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State property tax rate remains the same

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Department of Revenue has set the 2011 State Real Property Tax Rate at 12.2 cents per \$100 of assessed value — the same rate as last year. Kentucky Revised Statute 132.020 requires the Department of Revenue to set the real property rate no later than July 1 of each year.

This rate is based on the revenue generated from the increase in taxable real property assessments from 2010 to 2011. If the increase in revenue is more than 4% after the exclusion of new property added to the tax roll during 2011, then the prior year rate must be reduced. Because the assessment increase for 2011 is estimated at 1.05%, the state rate will remain the same as the 2010 rate, 12.2 cents per \$100 of assessed value.

All of the revenue generated from the state property tax rate will go into the state's General Fund.

Feds indict Paintsville doctor

PIKEVILLE — A Paintsville physician indicted on illegal drug distribution charges in U.S. District Court could be forced to forfeit well over \$500,000 in cash, bank accounts and investment accounts, if found guilty.

Dr. Richard W. Albert is charged with conspiring with others to knowingly and intentionally distribute and dispense measurable quantities of Schedule II controlled substances without legitimate medical purpose and outside the usual course of professional practice from Jan. 1, 2008, through Feb. 16, 2011, in Johnson County.

According to the affidavit filed by the investigating agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), multiple complaints about excessive vehicle and foot traffic at the Care More Management pain clinic were filed with the Kentucky Attorney General's Office beginning in January of 2009. Based on surveillance, it was determined that

Albert appeared to be running a "pill mill" and the investigation began. On Jan. 22, 2009, the agent and others allegedly noticed that the majority of Albert's patients were present in the parking lot for most of the day, and several new arrivals went into the office later, stayed a

(See DOCTOR, page 9)

VISIT FROM FIRST LADY



Kentucky's First Lady Jane Beshear shook hands with Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center Career Technical Manager Dennis Conley before speaking at a meeting of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday. The meeting was held at the center.

Man killed in Martin County mine accident

INEZ — Four months after a miner died on the job in Martin County, another mine worker has lost his life.

Ryan K. Thatcher, 26, of Salyersville, died Monday night after allegedly suffering head injuries at the Voyager No. 7 mine in Martin County. The mine is owned by the Martin County Coal Corp.

According to information provided by the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet, "Initial reports indicate Mr. Thatcher was operating a track locomotive, pulling two carloads of supplies in the mine, when the accident occurred. There were no apparent witnesses to the accident. Officials with the Kentucky Office of Mine Safety and Licensing will begin the process of interviewing others who were working in the mine when the accident occurred. The mine remains closed as the investigation continues."

In March, Robert L. Cook, 54, of Inez, was killed at a mine in Martin County.

FEMA deadline approaching

The deadline for Floyd County residents to apply for Disaster Unemployment Assistance for weather-related jobless benefits is approaching, and those interested in applying have until July 22 to seek assistance.

According to officials from the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet, along with the Federal

Emergency Management Agency, individuals in Floyd County who lost work or whose businesses were closed due to severe weather that occurred beginning in the middle of April 2011, may be eligible for unemployment insurance benefits. Farmers and self-employed people, who are normally not eligible for unemployment insurance benefits, may qualify for disaster unemployment assistance.

All regular unemployment

insurance benefits must be exhausted or denied prior to applying for disaster benefits.

The Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet coordinates learning programs from P-16, and manages and supports training and employment functions in the Department of Workforce Investment.

For more information about services, visit www.education-cabinet.ky.gov or www.workforce.ky.gov.

Council OKs expansion of sewer project

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg City Council approved a resolution to finance the expansion of the city's \$2 million sewer project during a meeting Monday night.

The council had previously tabled the resolution to learn more about the project.

Eddie Campbell, with Prestonsburg City Utilities, attended the meeting and talked about the expansion, telling council members that it would include additional customers for water and sewer, along with the separation of the city's storm drains and sewers.

"We are going to be replacing sewer stations that are decades old and in dire need of

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College teams with local groups to provide health fairs next week

Spalding University, in Louisville, will conduct two free health fairs next week in Floyd County.

The first health fair will be held at Hand in Hand Ministries, in Auxier, on Wednesday, July 20, and

Thursday, July 21, starting at 9 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m.

The second health fair will be held at St. Martha's Church, in Prestonsburg, on Saturday, July 23, and Sunday, July 24. On Saturday, the health fair will open at 9 a.m. and close at 4 p.m. The Sunday hours are 1 to 5 p.m.

According to information

provided by Spalding University, "A variety of services will be offered that will provide a head-to-toe check-up, activities, games, recipes and health information."

The services will be provided by employees, volunteers and students from Spalding.

Wayland receives ARC planning grant

WAYLAND — While the \$6,000 awarded to the city of Wayland this month by the Appalachian Regional Commission is the smallest amount of the five grants, Mayor Jerry Fultz is very happy with the funding.

"Anytime a small town gets \$6,000, they're in good shape,"

Fultz said. "It was a wonderful thing. We need to plan for the future, and hopefully, this money will help us to do that. We will have public meetings so the citizens can tell us what they think the needs are. We will have the plan completed within six months and report back to Somerset. One of the big things we need is a website for the city of Wayland to highlight all



Wayland Mayor Jerry Fultz (center) accepted a check for \$6,000 in ARC funding at the Center for Rural Development in Somerset on July 7.

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Obituaries

Philip Morris Flannery

Philip Morris Flannery, 73, of East Point, died on July 9, 2011, at his residence. Born April 11, 1938, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Thomas and Jeanette Crider Flannery and husband of Wilma Sue Spencer Flannery. He was a produce manager for Kroger.

Survivors include three sons; Marvin Marsillett of Prestonsburg, Ernest Marsillett of East Point and Thomas Ray Flannery of Hager Hill and one daughter; Regina Flannery of East Point; one brother; William Flannery of Silver Lake, IN; one sister; Ann Elizabeth Davis of Prestonsburg; five grandchildren; Brennan, Mary Beth, McKenzie, McKayla and Cassie and one grandson; Dustin.

He was preceded in death by one brother; Marion Flannery.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Bobby Joe Spencer, Kenneth Daniels and Jody Spencer officiating. Burial followed at the Family Cemetery in East Point.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Gregory Glenn Gibson

Gregory Glenn Gibson, age 59, of Dana, passed away Sunday, July 10, 2011, in Clay City.

He was born April 14, 1952, in Prestonsburg, the son of the late Mont Gibson Jr. and Carlie Avis Samons Gibson. He was a member of the Little Salem Old Regular Baptist Church.

Gregory is survived by two sisters; Gloria G. McCoy of Clay City, Ky., and Greta Gay Gibson of Dana, Ky.

In addition to his parents, Gregory is preceded in death by his brother; Gary Gene Gibson and his sister by choice, Kathy Page.

Funeral services for Gregory Glenn Gibson will be held Wednesday, July 13 at 11:00 a.m. at the Little Salem Old Regular Baptist Church, Dana, Ky., with the Regular Baptist Ministers officiating. Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Ky., with Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements. Visitation will be held after 5:00 p.m. Monday at the church.

Jewell Rae Hensley Hager

Jewell Rae Hensley Hager, age 79, of Prestonsburg, widow of Walter Marvin Hager, passed away Saturday, July 9, 2011, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg, KY.

She was born June 5, 1932, in McAndrews, a daughter of the late Joseph Noble and Jesse Lee Rose Hensley. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by five sons; Gerry Hager and Ronald Hager, both of Flint, Mich.; Brian Hager and Tony Hager, both of Prestonsburg; and Terry Hager, of Martin; two daughters; Brenda Rohrer, of Pikeville, and Karen Montgomery, of Bowling Green; two brothers; Earl and Larry Hensley, both of Flint, Mich.; three sisters; Rosie Tucker, of West Palm, Fla.; Connie Hinch, of Ft. Myers, Fla.; and Margie Felice, Williamson, W. Va.; 10 grandchildren; and several great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 11, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with burial

following in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

Brigett Dawn Jones-Clemons

Brigett Dawn Jones-Clemons, age 47, of Hi Hat, passed away Friday, July 8, 2011, at the Greg and Noreen Wells Hospice Center, in Hazard.

Brigett was the wife of Terry Clemons and the daughter of Nora Lou Jones and the late Dennis "Bob" Jones. She is preceded in death by her son, Matthew Branham.

Brigett was a devoted wife, mother, sister and daughter. She loved her family and friends and always cherished the fact that she was from the coal-fields of Eastern Kentucky.

She is survived by her husband, Terry Clemons of Hi Hat; mother, Nora Lou Mathews Jones, of Hi Hat; daughter, Candi Branham Gilley (James), of Dorton; son, Cody Branham (Carissa) of Pikeville; stepson, Kevin Clemons (Jamie), of Wayland; brother, Brian Jones, of Hi Hat; special friend and sister-in-law, Audrey Jones, of Martin; grandchildren, Jared and Justin Gilley; niece, DeNora Jones; nephew, Presley Jones; and a host of family and friends.

Brigett is also survived by her biological brothers and sisters; Jeanette, Kenneth, Susie, Darlene, Rita, Freddie, Suzanne, Elisha and Virginia.

Funeral services for Brigett Dawn Jones-Clemons were held Sunday, July 10, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with Harold Clemons and Randall Short officiating. Entombment followed in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

Palbearers: Kevin Clemons, Presley Jones, James Gilley, Robbie Mathews, Greg Mathews, Steve Branham, Jimmy Mitchell, Gary Mitchell, Raymond Hale, Zach King, Lum Carr, Jr., Austin Johnson, Sherman Clemons, and Kenny Joe Stidham.

Jimmy Travis Little

Jimmy Travis Little, 44, of Prestonsburg, died on July 9, 2011, at his residence. Born June 12, 1967, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of Nola Riddle Little, of Virgie, and the late Jimmy Don Little. His fiancée was Jessica Shepherd. He was a heavy equipment and steam cleaning operator.

Survivors include one son; Bradley McCade Little, of Prestonsburg, one daughter; Megan Elizabeth Little, of Prestonsburg, one brother; Charles Little, of Elkhorn City, special uncle; Charles Hackworth; other survivors; Courtney Alison Shepherd, Jeremy Paul (Jessica Lynn) Shepherd and Hailey Madison Shepherd, and two nieces and one nephew.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; Esmond and Judy Little, and one aunt; Lucy Little Hackworth.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2011, at 2 p.m. at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. Burial will follow at Hackworth Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tammy Pratt

Tammy Pratt, 47, of Pinetop, died on July 9, 2011, at her residence. Born June 25, 1964, in Knott County, she was the daughter of Thomas and Bonnie Perry Smith and wife of

Benny Wayne Pratt. She was a cashier, and member of the Mount Olive Old Regular Baptist Church, in Pippa Passes.

Survivors include son and daughter; David Dwayne (Becky) Pratt of Pinetop, Kentucky; Brandy Danielle Slone of Pippa Passes, Kentucky; Brother; Robert Smith of Indiana; Sister; Teresa Webb of Florida; five grandchildren; Tamah, Chloe, Sydney Pratt & Whitney, Hailey Slone.

She was preceded in death by her brother; Timothy Smith.

Funeral services were held on Monday, July 11, 2011, at the Mount Olive Old Regular Baptist Church with Kelly Slone and others officiating. Burial followed at the Benny and Tammy Pratt Cemetery, at Pinetop.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pauline W. Vanover

Pauline W. Vanover, 84, of Wheelwright, died on July 10, 2011, at the Hazard Hospice Care Center. Born January 2, 1929, in Ligon, she was the daughter of the late Edna and Daisy Allen Waller and wife of the late Roscoe Vanover. She was a homemaker and member of the First Baptist Church of Wheelwright.

Survivors include two sons; Richard Michael Taylor and Keith (Beverly) Taylor both of Wheelwright; one brother; Johnny Walker of Tenn.; two sisters; Helene Hall and Gloria Bennett both of Cleveland, Ohio; four grandchildren; Michael Brian Taylor, Candice Taylor, Matthew Keith Taylor and Adam Wesley (Jennifer) Taylor and a host of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one brother; Bobby Walker and two sisters; Ruth "Boots" Childers and Audrey Hunt.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at 12 p.m. at the Wheelwright Free Will Baptist Church, with Louis Ferrari officiating. Burial will follow at the Little Cemetery, in Price.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Zelda Nelson Wallen

Zelda Nelson Wallen, 46, of Prestonsburg, died on July 9, 2011, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Born August 4, 1964, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Sam and Mildred Steele Nelson and wife of the late Wayne Wallen.

Survivors include two sons; Samuel Wayne Wallen and William Otis Wallen both of Prestonsburg; two daughters; Tiffany Wallen and Jamie Leighann Wallen both of Prestonsburg; three brothers; Vigus Samuel Nelson, William Douglas Nelson and James Nelson all of Prestonsburg; two sisters; Betty Lafferty of

Cattlesburg, and Nona Nelson of Johnson Co. and one granddaughter; Camilla Jayden RaeAnn Wallen.

She was preceded in death by one daughter; Camilla Elizabeth Wallen; two brothers; Grady

Edward Nelson and Robert Nelson and one sister; Brenda Greer.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at 11 a.m. at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with

Johnny Patton officiating. Burial will follow at Sam Nelson Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

UK HealthCare offers tips to prevent heat-related injuries and illness

When temperatures start to rise, the risk of heat-related illness rises as well.

As many as 400 people in the United States die each year from excessive heat stress, a completely preventable condition. And while heat stress may seem like a danger only to athletes or people who spend time outdoors, heat stress can just as easily harm someone inside their own home, regardless of their activity level.

Effects of heat stress

The human body normally cools itself by sweating. But in cases of extreme heat, the body's temperature control system can become overpowered to the degree that sweating can no longer cool the body and the sweating mechanism fails. In such cases, a person's body temperature can rise rapidly, up to as much as 106 degrees in 10 to 15 minutes. Very high body temperatures can damage the brain or other vital organs and can cause death or permanent disability.

People at high risk for heat-related illness:

- The elderly
- Infants and young children
- People with mental illness or chronic disease.
- People who are overweight.
- People who overexert during work or exercise.
- People who work or live in buildings with no air conditioning.

Even completely healthy people can suffer from heat-related illnesses. They need to stay hydrated and well-nourished and avoid excessive physical activity in hot weather.

Heat exhaustion and heat stroke

Heat exhaustion is a milder form of heat-related illness that can develop after several days of exposure to high temperatures and insufficient nourishment or hydration. It is characterized by heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, headache and nausea. Treatment for heat exhaustion includes plenty of rest in an air-conditioned facility, fluids, and a cool shower or bath.

Heat stroke is the most serious and life-threatening of all the heat-related illnesses. It is characterized

- by the following symptoms:
- An extremely high body temperature (above 103 degrees).
 - Red, hot and dry skin (lack of sweating).
 - Rapid, strong pulse.
 - Throbbing headache.
 - Dizziness.
 - Nausea.
 - Confusion.
 - Unconsciousness.
- How to help a heat-stroke victim**
- Get medical assistance as soon as possible.
 - Get the victim to a shady or air-conditioned area.
 - Cool victim rapidly using whatever methods you can: a tub of cool water or cool shower, garden hose, wet towels, etc.
 - Monitor body temperature and continue to cool the victim until his or her temperature drops to 102 degrees.
 - DO NOT give the victim fluids to drink.

- informed by listening to weather reports while keeping the following preventive factors in mind:
- Stay indoors where there is air conditioning. If you do not have air conditioning in your home, visit the public library or a shopping center for a few hours.
 - Take a cool shower or bath.
 - Don't engage in strenuous activities.
 - Drink plenty of water or other non-alcoholic fluids.
 - Stay nourished through a balanced diet.
 - Wear light, breathable clothing and, when outdoors, wear plenty of sunscreen.
 - Schedule outdoor activities carefully and pace yourself when you do go outside.
 - Monitor people at high risk.
 - Do not leave children or pets in cars, where temperatures can rise very rapidly.

Preventing heat-related injuries and illness

During hot weather it is important to take precautions to avoid heat-related risks. Keep updated and

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5:00-6:30 pm	Archer Park

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If you were here, would you tell me stories of you and my
Daddy back then
They tell me you loved to laugh and you
sometimes let him win
They tell me you loved to do something
I love to do
I sometimes sing on stage, would you come and
watch me too
Would you come down to my house and play with
me
Would you call me by my name or would you
call me Sis
Could I sit on your lap, would you hug me
Would you tell me that you loved me, with
all of your might
I know we would be best friends like my bunny and me
Cause I know that's how it was with you and Daddy
I feel like I know you, I see your pictures and regret
I miss you very much, even though we have never met
If you were here with me, I know your face would
shine with my dreams.
But for now I can only imagine, when I see
you in my dreams.

Written by Mackenzie Semons

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The Family of Kenneth Hall would like to express their gratitude for the thoughtful gifts, kind words and most of all, everyone's love and support through this difficult time.

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NATIONWIDE COMPANY IN PRESTONSBURG THIS WEEK PAYING CASH FOR GOLD, SILVER AND COINS.

By David Morgan
STAFF WRITER

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

Starting Monday at 9am and every day this week through Friday, the Ohio Valley Refinery is setting up a satellite refinery right here in Prestonsburg at the Comfort Suites. During their 5 day stay, anyone can bring gold, silver or platinum items and turn them in for immediate payment, explains John Miller. "Just about everybody has some amount of gold or silver just lying around collecting dust and this week anybody can sell their direct to our refinery. Typically selling direct to a refinery is reserved for larger wholesale customers like jewelry stores, pawn shops and laboratories" says Miller. "We are changing how business is done," he explains "we want to do business with everybody so we took our business to the streets". "Our teams visit various cities around the country hosting 5 day events and allowing the general public to take advantage of our services." The turnout has been overwhelming," says Miller. "Usually each day is busier than the previous day. It seems once people come to us and sell something, they are so amazed what an old ring or gold coin is worth, they go home and start digging around for more and telling relatives,



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

friends and neighbors. It's like a feeding frenzy by the third day. People line up with everything from gold jewelry to sterling silver flatware sets to old coins. I think during this bad economy everybody can use extra money, but most people say they are taking advantage of selling direct to our refinery because of the higher prices we pay".

During this special event, anyone is welcome to bring all types of gold, silver and platinum to the refinery and turn it in for instant payment. The types of items they will accept include all gold jewelry, gold coins, gold ounces, dental gold, gold coins made before 1965 including silver dollars, halves, quarters and dimes, anything marked "sterling" including flatware sets, tea pots, silver bars, silver ounces and all industrial precious metals.

What should you expect if you go to the event to sell your gold and/or silver? Just gather up all gold, silver and platinum in any form. If you are not sure

if it's gold or silver, bring it in and they will test it for free. When you arrive at the event you will be asked to fill out a simple registration card and will be issued a number. Seating will be available. When your number is called you will be escorted to a table where your items will be examined, tested and sorted. This only takes a few minutes, using their expertise and specialized equipment. Items will be counted and/or weighed. The value of the items will be determined based on up to the minute market prices. Live feeds will be available at the event displaying

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current market prices of all precious metals. If you choose to sell your items, they will be bagged and tagged and you will be escorted to the cashier to collect your payment. Waiting time to sell your items may range from just a few minutes to 1 hour, so bring something to read. If you are the owner of a jewelry store, pawn shop, dentist office or a dealer you are encouraged to call ahead to make an appointment with the smelt master to discuss their special dealer programs. They can be reached during Refinery hours at (217) 787-7767.

Ohio Valley Refinery will open for business Monday from 9am-6pm. The event continues every day through Friday. No appointment is needed for the general public.

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SILVER AND GOLD COIN PRICES UP DURING POOR ECONOMY.

Collectors and enthusiasts in Prestonsburg will \$200,000 to Purchase Yours!

By Ken McIntosh
STAFF WRITER

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

Collectors will be on hand to identify and sort your coins. Then the quality or grade will be determined. The better the grade the more they are worth, according to collectors I talked to. With the silver and gold markets high, prices of older coins are too. Any coins minted before 1965 in the U.S. are 90% silver, except nickels and pennies.

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

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

The government opened the first mints and began distributing the coins in 1792. By the beginning of the 19th

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- Gold Coins
- Silver Dollars
- Industrial Precious Metals
- Platinum Jewelry
- All Types of Platinum

century, coins and paper currency were wide spread and our monetary system was here to stay. In 1933 Roosevelt required all banking institutions to turn in all gold coins. Once all banks turned in this gold, the president raised the gold standard from \$20.00 per ounce to \$33.00 per ounce. This was his way of stimulating the economy during the great depression. However, gold coins were never redistributed after the recall. But not all gold coins were turned in. "Many folks during that time didn't completely trust the government and chose to keep their gold" said Eades.

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

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

COINS: All coins made before 1965; silver and gold coins, dollars, halves, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. All conditions wanted!

VINTAGE GUITARS: Martin, Gibson, Fender, National, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, Mandolins, Banjos & others

WRIST & POCKET WATCHES: Rolex, Tiffany, Hublot, Omega, Chopard, Cartier, Philippe, Walkham, Swatch, Elgin, Bunn Special, Railroad, Ebel, Illinois, Hamilton & all others

JEWELRY: Gold, silver, platinum, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, all types of stones and metals, rings, bracelets, necklaces, etc. (including broken and early costume jewelry)

WAR MEMORABILIA: Revolutionary War, Civil War, WWI, WWII, etc; swords, badges, clothes, photos, medals, knives, gear, letters.

Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2,400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.

LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE READY TO CASH IN!

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

By David Morgan
STAFF WRITER

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

The team of buyers this week are purchasing a vast array of vintage items, along with the coins, gold jewelry and sterling silver items the refinery deals in. It is a local shot in the arm for our economy—the spokesperson for the event expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week at the Comfort Suites, paying local residents on the spot. The spokesperson for the company has explained that these collectors are paying collector prices for the vintage items and it is great way for people to get a great value for their items.



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

Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

An egotist is a person of low taste — more interested in himself than in me.

— Ambrose Bierce

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Guest View

It's time to lead

When was the last time the United States defaulted on its debt? We never have, but all that could change on August 2 if lawmakers in Washington, D.C. fail to raise the nation's debt ceiling as part of a package to get our massive \$14 trillion debt under control. It seems, though, that our elected leaders can't grow up enough to get a deal done.

We were told two weeks ago, just after President Obama and House Speaker John Boehner hit the links together, that a deal would be on the way. What was announced was a \$4 trillion deal that depended partly upon spending cuts and partially on tax increases in the form of closing tax loopholes.

Over the weekend, though, Republican lawmakers such as Kentucky Sen. Mitch McConnell, the Senate Minority Leader, said that deal was off the table while citing the Democrats' insistence on increased tax revenue for higher income taxpayers. He said a smaller deal could still be possible.

"Everything they've told me and the speaker is that to get a big package would require big tax increases in the middle of the economic situation," McConnell told Fox News on Sunday, adding that he thought raising any taxes is a "terrible idea."

President Obama contends that the GOP plan to cut entitlements such as Medicare and Social Security and leave tax rates where they are places too much of the burden on the middle class.

So, it seems as a nation we're hurtling toward default, and the only plan now is to kick the can down the road for a few months because a very few people elected by the many are failing to come to a consensus.

This seems to us to be one of those times when politics needs to take a back seat to the needs of the people. First, we need to be able to pay our bills, but we also need to balance that need with other necessities such as health care, education and defense. President Obama is correct when he says we can't fix this deficit he has helped create on the backs of the middle class and seniors. We necessarily need new tax revenue, whether Sen. McConnell and his fellow lawmakers want to admit it or not.

These times are tough, and like we've heard ad nauseum for the past few months, our elected leaders are going to have to make some tough decisions on behalf of the taxpayers. One of those tough decisions should be to close corporate tax loopholes and end subsidies to industries that do not need them. And at the same time we're going to need to slash spending on programs like Medicare that take up large swaths of the budget.

The term "belt tightening" has become a popular one in both Frankfort and Washington, D.C., and we think

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Guest Column

A legislative perspective

by REP. GREG STUMBO
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

One of the General Assembly's top priorities this year — fixing a short-term deficit in Medicaid while putting the program on a path toward long-term savings — took a major, even historic, step forward last Thursday.

That morning, Governor Beshear announced three companies had been hired to manage the care of most of those enrolled in Medicaid. These companies are joining Passport, a state-created entity that has already been doing the same type of work in Jefferson and 15 surrounding counties for more than a decade.

In addition to maintaining if not improving care, this approach is expected to save the state and federal government \$1.3 billion over the next three years. On top of that, the three new companies say they will create more than 500 jobs as they establish operations here.

As you may recall, the driving force behind this change

began late last fall, when Congress did not provide as much federal funding as Kentucky and about two dozen other states were expecting. That left a sizable gap in last fiscal year's Medicaid budget and little time to overcome it as constitutionally required before the year ended June 30th.

The law that the Kentucky House proposed and that was ultimately adopted moved money forward to overcome the deficit, which measured several hundred million dollars. In turn, the law also set the stage for last week's announcement, ensuring that Medicaid will finish this year in the black as well.

We're able to realize these savings because the companies agree to take the Medicaid enrollees at a set, per-person cost that is lower than the fee-for-service plan that the state had been paying. In assuming this risk, the companies will work to catch problems before they become more difficult — and more expensive — to treat. As a result, there will be a much greater emphasis on such preventive programs as smoking cessation efforts and health screenings; there will also attempt to decrease unnecessary ER visits.

Those enrolled in Passport will see no change for at least a year, the length of the contract the state has signed. Many of those outside of the region, however, will be assigned to one of the three available plans by October 1st, but they will be able to switch if another plan seems more appropriate. Those in nursing homes and who are severely disabled will see no change in their care.

State officials have been working with advocacy groups and will spend the next several months educating those enrolled who will be affected. The state has also established a managed care oversight branch that will work to make sure that the companies are upholding their end of the deal.

The General Assembly will maintain strict oversight as well. We want to make sure that care remains consistent across the state and that the savings are truly realized.

The next few months promise to be a whirlwind for Medicaid, but the end result is that the program will be better tooled for the long haul. If you are involved with this transition in any way, I encourage you to stay informed and, if possible, help others understand this change as well.

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

The manufacturing sector has been in decline for years, but that appears to be changing.

The U.S. private sector recorded the largest employment gains in five years in April, according to the online business journal mftrech.com. Manufacturing jobs increased by 29,000, for a total of 250,000 net new jobs added by manufacturing since Dec. 2009, the journal reports. And some of these new jobs are coming to Kentucky.

Just last month Asahi Bluegrass Forge Corp. broke ground for a new 69,000 square foot manufacturing facility in Richmond that will bring 50 new jobs and over \$20.3 million in investment to Kentucky. Industrial manufacturer Eaton has opened two new high-tech data centers in Louisville and Simpsonville, with more manufacturing growth plans announced every couple weeks.

These manufacturers are coming to Kentucky because Kentucky has workers with

skills the companies need. The problem is there are not enough skilled workers here to meet manufacturers' demand as companies rebound from the recession. Recognizing this, Gov. Beshear has made expanded job training a focus of his administration, working with local and state officials to provide funding for expanded training in urban and rural areas.

Just last month the governor announced \$1 million in combined funds for construction of a new 9,000 square foot community education and training center in Sharsburg, located in Bath County. The governor said the facility will "help community members learn and be better prepared for the 21st century workplace."

Stories of funding for training and retraining of Kentucky's manufacturing workforce can be found in every region of the state through the Kentucky Community and Technical College System. One major success story of KCTCS is found in Boone County at Gateway CTC, which is home to a new Center for Advanced Manufacturing designed to serve Northern Kentucky's rapidly expanding manufacturing needs. The 103,000 square-foot center is

expected to train and retrain up to 10,000 workers for as many as 400 companies a year by 2015, according to Gateway.

Programs like those at Gateway, which lawmakers had an opportunity to visit during a recent committee tour, are in strong demand by local companies like Mazak, a manufacturer of over 100 models of factory machine tools in Florence. The company recently started a \$9-million expansion to keep up with international demand of its productivity-improving machine tools. The trouble is that Mazak can't get skilled laborers fast enough. On a tour of the plant, lawmakers were told that the plant has 80 openings it needs to fill right now but can't because it can't find enough workers.

Mazak is not alone. There are at least 500 other job openings for skilled manufacturing workers in Northern Kentucky right now that can't be filled until more individuals are trained through facilities like Gateway. The jobs that are in demand at these manufacturing facilities in Kentucky are not low-paying or low-skilled. Welders earn an average salary of \$36,630 while welding-machine operators earn

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

AARP Boat Ride
Jenny Wiley Chapter 3528 of AARP will meet at 5:30 Tuesday, July 19, at Dewey Lake Marina to enjoy a pontoon boat ride and tour of Dewey Lake. All members and friends of AARP are invited.

Gospel singing
Unity Christian Church, located at Happy Hollow in West Prestonsburg, will host a gospel singing on Saturday, July 16, at 7 p.m. Special guests will be Followers of the Way, from Corbin.

Free clothes and household giveaway
The Middle Creek Ladies Auxiliary will give free clothes and household items to anyone in need on the following days:
• Friday, July 22, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
• Saturday, July 23, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
The giveaway will take place at the Old Middle Creek Fire Department, on Route 114.
For more information,

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around \$34,170, according to the U.S. Department of Labor estimates. The estimated average annual salary for machinists is around \$38,940, while tool and die makers earn an estimated average salary of \$48,730. But before someone can land one of these jobs, they have to be trained at facilities like Gateway.

Getting basic skills through technical programs while still in high school is an idea I and many other Kentuckians support. And support for career and technical education is not something being advocated only in Kentucky. There is a national cry for more funding for career and technical education as demand for this training has increased.

We need to do more to train and retrain, in the U.S. and in every part of Kentucky. Our region recognizes this need and is answering the call through different technical programs, but we can always do more. The demand for education and technical jobs is there. Let us do what it takes to meet the demand while it lasts.

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There is still space available for 4-H Camp at the discounted price of \$125. Contact Heather Nelson, 4-H Agent, at the Floyd County Extension Office, (606) 886-2668, for information on how to sign up.

Camp will take place July 25 to 28. Campers must be signed up by July 20.

Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people, regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

Watts reunion
The 59th Watts reunion will be held July 31, at Shelter 2 in Natural Bridge State Resort Park, at Slade. All Watts family members with ties to Eastern Kentucky are invited. For more information, call (606) 871-9291 or visit www.watts-reunion.org.

Betsy Layne High School reunion
The Betsy Layne High School classes of the 1930s, 1940s, 1950s, and 1960s will hold a reunion dinner on Saturday, August 6, 2011. For information contact - Joe Hinchman 859-373-0518; Marvin Williamson 606-478-3310; Gene Davis 606-874-2873; or Dan Crum 606-285-9312.

Porter reunion
The annual Patrick Porter reunion will be held Saturday, July 16, at the senior citizens center in

Nickellsville, Va. Doors open at 10 a.m., with the reunion lasting from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Pot-luck lunch, so bring your favorite dish. For more info, contact Carol Laferty, (606) 776-2126, or Bill Porter, (276) 395-6288.

Free Parenting Classes
To determine eligibility, call John 791-9887.

Communities Against Drug Addition
Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addition meets at 5:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month, at Allen Baptist Church.

Autism Awareness & Support Group
2nd Monday of each month, Calvarys Call Church, Lancer, Ky. (6-7 p.m.). Contact: Billie Chain, eastkyautismawareness@gmail.com

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

Non-profit agency needs foster parents
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Auxier Learning Center offers home repair aid
Need help with home repairs? The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help. We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you or someone you know are low income and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by the office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00. Must provide proof of income and ownership.

Foster parent info
Benchmark Family Services is offering a free informational session for

anyone interested in becoming a foster parent. If you have ever wanted to help a child in need, this is your chance. Monday, Jan. 24, at 10 a.m. and Wednesday, Jan. 26, at 5 p.m. at Benchmark Family Services Office. For more information, please call (606) 886-0163.

FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes

The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall gentle exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. at May Drive, just off 1428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

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

- Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.
- Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.
- Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.
- Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
- Thursdays, at Allen

Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
For more information, call Shirley Combs at (606) 434-8400, or Tom Nelson at (606) 478-2836.

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Hope in the Mountains

Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Water Gap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church.

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.
Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

Democratic Woman's Club meets at May Lodge The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m., at Prestonsburg City Hall

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party! The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a

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Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Made From Country at Heart. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354.

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

Senior employment program

Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

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Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call 886-6025 for more information.

Overeater's Anonymous - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red light. Call 889-9620 for more info.

US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

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A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adop-

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tive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Stone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: dostonel@eastky.net.

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Nairn graduates from Rogers Scholars program



Lauren Hayes, far left, youth programs coordinator, and Lonnie Lawson, president and CEO of The Center for Rural Development, present Rogers Scholars graduate Tori Nairn of Floyd County with a certificate of recognition acknowledging her completion in the program. Nairn, a student at The Pianist School, graduated from the first class of 2011 Rogers Scholars held June 26-July 1 on the grounds of The Center in Somerset.

SOMERSET — Floyd County's Victoria Nairn has graduated from this summer's first class of the Center for Rural Development's 2011 Rogers Scholars youth leadership program.

The Rogers Scholars program—the Center's flagship youth program—provides leadership and scholarship opportunities for rising high school juniors from across Southern and Eastern Kentucky and encourages graduates to build their careers in the region.

"Rogers Scholars has taught me that I can do things I never thought possible," Nairn, 16, a student at The Pianist School, said. "The program has greatly increased my self-confidence and given me the self-confidence to be able to lead different things in my school and in my communi-

ty."

The first summer session of Rogers Scholars was held June 26-July 1 on the grounds of The Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

Lonnie Lawson, president and CEO of The Center, and Lauren Hayes, youth programs coordinator, presented certificates of recognition to the 36 graduates on the final day of the week-long program acknowledging their accomplishments during an awards ceremony and graduation program.

"The Rogers Scholars program, one of our Leadership Focus Area programs, is changing the lives of high school students all across Southern and Eastern Kentucky," Lawson said. "Rogers Scholars graduates are our future leaders and entrepreneurs and hope for a brighter tomorrow."

Students apply during their sophomore year and attend the Rogers Scholars program before the start of their junior year in high school.

The one-week summer program gives students a chance to grow their leadership and entrepreneurial skills, learn from professional business leaders, and explore their interests in one of Rogers Scholars' three majors: engineering, video production, and healthcare.

Graduates of the program also earn access to exclusive college scholarship offers from some of the state's top-ranked colleges and universities.

"I am so blessed and honored to share the Rogers Scholars experience with such amazing representatives from our 42-county primary service area," Hayes said. "I saw how much potential these students have, and it is such an encouragement to watch them grow and develop into mature adults, but still be kids at heart."

Nairn is the daughter of Trent and Robin Nairn of Prestonsburg.

Since 1998, approximately 770 high school students have graduated from Rogers Scholars, and poten-

tic scholarships valued at more than \$7.2 million have been offered to graduates from 15 participating partner colleges and universities. The University of Kentucky and Western Kentucky University are the latest institutions to join that list.

Established in 1996 through the vision of U.S. Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers, (KY-05), and other leaders, The Center for Rural Development is a nonprofit organization fueled by a mission to provide leadership that stimulates innovative and sustainable economic develop-

ment solutions and a better way of life in Southern and Eastern Kentucky. In its 42-county primary service region, The Center provides innovative programs in leadership, public safety, technology, and arts and culture. The Center is committed to constantly expanding its capabilities in order to deliver a range of key services throughout Kentucky and the nation.

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Jonathan Brock Kidd is a 2006 graduate of J.H. Allen Central High School and a recent graduate of the University of Kentucky. Kidd completed his undergraduate degree with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in civil engineering. He participated in the UK December 2010 graduation ceremony and was recognized as having graduate Magna Cum Laude in civil engineering and as a graduate of the UK Honors Program, with emphasis in Classical Western World Philosophy. Kidd currently serves as the president of the Kentucky Alpha Chapter of the Chi Epsilon Civil Engineering Honors Society, as vice president of the UK chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and as an active member of Tau Beta Pi, an engineering honor society. He is presently assisting at the university as a research assistant in geotechnical engineering and will complete his Master's Degree in December. Kidd has earned the certification of Engineer in Training and works part-time delivering his professional services back to the region at Summit Engineering, in both the Pikeville and Lexington offices. Kidd is the son of Craig and Laura Kidd, the grandson of Walter and Gail Kidd, the grandson of Billy and Rebecca Hamilton, and the great grandson of Veda Hamilton.

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Rep. Henderson to file bill penalizing those delaying reports of missing children

FRANKFORT — In the wake of this week's conclusion in the Casey Anthony murder trial in Florida, state Rep. Richard Henderson is pre-filing legislation that would make it a felony for those who fail to report children 12 and under who have been missing more than 12 hours.

"My bill will hopefully help us avoid situations like Casey's daughter Caylee, whose disappearance went unreported for so long," said Rep. Henderson, D-Jeffersonville. "I want to make sure that parents, guardians or anyone who is responsible for a child understands there are serious repercussions if they choose to delay filing a report."

House Speaker Greg Stumbo called Rep. Henderson's proposal "a very good idea. We must do whatever we can to ensure the protection of our young children."

Rep. Henderson's legislation, which will be considered during the 2012 Regular Session and be called Caylee's Law, would make this failure to report a Class D felony, which carries a one to five years in prison.

His legislation would bridge what he called "a gray area" in current law regarding missing children. There is

no timetable for filing a report with authorities, but the law does prohibit parents, guardians or any other responsible adult from abandoning children.

"Ideally, every parent out there will quickly call the police when they suspect their children are missing, but if they don't within a reasonable time, my bill will give the state recourse when a search is needlessly delayed," Rep. Henderson said. "When dealing with a potentially life-or-death matter, I want to make sure we err on the side of the children."



Steven Bradley May, the 18-year-old son of Wayne and Sharon May, of Prestonsburg, a recent graduate of Prestonsburg High School, was the recipient of three scholarships during awards night at the school. In addition to the \$1,000 scholarship which is awarded annually by Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&M, to a graduating senior of PHS who would be attended Big Sandy Community and Technical College, he has received the \$800 Presidential Scholarship from BSCTC and also the Chad Goodman Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,200. He will attend the Prestonsburg campus of BSCTC.

PSC renews warning against copper theft

The electrocution of a man who allegedly was attempting to steal copper wire from an electric substation highlights just how dangerous this illegal activity can be, the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) said today.

A 22-year-old man was killed early Thursday at an electric substation in McCreary County. According to news reports, the man had taken copper from a Kentucky Utilities Co. substation and was attempting to do the same at a nearby East Kentucky Power Cooperative facility when he was killed.

Although the number of fatal incidents has declined in recent years, copper theft remains a problem for electric and telephone companies across Kentucky, with regular reports of thefts and resulting service disruptions.

"This crime poses a threat to more than just the perpetrators," PSC

Recent fatality shows danger of this illegal activity

Chairman David Armstrong said. "It endangers utility employees and members of the public as well."

In a number of cases, theft or damage to telecommunication lines has created lengthy outages in phone service, including 911 emergency service, Armstrong said.

Copper theft began increasing with rising prices for the metal about five years ago. In 2006 and 2007, at least six electrocutions in Kentucky were the result of copper theft.

Thefts declined in 2008 when the price of copper fell dramatically, but the problem has returned as the price of copper has rebounded in the last two years. The price is now higher than it was in 2006.

Plumbing and wiring in

vacant buildings, coils in air conditioning units and telecommunication lines also have been targeted by copper thieves. But, as the incident last week demonstrates, thefts from electric facilities continue.

"Electric facilities are very dangerous places for anyone without proper training or equipment," Armstrong said. "It is not worth risking your life for a few dollars worth of copper."

Furthermore, finding a buyer for stolen copper is becoming increasingly difficult, Armstrong said. In recent years, Kentucky has passed laws designed to make it harder to sell stolen scrap metals, and most reputable metal recyclers will not purchase material they think might be stolen, he

said. Copper theft creates a number of problems for utilities and their customers, including outages and reliability problems. Damage to facilities can pose hazards to repair workers. Repairing and replacing equipment imposes a cost on the utility company.

"There is any number of good reasons not to attempt the theft of copper from electric or telecommunication facilities," Armstrong said. "But the most important are that it is illegal and it can get you killed."

The PSC is an independent agency attached for administrative purposes to the Energy and Environment Cabinet. It regulates more than 1,500 gas, water, sewer, electric and telecommunication utilities operating in Kentucky and has approximately 100 employees.

UK-led research could be path to new energy sources

LEXINGTON — A team of researchers led by University of Kentucky College of Agriculture Professor Joe Chappell is making a connection from prehistoric times to the present that could result in being able to genetically create a replacement for oil and coal shale deposits. This could have fundamental implications for the future of the earth's energy supply.

Tom Niehaus, completing his doctorate in the Chappell laboratory; Shigeru Okada, a sabbatical professor from the aquatic biosciences department at the University of Tokyo; Tim Devarenne, a UK graduate and now professor of biochemistry and biophysics at Texas A&M University; and UK colleagues, Chappell, David Watt, professor of cellular and molecular biochemistry (College of Medicine) and

his post-doctoral associate Vitaliy Sviripa had an important paper published today in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS). Their research findings go well beyond the basic science dealing with the origins of oil and coal.

While scientists previously established that oil and coal have their roots in the organisms that lived on the planet over 500 million years ago, researchers only are sure of one organism that directly contributed to

these natural resources. That organism is the algae *Botryococcus braunii* which left behind its chemical fingerprints — an oil that over geological time has turned into oil and coal shale deposits.

"Even more exciting is that this unique algae, *B. braunii*, still exists today and has been the target of studies from the large chemical and petrochemical industries," said Chappell.

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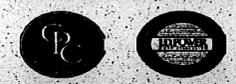
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Martin woman joins Teach for America

NEW YORK — Teach For America announced today that Kellie Farthing, a Martin native, has been accepted to the organization's 2011 corps. Teach For America is the national corps of top recent college graduates who commit to teach for two years in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders in the pursuit of educational equity.

Kellie Farthing is a 2007 graduate of Allen Central High School and 2011 graduate of University of Kentucky. Farthing will teach in Appalachia.

This year, Teach For America's talent pool was the most competitive ever: Nearly 48,000 individuals applied, and 11 percent were accepted. Applicants included 12 percent of Ivy League seniors, 10 percent of seniors at Howard University, 8 percent at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, and 5 percent at

the University of Texas at Austin. Farthing joins Teach For America's incoming corps of 5,200 new teachers. These corps members earned an average undergraduate GPA of 3.6, and 100 percent held leadership positions while in college.

This year's incoming corps members represent a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences, but they share extraordinary leadership ability and a deep commitment to ensuring that all children have the opportunity to reach their fullest potential," said Wendy Kopp, founder and CEO of Teach For America. "We are excited to be channeling the energy of such a diverse corps into teaching in urban and rural public schools and into the long-term effort to achieve educational excellence and equity."

The diversity of the 2011 corps reflects Teach For

America's focus on recruiting individuals who share the racial and socioeconomic backgrounds of the students it reaches. One-third of incoming corps members identify as people of color, including 12 percent who are African American and 8 percent who are Hispanic. Twenty-two percent are the first in their family to graduate from college, and nearly one-third received Pell Grants. Twenty-three percent are graduate students or professionals.

A growing body of rigorous research demonstrates the effectiveness of Teach For America corps members in the classroom. Recent studies from Louisiana, North Carolina, and Tennessee found that corps members have a positive impact on student achievement. The Tennessee study identified Teach For America as the most effective of the state's 42 teacher-preparation pro-

grams, with corps members demonstrating a greater impact on student achievement than the average new teacher in every evaluated subject area.

Teach For America is building a strong pipeline of leaders in education. Two-thirds of the organization's alumni are working full-time in the field, with more than 550 alumni serving as school principals or school system leaders. In addition, many alumni are launching innovative efforts to expand educational opportunity.

Teach For America is the national corps of outstanding recent college graduates who commit to teach for two years in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders in expanding educational opportunity. This fall, 9,300 corps members will be teaching in 43 regions across the country, while nearly 24,000 Teach For America alumni continue

working from inside and outside the field of education for the fundamental changes necessary to ensure

educational excellence and equity. For more information, visit www.teachforamerica.org.

Project

replacement for collection ability," Campbell said. "We are also going to be extending service to Lakeview Estates, Station Branch, from Worldwide Equipment to Allen Elementary, and the mouth of Daniels Creek at Banner.

Ninety percent of the project will consist of wastewater work, and the remaining 10 percent will include water treatment.

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One of the best parts of the project, Campbell said, is that it will utilize in-house workers.

"We are doing this with our people," Campbell said. "There's no bidding of the contracts or anything. It provides substantial savings and helps keep the dollars here in Prestonsburg, and that's something that the city council really supports."



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few minutes, and left. The subjects reportedly left holding what appeared to be green prescriptions. Albert and his staff were also seen coming out of the office to speak with the patients in the parking lot. The patients were observed to limp or stagger into Albert's office

and later exited with the green prescriptions not limping or staggering.

Also according to the investigation, a technician with East Kentucky Diagnostics said that 90 to 99 percent of Albert's patients did not need medication.

Albert was reportedly living in the Ramada Inn in Paintsville during the time of the investigation and also traveled to Winchester to Kentucky Bariatric, where he was also employed. Albert allegedly traveled from Paintsville to Winchester every Thursday

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evening and was housed in a local motel. When the owners of Kentucky Bariatric learned that Albert was seeing patients outside his motel on Thursday nights, his employment was terminated. Along with the forfeiture, Albert faces up to 20 years in prison and a fine of up to \$1 million. If Albert has a prior felony conviction, then he faces up to 30 years in prison and a \$2 million fine.

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of the positives that we have going on."

Louise Lawson, president and CEO of The Center, announced the grant recipients and presented \$46,000 in mini-grants to the winning communities at a strategic planning and awards ceremony held Thursday, July 7, at The Center Rural Development, in Somerset.

Along with Wayland, the other recipients were the

Letcher County Tourism and Convention commission, McCreary County Fiscal Court, Morgan County Fiscal Court and Wayne County Fiscal Court. All of the other recipients received \$10,000 in ARC funds.

The funds can be used for either the successful creation of a strategic plan or the implementation of priority community development projects identified in exist-

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ing strategic plans. All projects must be completed within six months.

"Many communities in southern and Eastern Kentucky have a vision for the future, but may lack the funding in these tough economic times to carry out their plans," Lawson said. "Thanks to ARC and The Center, these communities will receive the funding support needed to bring their plans to fruition."

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This team of investigators isolated the necessary genes, characterized the biochemical traits encoded by these genes, and then genetically engineered yeast to produce this very high-value oil. This work has provided the first example of recreating a true direct replacement for oil and coal shale deposits.

Chappell said, "This rep-

resents the culmination of an outstanding effort to understand a fundamental process that has direct ramifications for a real-world problem - how are we going to generate a truly renewable biofuel supply?"

Devarene added, "This study identifies a very

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remarkable molecular mechanism for the production of hydrocarbons that, as far as we can tell, is not found in any other organism. Thus, it offers a unique insight into how hydrocarbons were produced hundreds of millions of years ago."

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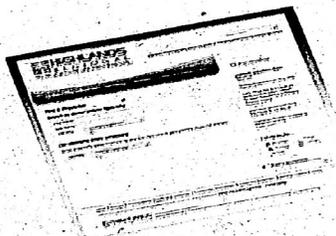
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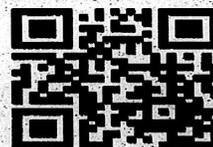


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John Calipari Basketball Camps filling up fast

Draft picks from UK to visit pro camps

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Spots for the remaining University of Kentucky men's basketball camps including Overnight Camp and the Prasco John Calipari pro camps are filling up fast.

Scheduled for July 24-27, the Overnight Camp will be dedicated to helping each camper have a tremendous amount of fun while learning new techniques, improving skills, games and much more. Cost for the camps are \$420 for Overnight Campers and \$340 for Day Campers. Included in the cost are daily breakfast, lunch and dinner, camp t-shirt, team and individual awards and an autograph opportunity.

The Prasco pro camps, scheduled for July 28-30, will feature Brandon Knight on July 28, DeAndre Liggins on July 29 and Josh Harrellson on July 30. All camps will take place in the Joe Craft Center practice facility and Memorial Coliseum. Former UK All-American, and current Detroit Piston, Tayshaun Prince will also be present at this year's camp. Camps will run from 9 a.m.

noon for children K-6th grade, and 2-5 p.m. for campers 7-12th grade. Each former Wildcat player will attend one full day of camp for both age groups, with the exception of Prince, who will participate all three days. Additionally, former UK stars currently playing in the NBA will stop by for autograph opportunities throughout the three-day period. Cost for all three days for either morning or afternoon session is

\$199. For more information, call Linda Cannaack at 859-257-1916 or go online to www.ukathletics.com/camps. Camps in Cordia: Former University of Kentucky men's basketball player Rod Rhodes will host a camp Aug. 1-4 at Cordia High School. An NBA veteran, Rhodes was named head coach at Cordia High School in June. He is set to guide the Lions in the 14th Region during the 2011-12 season.

Kinzer finishes eighth in Southern Nationals opener

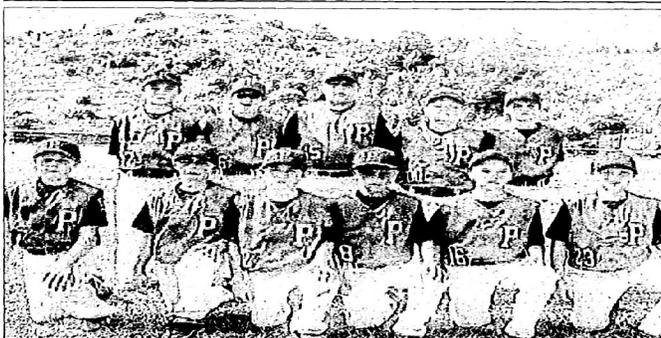
Georgia race awaits veteran Allen-based Late Model driver

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

RURAL RETREAT, Va. — Veteran Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer turned in an eighth-place finish Monday night in the Schaeffer Oil Southern Nationals Series season-opener at Wythe Raceway. Austin Dillon won the feature race, picking up a \$3,500 first-place purse. The rest of the Top 10 was comprised of Chris Madden (2), Dennis Franklin (3), Ty Dillon (4), Tim Dohm (5), Chip Brindle (6), Keanie Compton (7), Johnathan Davenport (9) and Tony Knowles (10).

Franklin grabbed the lead on the initial start of the race, but a four-lap pile-up on the first lap caused a total restart. The race was red-flagged on lap six due to rain and was delayed for over two hours. When the feature finally restarted, Davenport, Brindle, and Donald Bradsher were relegated to the tail end of the lead lap cars after changing tires during the red-flag period. Chris Madden, who went to a back-up car following time trials, rallied from last to second to finish behind only NASCAR Camping World Truck Series star Austin Dillon. Dillon was able to beat a hard-charging Madden by a half-straightaway. Consolation races were scrapped earlier in the night when impending weather caused the entire field to be set via time trials. The Schaeffer Oil Southern Nationals Series was staging a race on Tuesday at the Carolina Speedway in Gastonia, North Carolina.

Kinzer will venture south later in the week for a \$4,000-to-win Southern All-Stars Dirt Racing Series feature race at Boyd's Speedway in Ringgold, Ga., Friday night.



Adams Middle announces football signups

PRESTONSBURG — Adams Middle School will conduct football signups for players in grades 5-8 on Saturday (July 16) at the Prestonsburg High School Football Fieldhouse from 9 a.m.-Noon. All players should bring a current copy of their insurance card to the signups. For more information, call Coach Jamie Howell at 606-886-9797.

GameDay Ready Tour to visit Pikeville

LEXINGTON — After a successful five-city tour last summer and a trip to Ethiopia this summer, University of Kentucky football head coach Joker Phillips has announced the GameDay Ready Tour will make two additional stops in July in Pikeville and Covington.

Phillips, along with members of the UK coaching staff and UK marketing department, will take the fun and interactive tour to Pikeville's Bob Amos Track on Sunday, July 17 and Covington's Randolph Park on Tuesday, July 19. Both stops will feature the same activities with Pikeville's registration opening at 1 p.m. ET and Covington's registration starting at 4:30 p.m. ET with football activities beginning an hour after registration begins. Admission to both stops is free.

The events are open to youth entering their eighth-grade year or below. Youth will get to participate in various football skills and related drills (agility, pass, kick, 40-yard dash, vertical jump, etc.).

Each youth that participates in the event will receive a free GameDay Ready gear pack that includes a shirt, water bottle and other UK items (while supplies last). There will also be a post-event snack for the youth, while Phillips will address the crowd on how to be GameDay Ready.

The football activities are intended for children seven years of age or above. However the event will have a family friendly atmosphere with music, giant inflatable games and other activities for children age six and under.

Last summer, Phillips held a successful five-city tour in the state of Kentucky, visiting Hyden, Central City,

(See GAMEDAY, page 2)

HEADED TO STATE TOURNEY

The Prestonsburg Senior League All-Stars will compete in the State Tournament after claiming the District 7 championship.

LITTLE LEAGUE DISTRICT 7 CHAMPIONS

The Paintsville 9-10-Year-Olds captured the District 7 championship last week at StoneCrest SportsPark.

KHSAA distributes more than \$20,000 in royalties to member schools

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) member schools benefitted in the first year of a royalty program with the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) and Licensing Resource Group (LRG), a trademark licensing company with nearly 20 years of experience managing trademark licensing programs

for more than 150 colleges and universities, athletic conferences and athletic organizations nationwide.

The program was created to help the KHSAA's 278 member schools collect revenues from royalties collected on merchandise sold at local and national retailers featuring the NFHS logo. The officially licensed hang tags, a creation of LRG similar to hang tags that appear on collegiate merchandise, are indi-

vidually numbered and track the sale each apparel item, as well as where it originated. Nationally the program distributed more than \$1 million in profits in the first year. The KHSAA distributed \$20,635.75 to its member schools in 240 separate distribution checks.

"While there is no doubt these are challenging economic times for our member schools, we are excited to give them a new revenue source

they can use to support their extracurricular programs," said KHSAA Commissioner Julian Tackett. "We really didn't know what to expect in the first year (of the program) especially since we were not a part of it for the entire year. While the royalty amounts vary by school, we are more than pleased with the way things went and we only expect it to increase as more retailers come on board."

National retailers and

regional retailers who belong to the LRG program include Wal-Mart, Walgreens, Kids, Meijer, Dollar General, Hibbett Sports, Dunham's Sports and Kroger.

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H.S. baseball rules changes emphasize responsibility of coaches

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Rules changes approved by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Baseball Rules Committee will place more responsibility on coaches for rules-compliant player equipment, effective with the 2012 high school baseball season.

At its June 5-7 meeting in Indianapolis, the committee also took steps to define a new tamper-evident protocol for non-wood bats. All changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

Prior to the start of each game, each head coach must now verify to the umpire in chief that all participants are legally equipped and equipment is in accordance with NFHS rules. Such rules include "compliant bats that are unaltered from the manufacturer's original design and production and helmets that are free of cracks and damage."

Another rule was added to address unsportsmanlike conduct toward umpires after a game has ended and after the umpires have departed the game site. It calls for state associations to determine appropriate action when dealing with these situations.

In addition, umpires no longer will be required to perform pregame equipment checks, as that responsibility will fall to coaches beginning next year. Coaches can still ask umpires at the pregame conference to confirm that equipment is compliant.

"The committee is placing a great importance on increased coach responsibility," said Elliot Hopkins, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Baseball Rules Committee. "It is one of our top priorities."

Prior to the June 2012 meeting of the Baseball

Rules Committee, the NFHS will work with appropriate parties to research and develop a baseball bat tamper-evident protocol for non-wood bats and present the recommendations to the committee for its consideration. The goal for implementation is for non-wood bats manufactured after January 1, 2015.

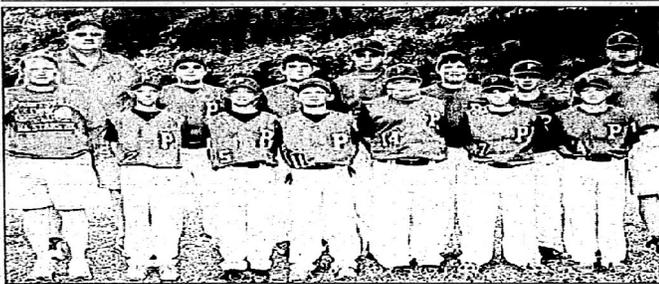
"Bat tampering is illegal and a major problem in high schools," Hopkins said. "Everyone is looking for a competitive edge. With this note, we want to make sure that the state associations, coaches, teams and the public are aware that we are committed to minimizing any risk for players with bat

tampering."

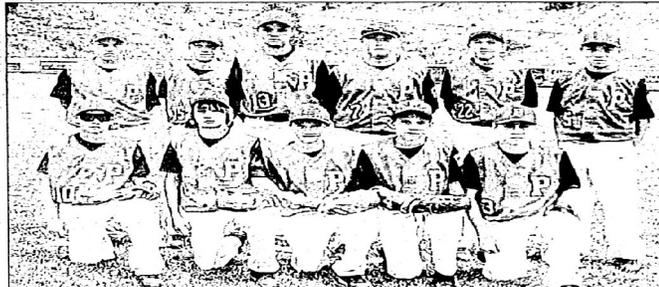
In addition, a minor change to Rule 1-3-5 states that "No artificial or intentional means shall be used to control the temperature of the bat," based on scientific research that altering the bat damages the bat and poses an unnecessary risk of injury.

Changes to Rules 1-5-8 and 3-1-6 deal with players' equipment on the field. State associations may now authorize exceptions to NFHS rules to provide "reasonable accommodations to individual participants with disabilities and/or special needs and unique and exten-

(See **BASEBALL**, page 3)



PAINTSVILLE LITTLE LEAGUE TEAMS claimed District 7 Tournament titles at StoneCrest SportsPark last week. The 11-Year-Olds are pictured above. The 11-12-Year-Olds are pictured below. Both teams advanced to State.



GameDay

Danville, Louisville and Franklin. Phillips and his wife, Leslie, along with UK players Danny Trevathan and Stuart Hines, as well as UK athletics director Mitch Barnhart and his wife, Connie, spent time this summer in the country of Ethiopia, spreading the game of American football and providing service and food to the people there.

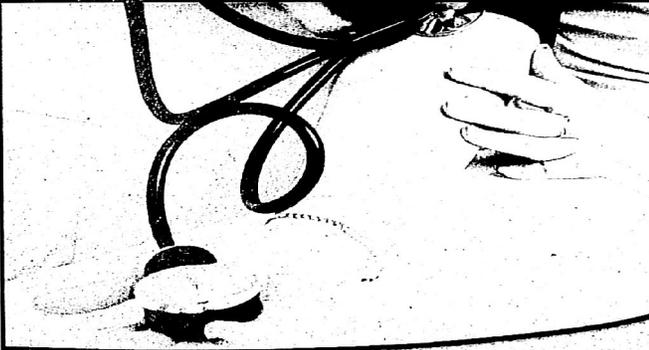
Details for the two stops are below. For more details about the tour, call 859-257-8022.

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by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — The first weekend of the 2011 FHTM Bluegrass State Games is in the books. More than 1,500 people competed in Tennis, Cycling, Shooting, Softball, Wakeboarding and Water Skiing over the weekend.

Those numbers include a State Games' record of 79 girls' fast pitch softball teams from all over the

Commonwealth. This weekend (Friday-Sunday) is among the biggest all year and includes Youth Soccer, the 5K Run/Walk and the Celebration of Athletes on Friday at Whitaker Bank Park. This year's Celebration of Athletes will include University of Kentucky head football coach Joker Phillips and former UK basketball player and current New York Knick Josh Harrellson. The Celebration of

Athletes (formerly Opening Ceremonies) will be combined with a Lexington Legends vs. Savannah Sand Gnats baseball game. Free tickets and food vouchers will be available at the registration tent for the first 2,000 registered participants to attend the Legends vs. Sand Gnats game. Additional tickets for non-participants will be available by calling the Legends ticket office at 859-422-7857.

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FT. MYERS, Fla. — The Ultimate Indoor Football League has announced that a second team from the Continental Indoor Football League has decided to join the UIFL as an expansion team for the 2012 season.

The Cincinnati Commandos, a tradition-rich franchise, recently joined the CIFL.

Two-time CIFL champion Cincinnati has made the commitment to join the Marion Blue Racers as CIFL defectors. The Commandos defeated Marion 44-29 in the title game to finish

the season 12-0. In its two CIFL seasons, Cincinnati compiled a 23-1 record.

The Commandos are the third expansion team for the UIFL's North Division and the sixth overall. The other five expansion teams are Marion, Ohio, Danville, Ill., Rome, Ga., Ft. Myers, Fla., and Tupelo, Miss.

Cincinnati plays its home games in the historic Cincinnati Gardens.

The UIFL is also home to the Eastern Kentucky Drillers, a team headquartered in Pikeville.

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Baseball

uating circumstances," so long as they do not fundamentally interfere with the sport. Players and coaches must also clean or remove "any" (formerly "excessive") amount of blood from a uniform or piece of equipment before being allowed back into the game.

Other rules changes approved by the committee include:

— Rule 6-2-2c Note: The starting pitcher may warm up by using no more than eight throws, completed in one minute (timed from the first throw). This rule applies to relief pitchers as well. At the beginning of each subse-

quent inning, the pitcher may warm up with no more than five throws, completed in one minute.

— Rule 10-1-2: The game officials retain clerical authority over the contest through the completion of any reports, including those imposing disqualification, that are responsive to actions occurring while the umpires had jurisdiction. State associations may intercede in the event of unusual incidents after the umpires' jurisdiction has ended or in the event that a game is terminated prior to the conclusion of regulation play.

— Suggested Double First

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Base Rules: Runner should use the colored base on initial play at first base (dropped third strike only), unless the fielder is drawn to the side of the colored base, in which case the runner would go to the white base and the fielder to the colored base.

Baseball is the fourth-most popular sport for boys at the high school level, according to the 2009-10 NFHS Athletics Participation Survey, with 472,699 participants nationwide. The sport ranks third in school sponsorship with 15,786 schools sponsoring the sport.

Busch wins inaugural Quaker State 400

Winning driver leads 125 of 267 laps

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPARTA - Kyle Busch deepened his legacy in the Kentucky Speedway record books tonight by becoming

the first four-series race winner in track history after scoring a 0.179 of second victory over David Reutimann in the inaugural NASCAR Sprint Cup Series (NSCS) "Quaker State 400" while a track-record crowd of more than 107,000 cheered on.

Busch and his No. 18 Joe Gibbs Racing machine led a race-best 125 of 267 laps,

including the last 11. The 26-year-old assumed the point on the 43-car field for the fifth and final time under the fifth caution period of the night when Reutimann rolled his No. 00 Michael Waltrip Racing ride to the pits on Lap 257.

The JGR star survived the

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Kyle Busch celebrates winning The Quaker State 400 Sprint Cup race at the Kentucky Speedway in Sparta, Kentucky, Saturday.

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Cinema 4 — Held Over
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Cinema 5 — Held Over
TRANSFORMERS (PG-13) Mon.-Thurs. 8:00; Fri. (4:45) 8:00; Sat.-Sun. (1:30-4:00) 8:00

Cinema 6 — Held Over
ZOOKEEPER (PG) Mon.-Thurs. 7:05-9:20; Fri. (4:30) 7:05-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (2:15-4:30) 7:05-9:20

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High school softball rules change enforces stricter penalty for illegal bats

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The use of altered or non-approved bats in high school softball will draw an additional penalty for both players and coaches beginning with the 2012 season.

At its June 6-8 meeting in Indianapolis, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Softball Rules Committee also clarified rules regarding ball color and the use of headwear during competition. All changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

The penalty for the use of an altered or non-approved bat, which previously was an out on the batter, was expanded to state, "when the illegal bat is an altered or non-approved bat, the batter and the head coach are also ejected."

"For blatant violations such as this, the committee wants to stress accountability

for both coaches and players," said Mary Struckhoff, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Softball Rules Committee. "This is a very significant change since safety and integrity issues are at stake."

The committee also deleted "white" from the list of permissible colors for softballs. The ball(s) must now be optic yellow, which will assist schools in ordering and manufacturers in producing the actual product being used for competition.

In Rule 3-2-5, "headwear (caps, visors, sweatbands, ribbons, etc.), if worn, must now be white, black, beige or school colors. The colors are not required to be solid nor the same for each team member." Permitting more colors and options for players regarding headwear is consistent with requirements in other NFHS sports.

"The committee wants to allow student-athletes to have more flexibility,"

Struckhoff said. "This change will also allow for players to promote more school spirit."

The final rules change involves Rule 1-5-2a, which removes the requirement that the bat knob protrude at a 90-degree angle from the handle. The rule now states that each bat knob "may be molded, lathed, welded or permanently fastened. Devices, attachments or wrappings are permitted except those that cause the knob to become flush with the handle."

"The committee is primarily concerned with the performance portion of the bat — the barrel — especially when other portions do not pose any undue risks to participants," Struckhoff said.

Major editorial changes approved by the committee include:

— Rule 1-5-1c: Clarified that shaving, rolling or artificially warming the bat barrel are prohibited.

— Rule 2-4: Revised and

updated the definitions of legal and illegal bats.

— Rules 2-5-3; 3-5-6; 7-5 New; 7-4-12; 8-6-15; 8-6-16: The rules were edited and updated to clarify offensive interference.

— Rule 3-2-12 Note: A new note was added authorizing state associations to grant exceptions to NFHS playing rules for participants with disabilities, special needs and/or extenuating circumstances.

— Rule 8-9-2 New Exception: Clarified the procedure to follow when the visiting pitcher or catcher of record, having used a courtesy runner in the top half of the first inning, is injured/disqualified and unable to play defense in the bottom half of the first.

— Rule 10-1-2 New Note: A note was added clarifying the administrative responsibilities of umpires through the completion of required reports.

Busch

final restart on Lap 266 and raced away to his second Kentucky Speedway victory in three nights. His previous commonwealth wins came on Thursday night in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series (NCWTS) "UNOH 225," June 19, 2004 in a 300-mile NASCAR Nationwide Series (NNS) event and on May 10, 2003 in a 205-mile ARCA Racing Series (ARS) race.

Busch has now led 1,060 NSCS laps this season along with 704 of the 1,819 career Kentucky Speedway laps he's raced in 10 starts in four series.

"This is cool," Busch said after becoming the first

NSCS driver to win from the pole position this season by nailing down his third victory, 10th top-five and 11th top-10 finish of the campaign through 18 starts. "This is right up there with the best of them. The way we ran tonight was awesome. It was a fun night, a tough night. Pit strategy can go either way, but Dave (Rogers — crew chief) made the right call and got us the tires we wanted and the fuel that we needed. That's what won us the race."

He advanced two positions in the NSCS standings to the lead and now holds a four-point advantage over Roush Fenway Racing driv-

er Carl Edwards when the series arrives at New Hampshire Motor Speedway for its next event on July 17. Reutimann pocketed his first top-five and second top-10 finish in his past seven starts this season.

"It's been awful season for us," Reutimann said. "At the end of last year it felt like we were making some gains. This year we haven't had the results we've been looking for. It (tonight) feels great, it feels good. Second is still second, but it's certainly a lot closer to than we have been in the last month or so."

Five-time and defending NSCS champion Jimmie

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Johnson took the "Quaker State 400" checkered flag third for Hendrick Motorsports. Stewart-Haas Racing's Ryan Newman, an August 26, 2006 200-mile ARCA Racing Series Kentucky winner placed fourth, while Edwards, a June 18, 2005 300-mile NNS and June 12, 2003 NCWTS Kentucky winner, rounded out the race's top-five.

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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

Where good bones begin

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
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It was reportedly the late, great Bette Davis who coined a phrase to which I can really relate these days: "Getting old ain't for sissies!"

That's because what I thought for weeks was a simple knee sprain has turned out to be—\$1,500 worth of MRIs later—the farewell performance of the last shreds of cartilage in my right knee. Yes, that cartilage is indeed "gone with the wind." But that's OK, now when people ask me why I'm limping, I just tell them I'm "channeling Chester from 'Gunsmoke.'" (Of course, you have to be a certain age to even get that joke!)

But this has been an interesting learning experience, and one of the things that I have found amazing is that apparently, if you'll just work with your body, your body will work with you (up to a point, of course).

So if you asked me for the technical, medical, scientific reasons why doing 60 leg-lifts a day with increasingly heavier weights, or riding the exercise bike like I'm being chased by demons from Hell, somehow can make a gimpy knee better, I'm afraid my answer will have to be, "Beats the heck out of me!" But it really does work, thank goodness.

Fortunately, I've always been a dairy fiend, so I've had a good head start on building decent bones. Not everyone is crazy about dairy products, though, so are there some other good options for building bones?

Oddly enough, the answer may be a little blue ball—specifically, blueberries!

In studies funded by the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) at its Arkansas Children's Nutrition Center in Little Rock, scientists have been exploring the idea of substances called polyphenols helping form strong, healthy bones. The good news is that polyphenols are totally natural, and are what gives blueberries their colors of purple, blue and red.

The most recent studies have been with young, rapidly growing laboratory rats—and yes, I know, we're not lab rats. But this work has paved the way for new studies that could reveal whether blueberries could be used at some point in the future in treatments to boost development of peak bone mass and help prevent osteoporosis.

Osteoporosis has caused a lot of heartbreak in a lot of families, including mine; I can still remember how my grandmother was almost completely bent over because of it. Of course, in her early years (she was born in 1887), life was more a matter of "can we get enough to eat" than "are we eating the right things" or today's big dilemma, "are we eating too much." You can easily imagine that in the late 1800s in the back-of-beyond in rural Arkansas, she didn't get the greatest nutritional headstart on building healthy bones.

But the problem certainly hasn't gone away just because we now have better food, or better knowledge about nutrition. Osteoporosis affects an estimated 10 million Americans, and another 34 million are at risk of developing the disease.

So what happened with those rats and those blueberries? In the studies, the researchers fed some of the rats a diet that contained 10 percent freeze-dried blueberry powder, while other rats in the study didn't get the berries. The results showed that the rats who did eat the berry powder had significantly more bone mass than their berry-free cousins.

When the researchers exposed laboratory cultures of bone-forming cells called osteoblasts to blood from the rats that ate the berry powder, they found that the blood from the blueberry-fed rats was associated with an increase in development of those osteoblasts into mature, functional

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YARD OF THE MONTH

Moore home selected for July honor

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

The home of Kelly and Sue Moore, located on Short Street, was selected as the July Yard of the Month by the Prestonsburg Women's Club.

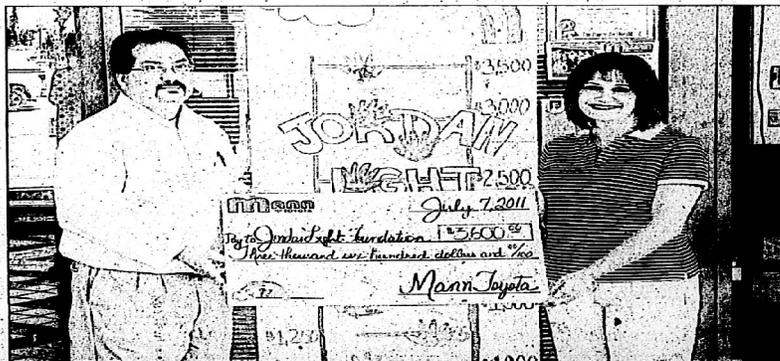
"I was shocked to death," said Sue Moore. "We have lived in town for 10 years now and I've always worked for it. I'm thrilled to death to get it. I'm really tickled. It's an honor."

Moore's daughter, Kelly Sue, is now in charge of most of maintenance that keeps the yard full of flowers and green vegetation.

"In the spring, it takes quite a bit of work," Moore said. "My daughter waters it every other day. She takes really good care of it. Her dad used to help a lot, but he can't right now."

Moore said she is especially proud of her Knockout Roses.

The Prestonsburg Women's Club normally selects a new Yard of the Month around the first of each month during spring and summer. Some of the yards are covered with a variety of flowers and foliage, while others are more simple, yet are just as maintained and impressive. When a yard is selected, a sign is placed in the yard designating it as the Yard of the Month.



Mann Toyota, in Prestonsburg, donated \$3,600 to the Jordan Light Foundation on Friday. The money was collected from the sale of 72 vehicles, with \$50 from each vehicle going to the foundation. Pictured are Greg Dancy, with Mann Toyota, and Tina Hughes, co-founder of the Jordan Light Foundation. The foundation, located in Martin, was created to provide awareness, support and funding for families with a financial medical crisis.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

OUR YESTERDAYS

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

20 Years Ago (July 10 and July 12, 1991)

Deep-rooted problems in the city's fire department are edging Prestonsburg to the brink of disaster, fire chief Tom Blackburn warned Monday, and city council involvement is necessary to quell the threat. A city firefighter said Tuesday, however, that problems can be resolved through "civilized" discussion. Blackburn's plea for council input came after the chief advised the panel that paid duty men in the fire department were not "turning out" for alarms after their shifts end. Blackburn said a "pattern" of no-shows on fire calls was becoming "really serious," and could lead to disaster in the event of a major fire.

An ambitious plan to rejuvenate downtown Prestonsburg got the stamp of approval, Monday, from city council, but a state commission will have the final word on the project. Anchoring the revitalization proposal will be a \$250,000 grant awarded by the Kentucky Heritage Commission, and continuing development of a city civic center to house the young, but growing Kentucky State University.

Floyd County Circuit Judge Hollie Conley ruled last Wednesday that the Floyd County Board of Education acted correctly in rejecting a candidate for cheerleader ineligible. The ruling dismissed a lawsuit filed by Judy Hall Flannery on behalf of her daughter, Krissy Hall, a former cheerleader at Prestonsburg High School. Flannery claimed her daughter had already been punished for an incident that school officials said prohibited her from being named to the squad.

A change of venue has been approved, and a special judge has been appointed, in a 12-year-old Floyd County murder case after a round of legal battles since April by the suspect's attorney, Daniel Taylor III of Louisville. Chief Regional Judge Stephen "Nick" Frazer ruled that "pretrial publicity" has "raised sufficient and substantial doubt" if Wendell Ray Newman, 37, of Jack's Creek can receive a fair trial in Floyd County.

The lack of a quorum forced the cancellation of the Floyd County Board of Education's regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday night. Chairman Ray "Shag" Campbell and members Tommy Boyd and Eddie Billips did not attend last night's meeting.

A 16-year-old Prestonsburg youth, who police declined to identify, has been charged with involuntary manslaughter in connection with a car accident, Friday, in Virginia, that killed an 18-year-old Floyd County man.

The House appropriation's subcommittee on transportation, Tuesday, approved an additional \$8 million to continue the four-laning of U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville, according to U.S. Congressman Chris Perkins' office. The funding will now move on to the full spending committee for consideration and a vote. Then it must be passed by the House and Senate before it becomes official.

Roadblocks throughout the county over the Fourth of July weekend provided a needed boost to the Floyd County Sheriff Department's D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program and the Kentucky Sheriff's Boys and Girls Ranch. Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson said the roadblocks collected almost \$7,500 for the two programs. The donations will enable the department to pay off a large debt in the D.A.R.E. program, and provided a few extras for next year's program.

An automobile accident which occurred on April 19, between a Prestonsburg Police Officer and a Pike County man, is the subject of a civil suit filed in Floyd County Circuit Court last week. The civil suit, filed by John D. Preston of Paintsville, attorney

for Ivan Neal Smith of Pikeville, claims that officer Darrell J. Conley was "operating his city police cruiser in a careless and negligent manner. Without the use of the required siren and light apparatus."

Goble-Roberts residents got a scare, Thursday morning, when Prestonsburg Fire Department personnel suspected a natural gas leak after responding to a trash fire. Fire chief Tom Blackburn said on Thursday that a fire had been smoldering for several days on a lot won by Kenny Smith. The site had been used as a dumping ground for roof shingles and other remodeling materials before Smith purchased the land, Blackburn said.

A Magoffin County woman missing for 12 days had apparently been hiding from family members Wednesday night, after going to the home of Ernest Howard of Swampton for food and water. There died: Mary Francis Spradlin, 63, of Prestonsburg, July 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Laura Vanderpool Conley, 90, of Lackey, Thursday, at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg; Della Johnson Curry, 83, of Wheelwright, Tuesday, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Flora S. Rife, 87, of Weeksbury, Tuesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Fieldery Lawson, 65, Monday, at his residence at Garrett; Coosie Akers Hall Grant, 87, of Wayne, Michigan, formerly of Banner, Friday, at the Annapolis Hospital in Wayne, Michigan; Keith Douglas Kidd, 18, of Prestonsburg, Friday, at Richlands, Virginia.

from injuries received in an automobile accident; Herbert (Meanness) Spurlock, 42, Tuesday, at his residence in Martin; Henry B. Fuhs, 72, of Ocala, Florida, formerly of

Wayland, Sunday, at his home; Lawrence Newsome, 30, of Beviisville, July 9, from injuries received in an automobile accident in Knott County; Lila McComas Chaffins, 79, of Long Beach, California, formerly of Garrett, Saturday, at the Oxnard Pleasant Valley Convalescent Hospital in Oxnard, California; Clifford Buster Tackett, 62, of Galveston, July 11, at his residence; Mary Francis Spradlin, 63, of Prestonsburg, July 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; William Agnes (Billie) Leslie Merritt, 75, of Emma, Wednesday, at her residence; Ella Keen, 83, of Wayland, Thursday, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; James Bradley Pruitt, 18, of Ivel, Thursday, from injuries received in an automobile accident; Anthony Michael Tackett, 2-month-old son of Michael and Debra Tackett of Virgie, July 9, at his residence.

30 Years Ago (July 15, 1981)

James C. Chines of Emma, has offered a reward of \$2,000 for information about his 17-year-old son, Michael Dwayne, who has been missing since late last Thursday night.

The last piece in the funding package for restoration of Martin's water system fell into place when Malcolm Baldrige, secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, authorized \$500,000 in Economic Development Administration monies for the project.

Greenbury Tackett, who was serving a life term for murder, is missing from the state reformatory at La Grange.

Drainage problems still plague the upper end of Auxier.

Five Prestonsburg firemen were overcome by heat and smoke while fighting a blaze which partially destroyed a small residence owned by Fred Williams on Lake Road. Starring Hamilton, 54, a Teaberry coal mine operator,

was arrested by FBI agents on a charge of obstruction of justice.

Fire Chief Tom Blackburn asked Prestonsburg City council members for firmer guidelines to what extent city firefighters are responsible for quelling blazes outside city limits. The department employs 10 paid firefighters and 20 volunteers.

Neighboring counties are being invited to participate in a plan to re-open the juvenile detention center here, closed last month as a result of the elimination of state funds.

There died: William C. Blackburn, 57, of Wapakoneta, Ohio, formerly of Prestonsburg, June 23, in an automobile accident; Imogene Prater Russell, of Flatwoods, formerly of Floyd County; Frank Hardin, 57, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at UK Medical Center; Ella Kirk DeRossett Crum, 77, of Blackville, South Carolina, formerly of Prestonsburg, Friday; Vannis Cook, 42, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Friday, at Banner, at the home of his parents; Harry O. Zimmerman, 84, of Wheelwright, Sunday at King's Daughters' Hospital; Annie Brown Tackett, 84, of E. Point, July 2, at UK Medical Center; Willard Hughes, 53, of Burr Creek, Michigan, formerly of Lackey, Tuesday at his home.

40 Years Ago (July 15, 1971)

A temporary restraining order to limit picketing at the Reynolds Body Company plant at Allen was granted, Friday.

The release of \$150,000 last week by the Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C., the U.S. Corps of Engineers, for the Martin stream and flood control project means that work

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Rose-Roberts to Wed

Lawrence and Lesia Rose of Belcher announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Mallory Elise, to Adam Justin Roberts, son of Steve and Anita Roberts of Betsy Layne. The bride-elect is a 2010 graduate of Morehead State University and is employed by the Floyd County Board of Education as a teacher at Betsy Layne High School. Her paternal grandparents are the late Alfred Rose and Neil Crabtree, and her maternal grandparents are the late Earl and Malissa Francisco. Roberts is a 2010 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University and is employed by the Highlands Regional Autism Clinic. His paternal grandparents are the late Leo and Lydia Roberts and his maternal grandparents are Reathel Rogers and the late Azzie Rogers. The wedding will take place at half-past one o'clock in the afternoon, Saturday, July 16th 2011 at the Lick Creek Church of God in Jesus' Name, with Pastor Ray Sayers performing the ceremony. A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall. The custom of open church will be observed and all friends and family are invited to attend.

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will start there soon, it was said here, Saturday.

All South Central Bell Telephone Company union workers in Kentucky will be off the job at 6 a.m. Wednesday, if the strike affecting half the nation's telephone employees materializes as expected.

The Big Sandy Valley Crusade for Christ with Dr. Ford R. Philpot, evangelist, will begin Sunday night at 7:30, at the Prestonsburg High School football stadium.

The board of directors of the Floyd County Comprehensive Health Services Program took action, Saturday, which keeps alive the hope that the pilot health program here may not be the first of its kind in the United States to be terminated.

New postmasters in Floyd County are Janet M. Stambaugh at Auxier, and Bennie J. Stone at East McDowell.

Coffee was advertised, 2-lb. can, \$1.38, margarine at 16¢ per pound, and chuck roast, 54¢ per pound.

There died: M. L. (Mashell) King, 72, at his home at Kite, Wednesday, Cora Hall, 76, of Wayland, last Tuesday, at a Martin Hospital; Dolly Belle Newsome, 30, of Blue River,

in a Fort Wayne, Ind. hospital, last Wednesday; Rhoda E. Halbert, 65, of Printer, last Wednesday in a Martin hospital; Darrell Wayne Hatty, 41, of Albion, Mich., formerly of this county, last Wednesday in a Columbus, O. hospital; Sally Tuttle, 92, last Monday at her home at McDowell; Linzie Criffey, 79, of East Point, last Tuesday at a Paintsville hospital; Martha L. Cross, 71, of Teaberry, Saturday at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Georgia D. Taylor, 74, last Wednesday, at her home at Ivel; Garnet V. Gibson, 58, of Prestonsburg, last Thursday at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Marvin Marshall, 79, Sunday in Jeffersonville, Ind.; H. M. Wilkinson Jr., 55, of Wheelwright, Saturday, while visiting here.

50 Years Ago (July 13, 1961)

A. E. Hayes, president of the Hayes Metal Products Inc., Hi Hat, announced this week that his company has been awarded a contract to design, fabricate and erect what is believed to be the world's largest outdoor movie screen for the Southland 68 Drive-In in Lexington.

The fiscal court will be in session three days this week.

and two of those days will be devoted to a study of the "old debt" situation, and to plans to retire that debt.

A group of Kentucky business and professional leaders, including B. F. Reed, Drift coal operator, flew to Drift last Friday for a two-day tour of the city.

Dr. Russell L. Hall, of the Floyd County Health Department, this week warned residents against the danger of waiting on the new oral vaccine before receiving immunization against polio.

Paintsville youth, Kenneth Kestner, was drowned Tuesday afternoon and his two companions, his brother, Robert, 12, and Tommy Murray, 15, owe their lives to Mrs. Sidney Garland, who pulled them from the water after hearing their cries for help.

Buford Crager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Crager, of Cliff, was graduated from Morehead State College recently.

Donald H. Baldrige, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Baldrige, Prestonsburg, will serve as reporter of the Student Council at Morehead State College for 1961-62.

There died: Hattie Hicks, 60, of Wayland, Monday, at the McDowell Hospital; Lannie Keen Manns, 78, of Topmost, Saturday, at a Hazard hospital; Robert Potter, 81, of West Prestonsburg, Sunday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Lowey G. Frazier, 59, Price postmaster, last Thursday, at his home; David Lee Johnson, 4, of Weeksbury, at the McDowell Hospital.

60 Years Ago (July 12, 1951)

Deputy Sheriff Frank Parsons reported here this week that he captured a 75-gallon moonshine still on the hillside approximately 200 feet off the grounds of the Wheelwright Golf Club, last Saturday.

The Big Sandy Valley Association is not dead, for all its past defeats in its battle for

river canalization, rather, it is belligerently alive and ready for a new fight.

Fishing prospects definitely are on the bright side at Dewey Lake, for the next few years, anyway, reported William A. Tompkins, chief biologist, Kentucky Division of Game & Fish, to E. R. Burke, Prestonsburg, Seventh district supervisor, following a recent study of the fisheries picture at the reservoir.

Plans for a joint study of the Breaks of the Sandy area by the state of Kentucky and Virginia and the National Park Service, are being completed. Henry Ward, Kentucky commissioner of conservation, announced recently.

Conley's Cafe on the top of Abbott Mountain, this week was advertising a plate lunch with drink for 70 cents, "Good coffee" was five cents a cup. There died: Ada Jones, 23,

Tuesday, at her home at Beaver; Joe D. Miller, 67, July 9 at his home on the Big Branch of Abbott Creek; Alma Pitts, 72, of Wheelwright, July 3; Arthur Tackett, 36, of Drift, Sunday, in an auto wreck on Left Beaver Creek; Vada Stephens McKinney, 26, of Osborne, July 6, at Lexington; Pvt. Ellis Hamilton, 21, of Teaberry, last Thursday in an auto crash near Lawrenceburg.

70 Years Ago (July 10, 1941)

On the Floyd County crime front this week, a woman was shot, another was stabbed; two men were cut and four were jailed here on robbery charges.

Floyd County's 1941 crop of candidates for office drew, Tuesday, for positions on the August primary ballot. Prestonsburg's \$114,000 indebtedness, some of which dates back to the beginning of

the century, was in process of amortization this week, as the City Council voted the issuance of \$78,000 worth of funding bond, which, judgment creditors have agreed, will suffice to wipe out the entire debt.

Following the heavy rains of last week, the Floyd County Health Department warned residents of the county against the threat of typhoid.

A one-man reign of terror ended, at least temporarily, Saturday afternoon in a gun battle with officers on Abbott mountain, near here, after which an ex-convict fled into hiding. Sheriff's deputies said.

There died: Rosie Estep, 41, Wednesday at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Ira Conn, 84, Monday at Sloan; Minnie Howard Salisbury, 35, of Langley, July 3, at the Stumbo Hospital.

Science

bone cells.

The blood from the berry-fed rats was high in phenolic acids, which come from the color-producing polyphenols, so the scientists say their findings suggest the phenolic acids may have had a bone-building effect in the rats.

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those osteoblasts to become mature and functional, and TCF and LEF are responsible for promoting the production of beta-catenin. Just goes to show once again—Mother Nature is a lot more clever than any of us have imagined!

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About six years ago Johnson decided he'd had enough of smoking. He was tired of it and realized it wasn't satisfying to him anymore. He was feeling short of breath. And cigarettes had gone to \$2.50 a pack.

Johnson contacted KDMC's Tobacco Cessation Program and signed up.

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“It just smells so awful. When I was a smoker, I knew it smelled, but I didn't know it was that bad!”

Johnson's experience with KDMC's Tobacco Cessation Program was so positive, he stuck around for weeks after his class ended to help – taking blood pressures and encouraging others. He even became a tobacco cessation educator.

“Having been a smoker, I know how difficult it can be to stop,” Johnson said.

“But if you really care about yourself, and you begin to understand how your tobacco use affects everyone around you, then you really have no choice but to try to stop – and to keep trying until you're successful!”

King's Daughters Tobacco Cessation Program is offered from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays in KDMC's Health Education Center. The program is free, but participants are responsible for purchase of any stop-smoking aids they choose to use.

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The announcement of the three-year accreditation was made June 28.

“This accreditation means a lot to our patients and the community,” said Stacy Patrick, vice president of King's Daughters Heart and Vascular Center. “It signifies our commitment to delivering the most advanced, evidence-based treatments and comprehensive care to help heart failure patients manage their symptoms and lead the best possible life.”

Heart failure is a leading cause of morbidity and mortality in the United States, with approximately 5 million patients living with the diagnosis. Heart failure patients are responsible for 12-15 million physician office visits per year and 6.5 million hospital days. SCPC's goal in establishing the Heart Failure Accreditation program is to help facilities manage the heart failure patient more efficiently and improve patient outcomes.

King's Daughters has demonstrated its expertise and commitment to quality patient care by meeting or exceeding a wide set of stringent criteria and undergoing an on-site review by a team of SCPC's accreditation specialists. King's Daughters protocol-driven and systematic approach to patient management allows physicians to reduce time to treatment and to risk stratify patients to decrease their length of stay.



To achieve Heart Failure Accreditation, a facility must demonstrate expertise in the following:

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