the toughest of times. We are many religious faiths within our family and among us today. I want to say that my Granny was a devout member of her faith. She had a vast knowledge of the Bible and I am thankful that she did because knowledge is the only thing of this life that will go with us. The only true comfort that any of us will have from saying goodbye to our Granny is knowing that if we prove ourselves worthy in this life, we will all be together again to spend time and all eternity together.

Written by Mary Osborne Webb (daughter)

IF YOU COULD SEE ME NOW

If you could see me now you wouldn't shed a tear.
 Though you may not understand why I'm no longer there,
 Remember my spirit that is the real me
 because I'm still very much alive, I've just been set free,
 Oh, if you could only see!
 I have beheld our Father's face and I've touched -
 my Savior's hand. All of Heavens angels rejoined as
 I entered the promised land. Beyond the gates of pearl
 I've walked on the golden streets.
 I've touched the walls of jasper and dipped my foot in the
 crystal sea. The beauty is beyond words and nothing could
 compare, I've even seen your mansion and someday
 I'll meet you there. Let Jesus be your guide because
 His Word will show you the way! So please don't
 cry because we will meet again someday.
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 Submitted by Glenda Osborne Hicks (daughter)

Chamber to list available business properties

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce is seeking information on property that could be of use to potential business owners and prospective entrepreneurs, as well as office space that could be leased for business to locate in Floyd County.

The primary purpose of this listing is to have avail-

able any properties that might attract a company to locate in Floyd County," said Mandy Stumbo, director of the Chamber. "We will use the property information and specific data and photographs to better characterize a location to give to any business prospect."

Any property owner with land or business spaces for lease can contact the Chamber and the Chamber will list that property as

available to prospective clients or businesses.

There is no cost to participate, and the listing will be available to any potential business, either small or commercial, to help assist them in securing a location.

The idea, according to Stumbo, is that with this list available, potential business owners or prospective individuals can then contact these business representatives or individuals at the

listings at their disposal about specific properties and other details.

"Floyd County is open to business and we want any business prospect to visit Floyd County first," added Stumbo.

Commercial, office, industrial, retail and land

properties will be cataloged and displayed at the Chamber of Commerce.

Stumbo encourages those who may have available property either for sale or lease, or office space available, to get the property listed. In order to do this, those interested will need to pro-

vide to the Chamber information such as demographics, a photograph, and contact information.

This information can be emailed to the Chamber at floydchamber@setel.com, or, if you should have questions, you can call the Chamber at (606) 886-0364.

Eccentric

the culprit could be from Cheetos or from cheese puffs. The rich eat Fritos, but the poor eat simple corn chips. For every two Doritos I find under a couch cushion, there is always at least one exotic-flavored tortilla chip. But a Combo is a Combo.

If you ask me, the folks at Combos have the market

covered. Not to mention they operate off the simple marketing philosophy that no American can resist: food injected inside of other food. We have a holiday especially devoted to it -- Thanksgiving turkey and stuffing anyone? And sure, jelly-filled doughnuts built the market, but Combos reinvented the food-

genre. So, I suppose I should give Combos the credit they deserve, even if it gives a whole new meaning to the phrase of having a light snack.

To contact Will E Sanders, visit his website at www.willesanders.com or send him an e-mail at wille@willesanders.com.

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Editorial

A small business with only one employee with a pre-existing condition finds itself priced out of the market or paying highly inflated premiums. In 2014, health insurance companies will no longer be allowed to charge higher rates because of pre-existing conditions.

And because no one will be denied health insurance because of a pre-existing condition, aspiring entrepreneurs will no longer be locked into a job because of health insurance benefits. As a result, ranks of small businesses should expand.

The one year anniversary of the ACA is truly something small businesses should celebrate for what it has already done. The future will be even better.

Knapp is president and CEO of The South Carolina Small Business Chamber of Commerce and serves on the

steering committee for the American Sustainable Business Council.

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Contamination found in fish

by **JARRID DEATON**
FEATURES WRITER

Big Sandy Community and Technical College Professor John G. Shiber's article, "Arsenic, cadmium, lead and mercury in canned sardines commercially available in Eastern Kentucky, USA," was recently published in the Marine Pollution Bulletin, the international journal for marine environmental scientists.

engineers, administrators, politicians and lawyers.

According to Shiber's research, 17 samples of canned sardines, originating from six countries and sold in Eastern Kentucky, were analyzed and found to contain levels of arsenic, cadmium, lead and mercury.

The ingestion of arsenic has been linked to cancer and cardiovascular disease. Shiber writes, "With the role of food-borne arsenic in


human illness presently under scrutiny and its maximum allowable limits in fish being reviewed, more studies of this nature are recommended, especially concerning the potential importance of small pelagic fishes as a future seafood of choice."

To read the entire article, the new issue of the Marine Pollution Bulletin is available for purchase at www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/0025326X.

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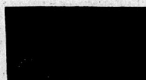
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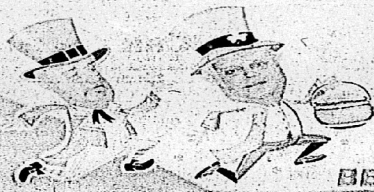
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Setty earns NAIA tourney MVP award

Sophomore registers double-double in title game

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — After registering game-high totals of 32 points and 17 rebounds during the 2011 Buffalo Funds-NAIA Division

I Men's Basketball National Championship at Municipal Auditorium, Pikeville College sophomore forward Trevor Setty was named the Chuck Taylor Most Valuable Player.

Setty, a Mason County High School graduate, led the Bears to an unprecedented run through the national tournament. Pikeville became the first unseeded team since the tournament began the seeding

process in 1957 to win five games against five top-10 seeds. The Bears closed out the season with a 30-7 overall record. Pikeville posted its first 30-win season in program history.

Teammates Quincy Hankins-Cole and Vance Cooksey joined Setty on the All-Tournament Team. Ty Spann, Doug Wiggins and David Nyarsuk represented

Mountain State with their inclusion on the squad. Rounding out the All-Tournament Team from this year's championship were Ree McCrory and James Justice of Martin Methodist College (Tenn.); Justin Johnson from Concordia University (Calif.) and Vic Moses of Georgetown (Ky.). Nyarsuk earned the Charles Stevenson Hustle Award for his play throughout the tournament.



PC SOPHOMORE FORWARD TREVOR SETTY.

Blessed to be a Bear

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Folks, I'm a blessed man. In many ways, I've lived a charmed life. I've found something I enjoy doing, a place to work I'm completely passionate about and God has put me here at the right time.

What a run. When I came to Pikeville College as an employee in 1996, the school had five sports. Five. My first basketball season, we won five games. Five.

Last week we went to Kansas City for the Buffalo Funds-NAIA Division I Men's Basketball Championship Tournament "College Basketball's Toughest Tournament" — and did the improbable. We won five games. Five.

Along the way, the Bears beat the defending national champion, last year's runner-up, the reigning No. 1 team in the country, the fifth-seed and then three-seed.

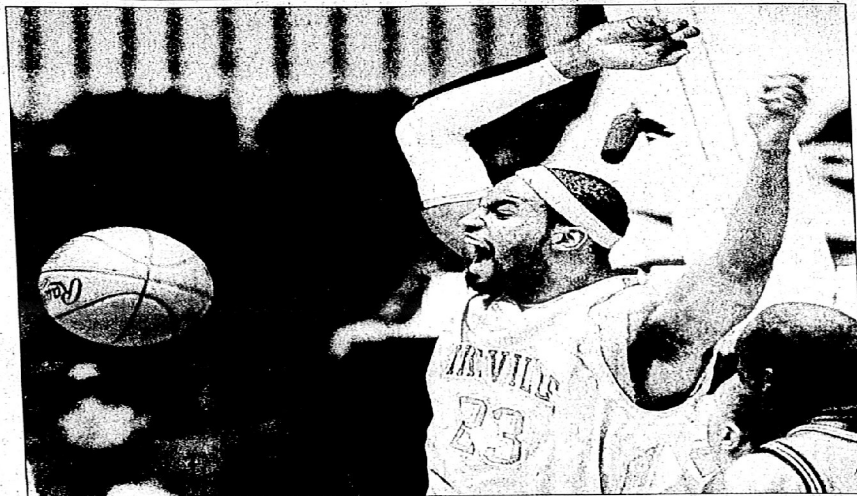
Five wins. Seven days. In doing so, we became the first team in the 74-year history of the event to beat five seeded teams en route to the championship. To top that off, not only were they all amongst the 16 teams with seeds, they were all in the top nine.

Amazing. The win was the first team national title for a men's sport in school history. It was only the third time ever the school has won any national championship. The first was in 2004, then in 2008, and both times I was blessed to stand along the bowling lanes with Ron Damron and see it all for myself, with my own eyes.

Tuesday night, I sat court-side and saw the whole thing take place again. To my knowledge, only former President Hal Smith and I have seen all three championships crowned.

I'm a blessed man. When Ron was the athletics director, he and I used to talk about how fortunate we were to be here at the time we are. We felt like we were blessed to be here at the right time, and that the programs weren't having the level of success they were — remember, when Bill Watson guided the 1998 women's basketball

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Quincy Hankins-Cole (23) delivered a dunk for the Pikeville College Bears during the national title game versus Mountain State.

NATIONAL CHAMPS

Bears knock off five faves en route to national title

Pikeville becomes first unseeded team to defeat five seeded squads

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — The City of Pikeville is now title town. On Wednesday, the Pikeville College Bears returned to Pikeville tri-

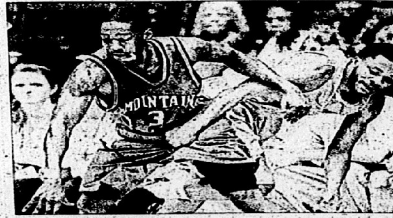
umphant. Pikeville College became the seventh school to win their first NAIA Division I championship since the event returned to Municipal Auditorium in 2002. Head coach Kelly Wells guided Pikeville to the national title. Wells came to Pikeville in 2006 following a one-year stint as Hawaii Pacific University head coach. He was named this year's NAIA Coach of the Year.

The Bears became the

(See BEARS, page two)



Quintel Maxwell (above) and Vance Cooksey (below) provided stellar defensive pressure for the Bears.



COACH KELLY WELLS

Wells named NAIA Coach of the Year

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) announced the 2010-11 Division I Men's Basketball All-America Teams on Wednesday. The selections were made by the NAIA Men's Basketball Coaches' Association All-America Committee and comprises a First, Second, Third and Honorable Mention Team. There are 10 members on each of the first three All-America teams. Pikeville County standout Vance Cooksey was honored as a Second Team selection while his mentor claimed the NAIA's top coaching honor.

Pikeville College head coach Kelly Wells was named the Rawlings-NAIA National Coach of the Year. He guided his club to its first-ever National Championship title after an 83-76 victory over Mountain State (W.Va.) on Tuesday. The Bears finished with a school-best 30-7 season record and landed senior guard Vance Cooksey on the All-America Second Team.

Justin Johnson of Concordia (Calif.) was selected as the NAIA National Player of the Year. He becomes the first player from the school to win the award since this program began in 1994. He tied for the team lead this year in scoring (14.8 ppg) while shooting 52 percent from the floor. He also maintained averages of 3.8 rebounds and 2.6 steals. He led the Eagles to a 32-4 record and an appearance in the National Championship Quarterfinals.

College football: Wildcats begin spring practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky football team began its spring practice Wednesday with head football coach Joker Phillips loving his team's energy level inside the Nutter Field House. "For the first day, I really liked the effort level," head coach Joker Phillips said. "I think that (stood out) from today, that our guys gave a really good effort."

Phillips, who is entering his second season as the head coach of the Wildcats, said the execution from the players should improve as prac-

tice progresses. Given that the Wildcats spent a majority of the day installing new strategies both offensively and defensively, Phillips said he was pleased. "The execution was not always there and that is understandable as we are putting in some new things defensively and our offense has a couple of new wrinkles," Phillips said. "Also because we have a lot of young guys that we are trying to bring up to speed. Again, the effort was the biggest thing that you saw as we were flying around and having fun."

Kentucky started practice

outside at the Nutter Training Facility before heavy rains moved into the Lexington area, forcing practice to be moved inside. The Wildcats practiced for just over two hours clad in shorts and helmets and are expected to have their first practice in full pads Saturday. "We will go pads on Saturday," Phillips said. "You have three days of shorts that you have to do. The first two (practices) have to be in shorts and then Saturday we will be in pads and get some contact with them."

Phillips said the final practice in shorts and helmets will be Monday while the team is

still installing a majority of the offensive and defensive plans. In the past, Kentucky has waited to use the third day of shorts for the practice before the Blue/White game, however Phillips felt this year it would be more beneficial to do it now. "The Kentucky coach spoke highly about the play of the younger Wildcats in the first spring practice, including freshman quarterback Maxwell Smith. Smith, a native of Van Nuys, Calif., signed with the Wildcats in 2010 before greysuiting and then joining the Kentucky for five practices before the BBVA Compass Bowl.

"I was pleased with him," Phillips said. "The guy has only been here five practices for the bowl game and has been here half a semester, so a month and a half. I was pleased with him how much he knew. He has been here and got around some of our players and he is the type of guy that jumps in and takes charge."

UK will continue practice on Friday at 9 a.m. ET, which is open to the media and general public. Practices will be held at the Nutter Training Facility but can be moved indoors in case of bad weather.

Floyd County Hunter Ed classes scheduled

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Hunter Education Classes will be held March 28, 29 and 30 from 6-9:30 p.m. each night at the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club. For more information on the classes, call any of the following individuals: Tom: 226-1919; Joe: 496-8683; Jones: 886-8656; Chris: 477-3680; Tim: 874-2490.

Blessed

team to the national tournament, it was the first time a Pikeville College team had played in any national tournament since 1976...

I still feel that way. I've done nothing to help either bowling team win the national title. I was never called on to knock down the 10-pin for a crucial spare...

But yet I've been there, riding the coattails of folks like Ron and Kelly and seeing it all for myself...

The thing about this is that it's not just the job. This is happening at my school. I don't just work at Pikeville College...

I know it's not about me, and have tried today to make that clear. But I consider it a blessing every day to get out of bed and come to campus...

It just so happens that the place I work and the area I'm in bring two of the great passions of my life together in one place. A perfect storm, if

you will. And that's what I watched the last couple of weeks. It was the perfect storm. You know about the Trevor Setty and Justin Hickses and Vance Cooksey...

But I saw the Bears get huge time from guys who have spent many entire games on the bench, never making an appearance. I saw Cordaro Ellis give his team huge time inside and Quintel Maxwell become a legit point guard...

Then there were the regular guys who come off the bench to make things happen doing exactly what they do all week. Ryan Whitaker and Chris Donald were nothing short of their solid selves all week...

You don't win titles with five starters. It takes a team. And it takes a coach.

Monday night before the Bears played Martin Methodist I found myself alone in the locker room with Kelly. He and I have a very solid relationship, one that I cherish. We're also two fairly emotional people, very passionate about what we do...

I told him regardless of how it went the rest of the way I was proud of him, that I was thrilled to be along for this ride and how much I appreciated what he was doing for my school. We hugged and I left him alone.

Continued from p1 And he proceeded to do what he'd done all week. He was magical on the bench. Every button he pushed, every play he called, every defensive scheme and out-of-bounds set, they all worked.

He was masterful on the sideline. I knew he was an outstanding coach, a master craftsman and a guy who knew the game and his team well. But even I was impressed at his abilities in those five games.

He won the first game without his normal post presence and the last with an All-American point guard who had given his team every ounce he had for four games and was running on gassed legs.

Yet he found a way. On Monday night when the Bears won and we were headed to the championship game, I did something that had only happened to me one time before. I took off my headset and cried. We had a three-minute break and for about 2:40 of it, I just sobbed.

On Tuesday, there were no tears. Tuesday was a mighty celebration, the coronation of what happens when one guy dreams a dream and finds a coaching staff and team that completely - in every aspect - buys in.

This team truly was "All In." I couldn't have said it better myself.

Morehead State-Pikeville game postponed

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD - The Morehead State University baseball team lost Tuesday afternoon to Canisius, 32-17, at Allen Field.

The 49 runs is the highest total for a single game this year in Division I.

The Eagles (3-18) lost their second straight game, allowing an eight-run third and seven-run fifth innings. Cody Gibson tossed 2.2 innings, flogged seven earned runs and lost his fourth game of the season.

MSU scored two runs in the first. Travis Redmon began the inning taking a walk and advanced to third following consecutive singles by centerfielder Nick Duff and junior Taylor Davis. Third baseman Andrew Deeds drove home Redmon on a fielder's

choice and Duff crossed the plate on a sacrifice fly to centerfield off the bat of first baseman Michael Fear. Right fielder Luke Bainer scored another Eagle run in the second on a homer to centerfield, his first of the season.

In the sixth inning the Eagles stormed back scoring eight runs off Griffis reliever Nathan Linseman. Five runs scored on round-trippers by Davis and Luke Bainer, his second of the game.

Behind two Golden Griffins fielding errors, Morehead State scored five more runs in the seventh inning. Redmon hit his first home run of the season driving in three runs and a Fugh triple scored another Eagle run.

Canisius starter Alex Tufts earned the win, his first of the season, throwing five innings and striking out two.

Griffins second baseman Ralph Alloco went 6-for-7 and drove in six runs.

Two hitting streaks were

extended in today's game. Pugh is now riding a 13-game hot streak, while Fear continued his streak of eight consecutive games with a base knock.

Luke Bainer led the Eagles with four RBI, two home runs. Bainer went 4-for-6.

Pikeville College was scheduled to visit Allen Field Wednesday afternoon for a single game. Rain, however, forced the Pikeville-Morehead State game to be postponed.



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Bears

first unseeded school in championship history to defeat five seeded teams in the tournament. Pikeville College was the first school to beat four seeded teams since 1957 (Tennessee A&I).

Trevor Setty tied his career-high of 32 points, shooting 10-of-19 from the floor and 7-of-12 from beyond the arc. The seven three-pointers was Setty's single-game season-high. In addition, Setty also exceeded his previous season-high in rebounding (12) with 17 total

rebounds. The Bears overcame their share of adversity in the title game.

Pikeville College guard Vance Cooksey was shooting 47 percent from the field. Cooksey, however, was held to 1-of-12 (.083) from the floor before fouling out in the second half. Pikeville only led twice at halftime in its five National Championship games. The Bears are the first Mid-South Conference team to win the national title since Georgetown in 1998.

Continued from p1 The title tilt was the first overtime game of the 2011 Buffalo Funds-NAAI Division I Men's Basketball National Championship. This year's title game marked the first overtime in a championship game since 2003, when Concordia (Calif.) defeated Mountain State 88-84. There have been seven total overtimes in championship final history. Since 2003, the title game has had a winning margin of six points.

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MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'Piranha'

by TOM DOTY
 TIMES COLUMNIST

Prehistoric flesh-eaters make a meal of kids enjoying "spring break" in this remake of the 1970s horror classic.

Normally the Lagoon eschews remakes of 1970s flicks, but director Alexandre Aja ("High Tension,"



Tom Doty
 Times Columnist

"The Hills Have Eyes") has always been one to watch. He turns out to have the right touch for this material and delivers the best "people get eaten by fish" flick

we've seen since, well, 1978's "Piranha."

The film starts out with a killer opening that ought to hook the most jaded of horror movie fans. A fisherman winds up lunch for a school of the titular fish when his boat gets capsized by an earthquake that releases the beasties from a subterranean waterhole. What makes this a killer sequence is that the guy in the boat happens to be Richard Dreyfuss, and he's killed only minutes after being heard to sing the same ditty he was murdering in Steven Spielberg's "Jaws." His name is even Hooper. The best bit about this gag is that it acknowledges that the success of "Jaws" gave Roger Corman the idea for the original film. He turned that concept over to Joe Dante ("Gremlins") and a career was born.

The fish couldn't have picked a better time for their return, as the lake has been flooded with college kids who are anxious to enjoy their spring break. The event has also brought in some new blood — the crew behind a series of party videos called "Wild, Wild Girls." They are led by producer/host/macho jerk Derrick.

Meanwhile, the town's sheriff stumbles across Hooper's body but cannot convince the powers that be to close down the lake at its most profitable time. More good news for the flesh-eaters.

While the sheriff leads a team of scientists to the earthquake site, the piranha begin to work their way through the film's extras. A subplot about the sheriff's son acting as location scout for the "Wild Girls" crew adds a little drama to the proceedings, but you're all waiting for the big attack sequence and the film is anxious to get there, too.

The big payoff happens around the 50-minute mark, as our killers with fins turn Lake Victoria into teenage wasteland. They chew through the cast with gusto, but save their most ferocious attacks for Derrick. It all leads to a last-minute rescue and lots of carnage.

There isn't much of a plot here, but it is all beautifully filmed. Aja sets the action at a prime location by using a lake that's surrounded by desert. The skies are a rich blue and the cast looks positively sun-drenched until the screen explodes in crimson. The special effects people showcase all manner of death by killer fish, so get ready for lots of the gooey stuff.

The film goes a little overboard when depicting the young victims as partying, soulless, sex-obsessed losers — they come close to alienating their target audience, but nobody's perfect. The spoof of "Girls Gone Wild" is spot on, if late by a decade.

The cast has a good time and includes Elisabeth Shue as the sheriff who gets some sturdy

(See LAGOON, page 4)



Stephanie Gibson went back to school at Big Sandy Community and Technical College after an economic downturn caused financial issues with her husband Benji's automobile transport business. Gibson is now planning to pursue a master's degree in speech and language pathology online at Western Kentucky University.

ROAD TO RECOVERY

Education helps family rebound from recession

by SANDRA SAAD

The economic free-fall the United States experienced several years ago, and from which it is still trying to recover, negatively impacted many families. Jobs disappeared, incomes dropped, and homes were lost. Stephanie and Benji Gibson and their family were among the casualties.

Before the economic downturn, the Gibsons had been enjoying a comfortable life. Benji was self-employed in the automobile transport business. His work required a lot of travel and being away from home, sometimes for as long as a week at a time. Luckily, his income enabled wife Stephanie to be a full-time mom to their two school-age children, Destiny and Avery. In fact, the couple was looking forward to the birth of a third child when the economy tanked.

"The bottom just fell out," Stephanie says, further explaining: "For us, the economy didn't crash, it died. We went from doing awesome to horrible."

With no relief in sight, the young couple realized they were going to have to make some changes in their lives to ensure they were never in such a vulnerable position again. To them, job and financial security meant one thing — education.

Benji signed up for online college classes, while working to keep the business afloat. After the birth of their third child, Stephanie enrolled at Big Sandy Community and Technical College in January 2009 equipped

with both short- and long-term goals. First, she wanted to pursue a degree in education to secure a teaching position. Then, she planned to continue her studies online while working as a teacher, with the goal of eventually becoming a speech therapist.

She was inspired to pursue a career in speech therapy when she witnessed a miraculous improvement in her son's speech after working with a therapist. Having already had one child, Stephanie knew her son, Avery, now aged two, was seriously delayed in speech development. "He had no language, no words," she noted. "He didn't even say mama or dada, he would just point."

So Stephanie enrolled him in a program called First Steps and speech therapist Kathy Crigger came to her home for therapy sessions. The effect was immediate.

"Within two months, he was saying simple sentences," the proud mom reports. Through the influence of First Steps, Avery was eligible to enroll in Head Start at the age of three, where he continued to receive speech therapy. Today, eight-year-old Avery is on grade level in elementary school and "no one would even know" his speech development had been delayed, his mom reports. He is a prime example of the benefits of early intervention, Stephanie adds with a smile.

Consequently, when she signed on for college classes in January 2009, Stephanie was a very motivated student with clear-cut goals. With two children in school and a baby at home, she knew she would have to work hard

to juggle all of the demands on her time.

So, she signed up for as many online classes as possible, relied on the grandmothers for back-up when she had to be in the classroom, and took classes non-stop — fall, spring and summer — to efficiently work her way through program requirements. She obtained an Associate in Arts degree in 2010, will complete an Associate in Science in May 2011, and is dual-enrolled at Morehead State University, where she is on track for a bachelor's degree after two more semesters of study and completion of the student teaching requirements. Then, she plans to enroll in Western Kentucky University's online and summer-residency program to pursue a master's degree in Speech and Language Pathology.

Along the journey, she has not let anything stand in the way of her academic progress but she has not dropped the ball on motherhood either.

"I usually wait until the kids go to bed at night to study," she explains, adding that she generally works until one or two in the morning, then grabs a few hours of sleep before rising again at six to get the two oldest kids off to school. "Then, more study until the baby gets up."

Stephanie takes her books everywhere and is very creative at cramming in study time whenever the opportunity presents itself. During the summer, she takes her kids to the

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DINNER DIVA

Who can you trust with your food news?

It seems that every nutrition-based report the media releases eventually contradicts itself. One day they say soy products are good for you, and the next thing you know they're discouraging you to eat them. The same can be said for various oils, sugar, food additives, and more. It's enough to make anyone want to throw their hands up in defeat!

It's all right! Ering your hands back down to your sides! Breathe deep...it's really not that bad. You're doing the best you can

with the information provided, right? So then how can you distinguish what you should listen to? The answer is within YOU. Examine the product yourself. If it has a huge list of ingredients, most of which you cannot pronounce or properly identify, it's likely that it isn't good for you (regardless of any positives being reported). For whoever is promoting the product, it's their own financial interest that they're looking out for, not your body's interest. This happens ALL the time. Many people in the nutritional

circuit have been advising against high fructose corn syrup (for example). But it hasn't been until recent years that those health reports are making their way into mainstream media and now you have the HPC's folks pushing back with their own information.

Who do you believe? Again, you have to take the initiative to research for yourself and learn what is true and what isn't. You're your own best resource (and having a computer with Google handy doesn't hurt either!).



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playground and studies while they play, or studies while family members entertain them during a family reunion, or reads the texts from her children's literature class to her youngest as bedtime stories. She also takes advantage of the time her oldest children spend on their homework, sitting alongside them as they all study together.

Stephanie admits that she has sometimes felt guilty that maybe her study load was negatively impacting her children, but then she would recall some advice the speech therapist, Kathy Crigger, had offered. "Kathy said that sometimes you can do too much" for the kids as a mother and that "they need their independence." Stephanie recalls, "I'm so proud of how much my children have

stepped up to help. I guess I was a bit of a helicopter parent," she admits, maybe doing a bit too much for them. Just as Stephanie was proactive in getting her young son speech help when needed, she was equally as proactive on her own behalf in her goal of getting admitted to Morehead State University's teaching program. Because she knew

math was 'a weakness, she arranged to work with tutor Lisa Pelphrey in the Center for Enrichment Resources on BSCTC's Mayo Campus to boost her math skills prior to taking the ACT. For six weeks she would leave the baby with one of the grandmothers and meet with Pelphrey at 8 a.m. for one-on-one math tutoring. "Stephanie really impressed me with her drive

and determination," Pelphrey noted. "I found her to be a very energetic, self-motivated young lady." Stephanie sums it up another way: "I'm a perfectionist," she says with a smile. Eventually her focused effort paid off, when she was accepted into Morehead's teaching program through a combined math ACT and Praxis score. But it takes more than

perfectionism to accomplish all that Stephanie Gibson has in such a short amount of time. As Pelphrey noted, it takes drive and determination, but it also requires vision, hard work, and sacrifice. Qualities this young mother has certainly demonstrated in the pursuit of a career and financial security for her family.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

A slim week for renters featured only one film that made waves, and most of that was considered unworthy attention. She also takes advantage of the time her oldest children spend on their homework, sitting alongside them as they all study together.

version that almost makes you forget Marlon Brando and Vivien Leigh. The cast is superb, with starring turns from Jessica Lange, Diane Lane and John Goodman. Alec Baldwin has the unenviable task of replacing Brando, but he's actually quite good here. Most of the mature themes make it past the censors and actually make this version truer to the text than the famous film.

The sitcom he did in the 1970s after "I, Spy." It's a half-hour romp that casts him as Chet Kincaid, a single phys-ed teacher. The jokes are there but here is where Cosby gets to show how funny he could be reacting to the eccentricities of his friends and neighbors. There's also a cool theme song (courtesy of Quincy Jones) and guest stars like Henry Fonda and Cicely Tyson.

"The Tourist" — This action-thriller arrives as a love letter to Venice with exceptional use of the venerable city. The film, however, isn't very good. It looks good, but the story unfolds awfully slowly and doesn't reward you with much payoff. Angelina Jolie and Johnny Depp meet on a train and are soon pursued by thugs. Is Jolie a bad girl? Is Depp not the retiring teacher type that he appears? Who cares? This one got a lot of attention when the "Hollywood Foreign Press" showered it with nominations. Most critics complained that it was the foreign locations that pulled in the attention and they appear to have been right.

"The Bill Cosby Show: Best of Season 1" — This isn't the show Cosby launched in the 1980s, but

"How Do You Know?" — Romantic comedies from James Brooks ("Terms of Endearment," "As Good as It Gets") are usually a sure thing, but this one tanks. Sadly, Jack Nicholson is too old now to be part of the love triangle and has to play dad to one of the leads. Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson and Paul Rudd play the triangle, but it goes on too long for too little payoff.

Next week look for a better showing with "Tangled" and "Black Swan."

"A Streetcar Named Desire" — Tennessee Williams' famous play gets a mature telling in this TV

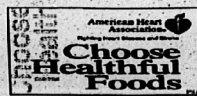


Connor Bradley Kidd, the son of Brad and Windy Kidd, of Lexington, celebrated his first birthday on Sept. 20 with family and friends. Connor is the grandson of Bertee and Deziray Kidd, of Harold, and Richie and Susie Phillips, of Pikeville, and the great-grandson of Otis and Jewell Kidd.

Lagoon

Continued from p3 backup from deputy Ving Rhames ("Pulp Fiction"). The film gets a lot of mileage from its supporting cast, with the best roles going to Jerry O'Connell, as Derrick, and Christopher Lloyd, as a scientist/oddball who waits way too long before reporting that there is a bigger threat coming down the pike.

Fun and utterly mindless. Best line: "Why don't you be a girl and sunbathe?" 2010, rated R.



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