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## Prestonsburg Tiger Mart robbed

by JACK LATTA  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — A thief made off with an undisclosed amount of money Wednesday night after robbing the Tiger Mart on U.S. 23, near Prestonsburg.

According to Det. Steve Little, the Prestonsburg Police Department received a call at 11 p.m.

Wednesday night reporting the gas station had been robbed. Little said video surveillance shows the alleged robber coming into the store and looking around, before leaving, only to return moments later with his face obscured by a black bandana.

"The clerk asked the guy if he was really doing this," Little said, "and the man told him to give him

all the money in the register, to which the clerk complied."

According to Little, the robber made off with an undisclosed amount of money.

"He ran out of the store toward U.S. 23," Little said, adding the robber likely had a car waiting nearby, though he could not say whether anyone had aided the man.

According to video surveillance,

the man was a white male, between 25 and 30 years old. He wore an Ambergrombie shirt, khaki shorts, athletic shoes, and had tattoos on both arms.

The matter is still under investigation by Prestonsburg Police.

Kyle Smith, Loss Prevention Supervisor for Tiger Mart, said he was unable to comment on an ongoing investigation.

**AUXIER** — The Auxier Center will be the host of a series of balanced budget counseling sessions presented by Spalding University in August.

The pair of two-hour counseling sessions will take place on Monday, August 8, and Wednesday, August 10, from 5 to 7 p.m.

According to Allison Williams with the Auxier Center, the workshop is for anyone interested in improving their basic financial decision making.

"We're not talking about retirement and 401ks," Williams said. "This is really basic budgeting skills, making ends meet, and making cost effective decisions."

Billed as "an evening of one-on-one budget counseling," Spalding University and the Auxier Center are also sponsoring a similar series of Health fairs in July aimed at providing check-ups, activities and nutritional guides.

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

## ENERGY LAB



Nathan Linduski, with The National Guard Energy Lab Mobile Learning Center, spoke Thursday about one of the exhibits with East Kentucky Science Center Director Thomas Vierholter at Big Sandy Community and Technical College, in Prestonsburg.

## National Guard exhibit aims to promote math, science learning

Times Staff Report

In support of "Educate to Innovate" and to raise the math and science literacy of the nation, the Army National Guard brought its interactive Mobile Learning Center Program to the East Kentucky Science Center, on the campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College, in Prestonsburg, from July 12-14.

The MLC Program, which tours schools, summer camps, festivals and events and armies throughout the country, focuses on technology while exploring

energy efficiency and alternative energy sources through engaging and highly interactive math and science experiences. The goal of the visit to the East Kentucky Science Center was to increase community interest in math and science, and educate young adults on the many career opportunities in these fields.

"The National Guard Mobile Learning Center Program provides students and educators with a cutting edge tool for learning and teaching," said Lt. Col. Rich Baldwin, division chief of the National Guard Bureau of Education, Incentive and

Employment. "As a community organization, the National Guard seeks to optimize its presence by serving communities like those visiting the East Kentucky Science Center.

"We are committed to preparing our youth for the challenges of an increasingly competitive global workforce. Through the Mobile Learning Center Program, young adults will gain educational opportunities and experiences directly related to emerging science, technology, engineering, and mathematics career fields so they are better equipped for future success."

## Bridge work to snarl traffic for 2 months

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

Four Middle Creek bridges will be down to one lane of traffic over the next two months, while crews work on deck restoration and water proofing.

Delong Concrete, of Lexington, contractor for Highway District 12 of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, plans to start work on Monday, July 18. Plans call for work to take place simultaneously on two bridges at a time.

The first pair of bridges to be worked on are bridges 2.3 and 3.9 miles southeast of Route 1427 intersection. The other two are 2 and 3.3 miles southeast of Route 1427.

According to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, advance warning signs and portable traffic

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## Rogers touts EPA bill's passage, but group calls it a 'dark day'

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — The Clean Water Cooperative Federalism Act of 2011, designed to limit the power of the Environmental Protection Agency, was passed by the House of Representatives on Wednesday, and the bill

has received praise from U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, an original sponsor of the bill, and condemnation from the Clean Water Action group.

"Time and again, we've seen the bureaucrats at EPA overrun long-standing practices, overstep state authorities, and overreach without congressional authority, putting good-

paying jobs in the commonwealth in jeopardy," Rogers said. "Whether a coal miner in Harlan County or a farmer in Pulaski County, there is near universal support for stopping EPA. This bill turns the tables and tells EPA to back off. I'm

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The Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery was in Prestonsburg this past week at the Comfort Suites. Butch Wampler, field manager for the company, said they have seen quite a few people so far, but they are still looking for more goods. Wampler said that in particular they are looking for rustic, antique pieces such as bear traps, and taxidermy. Today is the last day the company will be in town.

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# Obituaries

### Imojean Coburn

Imojean Coburn, age 83, of Garrett, passed away Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at her residence.

She was born January 9, 1928, at Dema, the daughter of the late Mallie Pigman and Mary Elizabeth Slone Pigman. Mrs. Coburn was a homemaker and was of the Christian Faith.

Survivors include four daughters, Sherry Lafferty and Mary Lafferty, both of Garrett, Jeannie Delana Lafferty, of Oil Springs, and Teresa Lafferty, of Raven; a sister, Francis Pigman Banks, of Raven; and three grandchildren, Jason

Anthony Palmer, Jesse Adam Palmer and Thomas Justin Wallace.

She was preceded in death by five brothers, Kennis, Dingus, John B., Everett and LeRoy Pigman, and three sisters, Dallas Prideowner, Rita Watts and Ena Mills.

Graveside services were conducted Wednesday, July 13, at the Pigman and Slone Cemetery, at Raven, with Hall Funeral Home, of Martin, caring for those arrangements.

### Travis Newman

Travis Newman, age 76, of Grethel, husband of

Christene Adkins Newman, passed away Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at the Pikeville Medical Center, in Pikeville.

He was born July 30, 1934, in Grethel, the son of the late Robert Newman and Nannie Tackett Newman. Mr. Newman was a Store Merchant and Bus Driver and attended the Old Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Christene; four sons, Travis Scott Newman, Kevin Newman and Kelly Newman, all of Grethel, and Donny Lee Newman, of Ft. Gay, W.Va.; three brothers, Melvin "Peanut" Newman, Willis Newman, all of

Grethel; two sisters, Lizzie Branham, of Harold, and JoAnne "Lou" Hall, of Grethel; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services for Travis Newman will be conducted at 11 a.m., Friday, at Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with the Clergyman Clinton Moore and Jimmy Hall officiating. Burial will follow in the Newman Cemetery, at Grethel.

### James Dennis Shepherd

James Dennis Shepherd, 54, of Prestonsburg, died on July 12, 2011, at Highlands

Regional Medical Center. Born November 18, 1956, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late William Shepherd and Florence Robinson Shepherd Nelson, and husband of Wilma Allen Shepherd.

Survivors include one son, Gregory (Amy) Shepherd of Prestonsburg; three brothers: William Shepherd Robinson of Lake City, Tenn., Paul Shepherd of Clay City, and Sam Shepherd of Prestonsburg, seven sisters: Virginia Cisco of Paris, Della Powers of Auxier, Lucy Burchett of Prestonsburg, Debbie Conley of Paintsville, Marty Barnett of Prestonsburg,

Patricia Shepherd of Auxier, and Mary Allen of Paintsville, and three grandchildren: Jamie, Haley and Gregory.

He was preceded in death by two sons: James Shepherd, Jr. & Lonnie Gene Shepherd and one brother: Donald Shepherd.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, July 15, 2011, at 1 p.m. at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Tommy Reed officiating. Burial will follow at McGuire Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## For the Record

### Marriage Licenses

Mallory Elyse Ross, 23, of Belcher, to Adam Justin Roberts, 23, of Betsy Layne.

Ashley Nicole Holbrook, 19, of Prestonsburg, to Derek Steven Meade, 24, of Prestonsburg.

### Small Claims Filings

Speedy Cash vs. William Schlick  
Speedy Cash vs. Scotty Williams  
Speedy Cash vs. Joshua Dinguss  
Speedy Cash vs. Aaron Stephens  
Speedy Cash vs. Christopher Arms  
Jimmy Johnson vs. Benjamin Wright  
Sandra Sutton et al vs. Tivis Adams

### Charges Filed

Jeffery Robinette Jr., 26, Tram, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs 1st offense, inadequate silencer (muffler), failure to wear a seat belt.  
James Michael Layne, 45, Langley, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs 1st offense, failure to wear seat belt, failure to maintain insurance, no or expired registration.  
Billy K. Robinson, 20, Auxier, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, no license in possession.  
Charles J Shell jr., Allen, 36, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, failure to notify transportation of address change.  
April R. Reeves, 42, Melvin, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs 2nd offense, no or expired registration, failure to wear seat belt, no insurance.  
Jennifer Moore, 20, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, criminal mischief.  
Sarah D. Barker, 30, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.  
Jamie Dawn Blackburn, 45, Prestonsburg, harassment.  
R.B. Conn, 59, Martin, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, controlled substance not in original container.  
Johannie Sammons, 25, Martin, possession of marijuana, public intoxication of a controlled substance.  
Brenda Lewis, 23, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
Alexander Lewis, 21, Ivel, alcohol intoxication.  
Malen Mitchell jr., 37, Beaver, public intoxication of a controlled substance.  
Alvin Withem jr., 42, Prestonsburg, second degree wanton endangerment.  
Tyler Griffith, 22, Prestonsburg, terroristic threatening, menacing.  
Jason Goble, 27, Inez, second degree possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in

original container.  
Deanna Campbell Brewer, 34, Vico, 2nd degree endangering the welfare of a minor (2 counts).  
Kavin Maynard, 24, Beauty, public intoxication of a controlled substance.  
Michael D. Johnson, 21, McDowell, unsworn falsification to authorities.  
Brian K. Bertram, 40, Prestonsburg, second degree possession of a controlled substance, third degree possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in original container.  
Coy Chad Andrew McIntyre, 32, Blue river, 4th degree assault (domestic violence).  
Stacy Kaye Greathouse, 34, Auxier, theft by unlawful taking/shoplifting.  
Tavis Flanery, 46, Hi hat, third degree criminal mischief.  
Kyle, Hall, 27, Melvin, theft by unlawful taking/shoplifting.  
Bobby C. Thompson jr., 48, McDowell, third degree terroristic threatening, harassment.  
Jesse Thompson, 22, McDowell, harassment.  
Bobby C. Thompson III, 20, McDowell, harassment.  
Jerry K. Hall, 51, criminal littering, criminal trespassing.

### Inspections

Hobart's Pizzeria, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during storage, food not protected during preparation, food not protected during service, warewashing machine not properly operated, the wash, rinse, and/or sanitize solution in warewashing is not clean, non-food contact surfaces have accumulation of soil, unclean cavities and door seals of microwave ovens, handwashing sink is unclean, floors not clean, floors not drained properly, the lighting intensity is not sufficient, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: 89.

Dairy Queen, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during storage, food not protected during preparation, non-food contact surfaces have accumulation of soil, improper storage of clean utensils, improper display/storage of single-service items, individual disposable towels, a continuous towel system and/or hand drying device not provided at lavatory or handsink, hand cleaner not provided at lavatory or handwashing sink, floors not clean, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: 91.

Baptist Day Care, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: no hair restraints, unclean cavities and door seals of microwave ovens. Score: 97.

City of Wheelwright, regular

inspection. Violations noted: lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of numerically sealed thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous food, food contact surfaces of cooking/baking not cleaned at least every 24 hours, non-food contact surfaces have

accumulation of soil. Score: 97.

Otter Creek Correctional Center, Wheelwright, regular inspection. No violations noted. Score: 100.

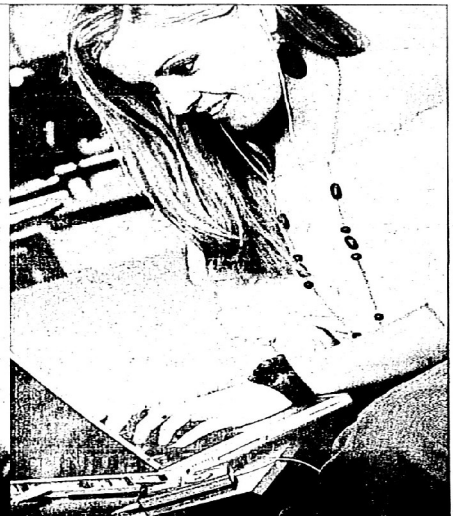
### Property Transfers

Sherry Adkins to Burgess Akers, property not listed.  
Enrico Ascani to Diana Sue Bowling, Ann Garnett, James E. Garnett III, Linda

Sue Hatcher, Samuel D. Hatcher, Don Lamb, Martha Ann Lamb, Mary Jo Lapointe, Josephine A. Liming, Stephen Liming, Barbara Maranville, George A. Maranville, Mona Maranville, Nancy Maranville, Robert Maranville, II, Fredrick McCormick, Judith Collins McCormick, Chester Okipski, Judith A. Okipski, Virginia Okipski, Frances

Ann Ward and Jerry Hatcher Ward, property located at Ridgewood Subdivision.  
Marla Ascani to Diana Sue Bowling, Ann Garnett, James E. Garnett III, Linda Sue Hatcher, Samuel D. Hatcher, Don Lamb, Martha Ann Lamb, Mary Jo Lapointe, Josephine A. Liming, Stephen Liming.

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pleased to see the House put another shot across the bow of EPA's big job in stopping this bureaucracy and Administrator Lisa Jackson has just begun."

In a release titled "A Dark Day for Clean Water," Clean Water Action President Bob Wendelgass said, "Congress passed the landmark Clean Water Act in 1972 because they knew that dirty water harms people's health, undermines a strong economy and kills jobs. This bill is a vote to the days of inadequate state and local laws that led to rivers on fire and streams running with untreated sewage."

The House approved the Clean Water Cooperative Federalism Act of 2011 (H.R. 2018) by a vote of 239-184. Written in response to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) actions around specific mountaintop removal coal mining and nutrient pollution problems, the bill severely limits the federal responsibility for keeping water protection consistent across all states.

"The actions taken in this funding bill related to the EPA are for good purposes, to rein in excessive spending and stop job-killing regulations," Rogers said. "While

the original mission of EPA was to maintain the health of our citizens and prevent future environmental degradation, this agency has become the poster child for this administration's widespread regulatory overreach and is as a result putting mining, manufacturing and farming families out of business at a time when some Kentucky counties have 18 percent unemployment. Americans across the country pinpoint harsh regulatory burdens as a major factor in slow job growth and discouraging job creation. We've got to put people back to

work, not more dubious regulations on the books." Action pledged aggressive grassroots campaigns to defeat H.R. 2018 in the Senate and to defeat those members of Congress who voted for the bill, in the fall 2012 elections.

"Almost half of the members of the U.S. House of Representatives represent states where Clean Water Action has active programs," said Wendelgass. "We intend to make sure our members' voices are heard in favor of strong protections for our water and our health."

**Doctor, hospital sued by widow**

by JACK LATTA  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville Medical Center and a nationally renowned doctor found themselves facing civil litigation this week, when the wife of former patient filed suit in U.S. District Court.

According to court documents, Avis Bragg, acting as administratrix for the estate of her late husband, Jerry Lee Bragg Sr., filed a lawsuit seeking damages after they claim Bragg died due to negligent care.

The suit, filed by Wolfe, Williams, Rutherford & Reynolds, alleges that the defendant "failed to exercise the degree of care and skill ordinarily expected of a reasonable and prudent hospital

under similar circumstances." The court filing goes on to state, "as a result of the negligent treatment of Jerry Lee Bragg Sr., he suffered physical pain and mental anguish until the time of his death, for which his estate is entitled to compensation."

The lawsuit also names Dr. Dennis Havens, a critical care/thoracic surgeon, who according to Pikeville medical Center's website, was recently named One of the Best Doctors in America for 2011-12.

Pikeville Medical Center representative Pam May said the hospital had yet to be served with the lawsuit, and she was unable to comment at this time.

**Leslie Co. man sentenced for child pornography**

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

LONDON — A Leslie County man has been sentenced to 133 months in prison after admitting to possessing 4,950 child pornography images.

Michael Caldwell, 42, admitted in U.S. District Court that he had downloaded and viewed images depicting including child rape, prepubescent children engaged in sexually explicit conduct and children involved in sadistic and masochistic conduct with adults.

According to court documents, the investigation started when an international website hosted in the Netherlands was hijacked by hackers who posted images of child pornography on the website. Caldwell downloaded an image from the site which involved a minor child, who was blindfolded, being sexually exploited. Caldwell must serve at least 85 percent of his prison sentence and spend a lifetime on supervised release. He must also register as a sex offender when he's released from prison.

**HRMC signs with new accreditation program**

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Highlands Regional Medical Center will be using a new quality-based accreditation program from DNV Healthcare that hospital officials say will further the facility's commitment to providing high-quality health care in the region.

DNV's NIAHOs service is the first new federally approved accreditation program in more than 30 years. "This is more than a new accreditation program; it's a catalyst for our ongoing commitment to patient safety and clinical quality," said Harold Warman, president and CEO of Highlands. "With NIAHO, we can achieve full ISO compliance and satisfy our annual accreditation requirements

at the same time, for no additional cost. Quite literally, it is a win-win for us, our patients and our community."

The program focuses on finding better ways for the hospital to do things in every department.

"The key thing about NIAHO that we're finding is its ability to break down silos within the organization, and to promote the best ideas no matter where they come from," Wireman said. "On the other hand, NIAHO is very familiar to hospitals that have been doing Medicare accreditation, at the same time, it's a while new experience using accreditation as a proactive business tool. It's a very welcome change and is definitely a positive step for Highlands."

**Bridges**

signals will be used to direct and control traffic flow. Vehicles more than 12 feet high such as trucks pulling mobile homes, will have to detour on U.S. 460 off U.S. 23 at Paintsville (or onto U.S. 460 from Route 114 near Salyersville if going north). Signs will be posted before the U.S. 460 exits on both U.S. 23 and Route 114, notifying those driving wide loads that they must take the detour.

"Please observe the traffic signals and the lane merge signs to protect the workers and yourself," said Doug Wright, project engineer. "We appreciate people's patience and cooperation while this work is under way. The result will be a smoother transition over each of the four bridges, making the highway safer and the driving experience more pleasant."

**Meeting**

Denise Thomas, with Big Sandy Area Development District. "An important part of this process is gathering ideas and information concerning the community from citizens, local organizations and elected officials."

Wayland received a \$6,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission on July 7. The funds can be used for either the successful creation of a strategic plan or the implementation of priority community development projects identified in existing strategic plans. All projects must be completed within six months and presented at the Center for Rural Development, in Somerset.

According to Wayland Mayor Jerry Fultz, one of the suggested projects is a website for the city that will highlight the positives of the

community and the area. "Decisions regarding the continued growth and development of the city of Wayland will be determined, in part, from the information gathered at this meeting and the resulting comprehensive plan," Thomas said.

To RSVP for the meeting, or for more information, contact Wayland City Hall at (606) 358-4169, or contact Denise Thomas or Joe Jacobs at the Big Sandy Area Development District by calling (606) 886-2374.

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George E. Barnette, Jr. to Barbara Cenko, Paul B. Cenko, Gretchen Hellman, Jeffrey A. Hellman, Marlene M. Marther, Amy C. Mather, Christine Mather, Elizabeth S. Mather, Eric C. Mather, Mark S. Mather, Peter M. Mather and Susan M. Mather, property not listed.

Charles E. Burke to Jennifer Steward and Rondall Steward, property located at Coppers Lick Road.

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**Boyd - Crisp To Wed**

David and Susan Boyd of Daniels Creek are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Kristin DeAnn Boyd to Seth Ryan Crisp, son of Jackie Day and Rita Crisp of Allen. The bride-elect is a 2011 graduate of Elizabeth Akers Elliott Nursing Program at Pikeville College. The groom is a 2004 graduate of Campbellsville University and is currently employed by the Floyd County Board of Education. The exchanging of vows will be held at the Allen Baptist Church on July 23rd at half-past 6 pm. Following their honeymoon to the Bahamas, the couple will reside in Allen, Kentucky.



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— Gregory Nunn

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**Guest View**

## Next steps for women

by LILLY LEDBETTER and LINDA HALLMAN

A sharply divided Supreme Court ignored more than 40 years of established jurisprudence in its Wal-Mart v. Dukes decision, which severely restricts the ability of employees to fight discrimination as a class-action group. In a deeply misguided opinion, the majority ruled that the women of Wal-Mart cannot band together nationwide and stand up as one against the biggest retailer in the world. It's hard to manage the court's costs and find the courage to keep going. We only wish the women of Wal-Mart would not have to do that. Yet the high court decided they did not have enough in common to pursue a nationwide class-action suit, a sadly ironic twist for former employees of the great homogenizer of American retail.

The court's decision was not related to the merits of the case, however, and the women of Wal-Mart are already planning how to proceed next, either individually or in smaller, reformulated class-action cases. In fact, Wal-Mart may rue the day it fought against allowing a single class-action case. The company's gamble—that if it could throw up enough barriers, the women would quit—is not going to pay off, and the Goliath retailer may soon end up with more Davids than it ever wanted to fight.

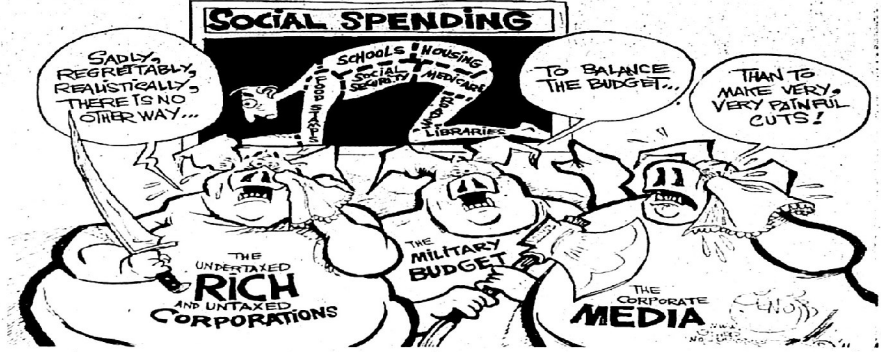
Unfortunately, many other employee class-action cases are now destined to be stuck at a red light, while employers are getting the go-ahead to continue to rely on highly subjective gender discrimination practices, hurting women and their families. And this disturbing ruling extends beyond class-action certification, echoing other recent stories of institutions that were "too big" to be held accountable. First, the banks were too big to fail, and American taxpayers bailed them out even as they were losing their homes and jobs. Now, Wal-Mart is too big for justice, even though American women still face a persistent pay gap that not only undermines their families' economic security but undercuts the nation's recovery as well.

But American women will press on as we always do, emboldened again by a Supreme Court majority that just doesn't get the realities of the modern workplace. Wal-Mart plaintiff Edith Arana's moving story of her fight against discrimination drew big applause at AAUW's recent national convention—an indication of our continuing support for the women of Wal-Mart.

We'll also be looking into other options to deal with this wrongful-termination decision. The court has been wrong before—as we know all too well—but our government is structured so that we can right those wrongs through other channels. Perhaps this decision will give Betty Dukes her own bill or motivate Congress to finally pass the Paycheck Fairness Act, which aims to stop unfair pay before it starts and came within a hair of passing last year. We're sure the Obama administration and its multi-agency Equal Pay Enforcement Task Force will also be brainstorming to address this latest misstep from the court. This kind of injustice demands action.

Setbacks in achieving women's equality aren't new. Ever since women started claiming our rights and fighting for equal opportunity, the powers that be have tried to thwart our plans. Although we wish the Supreme Court had understood the need for women to band together and fight, this decision is just one more battle in the ground war women have been fighting for years. It's just a chapter, not the end.

*LeDbetter, the namesake of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, lives in Alabama. Hallman is executive director of AAUW.*



## Beyond the Beltway President Concession

by DONALD KAUL  
OTHERWORDS

I'm starting to worry about Barack Obama.

I didn't worry about him before. I thought he was the best Democrat running in the 2008 primaries, and I thought he was far superior to John McCain in the general election. I still think that. (By the way, did you hear the latest on McCain? He blamed the forest fires consuming the southwest on undocumented immigrants. When he opens his mouth these days, you don't know whether to laugh or cry.) I've defended Obama against his right-wing enemies (that was easy, because their charges were ludicrous), and I've defended him against many of his allies on the left (people who yearn for a Ralph Nader-Dennis Kucinich presidential ticket).

My argument has been essentially this: "Yeah, his health care plan wasn't good enough, and his stimulus package wasn't big enough, and he's slow to get out of wars he's promised to get out of, but let's cut the guy some slack. He was handed a terrible situation, with a collapsing economy, two wars raging, and a toxic political opposition dedicated to his failure. He's done reasonably well in difficult circumstances."

But I'm starting to have my doubts.

I find his unwavering attempts to find bipartisan solutions to controversial problems uplifting and all-inspiring even. But there's such a thing as carrying moderation too far. Every time he tries to make nice with the Republicans he gets hit in the face with a cream pie. That's not leadership; that's masochism.

Which, of course, is exactly what my progressive friends have been arguing for the past 18 months. Why doesn't he articulate what he believes in and stand up for it, they keep asking.

I'm running out of answers to that question. What, is he afraid he'll make conservatives mad? You can't make conservatives madder than they already are. They wake up mad in the morning and spend the rest of the day getting really ticked off.

If he fears alienating potential voters he should consider this: People like leaders who aren't walking around with whipped cream on their faces all the time.

I'm particularly worried about the upcoming battle in Congress over raising the debt ceiling. The Republicans have vowed not to raise the ceiling unless the president agrees to cut the federal budget to the bone. Then remove the bone.

Obama in turn has vowed — I don't know, to negotiate, or something. He ignores the fact that the current Republican model doesn't differentiate between negotiation and total surrender.

I'm afraid that Obama and his

Democratic colleagues are going to cave in to Republican demands, thus setting the tone for the next two-and-a-half years.

My idea of a sensible negotiation is for the Democrats to give in on cuts to the budget and the Republicans to let go of the Bush tax cuts for rich people. That's pretty much the formula neutral observers come up with when they discuss deficit cuts.

Another thing neutral observers agree on is that not raising the debt ceiling would be a disaster of enormous proportions.

But I'm not sure Republicans see it that way.

They seem to be willing to let the economy go smash if they don't get their way, which consists of continuing to build a society of great private wealth and equally great public poverty: a society with rotten public schools, pathetic public transportation, and crummy infrastructure.

Those are the stakes in the 'debt ceiling' battle. You would think that a president of Obama's rhetorical skill could convince the public that the Republicans were razing the nation's future in favor of lining the pockets of a few fat-cat political donors.

But he can't do it, unless he tries, and I'm not sure he's up for the game. Which is why I'm worried.

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## The Usual Eccentric

### Taking my ball and going home

by WILL E. SANDERS

Feeling the nip of nostalgia, my entourage and I felt it imperative after having a few drinks to rain shenanigans down at the local basketball court and freak out the squares. So we gathered our basketballs and made the four-block trek with geek intimidation, trying to bounce our underinflated Wilsons and Spaldings along Main Street with our out-of-shape limbs.

Not to compromise my already rigorous exercise regimen of Hot Pockets and "Dungeons & Dragons," I lit a smoke as our rubber soles met the black, cracked pavement of our childhood court in our hometown. How sore we all would be the next day was not the foremost thought in our minds.

And with that, we let loose a flurry of outrageous air balls sure to embarrass even the foolhardiest of idiots, but not us. Time makes fools of us all, but nowhere was this more evident than in my lackluster attempt to shoot hoops with my best friend, Dave Cabean, and my little brother, Carson, who have colorful pasts in organized sport. The only time I played basketball, I didn't score a single bucket the entire season.

Out here in my hometown of Laura, Ohio, the basketball court is located at the community park, next

to the village's fire department. Aside from a basketball court and an old merry-go-round, the "park" in no way, shape or form resembles a park at all. At best, it's a neglected gathering place for misguided youths to discard cigarette butts and commit random acts of group vandalism.

In fact, by all accounts, shooting hoops at the Laura park is an all-around terrifying affair, filled with all sorts of terrible nastiness, splinters and shin splints. That's because, the condition of our shabby basketballs notwithstanding, it is physically impossible, to bounce a ball correctly on the court. The park's grounds crew never bothers to brush off the 100 or so foot-long, thick pods produced by a nearby catalpa tree. When fresh, these beanlike stalks make excellent party favors to throw at unsuspecting members of your entourage. (Aim for the head.) When they're dried and strewn about a basketball court, stepping on one the wrong way can easily pierce the flesh or the leathery hide of most basketballs.

Never you mind the catalpa tree (and the broken glass), because there is a more towering menace at play here. The court rests in the frightening shadow of the village's still-functioning water tower. The entire lumbering metal beast is painted a very uninviting shade of blue: My mom says it's because the village caught a bulk deal on swimming pool paint.

The blue water tower is disorienting to look at when you are right underneath it. Your mind wanders out of fear. After a while, your average

person starts thinking that this rickety feat of pre-1940s engineering and gravity eventually will collide in a lethal combination. When they do, playing basketball at the Laura park is the last place on earth anyone anywhere will want to be.

And the bodies of the poor fools who are there will be found in ditches two towns over, washed away in the ensuing chaos, which the local media cleverly will dub Watergate.

To make matters worse, the town's fire siren is situated on the first tier of the water tower. When it goes off and I am at my house, it is so loud it sounds as if Russia is attacking us. They sound the siren for fire runs and for their Monday evening meetings. When that thing blares and you are right underneath it, your teeth will shatter and the concussion of air will somehow make you pregnant, regardless of gender.

Plus, sometimes when you are at the park, this creepy, huge guy named Orel will stare at you from afar. Sometimes he even slinks closer and closer to wherever it is you might be, trying not to be obvious, even though it is. When we were there, he sat down at the merry-go-round and just stared at us. He went minutes without blinking. It was all very unnerving.

After that, we took our balls and went home.

The sun was setting, and it was a Monday. We knew the fire department would be meeting soon, and we figured that yes, we had lost our athletic prowess over the years, but there was no sense in losing our hearing, too.

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**Harold Church of Christ**, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Willie E. Meade, Minister.

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**Lower Toler Church of Christ**, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonnie Meade, Minister.

**Maryann Church of Christ**, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

**Martin Church of Christ**, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.

**Maytown Church of Christ**, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley; Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

### CHURCH OF GOD

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**Community Church of God**, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.

**First Church of God**, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.

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**The Father House**, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.

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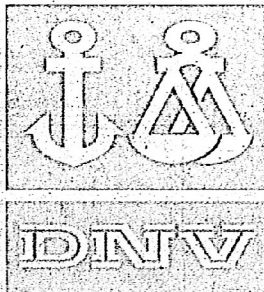
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### SHOOT HOOPS NOT DRUGS

Left: Winners of two basketball goals given away during UNITE's Shoot Hoops Not Drugs basketball camp Tuesday (July 12) at Meade Memorial Elementary School in Johnson County were 5-year-old Brooke Procter, right, of Inez in Martin County and 10-year-old Jason Blevins of Sitka in Johnson County.

Right: Kentucky First Lady Jane Beshear addresses participants at the start of the camp.



### COMMENTARY

## All-Star Game analysis from Left Fork

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Hello everybody and welcome to the 2011 Major League All-Star Game. We're coming to you live from the Left Fork, where it's unbelievably hot and our great hope is not so much for a tremendous game but that we don't have such a violent storm that the dish goes out. Again.

8:14: Perhaps the only person in the world who could be bored to tears broadcasting the all-star game is, in fact, the guy doing it. Joe Buck should have taken the cue of an amazing number of folks selected to this game and stayed home. At any rate, he'll muster up all the excitement of a ball bearer and introduce those who actually chose to participate tonight.

8:22: Somebody forgot to tell the pholks in Phoenix that it is a National League town. They've booed every member of the NL West except the token Diamondback. Add to that poor Prince Fielder, who committed the unpardonable sin of not choosing a D-Back to participate in Monday night's Home Run Derby.

There was talk last year about baseball pulling the game from Arizona because of its immigration law. Says here they should think long and hard about a town that has booed everyone not wearing the home-team jersey.

8:35: This column could be done before the game begins. Seriously, would Fox have lost (ital) that much money by starting the pregame show at 7:30?

8:37: Because apparently nobody was able to stay awake during Buck's enormously-long intros, Minnesota's Michael Cuddyer announced the AL starters again, calling them "the best players in the American League who had nothing better to do tonight."

8:40: Hey, we're actually going to play. First pitch, somebody grounded out to Fielder, who got booed for making the play for the home team.

8:45: Milwaukee's Rickie Weeks opened the bottom of the first by tapping out to first, mostly because he's still recovering from a 22-hit weekend series against the Reds. Glad I'm not bitter.

8:48: It's my dad's bed time. I point that out not to make sport of him but to explain why odds are good I won't make it through tonight's titanic struggle. I never thought I'd have that issue, but it's going to be a challenge to make it to midnight on a work night. Not that baseball cares.

(See GAME, page 2)



Prestonsburg High School junior Bryson Williams has been invited to the Football University Top Gun event.

## Williams invited to FBU Top Gun

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — Nearly a dozen of Kentucky's best prep football athletes have been invited and will be attending the nation's top prep football all-star camp, Football University's Top Gun, taking place at the Warhill Sports Complex in Williamsburg, Va., Thursday, July 21 through Saturday, July 23. Being a part of the Top Gun event means that these players are the best at

their respective positions. Among the invitees is Prestonsburg High School junior Bryson Williams. As a sophomore, Williams led Prestonsburg in receiving with 923 yards. The versatile Williams also rushed for 477 yards during the 2010 season. Athletes were invited to Top Gun because of their outstanding performance at a local Football University camp. They will join more than 1,000 of the nation's other top athletes at their position and will train with

current and former NFL players and coaches. Top Gun is the culmination of Football University's 40-camp nationwide tour gathering the most elite performers from across the United States and allowing them to compete and display their abilities together on one stage. Football University has an impressive alumni list that includes some of the top college football recruits and players in the nation such as the top USC commits for 2009: T.J. McDonald, Patrick

Hall, Chris Metcalf and Byron Moore, as well as the sons of Barry Sanders, Joe Montana, Jim McMahon, rapper Snoop Dogg, actor Will Smith, Hall of Famer Frank Gifford and North Carolina Head Coach Butch Davis. Last year there were 13 U.S. Army All-Americans who had attended FBU camps, including standout recruits Ray Drew (Georgia), Malcolm Brown (Texas), Curtis Grant (Ohio State) and Stephon Tuitt (Notre Dame).

## Cecil signs with LMU

Pikeville pitcher compiled 6-1 record during senior season

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville High School senior right-handed pitcher Layne Cecil (6-2, 215) has signed with Lincoln Memorial University. Cecil chose Lincoln Memorial over Cumberland, Pikeville, Asbury and Wilkes Community College.

"I chose LMU because I liked the campus, the size of the school and its location from home," Cecil said. "I was very impressed with the baseball program, the facilities and especially the coaching staff. I think LMU will be a great fit for me to help me achieve my goals as a student as well as a baseball player. I am looking forward to being a Railsplitter."

In 2011, Cecil compiled a 6-1 record with a 1.80 ERA. He pitched 58.33 innings, registering 62 strikeouts. Cecil was a three-time All-15th Region selection. The Pikeville hurler was named Honorable Mention All-State in 2010.

"Layne is a tall, athletic kid who has a chance to grow into a very good pitcher at this level," LMU Coach Jeff Szikszai said. "Being a multi-sport standout in high school, I think he is athletic enough to really excel on the mound."

## H.S. track and field rules changes announced

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The penalty for wearing jewelry during high school track and field competition will shift from the team to the individual competitor beginning next season.

In its June 8-10 meeting in Indianapolis, the National

Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Track and Field and Cross Country Rules Committee addressed the jewelry rule and clarified two rules in the pole vault among its nine major changes. All changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

The revised jewelry rule states that "for the first violation, the competitor shall be required to remove the jewelry before further competition and be issued a warning that a subsequent violation shall result in a disqualification from the event."

"The rule still prohibits the wearing of jewelry, but

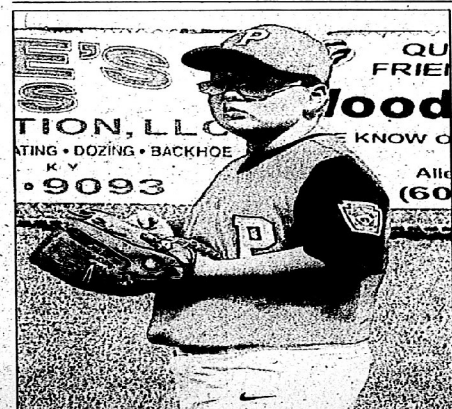
the members of the rules committee and results of the questionnaire strongly support the penalty applying only to the competitor involved as opposed to the entire team," said Becky Oakes, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Track and Field Rules Committee.

In Rule 7-5-2, require-

ments for pole vault competitors were changed. The rule eliminates the limit of only two layers of tape on the grip end but still requires any tape placed on the pole to be of uniform thickness on the grip end.

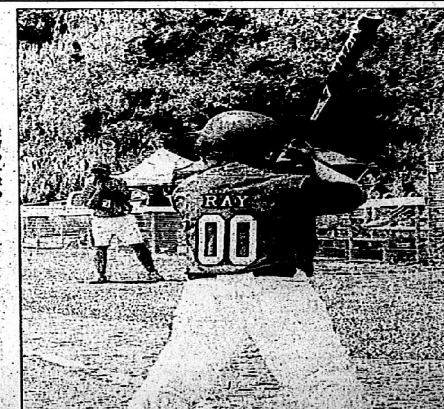
In addition, Rule 7-5-25

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### LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STAR SPOTLIGHT

Floyd County native Grant Ray (00) is a member of the Paintsville Little League 9-10-year-olds All-Star team. Paintsville is set to contend for a state championship.





**Game**

8:58: As we start the bottom of the second, the AL is on its third pitcher. Starter Jered Weaver had an early flight so he only lasted an inning, and then Josh Beckett re-injured himself in the bullpen. Some guy from the Yankees is working the second.

9:06: Somebody reminded the Cardinal players that they go to Cincinnati after the break. In their haste to get to the Queen City, Matt Holliday and Lance Berkman combined for a strike-'em-out, throw-'em-out double play to end the second. Don't see that happening this weekend.

9:22: At this rate, I may actually make it to the end. Three innings of one-hit ball has taken a mere 42 minutes. Of course there is no score so it may go to a Selig-ending again, but at least I'll see it all.

9:26: Scratch that. Adrian

Gonzalez thinks he's still in the Derby and takes Cliff Lee yard. It's his league's first hit and went to right-center, just after Tim McCarver stumbled all over himself trying to say Gonzo normally hits the ball to left.

9:33: Houston's Hunter Pence made Toronto's Jose Bautista look pretty bad by throwing him out at home about the time the runner rounded third. One oddity of the all-star game is base coaches tend to be managers of other teams and aren't used to making decisions like whether to send a guy from second. At any rate, the AL leads 1-0.

9:42: Arizona's mosh-hated man, Fielder, just hit a three-run homer to put the NL on top 3-1 in the bottom of the fourth. If he's the MVP they may need to present the award in the clubhouse for safety purposes.

9:54: Joey Votto is in and

made two fine plays to end the top of the fifth. I feel bad for baseball fans who only see him play on the rare occasion the Reds are on nationally. You have to see him all the time to truly appreciate how solid he is.

10:26: The Reds are now 0-for-3 with three strikeouts. In other words, they're playing about like they would any other Tuesday.

10:52: Kung Fu Panda just hit a ground-rule double to drive in Pence, who had gone first-to-third on a passed ball. As Buck astutely points out, it gave the NL a 5-1 lead, "their biggest of the night."

10:54: Brandon Phillips made the Reds 0-for-4 but did make contact. That's progress.

11:00: Pikeville's own Jonny Venters is on in the eighth for the NL and just plowed through the two batters he faced. This kid can

seriously pitch. The future is bright for him.

11:15: Jay Bruce takes a called-third strike to end the eighth with the NL on top 5-1, which is apparently still the biggest lead of the night. The Reds will end the night 0-6 with four strikeouts. The rest of the team was 9-of-25 with five strikeouts.

11:29: Giant oddball Brian Wilson came in and closed the door, giving the NL a two-game win streak and me the opportunity for a nice double entendre. I'm not so sure if it was such a boring game or if it was just the lackluster performance by the broadcast team.

At any rate, should there be a Game Seven, the NL rep will have home-field advantage in the World Series. Sadly, Buck and McCarver will be there too.



**UNITE AGAINST DRUGS**

Above: Kentucky First Lady Jane Beshear, right, spoke with parents and guardians about the importance of giving children "every chance of success." Among those listening were Johnson Schools Superintendent Steve Trimble, second from left, and Johnson County Sheriff Dwayne Price.  
Below: A camper practices layups during the Shoot Hoops Not Drugs basketball camp July 12.



**Track**

clarifies who may touch or catch the pole and under what circumstances touching the pole is not allowed. The rule reads, "No person shall be allowed to touch the weighing pole except an assigned official, assigned pole catcher or the competitor, when circumstances warrant, but never to prevent the pole from dislodging the bar."

"The competitor or designated official can catch the pole, but the touch or catch by the competitor that prevents the crossbar from being dislodged is still a foul," Oakes said.

The committee also made updates to Rule 9-1-1 regarding the method of measuring a cross country course that reflect trends in the sport. The cross country course shall be

measured along the shortest possible route that a runner may take, as opposed to measuring down the middle of the course.

Another change now makes it legal for competitors to wear visible undergarments that have a contrasting stitching to the color of the single, solid color of the undergarment. The stitching must function in the construction of the undergarment and not as a design.

Other rules changes approved by the committee include:

Rule 3-4-2: The referee retains clerical authority over the contest through the completion of any reports, including those imposing disqualifications, that are responsive to actions occurring while the

referee had jurisdiction. State associations may intercede in the event of unusual incidents after the referee's jurisdiction has ended or in the event that a contest is terminated prior to the conclusion of regulation play.

Rule 5-7-3: The starting command for individual races - or opening relay legs of 800 meters or more outdoors and 600 meters or more indoors - shall be to instruct all competitors to take a position three meters behind the starting line or dashed arc behind the line. With "On your marks," the competitors step to the starting line.

Rule 7-4-10: The games committee may assign competitors to flights of no less than five for preliminary competition or may conduct

the event in continuing flights. In continuing flights, the first five competitors, as determined by the games committee, constitute a flight. As a contestant clears the bar, passes a turn at the height or is eliminated, the next competitor in order will be moved up so that the number of competitors in the active flight remains constant. When the field is down to eight or fewer competitors, it is recommended that participants are called as listed on the event sheet.

Rule 9-3-3: Updates were made to this rule that address the use of bib transponders or timing chips on the shoes and the official order of finish when the computerized item(s) are used.

**EKU hosts 2011 Colonel Golf Classic**

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

RICHMOND — The 2011 Colonel Club Golf Classic, presented by Kentucky Bank, featured excellent golf and rounds of fellowship on a warm and muggy July afternoon. Arlington Country Club hosted a full-field of 144 golfers Thursday at the annual fundraising event.

Benefiting more than 300 EKU student-athletes, the tournament brings together

members of the community, from corporate partners to Colonel Club members to athletics department coaches and staff.

This year's champions, crowned in three divisions based on team handicaps, won a commemorative engraved wooden box. In the 1st Division, the team of Tom Giacchini, Justin Moore, Donnie Kardin and John Trumbo secured the victory with a score of 52.

In the 2nd Division, Ben Caudill, Chris Clark, Darren Henry and Shannon Potter, carded a 60 to capture the title. The 3rd Division was won on a second tiebreaker by the team of Dane Durrton, Jake Johnson and Stephen Markert with a final tally of 63.

In addition to the team champions, the highlight of the awards ceremony was the Grand Prize Raffle Drawing when Larry Strough won a VIP experience to the EKU foot-

ball team's home opener against Missouri State on Sept. 10.

Prizes were also awarded to folks who won the longest putt (John Jackson), longest drive (Lori Duncan and Tim Stephens) and closest to the pin (Jan Barnes and Joe Blankenship) contests. Unfortunately, hole number seven did not yield the hole-in-one that would have sent a golfer home with a 2011 silver Altima from Gates Nissan.

**Mountain Golf Trail Remaining Schedule**  
 July 19 — Paintsville Country Club (Paintsville)  
 July 26 — Willowbrook Country Club (Breaks, Virginia)  
 Aug. 2 — StoneCrest Golf Course (Prestonsburg)  
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**Floyd County Animal Shelter Pet of the Week**

This week's celebrity is shelter volunteer Myra Moore, pictured with 3-year old "Buddy" the Lhasa Apso. According to Myra, Buddy is a wonderful former house pet whose owner moved away. He's anxiously waiting for a new loving home.

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## MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON 'Fighting Back'

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST



A frustrated shop owner forms a neighborhood protection league when his family is harassed by hoods, in this revenge epic that takes a more thoughtful approach, while leaving room for a little action and gore. The film begins with a family get-together. An uncle is moving to Colorado and leaving his South Philly neighborhood. Everyone is sorry to see him go, but several comment that the neighborhood has gotten so bad they wish they were leaving, too. John and Laura D'Angelo soon find out how bad the hood is when they observe a hooker being slapped around by her pimp in broad daylight. Laura loses it and bolts from the car. John corrals her, but the pimp, El Dorado, can't have his power usurped on the street and gets hippy. Laura responds by splashing hot coffee on his crotch. A car chase ensues and the resulting crash takes the life of the D'Angelos' unborn child.

The next evening sees John's mother walks in on a robbery at a nearby pharmacy. She is brutally attacked and knocked unconscious. The thug then takes a pair of bolt cutters to her ring finger to liberate a family heirloom. John now has two women to visit in the hospital and he decides to fight back.

Rather than arm himself to the teeth, he enlists a policeman friend to help him form a neighborhood watch. He gathers together area business owners and they outfit themselves in uniforms, establish a base and even get CPR training before hitting the streets. Perhaps the uniforms are uncomfortable, as they are soon busting heads and throwing guys off of burning buildings. This necessitates a meeting with area police and politicians. The police are content to let them continue with a warning, but the politicians are worried this guy will pick up steam and unsent one of them.

A news anchor does a profile on their group and winds up making a local celebrity out of D'Angelo. Before you know it, he's being scooped out by a political team that wants to ride him all the way to the governor's office. John gets swept away with it all, but he's also losing the support of his wife, who is left to raise their son and run the grocery store they operate.

The day of the election coincides with an opportunity to stop El Dorado and avenge his unborn child's death. What John decides to do will shock you (hopefully) and make you realize that all politicians have a skeleton in their closet by the time they get elected; we just get to see what John's will be.

This is serious stuff, though it's dressed up as an exploitation movie. That said, it finds time to examine its characters and their motives. The film doesn't shrink from social issues and there is a telling moment when John is revealed as a racist. See this movie if you want a smart version of "Death Wish."

The cast delivers with subtle work that doesn't oversell the melodramatic elements. Tom Skerrit ("Alien") and Patti Lu Pone ("Life Goes On") bring emotional realism to the D'Angelos. They are supported by the late Michael Sarrazin ("The Reincarnation of Peter Proud") as their family friend/policeman and Yaphet Kotto ("Homicide: Life on

(See LAGOON, page 4)



The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, along with several local boutiques, sponsored Fashion for a Passion on Saturday to raise money for the Jordan Light Foundation. Pictured left to right are Tina Hughes, president of the Jordan Light Foundation, and Jan Stapleton, Vicki Horne and Kindra Horne, with Daffodils, and Mandy Stumbo, with the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce.

## STRONG SUPPORT

### Jordan Light Foundation receives donations

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

The Jordan Light Foundation had a good weekend last week with two donations that will go toward the foundation's mission of providing awareness, support and funding for families with a financial medical crisis.

On Friday, 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. The foundation was established in July of

2010 after Sam and Tina Hughes, of Martin, lost their 7-year-old son Samuel Jordan Hughes to brain cancer.

"My husband Sam and I are so thankful to have been given such a special opportunity to keep Jordan's testimony alive and to assist families that are going through such difficult times," said Tina Hughes, president of the Jordan Light Foundation. "We feel very blessed to have a community and special people like Mann Toyota to come on board to help these families. It is through individual contributions and community support that is making this endeavor possible."

On Saturday, an event sponsored by the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce titled Fashion for a Passion was held in downtown Prestonsburg. The event featured local boutiques Daffodils, Lad n Lassie Children's Boutique and Simple Changes. The proceeds from the event, totaling around \$750, went to the Jordan Light Foundation.

"We are so grateful and overjoyed at the support our community showed over the weekend," said Kindra Horne, manager of Daffodils. "Not only did our models look beautiful, but we raised money for a wonderful charity."

## Farm Bureau seeking applicants for Veterinary Incentive Program

LOUISVILLE — Continuing in its commitment to help alleviate the state's shortage of large-animal veterinarians and technicians, Kentucky Farm Bureau's Education Foundation is offering financial assistance to qualified veterinary graduates who have school loans to be repaid. The Kentucky Large/Food Animal Veterinary Incentive Program is now soliciting applications from eligible veterinarians, vet technicians and technologists. The program encourages veterinary school graduates to pursue a career with large/food animals. Several areas of Kentucky do not

have a local veterinarian to attend to cattle, horses or other farm animals, making this incentive program vitally important to the ongoing health of Kentucky's livestock population.

"We need to continue growing and investing in the number of qualified large-animal veterinarians practicing in Kentucky and make agriculturally-based veterinary practice an attractive career path," said Kentucky Farm Bureau President Mark Haney, who is also chairman of the committee overseeing this program. "Paying down someone's student loans through this incentive pro-

gram may be just what is needed to sway a graduate's choice of careers."

For those graduates who choose to pursue a veterinary career that devotes at least 50 percent of its time to large/food animals, a judging committee will select three individuals who are in their first, second or third year of practice post-graduation. Selected incentive program recipients will be announced in January of 2012 and may receive up to \$18,000 over three years for payment toward outstanding school loans.

To qualify for the program, applicants must have either a

degree in veterinary medicine from an accredited college or university, or have completed an accredited two-year veterinary technician or four-year technologist program. Veterinarian applicants must also be accredited by the USDA-APHIS to perform veterinary medical tasks in Kentucky.

Applications can be downloaded from [kyfb.com/federation/kentucky-ag](http://kyfb.com/federation/kentucky-ag) at any time, but must be postmarked for submission by December 1 to: Scholarship Coordinator, KFB Education Foundation, P.O. Box 20700, Louisville, KY 40250-0700.

### DINNER DIVA

## Gold stars



Have you noticed how much easier it is to get something done when there is a tangible reward attached? Everyone likes to be acknowledged for his or her efforts, don't they?

I sure do! When I make dinner, one of the favorite parts is hearing my family respond positively. You sort of burst with pride when you hear your husband proclaim, "Wow, this is delicious!" or your children say, "Make this again, Mom!" Those are great rewards for those of us who work in families.

Rewards are great—they inspire us to do more and keep trying. Children especially are propelled toward greatness when offered a reward! They love being rewarded for doing the right thing. When I

was in 5th grade taking piano lessons, my piano teacher would put a gold star on each page of music I mastered. I lived for those gold stars!

Remember this when you're trying to get your children to eat their vegetables. They aren't going to be telling you how much they love their green beans! Perhaps a little reward is in order, like a choosing a toy at the dollar store at the end of the week for eating as many bites of their vegetable that was on their plate as their age. In other words, a 5-year-old having him eat 3 bites will earn him a gold star. Put a gold star on the calendar and at the end of the week, ta da! He gets a reward!

This isn't bribing! This is rewarding excellent behavior. You are teaching your child life skills

when they learn to eat their vegetables. And vegetable eating is very important for understanding the significance of nutrition and how that will impact him or her for the rest of their lives.

This week, sit down with your children and give them the opportunity to earn a reward! Teach them that vegetables build muscles (ask to feel your child's muscles before they eat their veggies and after—let them know you think you felt them grow!) and make sure you're setting a good example, too! Your child won't eat his vegetables if you don't.

Remember—gold stars are for everyone, young and old! Check out our "Kids Cooking Club" for more fun and creative ways for getting your children involved in the kitchen!

# What to do when thieves steal your car seats

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

**Dear Tom and Ray:**  
Last night my daughter's 2000 Acura Integra was broken into, and they stole the front and back leather seats, and nothing else. The car had been locked, and the windows were not broken. A police report was made. She does not have comprehensive insurance on the car, so insurance will not cover it. How can I help her? She's unable to drive without seats. Why would anyone do that? — Rita

**TOM:** Maybe you can find these thieves and offer to sell them the rest of the car.

**RAY:** When you find out how much replacement seats cost — even used seats — you'll know why these jerks went out and stole them.

**TOM:** Seats can be very expensive. Some have sensors and side air bags built into them. Some have motors for electric height and recline adjustment. But yours should be relatively

simple. If I had to guess, I'd say used replacement seats for this car are going to run about \$500.

**RAY:** Your best bet is to call a junkyard. Even if they don't have a set on hand, they can search around and find out if other junkyards have them. Or maybe they can find you a set of cloth seats, which probably would cost half as much.

**TOM:** They also can tell you which other seats — from other model year Integras — will fit your daughter's car.

**RAY:** It's also possible that since the Integra was derived from a Honda Civic, Civic seats may fit in there. You'd have to measure a Civic seat and see if the bolt holes line up. But that may be an option, and there are a lot more old Civic seats in junkyards than Integra seats. If they fit, you probably could get non-leather, used Civic seats for \$75 or \$100 each.

**TOM:** So call a junkyard. If they can't find you Integra seats, or if the prices are prohibitive, then explore the

Civic option.

**RAY:** Start by carefully measuring the distance between the bolt holes on the floor of your daughter's car. Draw yourself a little diagram. And then take that to a good (i.e., large) local junkyard and ask for some help.

**TOM:** They even may be willing to bolt your replacement seats in for you if you have the car towed over. But keep a close eye on it while it's there. It'd be easy for them to mistake it for "incoming inventory." Good luck, Rita.

### Mythical benefits of hard acceleration debunked

Dear Tom and Ray:

I am writing to you to settle a disagreement that my dad and mom had when I was a kid (in the 1970s) and my wife and I have currently. Does an engine ever need to be floored (hard acceleration) to "blow out the carbon"? Was that merely an excuse for my dad to show off his 1967 Hemi Dart at stoplights? Or was

there actual benefit for the hard acceleration once in a while? I use that same excuse with my wife at stoplights (in a much slower vehicle). Neither my mom nor my wife believes it has any benefit, and they think it would be just fine for the rpm to stay at or below 3,000 for the lifetime of the engine. What do you think? — David

**RAY:** I think I'm going to ruin your day, David. Because I have to break the news to you that your wife and mother are absolutely right.

**TOM:** In the '70s, cars had carburetors. Carburetors let gasoline slosh into the cylinders. And with all that excess gasoline, a buildup of carbon was a much more common problem.

**RAY:** There was a school of thought that suggested that running the car fit high speed would help clean the caked-on carbon off the valves and pistons.

**TOM:** But by "running the car at high speed," they meant taking it on the highway for a long, high-speed drive — not stomping on the gas at a stoplight and leaving a lime-green AMC Pacer in the dust.

**RAY:** Then there were some high-performance cars that had four-barrel carburetors. Two of the barrels opened up for normal, moderate-speed driving. And then, when you needed a lot of gas for high-speed driving or hard acceleration; the other two barrels opened up.

**TOM:** And if you never stepped on the gas hard enough to open up the two high-speed barrels, they could get gummed up and eventually fail to work. So that was another reason to "blow out" certain high-performance carbureted cars back in the day.

**RAY:** But cars haven't had carburetors since the



chest ... mumbling "yes; dear."

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1980s, David. They all have fuel injection now, which meters the gasoline so precisely that carbon buildup on the pistons almost never is a problem. So neither of those old justifications for stomping on the gas holds water today.

**TOM:** Your wife and mother are correct. A modern car can spend its entire life never exceeding 3,000 rpm, and be completely happy and fulfilled — mechanically, spiritually and emotionally.

**RAY:** In fact, stomping on the gas, and making jackrabbit starts is terrible for the car. It shortens the car's life because of all the stress it puts on the drivetrain components.

**TOM:** So it's time to catch up with the times, David. You're in for a little humiliation when you have to apologize to the women in your life. But don't worry — you'll look good wearing those pants up around your



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## Rental Central

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Rental fans were in for a treat this week, with four well-made films competing for their video dollar.

■ "Insidious" — If you're one of those folks who complains that they don't make them like they used to, then you should enjoy this suspense yarn.

A family of five moves into a new home and are beset by ghosts that put one of the children into a coma. The family now has a motivation to stay so they can rescue their child, but things are about to get even creepier. Surprisingly, this exercise in taut melodrama comes from the team that made "Saw." This is much more restrained and worth a look.

■ "The Lincoln Lawyer" — Fans of Michael Connelly's fiction will enjoy this adaptation of his book of the same name. The story introduces Mickey Haller, an attorney

who operates out of his car. He gets hired to defend a playboy (Ryan Phillippe) accused of assaulting an escort and is soon fighting for his own freedom when he realizes he is being set up. Good formula thrills from a great writer. The fine cast includes William H. Macy, Marisa Tomei and John Leguizamo.

■ "Damon" — DVD finally lands this sci-fi epic from the late-1970s. Jan-Michael Vincent and George Peppard star as military men who must drive through a post-apocalyptic desert and avoid death while looking for survivors.

Death has a lot on its side, which includes toxic air, giant scorpions and nasty cockroaches.

■ "Rango" — The kids will enjoy this animated story about a lost chameleon who reinvents himself as a tough-guy lizard when he's stranded in a Wild West town. His boasts win him the sheriff's job, but he's in trouble when bad guys come a calling. Fun nonsense with Johnny Depp and Timothy ("Justified") Olyphant providing voices.

Next week, check out Robert DeNiro in the sci-fi drama "Limitless."

### Lagoon

Continued from p3 the Street") as a local activist who is convinced the protection group is targeting African Americans.

The director is Lewis Teague and he does a fine job of keeping this real, though he is best known for making creature features like "Cujo" and "Alligator."

Best line: "The guy who invented hanging went on to a political career." 1982, rated R.

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I, JENNIFER BURKE ELLIOTT, a duly licensed attorney practicing in Floyd County, Kentucky, have been appointed by the Floyd Circuit Court as Warning Order attorney for the Unknown Spouse of James Elmer Parsons. The Order is to notify said Spouse that a legal action has been brought against her, the same being the legal action in the nature of a Circuit Court matter against the Unknown Spouse of James Elmer Parsons by Easy Lion Servicing, LLC. Notice is hereby given to the Unknown Spouse of James Elmer Parsons that her failure to respond to the Plaintiff's complaint could result in a default judgment being awarded. Warning Order Attorney, a response must be filed within the noted time of the filing of the Complaint. JENNIFER BURKE ELLIOTT  
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LEGAL NOTICE  
C.V. Reynolds, Attorney at Law, 112 West Court Street, Suite 100, Prestonburg, Kentucky, has been appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Floyd Circuit Court to notify Defendant, Unknown Spouse of Phyllis L. Porter, if any of the nature and pendency of a certain lawsuit filed on or about July 6, 2011 in which Unknown Spouse of Phyllis L. Porter, if any was named as a Defendant. Said suit has been filed in Division Number 11 of the Floyd Circuit Court and is represented by Civil Action No. 11-CI-733. The basis of the suit is a Complaint to enforce a default and lien on certain real property to secure against delinquent taxes. Defendant, the Unknown Spouse of Phyllis L. Porter, if any, shall have fifty (50) days from the date of the Warning Order to file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk if he desires to do so. If he does not appear in the suit and defend it, a judgment will be entered at the discretion of the court by one having information concerning the Unknown Spouse of Phyllis L. Porter. If any please contact Hon. J. V. Reynolds at (606) 886-1020. C.V. Reynolds/Miranda D. Cickel, Attorneys at Law, V. Reynolds Law Offices, P.O. Box 112 West Court Street Suite 100 Prestonburg, Kentucky 41653

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Doppel (wink)

By David Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

A spokesperson for the event said he expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week for vintage items and precious metals from local residents.

**At previous events, these transactions stood out:**

One person sold an old Gibson guitar that was purchased in the 1960's for less than \$250.00. A collector at the event paid him \$2,175.00 for it.

Another person had a pocket watch collection that sold for \$4,600.00, with one of the watches making up \$375.00 of the \$4,600.00 total.

A husband and wife brought in a box of old jewelry, wrist watches, coins and 2 German daggers from WWII and left \$785.00 richer.

This is cool that something like this would come here to our town. Where else would this stuff ever be sold? The Refinery has teamed up with the collectors for a 24 month tour of the United States, both big and small towns, to dig up hidden gems.



Above: "I'm glad I came in! I really needed the money," said Claudia McDonald, who received \$825 for a gold coin minted in 1986.



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**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 \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.

Recent cash in yesterday with jewelry, railroad watches and guitars. An estimated \$200,000 in Prestonsburg.

By David Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

The first days of the 5 day reclamation drive in **Prestonsburg** were a hit with those looking to sell their gold and silver coins. An estimated 55 people left the event with over \$200 from old class rings, wedding bands, herringbones and gold teeth. Coins dated 1964 and earlier were bringing big premiums as well. Silver dollars, halves and quarters arrived in large quantities. Lots of gold coins were also brought in.

On the other side of the room were representatives from the International Buyers Association. They were purchasing all types of guitars, large currency

items and pocket watches. One watch was purchased by a collector in Montana for \$835.00. There were piles of sterling silver items like old silverware sets and tea pots. Company officials reported spending over \$90,000 the first day of the event, alone. Brian Eades, with the Ohio Valley, said, "We have had an overwhelming turnout this first day, and we expect to get more busy every day this week." The event continues today and runs through Friday. It is free and the public is encouraged to attend.



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

## SILVER AND GOLD COIN PRICES UP DURING POOR ECONOMY.

Collectors and Buyers visit in Prestonsburg with \$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.

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 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.

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## 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 that the Refinery usually 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.

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