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Times Staff Report

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Preliminary statistics indicate that two people died in two separate crashes died in two separate crashes on Kentucky roadways during the Thanksgiving holiday' enforcement period, from 6 p.m., Nov. 27, Last year there were nine highway fatalities during the same time period. Both fatalities involved motor vehicles and neither victim was wearing a seat belt. The crashes occurred in Fayette and Mercer County. Through Nov. 27, preliminary statistics

County. Nov. 27, Through Nov. 27, preliminary statistics indicate that 654 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2011. This is 52 fewer fatalities than reported for the same time period in 2010. There bases

There have been 514 motor vehicle fatalities and 266 of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Fifty-eight of those crashes Furly-eight of those crashes involved a commercialmotor vehicle. Sixty-one crashes involved a motorcycle and thirty-four victims were not wearing helmets. Twenty-five crashes involved an ATV and twenty-one victims users not usering wearing helmets. Twenty-five crashes involved an ATV and twenty-one victims were not wearing helmets. Forty-eight crashes involved pedestrians and

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HUEYSVILLE Violence broke out in Floyd County last week, when a man was gunned down outside his home. According to Kentucky.

State Police, Delmas Gene Slone Jr., 42, was shot and killed just off of Route 7 late last Wednesday afternoon. No arrest has been made as of press time. KSP officials say they received a 911 call for help, and when troopers arrived,

they found Slone dead, outside near his home. KSP Trooper Shaun Little says another person involved in the incident was located, but police are not going to release his information. "We will present the case to the Floyd County grand

jury," said Little. According to KSP, the alleged shooter does live in the area, and detectives are investigating to determine if a relationship existed between the two in order to ascertain a motive for the shooting.

According to Floyd County Coroner Greg Nelson, Slone's body was sent to the state medical examiner's office in Frankfort for an autopsy. The shooting is still under investigation by Kentucky State Police.

Couple indicted for murder Jack Latta

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County grand jury indicted a Prestonsburg couple Tuesday, charging them with murder in the death of their 2-year-old nephew, Jason Dickerson, 30, and his wife, - Gladys D i c k er s o n, Ca, were each charged with

26, were each charged with first-degree murder, as well as four counts of first-degree child abuse.

The were two originally charged child iust rith with child abuse, after the couple's nephew, Watson Adkins, was found unresponsive in their home. The additional three



Then nome the Dickerson additional three Dickerson counts are for Watson's siblings, who were also found in the home. On Sept. 29 of this year, Kentucky State Police Post 9, in Pikeville, received a report of a unresponsive 2-year-old in the Prestonsburg community of Town Branch. The Dickersons were arrested in Elliot County and transported to the Floyd County Detention. Center, where they were jailed. Commonwealth's Attorney Arnold Brent Turner said he was unable to comment on a pending trial.

unable to comment on a pending trial. The 'Dickersons, could be arraigned as early as Wednesday on the murder charges.

Floyd has highest rate of child poverty in region

Ralph Davis

WASHINGTON — Statistics released Thesday by the U.S. Census Bureau reveal that Floyd County has the highest rate of children living in poverty among all surrounding counties, and the seventh-highest rate in the state, with a rate more than twice the national average. According to the 2010 Income and Poverty Estimates, Floyd

According to the 2010 Income and Poverty Estimates, Floyd County has 3,801 children living in poverty, representing 43.5 percent of those under 18. By comparison, 'Martin County (42.2 percent), Magofin County (42.2 percent), Magofin County (41.2), Pike County (36.8), Knott County (34.3) and Johinson County (32.8) all'had See POVERTY | A10

FRANKFORT — An announcement from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet this week has Floyd County in line for \$200,000 in County Road Aid emergency funds. This money will be used for slide repairs to various city streets which suffered recent flood damage. me road money. According to the Ralph Davis

Differs found two men at the scene. During questioning, the officers noticed the car contained scrap metal and copper tubing investigating further, they found that the tubing had been removed from four heating and air conditioning units belonging to the church. The officers also allegedly found the men to be in possession of burglar's tools.

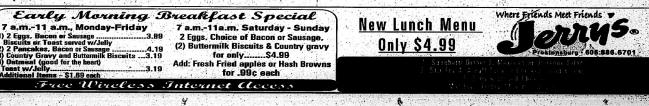
Two accused of stealing copper from Knott church Jpon investigating, the officers found two men at HINDMAN Two

E. Day, 32; of Littcarr, and Jonathan E. Cornett, 20, of Sassafras — were arrested at the scene. Both men have been charged with third-degree burglagy for the degree

Both men have been charged with third-degree criminal, mischief and possession of burglary tools. Cornett was additionally charged with-theft and served a bench warrant from an unrelated case. The case remains under investigation by Tpr. Randall Riley.

Jonathan E. Cornett

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parks round out the Storm Ready list, including Buckhorn, Dale Hollow, Natural Bridge and Lake Daniel and State and Lake Daniel from weather-related events has been at times violent over the last five years. According to the NWS, in that time, Kentucky has had four lightning deaths, five fatalities from high winds or thunderstorms, nine tornado deaths, 15 flood or flash flood fatalities, and four deaths related to extreme cold. For more information on

related to extreme cold. For more information on StormReady, visit www.weather. gov/stormready, and www. weather.gov_for information regarding Kentucky weather.



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Jack Latta

PRESTONSBURG — Jenny Wiley State Resort Park was certified as a "Storm Ready" facility this week by the National Weather Service. The park is only the fifth state park in the nation to be recognized as Storm Ready. According to the National Weather Service, Storm Ready facilities such as the park will provide guests with severe weather information when checking in, including storm

checking in, including storm shelter locations and a listing of NOAA Weather Radio frequencies

that serve the park. Storm Ready is a program designed by the NWS to help protect citizens from the dangers of all types of severe weather, from tornado's to floods to snow and ice storms. According to NWS, by taking a proactive approach to improving hazardous weather operations, partners can reduce the loss of life and injuries in their jurisdictions. Nationally, more than 1,800 sites are rated Storm Ready. Kentucky Parks Commissioner Gerry van der Meer said that, Jenny Wiley is one of only a few parks in the country to have this done." Fellow Kentucky resort

P'burg gets \$200K for road repairs

"These emergency funds are being used to repair roadways to improve safety and mobility in Prestonsburg," Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, the city of Prestonsburg will receive \$200,000 in County Road

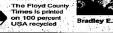
mobility in Prestonsburg," said Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock. "This project is one example of the cabinet's commitment to providing

a solid infrastructure in Prestonsburg, Floyd County, and all across the commonwealth." KTC says that the city will be responsible for administering the work. Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Famin could not be reached for a reaction.

possession tools. The two men — Bradley

HINDMAN — Two people have been arrested, charged with breaking in to a Knott County church. Kentucky State Police Post 13, in Hazard, reports that Tpr. Tim Mullins and Tpr. Cassandra Mullins were patrolling in the Sassafras community, early Monday morning, when a vehicle parked at the Little Dove Baptist Church aroused their suspicion.

Jack Latta



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THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

Obituaries



Carl Ray (Blackie)

Sellards Carl Ray (Blackie) Sellards, age 67, of Allen, passed away Nov. 26, 2011, at HRMC, after a long

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at Incore, after a tong illness. He was born Ian. 2, 1944, at Allen, to the late James (Jim Todd) and Varie Evelyn Estep Sellards. He worked for 24 years as shop foreman at World Wide Equipment and was disabled for several years. He served in the US Army in Germany and won the n Germany and won narksmanship award in nı. serv. He ŀ rice

was preceded in death

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, James William Sellards; and a son, James Dean Sellards. He is survived by a son Mark Anthony Sellards, of Betsy Layne; one brother, Dan (Sue) Sellards, of Inverness, Fla; three sisters, Margaret (Torn) Holbrook and Sherry (Earl) Cline, of Allen, Hivements, Margaret (Tom) Holbrook and Sherry (Earl) Cline, of Allen, and Thursa (Bill) Sloan, of Prestonsburg; two grandsons, and Micheal (Christa) Sellards, of Jacksonville, N.C., Cody Sellards, of Betsy Layne; two granddaughters. Katelyn Sellards, on Katelyn Senaus, G. Tillanooke, Ore., and Britanie Sellards, of Betsy Layne; and one great grandson, Braden Sellards. Funeral services for

Carl Ray Sellards were conducted Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, with Arnold Turner Jr. officiating Burial followed at the family cemetery at Allen (Shortwood).

Allen (Shortwood): Johnny B. Holland, 67, of Johnny B. Holland, 67, of Johnny B. Holland, 67, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday Nov. 27, 2011, at King's Daughter Medical Center. He was born Sept. 20, 1944, to the late Charlie and Nettie Holbrook Holland. He was the husband of Brenda Slow Holland and bis finance, Barbara Crurch of the is survived by one son, Tommy Holland, and his finance, Barbara Crurn. both of Prestonsburg; three brothers. Burl Holland, James Holland and Jack Holland, all of Salyersville. Fineral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday Nov. 30, at the Free Pentecostal Church of God in Prestonsburg, with Josh Havton of ficiatine. Burla

in Prestonsburg, with Josh Hayton officiating. Burial will follow the service at Haywood Cemetery in Haywood Cemetery in Prestonsburg. Nelson Frazier Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Rita Blevins

Rita Blevins Blackburn Rita Blevins Blackburn, 88, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2011 at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She was born Oct. 13, 1923, to the late Sam and Oma Burton Blevins. She was the wife of the late Troy Blackburn and worked as a homemaker. She was a member of the Endicott Freewill Baptist Church. She was preceded in

death death by two sisters, Glenna Lebeau and JoAnn

is survived by sons, Troy (Nickey) down, Curt Blackburn, all Glen Blackburn, all Miller She and Glen Blackburn, all of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Judy Coleman and Wanda Samons, both of Prestonsburg; three brothers, Paul Blevins, Edd Blevins and Tommy Blevins, all of Ashland; two sisters, Willa Vean McCalvin and Wanda Copley, of Ashland; 10 grandchildren, and 17 great grandchildren. and grandchildren.

Trandchildren. Funeral services were held on Sunday, Nov. 27, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, with William Jarrell and others officiating, Burial followed the service at Troy Blackbur Cemetery in Endicott.

Ruben Johnson, 75, of Athens, Ga., died Thursday, Nov. 24, 2011, at St Mary's Hospice House, in Bogart, Ga. He was born Nov. 3, 1936, to the late Frank and Cindy Slone Johnson. He was preceded in death by his brothers and sisters. Robert Johnson, Bill Johnson, Charlie Johnson, Goaldie Flanery, Della Johnson, Charlie Johnson, Goaldie Flanery, Della Johnson, of Wauseon, Ohio, and Alice Hicks, of Kingston, ofio, as well as a honghesen took Kingston, Ohio, as well as a host of nephews and nieces. Funeral services took place Monday, Nov. 28, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, with Slade Stinson officiating, Burial followed the service at Frank Johnson Cemetery, at Hippo.

Shirley Lavonne

Setser Shirley Lavonne Setser, 74, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, Nov. 25, 2011,

at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She was born April 22, 1937, to the late Henry and Lena Cartwright Chaffins. She was the wife of the late Henry Lewis Setser Sr. and worked as a homemaker. She was a member of the Lancer Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Den Chaffins, Hank Chaffins, Carl Chaffins, Hank Chaffins, Carl Chaffins, Norman Chaffins, Carl Chaffins, Norman Chaffins, James Ray Chaffins, Danny Chaffins, Kyle Chaffins and Howard Chaffins; and one sister, Jewel Pilketon. She is survived by five sons, Henry Lewis (Sharon) Setser Jr., Tim (Shelia) Setser and Rickey Lee (Debbie) Setser and Rickey Lee (Debbie) Setser and Jeffery Keith (Heather) Setser, both of Prestonsburg, one daughter, Alicia John) Salisbury, of Ivel; one brother, Doug Chaffins, of Blue River; nine grandchildren, Lessic, Joonald, Patrick, Kristany and William; two great grandchildren, Nurey and Avarey, and one on the way. Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 28, at Lancer Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg, with Bobby Carpenter.

at H.I. Setser Famil Cemetery in Prestonsburg

Herma J. Keaton Herma J. Keaton, 63, of Vanceburg, passed away Thursday, Nov. 24, 2011, at 3:35 a.m., at the Meadowview Regional Medical Center, in Maysville, after an extended illness.

extended illness. Ms. Keaton was born in Floyd County, Nov. 18 1948, to the late Earl and Millie Hall Thornsbury. She loved raising her children and grandchildren. She was a homemaker and was of the Christian faith. Surviving are three sons, acy Keaton and Mack Stacy

Keaton, both of Vanceburg, and Jason and his wife, Kyley, Keaton, of Vanceburg; two brothers, Harold Thornsbury, of Wallingford, and Earl Thornsbury, Thornsbury, of Wallingford, and ...Earl. Thornsbury, of Pontiac, Mich.; four sisters, Ula Bond Acree and Bonnie Ratlift, both of Eastern, and Minnie Bays and Sue Milligan, both of Prestonsburg; eight grandchildren; and one great grandchild. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Christopher Keaton, in 2006; and two sisters, Marle Von Sexton and Avalon Gibson. Funeral services were

Funeral services were Monday at 11 a.m., at the Gaydos Funeral Home, with Brother Tony Corns officiating. Burial followed at Lewis County Memory Gardens, at Black Oak.

Clvde Bond

Stephens Clyde Bond Stephens, 87, of Martin, died Saturday, Nov. 26, 2011, at Pikeville Medical Center. He was born April 16, 1924, to the late Grover and Minnie Diarder Chechend Minnie Dingus Stephens. He was the husband of Eva Osbourne Stephens, a retired grocery merchant and a veteran of World War an II.

III e was preceded in death by three sisters, Thelma Chaffins, Nora Martin and Anne Stephens. He is survived by his sons, Stevie Samuel Stephens and Johnny Clyde (Juanita) Stephens; daughter, Marla (Dale) Hall; grandchildren, Jeremy Hall, Samantha Scott, Susan Stephens, Michael "Bear" Stephens and Jessica Adkins; and great grandchildren, Lara Michael "Bear Stephens and Jessica Adkins; and great grandchildren, Lara Beth, Emily, Gabriel and

Eva. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home. Burial will follow the service at I Memorial Gardens Davidson

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Delmas Gene 'Scumpy' Slone Jr. Delmas Gene 'Scumpy' Slone Jr., age 42, of Hueysville, son Saundra Slone Kilburn, of Happy, and the late Delmas Slone, of Bevinsville, died Wednesday, Nov. 23 at his residence. He was born Sept. 12, 1969, at McDowell. He is survived by his maternal grandparents, Buster and Peggy Dudleson, of Hueysville; his mother, Saundra (Charles) Kilburn, of Happy: Whitney O. Slone, of Langley; two sisters, Natasha Slone hoth of Bevinsville, two

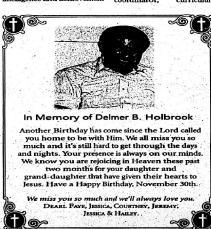
Happy: Whittney: O. Slone, of Langley; two sisters. Natasha Slone, and Stephanie Slone, both of Bevinsville; two sistep-brothers, Raymond Kilburn and Bert Kilburn, both of Happy; one step-sister, Toby Williams, of Niceville, Fla.; special uncle and aunt, Lary and Pat Dudleson, of Hueysville; aunt, Maudie (Mark) Wendling, of Fenton, Mich.; special aunt, Rosie (Lonnie) Slone, of Monticello; uncle, Ronnie (Debbie) Slone, of Fenton, Mich.; special aunt, Rosie (Lonnie) Slone, of Monticello; uncle, Ronnie (Debbie) Slone, of Fenton, Mich.; special niece, Harlyn Slone, of Bevinsville; special cousins, Rusty and Becky Dudelson, of Lexington, Treva Slone (Joe) Beagle, of Northern Kentucky, and Shawn Newsome, of Ohio. He was preceded in death by his father, Delmas Slone; sister, Melissa Slone; sister, Melissa Slone; sister, Temeral service for Jelmas Gene Slone!, was conducted Saturday, Nov. 26, at 11, a.m., in the Hall

Delmas Gene Slone Jr., was conducted Saturday, Nov. 26, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Chester Ray Varney officiating. Burial followed in the James Harve Allen Cemetery, at Hueysville, with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Roundtable at Mayo looks to understand poverty

Jack Latta

Campus. "The Framework for Understanding Poverty Workshops" are based on a book of the same title, by Dr. Ruby K. Payne. The book explains the behaviors of poverty, middle class and wealth. It submits that the intelligence and achievement



levels as the wealthy. According to BSCTC the workshop was presented by Dr. Patsy Jackson who opened the event and introduced the keynote speaker, Dr. Sue Nelle Dehart.

speaker, Dr. Sue Neile Dehart. "I grew up in extreme poverty," said Dehart. "My childhood background lends itself to a one-car garage and parents who argued regularly. BSCIC Officials say Dr. Dehart, of Decatur, Texas, has an extensive background in education. Beginning here career in education in 1964, Dehart has served as a classroom teacher, teacher of the deaf, special education teacher, K-12 gifted and talented coordinator, curriculum

consultant, assistant consultant, assistant principal, central office administrator and adjunct professor. Dr. Dehart also taught at a Texas Woman's university in Denton, TX and at the University of North Texas in Denton, TX. Dehart currently serves as a consultant for

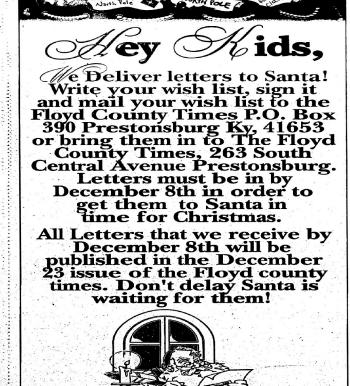
TX. Dehart currently serves as a consultant for ahal Process, Inc. "I decided early on that I would get an education. I told myself that I was not going to live like this the rest of my life," said Dehart. For we

Dehart. For more about Dr. Sue Nelle Dehart and this workshop contact, BSCTC Professor, Dr. Patsy Jackson at (606) 886-3863, ext. 64711 or e-mail patsy, jackson@kctcs.edu.

Killed From Page A1

From Page A1 two involved a bicycle. Two crashes involved a scooter and two involved a scooter and two involved a horse-drawn vehicle. A total of one hundred six fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use, of alcohol. Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic drivers to the Kentucky State Police toll free at 1-800-222-5555. Callers will remain anonymous and should give a description of the vehicle, location, direction of travel and license number if possible. These statistics are still orelineiner, as KSP usite

These statistics are still preliminary as KSP waits for all local law enforcement agencies throughout the state to report any crashes and fatalities that may have occurred in their areas. Crash data for this report is generated from the Kentucky Patality Analysis Reporting System (PARS).



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PAINTSVILLE — Big Sandy Community and Technical College invited participants to examine aspects of poverty during a recent workshop. "A Framework for Understanding Poverty" workshop was hosted by BSCTC on Nov. 18 in the auditorium on the Mayo Campus. Campua "The



Community Calendar

Calendar items will be rinted as space permits rinted as space permit Editor's note: To any Biltor's note: To announce Baltor's note: To announce your, community event, you umay hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263: S. Central Avenue, Presionsburg, or mail to: The Floyd County Times, FO Box 590, Prestonsburg, KY 41553; or email to: fafeadturs(@ floyd county fimes, com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be flaced on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits. first-serv permits.

Democratic Woman's Club Christmas party The Floyd County remocratic Woman's Club The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club invites club members, future club members and county officials to the club's annual Christmas party, at 5:30 p.m. saturday, Dec. 3, at the Mountain Arts Center. For more information, call (606) 226-6324.

Auxier Center happenings • Free community dinner - 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6. Food, fun and fellowship, Bring a friend, a smile and a big appetite!. • Saturday, Idec. 10, from 10 Saturday, Dec. 10, from 10 a.m. to noon. Participants will make a gift they can keep. There is a fee of \$4 per person. Call (606) 8860709 to reserve a spot.

keep. Alternational (606) 886-0709 to reserve a spot. • Game night — 6:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 16. There will be plenty of snacks, games and fun for the entire family, and

it's free. All of the events take place at the Auxier Center.

Free clothes and household

Free clothes and household giveauory The Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary will give free clothes and household items to anyone in need Department of the second fire Route 114. Dates and times of the giveaway are a follows: • Wednesday, Dec. 7, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. a.m. to 5 p.m. • Thursday, Dec. 8, 9 a.m.

to 6 p.m. • Friday, Dec. 9, noon to 8 Friday, Dec. 9, noon to 8
 Saturday, Dec. 10, noon to 4 p.m. (Santa will be at this giveaway).
 For more information, contact Dearl Faye Holbrook, (606) 886-8481 or (606) 226-3526

3525. Donations of any kind will be accepted.

Walk for Christ The West Van Lear Baptist Church will hold a "Walk for Ohrist," Dec. 10, from noon to 1 p.m. Contact Eileen Mullins to participate, (606) 290-0520.

The Garrett Church of God will host a gospel singing. The Garrett Church of God will host a gospel singing. Junce Harrett Church, and State The First Presbyterian Church, in Presbyterian Cotation for the Samaritan's Purse charity project, Operation Christmas Child Residents and churches are invited to bring their shoeboxed gifts filled with toys, school supplies, etc. (no warrelated items) to the

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church, to be sent to needy children around the world. Bibles, children's books and discipleship programs are provided in the language of the child receiving the gift. The 2011 dates are Nov. 14-20. For more information and parmplets explaining the project, contact the church at (606) 886-2214 or Donna at (606) 297-5404.

Volunteer

Volunteer mentors wanted Mentoring for a Second Chance is a jal-based service program designed to help reduce recidivism and promote positive growth, by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. M2C is localing for local men who are motivated to make a are motivated to make a difference in the life of an individual while having a positive impact on the community.

community. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a mentor, contact mentor coordinator Joshua Kinzer, (606) 38864439, (606) 339-8878, or Jkinzer@ MtComp.org.

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

Communities Against

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 Non-profit agency in need of foster parents in your area. Financial compensation/ bonuses, mileage reimbursement, and 24-7 support are available. All foster children get a medical foster children get a medical unches. foster children get a menucu card, free school lunches, and clothing vouchers/other reimbursements. Call for more information, at 606-886-0163 or visit our website at: h t t p : / / w w w benchmarkfamilyservices. ong/

memories

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 Benchman Family Services Office. For more information, please call (606) 886-0163.

Auxier Learning Center

Auxier Learning Center offers home repairs raid 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 ston by 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

Must provide proof of income and ownership. FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall genetics Edstromed May Drive, just off 1428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestons-burg. Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information. Become a Volunteer with Victim Services Program You are more likely to be unt by someone whom you know rather than be assaulted on Kentucky's streets by a total stranger. Learn to assist victims of sexual assault, child abuse and domestic violence when the remaining a burler with to day to receive an application for our free training program. Coall the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Servicess' program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

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

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

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 support group meets on the following schedule: Mondays. at Minnie Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8

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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

David School, from 5:504:500 p.m. Wednesdays, af 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.

Need Help With Home Repairs? The Awkier 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 low income and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by our office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8-4.

Monday-Friday, 84. *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. Offer cinigan to the second to community resources variable to women seekling 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.

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Democratic Woman's Club 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 this World bit The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun

The East Kenucry sources Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guets. Call 889-8260 for more information.

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

'Earn While You Learn' 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

Senior employment program. Are you a senior citizem on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money bat don't know how to get back into the workforce? If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra help your community at the same time! To fund out more, call: 286-2929

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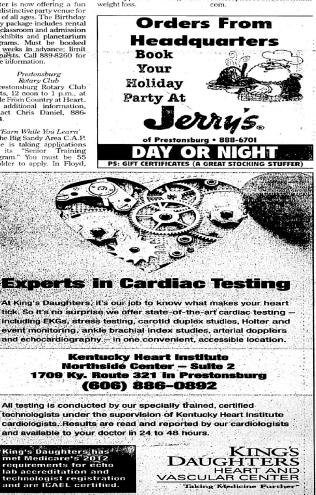
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PARENTSI - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children of others. Find out more by calling (Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toil free).

ee). East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more

Paintsville Paintsville Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome. Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.







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Worth Repeating

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

Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Guest View ⁶Tis the season to be wary

Jack Conway Kentucky Attorney General

It you are among the growing number, of consumers turning to smartphones, tablets and computers to do their holiday shopping, make sure you protect yourself against liternet scammers. As you're searching the web for that perfect gift, scam artists are working over time to find new ways to steal your money, your personal information and even your identity. The following tips from my Office of Consumer Protection and the Federal Trade Commission can help ensure that you don't become a victim this holiday season. of ore holiday season.
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in case there is a problem.
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 Keep personal information private. Don't disclose your address, telephone number, Social Security number or bank account information and how they plan to use it.
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include online shopping advertisements, credit Card applications, electronic greeting cards and requests for charitable contributions. These emails can contain a potential virus or malware that can detect passwords or sensitive data. If you have,been a victim of a scam or identity theft, help is available by calling my Consumer Profection Hotline at 1-888-432-9257 or by visiting http://ag.ky.gov/civil/ consumerprotection/. We're doing all we can here in the Office of the Attorney General to protect Kentucky consumers from scam artists and identify theft. by following the is effort. Working together, we can ensure a safe and heppy holiday consumers.

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state, to respond no matter how the battlefield changes. In other judicial matters, the legislature could decide whether we should establish a statewide database of suspected gang members and increase penalties if a crime is gang related. The database could make it easier for local law enforcement agencies to know if a rise in crime is being coordinated, while tougher penalties would hopefully curtail this type of activity. In addition to tackling problems, the General Assembly could offer incentives in several areas to spur progress.

the General Assembly could other incentives in several areas to spur progress. Our public postsecondary schools, for example, could see a portion of their funding tied to meeting certain educational requirements, such as improved graduation rates. The Education Commission of the States says 27 other states have already added performance-base requirements for their schools. In 2009, the General Assembly moved in that direction when it called for college remediation rates to be cut in half by 2014 when compared to 2010. We also pushed universities to do more to help a growing number of college students enrolled in these courses complete their degree. Economically, we could make it more attractive financially for individuals to act as "angel" investors, which can play a critical role in helping new

act as "angel" investors, which can play a critical role in helping new companies turn an idea into reality. Kentucky already offers tax breaks to

investment funds that provide venture capital, but proponents say expanding it to individuals could make it easier to

capita, but proponents say expansion it to individuals could make it easiert to attract up-and-coming entrepreneurs. Making it easier for veterans to transition back into civilian life is another idea that may come up next year. In this case, we would see if it is feasible to let these men and women use their military training where applicable to help meet state licensing requirements in the private sector. Those in favor say this would help our veterans obtain work, while others caution that differing standards in the military could make it tougher to apply certain exemptions in a given profession. As I mentioned, these items are only a snapshot of what could come up next year in the General Assembly beyond the budget and redistricting.

only a snapshot of what could come ponext year in the General Assembly beyond the budget and redistricting. Others on the agenda could range from making it easier to buy unpasteurized milk to finding ways usage across the state. Twill of course keep you updated on the progress we make in the months hared, but your input is very much meded as well. I encourage you to let mot know what issues are important to you and how you feel about any legislation when it is being debated mext year. If you would like to leave a message, now or in the months ahead, please call, toll-free, 800-372-7181. For those with a hearing impairment, the number is 800-800-500.

Week in Review House

Rep. Hubert Collins

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asked what investments would be affected by committee co-chair Sen. David Givens, R-Greensburg. Funding for the ADF is provided by tobacco settlement dollars from a 1998 national tobacco settlement that included Kentucky and 45 other states' Attorneys General State' General Fund money is not used to fund ADF. projects, explained Neaveill. The projected reduction was one of several issues raised by GOAP staff for legislative consideration during the upcoming 2012 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly. Another issue, raised by GOAP Executive Director Roger Thomas, is the need for a permanent statutory change that would enable the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation to provide an entity or statutory change that would enable the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation to provide an entity or individual with a low-interest loan greater than \$1 million and up to \$5 million. The change would do away with the current legislative practice of creating an exception during budget sessions, held every two years, to existing law that enables the KAFC to offer the larger loans. Thomas said the exception to current law-which allows existing law to be "not withstood," in bill drafting terms-has been approved by the General Assembly over the last three budget cycles. KAFCs assets

have grown to almost \$40 million over the last four years, he explained. Committee co-chair Rep. Wilson Stone, D-Scottsville, said he believes the requested change could be "a subject for discussion as the session unfolds."

subject tor discussion as the session unfolds." "I think (other factors) along with the fact that if just takes larger projects to have the kind of impact that you want to have is certainly a logical reason to make that increase," said Stone. Thomas also suggested that state lawmakers change the definition of "beginning farmer" in state law from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's definition to the state's so-called "working definition" that Thomas said is more flexible. He explained the change would allow loans to be made that are not possible under the USDA definition.

cnat are not possible under the USDA' definition. The GAP would also like to continue Kentucky's federally-fundation on farm. Energy Efficiency which hence the second second second second participation of the second second second second second second second second second federal stimulus dollars alone, said Thomas. Justi bergen

federal stitutus activity our from as. I will have more to share with your about issues affecting you in Frankfort in my next column. Have a great week ahead.



Kentucky mines cited in October inspections

ARLINGTON, Va. — The U.S. Department of Labor's Mine Safety and Health Administration announced Tuesday that federal inspectors issued 226 citations and orders during special impact inspections conducted at eight coal special impact inspections special impact inspections conducted at eight coal mines and three metal/ nonmetal mines last month. The coal mines were issued 145 citations and 18 orders, while the metal/nonmetal operations.were while the metal/nonmetal operations were issued 51 citations and 12 orders.

operations were issued 51 citations and 12 orders. These inspections, which began in force in April 2010 following the explosion at the Upper Big Branch Mine, involve 'mines' that merit increased agency 'attention and enforcement due to their poor compliance history or particular compliance instructure compliance instructure compliance inductions of dosure orders; frequent hazard compliants or hotline calls; plan compliance issues; inadequate 'workplace examinations; a high number of accidents, injuries or illnesses; fatalities; and adverse 'conditions such as increased methane

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continuous and inadequate ventilation. One of MSHA's most recent impact inspections was on Oct. 31 at Bledsoe Coal Corp.'s Abner Branch

Rider Mine in Leslie County. Upon arrival, the inspection team captured and monitored the mine phone to prevent advance notification. Inspectors observed loose, prevent advance notification. Inspectors observed loose, unsupported drawrock and loose coal ribs, which can cause serious injury or death to miners. Consequently, they issued two withdrawal orders for inadequate roof and rib control. Withdrawal orders also were issued for combustible material accumulations as well as the operator's failure to conduct a pre-shift examination of the active section, which resulted in electrical equipment and cables being energized in the presence of roof control and ventilation hazards, creating a potential fire or explosion hazard. The mine operator was issued a total of five withdrawal orders and two withdrawal orders and two in America 2011 the Abner

withdrawal orders and two citations. In April 2011, the Abner Branch Rider Mine became one of two mines became one of two mines ever successfully placed by MSHA on a pattern of violations, based on the operators repeated significant and substantial violations of mandatory health and safety standards. The withdrawal orders issued based on last month's inspection, which require all individuals to be withdrawn from the affected area until each violation has

been abated, bring the mine's total number of withdrawal orders received since April to 34. "The conditions at the Abner Branch Rider Mine underscore the importance of adequate pre-shift examinations, which require hazards to be found and fixed to prevent miners from being harmed," said Joseph A. Main, assistant scretary of labor for mine safety and health. "There is no excuse for miners to be exposed to these conditions when a pre-shift inspection would have identified the hazards. For exolutions." As a second example from last month MSHA

As a second example from last month, MSHA conducted an impact arom tast month, MSHA conducted an .impact inspection on Oct. 13 at Viper Coal LLC Mine No. 7 in Pike County. The inspection party' arrived at the mine site and immediately seized the communication system. Eight unwarrantable, failure orders and 12 cristioner Eight unwarrantable failure orders and 12 citations were issued. One of the orders was issued for mining coal in excess of the 20-foot maximum cut depth stipulated in the operator's approved roof control plan.

Additionally, drawnock was present throughout the working section and exposed miners to roof falls that could cause serious injury or death. Unwarrantable failure orders also were issued for failure to conduct an on-shift examination to ensure compliance with the respirable dust control parameters and for ventilation deficiencies that did not comply with the approved ventilation plan, as well as for inadequate on-shift/preshift examinations-of the belt lines, which led to the buildup of combustible inspection, the mine was using blowing ventilation, when the approved ventilation plan called for using blowing ventilation, when the approved ventilation plan called. This diargenetic for the approved paragenetic for the approved paragenetic for the approved paragenetic for the approved period for the approved proved period for the approved proved operator failed to maintain water sprays on the continuous.

operator failed to maintain water sprays on the continuous mining machine to suppress dust. Since April 2010, MSHA has conducted 358 impact inspections, which have resulted in 6,383 citations, 614 orders and 22 safeguards.



Floyd County Democratic Woman Club Members, Future Club Members and County Officials

The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club cordially invites you to their annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 3rd 2011 at the Mountain Arts Center beginning at 5:30 p.m.

606-226-6324 Everyone Have a Happy Holiday Season!





Appalshop receives arts-ed funding Ralph Davis

Ralph Davis Managing Editor FRANKFORT Appalashop is one of five Kentucky arts insitutions to receive two grants from the National Endowment for the Arts during its latest round of funding. Appalashop, based in Whitesburg, will receive a grant of \$20,000 willsupport the 'Appalachian Media Institute, a documentary arts film and radio program for high sch in studeted production of documentary arts film and radio program the 'history, ethics and media, resulting 'in the production of documentary films and radio programs. In addition, a 'grant of \$30,000, proposed on behalf of WMMTFFM, will support Pick and Bow: Traditional Arts in Community,' a series of alterschool programs that offer invisituction in traditional music to students of a poplachia. In additional music to students, and a state education and arts program to fund agrant of a program to fund music. The NEA, an independent federal agency, arts education and arts programing All five of the apport from the Kentucky Arts Council through the stores or experision association and arts programing. All five of the also proceive operational apport from the Kentucky Arts Council through the stores of and arts programing. All five of the also receive operational and program. Dithers receiving grants

Others receiving grants include: • Actors Theatre of Louisville will receive

Actors Theatre of Louisville will receive \$80,000 to support the 36th Annual Humana Festival of New American Plays, as showcase of new theatrical work featuring American playwrights. Actors Theatre will fully produce seven full-ength plays, multiple ten-minute plays and, an anthology project written by multiple playwrights to be performed by its Acting Apprentice Company.
 The Louisville Ballet will receive \$20,000 Support the acquision of "Lady of the Camellias," by choreographer Val Caniparoli, as part of Louisville Ballets Repertoire Enhancement

of Louisville Ballet's Repertoire Enhancement Project. "Lady of Camellias" is based on the 1848 novel by Alexandre Dumas and is choreographed to music by Chorin

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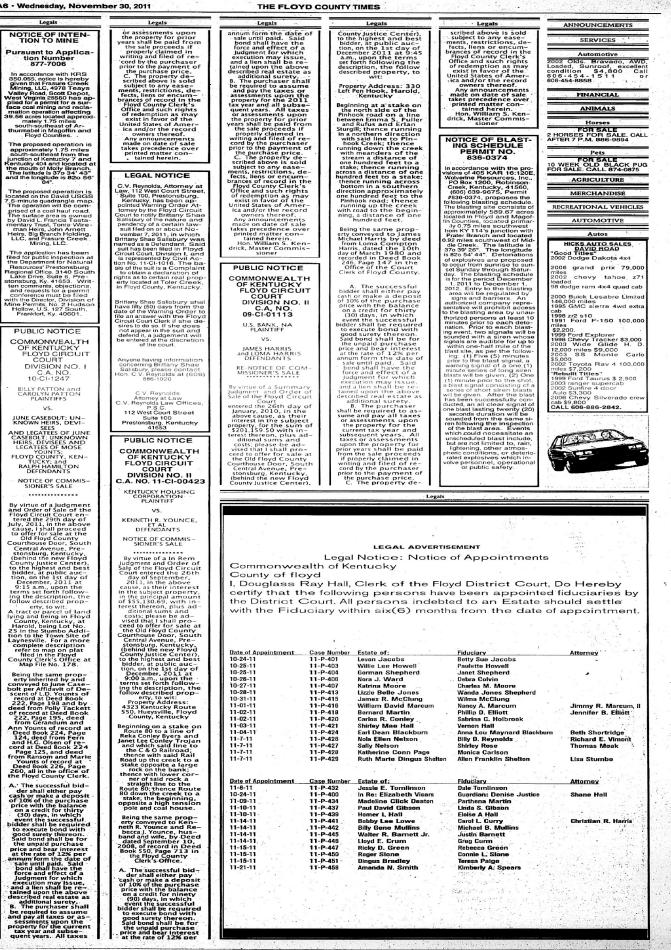
\$21,000 to support the publication and promotion of collections of short faction, creative nonfiction and poetry. Scheduled authors include Rodney Jack, Michael J. Lee, Paula Bohince. T. Fleischmann, Steven Cramer and Elena Passarello. • Yeiser Art Center, in Paducah, will receive \$10,000 to support an artist-in-residence program for

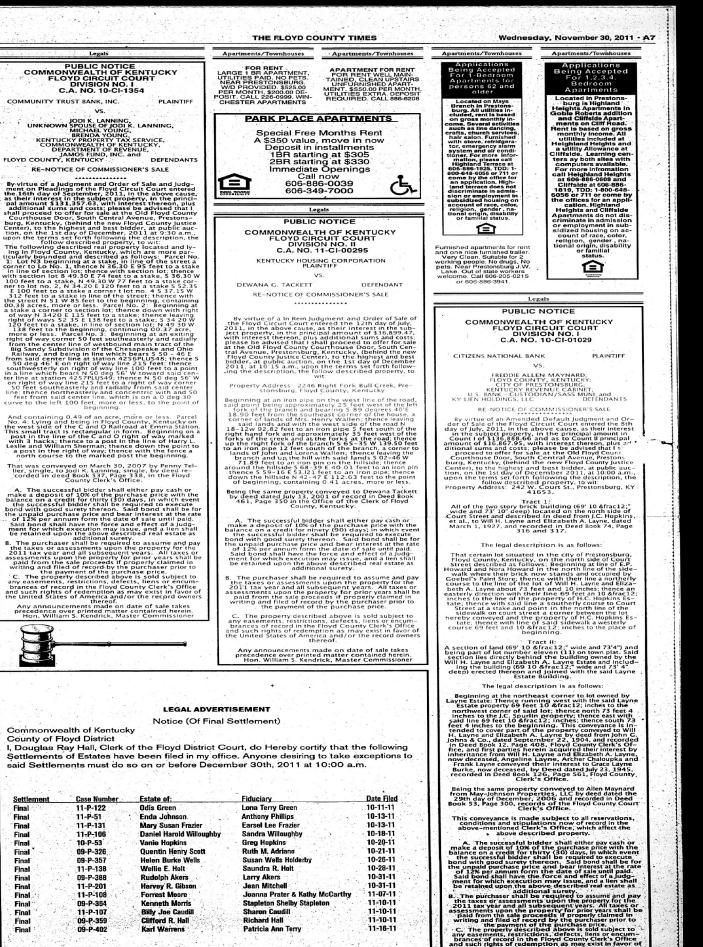
In Fahrbard, will feelete \$10,000 to support an art for present new work. Artists selected from an open call for submissions will receive a stipend, housing, exhibition and outreach opportunities during their residencies. The NEA was established by Congress in 1965 as an independent agency of the federal government. To date, the NEA has awarded more than \$4 billion to support artistic excellence, creativity and innovation for the benefit of individuals and communities. The NEA for the benefit of individuals and communities. The NEA extends its work through partnerships with state arts agencies, local leaders, other federal agencies and the philanthropic sector. The Kentucky - Arts Council, the state extension agency creates

Council, the state arts agency, creates opportunities for Kentuckians to value, participate in and benefit from the arts. Kentucky Arts Council funding is provided by the Kentucky General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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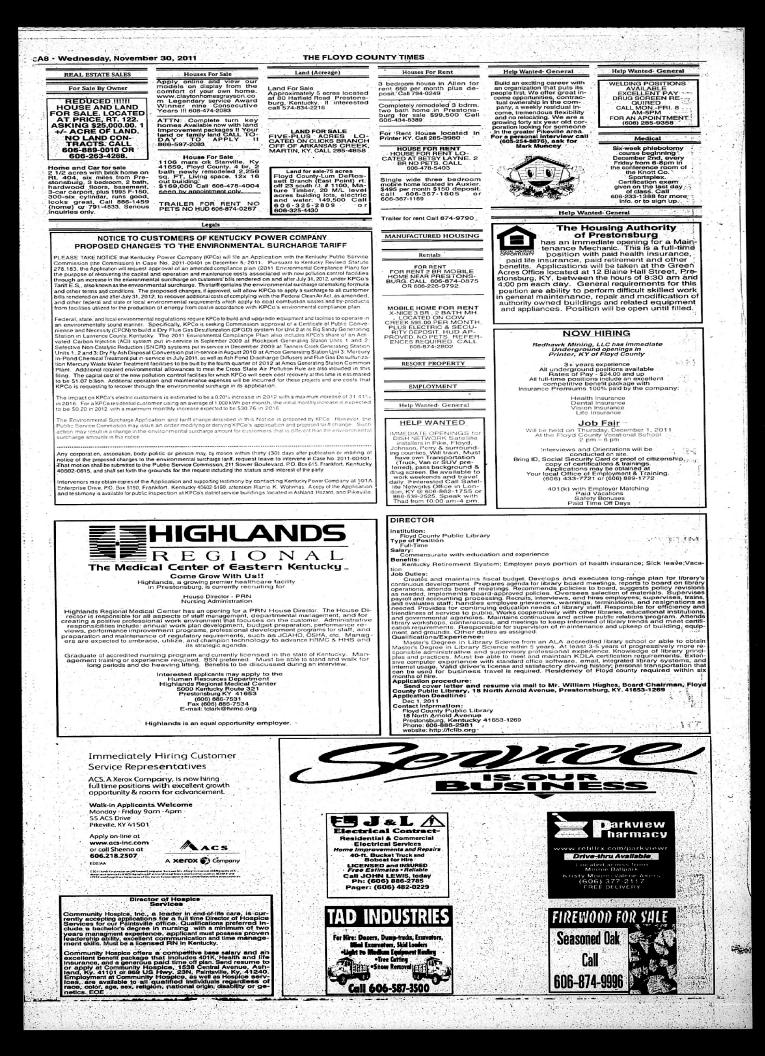
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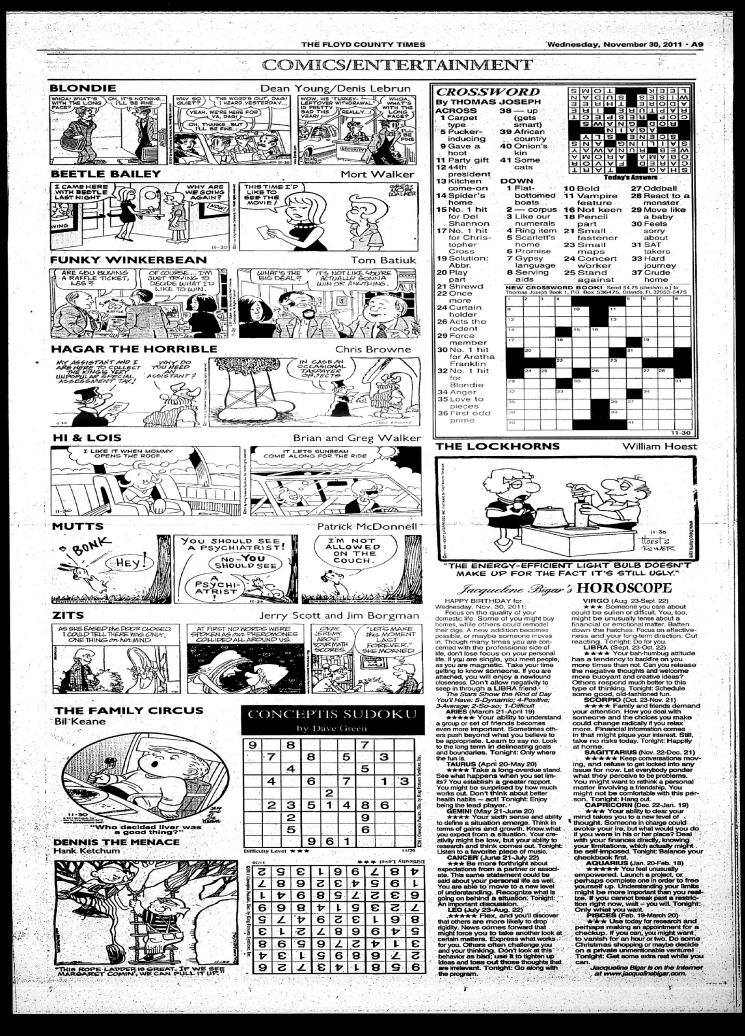




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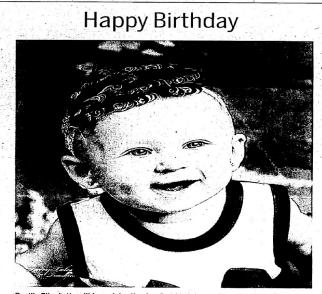
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Cecilia Bliss Latta will be celebrating her first birthday on Thursday, Dec. 1. She is the daughter of Jackson and Yvette Latta. She is the maternal granddaughter of Mert and Ada DePoy and the paternal granddaughter of Clifford and Ann Latta.

Poverty

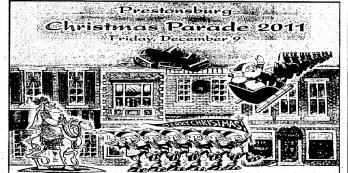
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From Page Al lower rates of children living in poverty. Statewide, Floyd County's rate of children living in poverty only ranks better than Owsley (54.4 percent), Lee (52.2), McCreary (49.3), Clay (48.9), Wolfe (47.8) and Knox (45.3) counties. The state average is 26.1 percent, while the national rate is 21.6. Overall, Floyd County-

had the second-highest rate of overall poverty in the region, at 29.9 percent. The second second second Mart Deces it abacal of Mart Deces it abacal of Mart Deces it abacal Mart

percent. The falling poverty rates puts Floyd County in a better position that 20 percent of the counties across the country, which have shown steep increases in their poverty rates.

County. Since 2007, the last year before the current economic recession. the overall poverty rate for the county has dropped, from 32.9 percent, while the rate of children living in poverty has fallen from 44.4 percent. Elayd, County rates nuts Elayd, County



- ade marches off at 7:00pm (Line up will be across from Ky Unemployment Office and will begin lining up at 6:00pm) the parade route will include North Lake Drive and Court Street Downtown
- Following the parade there will be a special "tree lighting" ceremony in the Municipal Parking lot, across from Prestonsburg City Hall.
- The downtown shops will be open until 8pm for the evening and the parade will be coming through Court Street.
- The parade will include cars, trucks, bikes, 4-Wheelers and other vehicles décorated for Christmas. There will be a cash prize for the best decorated vehicles.
- Floats are also encouraged to enter and should be registered by calling Prestonsburg City, Hall at 606-886-2335.
- Also encouraged to march or ride in the parade are local civic groups, scout troops, dance groups and others who would like to help Prestonsburg celebrate Christmas. More information is avail able at Prestonsburg City Hall.
- Prizes will be awarded for the best decorated business, car, float and yard and will presented during the singing at Destination nunity Church. Co
- After the fastivities at the "tree lighting", the community is invited to join Santa Claus at Destination Community Church on Court Street, for a community sing, hot chocolate, coffee and goodies. You are any with the principle of properties to the church and the will be any second second according to the church contact the church for information regarding performing during ar "open mike"session that evening.

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Rogers receives Distinguished Service Award from Kentucky Electric Cooperatives

SOMERSET —, Rep. Hal Rogers, chair of the powerful Appropriations Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives and longtime advocate for his eastern and southern Kentucky congressional district, 'accepted the 2011 Distinguished Rural Kentuckian Award from the Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives on Monday.

of Electric Cooperatives on Monday. The award recognizes Rogers' solid support for electric co-ops in Congress and his wide-ranging and creative support for life for the people in the 27 counties of the 5th congressional district. Rogers has served in

congressional district. Rogers has served in Congress since 1981 and in 2010 rose to the prominent national position chairing the House Appropriations Committee in an era of unprecedented focus on the federal government spending that is the domain of that committee. In addition to that key appropriations role, Rogers says his main caréer focus

is to create more jobs in his district so people can thrive there and make a good living. His efforts over the decades have included the decades have included helping create major flood control projects, improving education through regional scholarships, promoting the regional tourism industry, conducting ongoing drives to reduce drug abuse and beautify the region, and supporting the construction of the Center for Rural Development in

construction of the Center for Rural Development in Somerset. The electric co-ops of Kentucky have presented the Distinguished Rural Kentuckian Award annually since 1982 to recognize people who have improved the quality of life in the state. The first recipients include broadcaster Cawood Ledford, Governor Cawood Ledford, Governor A.B. "Happy", Chandler, KET founder O. Leonard Press, rural physician Dr. Louise Caudill, author wendell Berry, media executive Jim Host, and Senator Wendell Ford.

Rogers accepted the award at a banquet during the 65th annual meeting of the Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives. Upon receiving the award, Rogers remarked, T am honored to join the prestigious roster of Distinguished Rural Kentuckian Award Kentuckian Award Cooperatives has improved the way we communicate about utility issues across the Commonwealth. I commend the electric co-ops for being proactive in about utility issues across the Conmonwealth. I commend the electric co-ops for being proactive in educating communities about energy conservation for site innovative ideas money. energy and save money. The Kentucky

The Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives, based in Louisville, represents 26 local, user-owned, electric cooperatives, which provide electricity to about one-third of the homes and businesses in the state, covering parts of 117 of the 120 counties in Kentucky.

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STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Brad Short will make his regular-season debut as Allen Central High School boys' basketball head coach on Friday when Allen Central visits the Piarist School for an opener. Short, a longtime head coach at Allen Central Middle School, replaced Mark Martin as ACHS head Coach in a coaching move

coach in a coaching move made over the summer.

Bobcats matched up with Male in Kentucky Farm **Bureau Classic**

STEVE LeMASTER

BETSY LAYNE – Reigning All "A" Classic state champion Betsy Layne will face Male in the 2011 Kentucky Farm Bureau Classic at the East Kentucky Expo Center in Pikeville. Other matchups in the Kentucky Farm Bureau Classic at line Log Pikeville. Other matchups in the Kentucky Farm Gounty vs. Trinity and Shelby Valley vs. Trinity. Betsy Layne is listed fifth in the preseason 15th Region poll. The Bobcats are favored to win another 58th District title. Male bis raiked at the population of control to the preseason 15th Region poll. The Bobcats are favored to win another 58th District title. Male the another for the state of the bis raiked at the population of the control of the state while chaiming the top poll in the 26th District. The Bullogs are ranked ahead

while claiming the top hod in the 26th District. The Bulldogs are ranked ahead of district fores St. Xavier, Collegiate and Brown. New head coach Larry Miller guides the Male boys' basketball team. He replaced Tom Crews as head coach in April. Crews compiled a 112-61 record during his tenure. An experienced coach, Miller coached at Moore during 16 of the last 17 seasons. Starters Marcus Taylor and Cach Moran return for an the Starter Marcus Taylor and Starters Marcus Taylor as Starters Marcus Taylor Despo Center floor for the first time since suffering a season-ending loss to Pikeville in March. Betsy Layne is the preseason favorite in a much-improved 58th District. The Bobcats return

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District. The Bobcats return senior guard Andrew Roberts to the starting lineup, Roberts ranks as one of the 15th Region's top players. 'The Bobcats ended the 2010-11 season 25-7 following a 44-45 loss to Pikeville in the semifinals of the 15th Region Tournament. Betsy Layne was visiting

Tournament. Betsy Layne was visiting 15th Region rival Phelps at press time Tuesday evening. Results from the Betsy Layne-Phelps game were unavailable. Betsy Layne will host Greenup County on Saturday in a home opener.

BETSY LAYNE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL

g Schedule at Phelps, 7:30 p.m Nov. 29 Dec. 3 Dec. 9 Dec. 10 at Phelps, 7:30 p.m. Greenup County, 7:30 p.m. Piarist School, 7:30 p.m. Male, 5:30 p.m. (Kenitucky Farm Bureau Classic at Expo Center) at Pile County Central, 7:30 p.m. at Belfty, 7:30 p.m. at Belfty, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 13

Senior guard Braxton Tackett is back to lead the Rebels. Joining him are fellow senior guard Seth Jarrell, senior center Micah Harlow, junior center Stephen Goble and sophomore guard Junior Handshoe. Allen Central lost leading rebounder Donovan Salyer (7.8 rpg) to graduation. The Rebels ended the 2010-11 season 8-19 after falling to Betsy Layne in the opening round of the 58th District Tournament

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The Piarist School boys' basketball team is back on the court after the program took a hiatus. Head coach Kevin Tackett guides the K bichte

took a hiatus. Head coach Kevin Tackett guides the Knights. Allen Central will travel to Pennsylvania Dec. 8-10 for the EQT Energy Classic. After the road trip up the East Coast. Allen Central will visit Sheldon Clark (Dec. 13), South Floyd (Dec. 13), Jackson City (Dec. 23). Following a break for ,the holiday,

(Daulie)

Allen Central will compete in the Pikeville Invitational Tournament. The Rebels are pitted against 14th Region foe Wolle County in the opening round of the Pikeville tournament. In addition to host Pikeville, Pike County Central, Greenup County, Beechwood, Hazard and Betsy Layne are scheduled to compete in the Pikeville-hosted tourney.

Last week, Allen Central hosted its annual panorama at J.E. Campbell Arena. Frasure Competing Team Kentucky



Brad Short is in his first season as head coach of the Allen Central High School boys' basketball program.

P'burg to open season at Letcher Central

ALLEN CENTRAL

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

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PRESTONSBURG - Fans will be able to follow the Prestonsburg High School hosy' basketball team on the road early in the 2011-12 season. Prestonsburg, under the direction of firstyear head coach James DeRossett, fared well in a pair of preseason scrimmages last week. This week, regular-season competition awaits the Blackcats. Prestonsburg will visit Letcher. County, Central on Saturday night for a season

Prestonsburg will visit Letcher County-opener on Saturday night för a season-Prestonsburg en vill visit Letcher County-opener on Saturday night för a season 7-21. The Blackeats concluded the 2010-11 campaign with five straight losses. South Floyd defeated Prestonsburg in the opening round of the 2011 S8th District. Tournament, eliminating the Blackcats from the postseason. Letcher County Central (53rd District/14th Region) is expected to have its best team in school history. After winning 21 games last season, Letcher County Central to have its best team in school history. After winning 21 games last season, Letcher County Central returns 6-0 junior point guard Cody Gregory (5.0 ppg, 6.0 ppg, 9.0 rpg), 6-4 senior forward Kendall Ballou (6.5 ppg) and 6-6 senior center Koree Stewart (13.0 ppg, 10.0 rpg) to its starting lineup. Prestonsburg will visit Paintsville on fuesday prior to hosting Sheldon Clark on Saturday Dec. 10 in a home opener. Sheldon Clark, under the guidance of Floyd County hative Kevin Spurlock, ranks near the top in the 15th Region. DeRossett is headed into his first season as Prestonsburg head coach after replacing Jack Pack. Tip-oft for the Prestonsburg-Letcher County Central game is set for 7:30 pm. Prestonsburg will host its annual Media bay/Meet the Blackcats event on Sunday (Dec. 4) at 2 pm. at the PHS Fieldhouse. PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL BOYS maximum and the set of the store of the sto

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL

- Upcoming Schedule Dec. 3 at Letcher County Central, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 3 Dec. 6
 - at Paintsville, 7:30 p.m. Sheldon Clark, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 10 Dec. 13
- Dec. 15
- Dec. 17 Dec. 19
- at East Ridge, 7:30 p.m. at Pikeville, 7:30 p.m. at South Floyd, 7:30 p.m. Magoffin County, 7:30 p.m. Hazard, 7:30 p.m.



ATTA team competes in first meet in Somerset

Annesstatt Report ALLEN - American Tumbling and Trampoline Academy (A.T.T.A.) opened the 2011-12 competitive season with its first competition in Somerset October 22. Topnotch Gymnastics of Somerset hosted the recent competition. A.T.T.A. of Allen. under the direction of Coach Henry Young and Assistant Coach Matt Roberts, boasts one of the largest power

tumbling and thampoline teams in Eastern Kentucky. The local team is looking forward to traveling to Houston, Texas in July 2012 for the AAU Junior Olympics. Participants for the A.T.T.A. team in its first meet were Lyndsay Cook, Savamah Jo Crider, Emily Crum, Tori Gaybeart, Emily Hager, Andrew Justice, Olivia Justice, Marshall Maynard, Dillon Crum, Staci Morrison, Alexis Stanley and Mercedes Winfree.

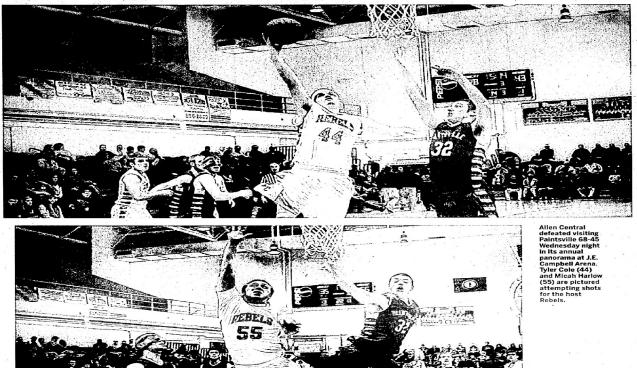


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Adams Middle School eighth grader Dalton Frasure competed for Team Kentucky on Saturday in the Football University (FBU) National Tournament. Frasure (84), who starts at tight end and on the kickoff return team. heped Team Kentucky heped Team Kentucky the weekeend With the

the weekend. With the weekend. With the win, Team Kentucky advances in the single-elimination tournament

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MSU baseball program signs two more in-state players

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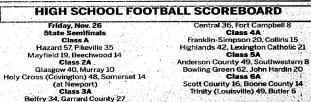
Times Staff Report MOREHEAD - The Morehead State University baseball program rounded third on the early signing period, scoring two more future Eagles. Head coach Jay Sorg announced the addition of pitcher/ outfielder Chris Laporte (Bryan Station) and pitcher William Warman (Scott County) to national letters of intent. Laporte, a right-handed pitcher and outfielder, was named a Perfect Game USA Pre-Season High School Underlassman All-American Honorable Mention as a junior batting

USA Pre-Season High School Underclassman All-American Honorable Mention as junior batting 317 with 21 RBI and nine stolen bases. He is a loose-armed pitcher that the Eagles believe has a huge upside. "Chris is a plus athlete who will get the opportunity to be a dual role player for us," said Sorg. "He is very young for his class and we believe that he has a huge upside, especially

on the mound. His body is really starting to grow and fill out. His velocity has increased from consistent mid 80's to upper 80's in a short amount of time."

mid 80's to upper 80's in a short amount of time." Laporte was a teammate of Warman on the Bluegrass Stars this summer. As a member of the Stars, he batted .363 with 49 RBI while striking out 32 in 32 innings pitched. "He is well-coached by Eddie Brooks who has a reputation of developing players," said Sorg. "Chris is a high character person. We are excited to have him in our program." Laporte believes that he can be a valuable part of an already exceptional recruiting class. "I am very excited to join the Eagle baseball team," said Laporte. "The coaches, players and university are all great. I know we have a great recruiting class coming in. I am thrilled for the opportunity to play for this program and help it achieve its goals."

Warman is a projectable southpaw who can reach into the upper 80s. As a junior, Warman was selected as a State East West All-Star. "William is everything you look for in a left-handed pitcher." described Sorg. The is long and lean with a loose arm. His fastballs are ady in the upper table and set believe howill pitch-consistently in the 90s as he develops. He competes very well on the mound." He compiled a 100-record with the Bluegrass Stars with the Bluegrass Stars with the Bluegrass Stars with a microscopic 1.12 ERA and 113 strikeouts over 64 innings during the summer season. "Williams gets better every time we see him and he really outmatched hitters over the summer," said Sorg. "He has a chance to be a very special player." "Morehead. State was the right fit for me," said Warman. "It was exactly what I was looking for on and off the field."



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Late-second half field goal lifts James Madison over Eastern

RICHMOND - Cameron Starke's 35-yard field goal as time expired gave James Madison University a thrilling 20-17 win over the Eastern Kentucky University football team Saturday afternoon in the first round of the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) playoffs at Roy Kidd Stadium.

(PCS) playons at roy vide Stadium. EKU (7-5) was seeking to become the first current Obio Valley Conference team to notch a playoff victory since Murray State in 1996. EKU led IMU (8-4) 17-

7, with 5:55 remaining in the third quarter. However, the Dukes scored 13 unanswered points to finish

the game. JMU converted a crucial 4th-and-2 at the EKU 43-yard line with less than two minutes to play to set up Starke's game-winning kick. Junior Matt Denham led EKU with 125 yards on the ground, the eighth-straight game in which he eclipsed the 100-yard mark. His 66-yard scamper that set up EKU's only points of the second half was the longest run of his career and EKU's longest offensive play of the scason. JMU had three players in the game, and the Dukes outgained the Colonels 393-213 overall on the afternoon. James Madison also had a decisive edge in time of possession in the

win - 40:30 to 19:30.-After senior Jeremy Caldwell went down with an injury on the game's opening kick-off, ' junior Justin Bell spelled him and made the first big play of the day when he busted a 75-yard punt return to position BKU at JNU's 16-yard line with 6:30 remaining in the first quarter. Unfortunately the states and the state of the state of the state of the plays liter, junior quarterback LJ. Pryor was by led off in the end zone by led off in the end zone by led off in the end zone by led off the sone and the sown 20yard line. JNU capitalized on that turnover as the Dukes

JMU capitalized on that turnover as the Dukes marched 80 yards in 6:55 and scored on a one-yard run up the middle by Jordan Anderson to take a 7-0 advantage just over

a minute into the second quarter. The Colonels responded with a seven-play, 2:41

with a seven-play, 2:4 drive that ended with a on drive that ended with a one-yard touchdown rumble by senior H.B. Banjoman to tie the score, 7-7, with 7:41 left in the first half. Two key receptions, a 14-yard catch by junior Cameron Balley and a 23-yard catch by junior Tyrone Goard, set up the touchdown run by Banjoman. The EKU defense then stepped up with a big

The EKU detense then stepped up with a big fourth down stop, as the Dukes drove deep into EKU territory before junior Robert Knowles sacked JMU quarterback Justin Thorne on 4th-and-6 to Thorpe on 4th-and-6 to give the Colonels the ball on downs with four

minutes on the clock. The Colonels forced a three-and-out on the Dukes next possession and used a few short passes to drive to JMU's 30-yard line before sophomore Luke Pray connected on a 48-yard field goal as time expired to send EKU into halftime up 10-7. JMU chewed up over seven minutes of clock to open the second half, but it was all for naught as Starke's 36-yard field goal attempt went wide right and gave EKU possession at its own 20-yard line. The Colonels took a dotalate other missed field goal, as benham shed tackles on his the MU one-yard line. Banjoman then punched it

in from one yard out for his second touchdown of the day to make it 17-7 with 5:55 remaining in the third quarter.

lasy to make it 17-7 with dynaming in the third quarter. The Duikes responded with an 11-play, 5:21 drive to the EKU four-yard line, but the Colonel defense stiffened at the goal line and held JMU to a 21-yard field goal that made it 17 10 with less than a minute and held JMU to a 21-yard 10 with less than a minute and that made it 17 10 with less than a minute and the the the start out on its next possession, out on its next possession, and 28-yard touchdown run by Anderson that tied the game, 17-17, with 10:01 remaining in the game. James Madison advances to face No. 2 seed North Dakota State in Fargo, N.D.

Morehead State drops road game at Bucknell

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Times Staff Report LEWISBURG, Pa. – The Bucknell University men's basketball used a 14-7 run to close out Sunday afternoon's game and record a 54-50 victory over Morehead State University in the final game of the TicketCity Legends Classic at Sojka Pavilion. Bucknell improved to 5-2 overall following its fifth straight win. Morehead State dropped to 34 after suffering the

to 3-4 after suffering the

loss. Bucknell junior Bryson Johnson scored a game-bigh 20 points on 6-6-12 from the three-point line. Sophomore Cameron Ayers added 15 points on 3-of-6 from long distance for the Bison. while junior

Mike Muscala contributed 13 points on 8-of-10 from the free-throw line. Senior Ty Proffitt led the free-trow line. Senior TV Profitt led Morehead State with a season-best 14 points on 4-of-6 from beyond the arc, while sophomore Drew Kelly added nine points and senior Terrance Hill contribute eight. Junior, Kahlil Owens ""bad down a career-best

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24 - came at the 18:14 mark of the second half, but it connected on just 29 percent (8-of-28) of its shots after halftime to let the lead slip away. Bucknell used a 38-26 rebounding advantage to overcome just 33 percent (15-for-46) field-goal shooting. MSU knocked down 46 percent (10-of-22) from the floor in the first half, but finished at just 36 percent (18-of-50) for the game.

game. Morehead State wraps in its five-game road Morehead State wraps up its five-game road trip on Thursday when it travels to Kent State for a 7 p.m. ET contest. The Eagles return to Johnson Arena op Sunday when they face NAIA opponent Mid-Continent at 4 p.m.

Times Statt Report BRENTWOOD, Tenn. – Ten Eastern Kentucky University football players, including three offensive linemen, were named first team All-Ohio Valley Conference the league office announced twesday. Three others earned second team all-league honors. The Colonels picked up a league-best 10 of the 26 All-OVC first team selections. Eight of those 10 players will be returning to the EKU squad in 2012. Juniors Aaron Adams (right tackle), OJ Enabosi (center) and Patrick Ford (left tackle) anchored an offensive line that helped paved the way for junior running back Matt Denham, who autionally (FCS) in

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at 131.4. Denham also earned first team All-OVC honors and has reached 100 yards rushing in seven

Ten EKU football players named All-OVC

100 yards rushing in seven consecutive games. On defense, senior Emory Attig (defensive tackle), junior Justin Bell (defensive back), sophomore Anthony Brown (defensive end) and sophomore Ichiro Vance (linebacker) got the nod for first team all-conference accolades. The set (Infective) and the set (Infective) and the set (Infective) and the set of the s

a team-high 78 tackles. Eastern Kentucky also took home first team All-borne first team All-three specialist positions - sophomore Jordan Berry (punter) and senior Jeremy Caldwell (return specialist). Twenty-two of Berry's 62 punts landed inside the opponent's 20-yard line - while just four punts resulted in a touchback. Caldwell allied a momentum-- just resulted in Lallied a momentum-swinging 88-yard kick return for a score in the win over Missouri State on Sept. 10, Caldwell (der back), in-

Caldwell (defensive back), junior Tyrone Goard (wide receiver) and senior Patrick McClellan (defensive back) senior Patrick McClellan (defensive back) were named to the All-OVC second team. Meanwhile, junior Kevin Hamlin (linebacker) was the lone Colonel selected to the All-OVC newcomer team.

Waterfowl hunters urged to use extra caution on the Ohio River

Times Staff Report

FRANKFORT – Waterfowl hunters should use extra caution on the Ohio River due to swift current and high water

current and high water levels. Kentucky's season for Canada geese opened on Yaanski season opened on Thanksgiving, Nov. 24. Recent heavy rains have increased the water volume flowing along the Ohio River basin. 'Hunters need to use a great deal of caution due to the swift current," said Myra Minton, acting assistant director of law enforcement for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. 'They should

be aware of conditions on the river and be prepared for it." Kentucky Fish and

the river and be prepared for it." Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement Capt. Mike Fields said put on their life preservers (personal floatation devices) before they climb into their boats. "With this high water, hunters shouldn't be surprised if areas accessible in low water are no longer available," he said. "Some boat lauching ramps may no longer be accessible as well."

Hunters should make sure their boat motors are in good working condition before putting their craft into the water. Hunters

also should be careful not to overload their boats, as the boat's listed capacity can be exceeded with too much gear and too many beeple in the boat. It is also a good idea for hunters to let someone money to be someone to be gone. Secured in a waterproof container in a coat phone container in a coat phone container in a coat pocket is a good practice. Thuting is a safe activity when people are aware if their stroughes and don't boating safely goes handin-hand with hunting safely.

ALC basketball players among nation's best

Times Staff Report

PIPPA PASSES - The NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) has posted weekly statistical ratings and the Alice Lloyd College men's and women's basketball programs have several basketball players ranked among the nation's elite. elite.

lite. In men's basketball, ALC a currently seventh in ne nation in three-point eld goal percentage at 4.5-percent.

Individually, junior Brent Hall (Beaver/June Buchanan High) is 3rd in the nation in rebounding, averaging 12.2 boards per game. Hall is also averaging over 5.5 offensive rebounds per game, which is second in the country. Sophomore Isaac Wilson (Corbin/Corbin High) is maked seventh in the country in assists, averaging seven per game. Senior Casey Dalton (Nancy/Pulaskd Southwestern High) is

shooting 60.7-percent from three-point range, which is ninth nationally. On the women's side, sophiomore Ariel Nickell (Tazwell, Va., Clairtborne High) is fourth in the country in total points scorred at 160, Nickell is currently 10th in the country in scoring average (20 ppg). She is also 10th in the nation in total rebounds. Nickell has hauled down 70 boards, which gives her an 8.75 average per game.



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

20 years ago (Nov. 27 and Nov. 29, 1991) Four alternate sites are being considered for the location of a new Prestonsburg High School, a project which has been delayed because of controversies Which has been delayed because of controversies surrounding the project. The Floyd County Board of Education voted at its November meeting to look at alternate sites for the school to get the project moving. A representative from the state Department local officials, Monday, to look at the sites and to determine if they were suitable alternatives to the current proposed site at Middle Creek. Pay inequities among Prestonsburg city employees, and concerns that no plan existed to close the gap, were because of controversies

rrestonsburg city employees, and concerns that no plan existed to close the gap, were raised, Monday night, by councilman Billy Ray Collins. But, the issue is expected to be resolved at the December council meeting, according to Paul Combs, owner of the firm hired to develop a plan to elinante the inequatics. United Federal Savings Bank reopened Monday with a new name, a new owner and a new lease on life. United Federal, taken over earlier this Corporation amid financial difficulties, has been sold to Pikeville National Bank and Trust Company, one of Kentucky's leading banking institutions. They gasped when Governor Wallace Wilkinson presented Floyd County Judge-Executive John M. Sturnbo a check-for \$6 million to finance the extension of water ines in the county. They applauded as Hilda Legg, co-chair of the Applachian Regional Commission.

organization must shift its focus from bricks and mortar, to address "our human infrastructure.". A Floyd County Grand Jury has apparently declined to issue

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indictments in two cases

10 years ogo.) indictments in two cases of local concern—one relating to the operation of illegal bingo games at Prestonsburg High School, and the second concerning a traffic fatality involving a testucody State Police trooper. After hearing testimony from KSP special investigator Johnny Ray last Wednesday, the grand Jury issued no true bill in connection with the Premessurg Hgb bing organization known as the Prestonsburg Academic Athletic Association. An unsuccessful candidate for reelection to Prestonsburg's City Council has filed suit in Floyd Circuit Court, seeking either a special election in one precinet or a ruling declaring the entire city election null and void. Dr. Gary Brown, who finished ninth in the November 5 balloting for eight city council seats, alleged in his suit, filed Wednesday, November 27, that 'a minimum of 30 voters' residing in Prestonsburg's Cliff No. 2 precinet were "wrongfully and illegally" denied the opportunity to vote in the city council race. The conviction last month of a Floyd County school principal has prompted the Kentucky Addication of School Athen the sasceriation

Administrators to take unprecedented action. For the first utime, the association will directly represent one of its members in court, executive director V. Wayne Young said Wednesday in an interview with the Associated Press. Kentucky's new unstaded primary school

Kentucky's new ungraded primary school program, which is to be in place and in full operation by the '95-'96 school year, is an innovative concept for kindergarten through the third grade. The Kentucky Education and Reform Act of 1990 (KERA) has developed and outlined a learning curricalum a learning curriculum very different from the traditional method of

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A Second Helping Miller shares 'More Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky'

PRESTONSBURG — Rose O'Quinn Miller, who writes under the pen name Karen Quinn, will be having a book signing at the Readmore Book Store. in Prestonsburg, on Dec. 3, from 2 to 4 p.m. Miller will be introducing her second book, "More Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky," to her readers in this area.

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in this area. Miller says she was recently informed that her first regional book, "Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky," was the best-selling book in her hometown bookstore, Hastenings Book Store, in Richmond, last year. Rose

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went on to declare that the Joseph-Beth Book Sellers, in The Lexington Green, off Nicholasville Road, continues to restock her first book on a continual basis, and recently accepted an order for this second book, as well. Miller describes her latest book as a sequel to her first regional book, "Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky," featuring the O'Briens of Floyd County, at her readers' request. Miller invites all her friends to come out and pick up her newest book, or just to come out and say hello.

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Here's an interesting "prescription" for dealing with all those intestine-dwelling nastics that can cause painful and potentially fatal food poisoning: orange beef! Now here's the kicker: We're not talking about the Chinese menu favorite, and we're not even talking about your intestines-well, I know, I know, explanations are definitely

at least not at first: I know, I know, explanations are definitely in order. Let's start with those intestines. As you may know, your typical cow, pig or chicken is walking around with a whole host of bacteria living happily inside its intestines. Those bacteria—and the roster inside its intestines. Those bacteria—and the roster can include Salmonella and E. coli—don't bother the animal at all, but if they manage to wind up on the food we eat (at the processing plant or anywhere along the food production chain) and the food isn't properly cooked, we humans could be in for a rough few hours or days of even a trip to the hospital or One way to deal with this problem would be to

populations the of those bacteria in the animal's intestinal tract, thus reducing the likelihood that these illness-causing

on mose bacteria in the animal's intestinal tract, thus reducing the likelihood that these illness-causing bacteria are going to be present during slaughter and processing. If you buy cleaning products for your home, what's one component that you can find in almost any days? You pressed it—the days? You pressed it—the days? You pressed it—the to cleaning. But beyond just the color and the smell, there's a good chance your favorite cleaning product really does contain a compound called d-limonene, which is used in many such products as an antimicrobial agent— and which can be found in citrus peels. Using citrus byproducts to "clean up" isn't a new idea; in fact, it's very, very old. Citrus essential oils have been a part of the human diet for hundreds of years, and their effects on bacterial growth and survival are well studied. Citrus oils are known to kill Staphylococcus aureus, Pseudomonas, Salmonella and E. coli.

But the scientists of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) are taking this knowledge a step further by exploring citrus' potential to clean up those cows ... from the inside out. Since 1999, they've been experimenting with using citrus byproducts such as peels and pulp to trim bacterial populations in the bovine gut. The idea is to give us—and the meat industry—a way to reduce the pathogens in the live animal without so much related in 2005 showed and the internet way a reduction in the products are mixed into livestock rations, the result was a reduction in the pre-gastric and lower gut populations of E. coli 0157:H7 (one of the worst of the intestinal bad guys) and a variant of Salmonella enterica, without causing a significant change in the

and a variant of Salmonella enterica, without causing a significant change in the cow's. fermentation end products. The same ARS scientists showed that using citrus byproductor is compatible with current livestook production practices, and what more the cows like the archive denset. Better the pulp and peels. Better still, there's plenty of this

stul, there's plenty of this stulf lying around. While there is an abundance' of citrus peels and pulp to be had, they're not necessarily where the cattle are raised—and shipping, boxcars full of citrus peels and pulp can

be costly because of their weight. Even as compost, the peels are difficult to transport, the scientists say.

say. So they've been exploring processing the peels into pellets. In one study, they fed the orange peel pellets to sheep—used

study, they fed the orange peel pellets to sheep—used as a substitute for cows in this case—for eight days. The result was a 10-fold reduction in Salmonella and E. coli O157:H7 in the sheep's intestinal contents. Processing plants depend on a variety of factors to help keep these intestinal troublemakers away, from their end products; think of it like building a brick wall to keep out the pathogens. Just as you can't build much of a wall with just one brick, our food manufacturers don't rely on just one strategy to take care of the pathogen problem. This "orange beef"

This "orange beef" This "orange beef" could be a very cost, effective way of cutting down on the presence of those pathogens inside the sho an inde them into lemonadel

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From Fage A1 students. Complaints were few and actions were swift in an unusually short meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court, Friday. Three people addressed the court during. the grievance session, asking addressed the court during the grievance session, asking for help with roads and water, and wanting to know the status of an ordinance dealing with political signs. Grythound Bus Lines is planning to discontinue coveraige into Eastern Kentucky, but that doesn't necessarily mean the end of passenger bus service for the area. All Greybound stops along Route 23 from Ashiland to Pikeville are scheduled to cease, December 2, due to the excessive costs associated with covering the area and astady decline in tasks of the Costs of Costs Monday, at his residence; Fred (Dutch) Marshall, 77

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of Prestonsburg, Friday, at his residence: Rebecca Lafferty Ford, 80, Friday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Norman L. Hicks, 85, of Wabash, Indiana, formerly of David, Sunday, at the home of his-daughter; Era Ward Webb, 82, of Johnson County, Friday, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Aline Crum, 44, of Lorain, Ohio, formerly of Dana, Thursday, at St. Joseph's Hospital Bill Parsons, 75, of Fikeville, Sunday, at his residence; John F. P. Jack Diong, Song, Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Kaltnyn M. Carpenter, Kaltnyn M. Carpenter, Kaltnyn M. Carpenter, Kaltnyn M. Carpenter, Sunday, at Wayne Hospital; Yon Jerankfort, formerly, of Frestonsburg, Saturday, at King's Daughters' Memorial Hospital In Frankfort.

30 years ago (December 2, 1981) Special prosecutors will be asked in two cases, one— Torrence Wright, accused in the death of his wife, Barbara; and two—Ann Meade, accused in the assault of her inford durits. infant daughter.

infant daughter. Arson is suspected in the fire at Ray and Anita's Restaurant at Hite last Tuesday night. One injured in accident near the "Y" in Martin after a car reportedly pulled into the path of an oncoming

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18-wheel tractor trailer driven by Greg Mullins of

driven by Grag ... Jenkins, Handicapped and elderly topped the list as Floyd County Rural Development Committee was asked to lis the areas needs in order of

Interaction of Garrett, Patton, 71, of Garrett, Tuesday, at her home; Elsie T. Whitaker, 79, of Middle Creek, Monday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Maxilene Jones, 31, of Grethel, Monday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Della Newsome, 80, of Ligon, Thursday at her home: Regional Hospital: Della Newsome, 80, of Ligon, Thursday, at her home; Martella Hall, 79, of Melvin, Monday, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home in Pikeville; Scott Alan Fitch, 4, of Butler, Indiana, Wednesday, at DeKald Memorial Hospital in Indiana, Edward Isaac, 62, of Bevinsville, Tuesday, at his residence; Zonia D. Williamson, 73, of Auxier, at her residence; Belle Scutchfield, 81, of Water Gap, Wednesday, at Nierriew Manor Nursing Home Bevett F. Martin, 65 of Dift, Thusday, 5, fort Carmel Hospital in Ohio; L. R. Johnson, 84, Monday, at his home; Odis Miller, 68, of Ligon, Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Ozni E. Allen, 78, of Hampton, Vingina, November 7, in Langley Air Force Base

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Hospital; and Clara Webb Butcher, 69, formerly of Butcher Hollow, and the mother of Loretta Lynn and Crystal Gayle, died last week in the Parkway Hospital in Tennessee.

Tennessee. 40 years ago (December 2, 1971) Gow Wendell H. Ford has annourced that he will be at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park, to restore to its place on the lodge wall, the portrait of former Gow. Bert Combs that was removed early in the administration of Gow. Louie B. Nunn. Transcontinental Coal Co. Shreveport, La, has purchased holdings of the Escer.Fillison Coal Co. in the lvy Creek section of the county. Prestonsburg furemen joined those of Pikewille and blace at Pikewille, which on Thanksgiving Day destroyed three structures and Cainned the lives of Bichard

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Wednesda Branham, 26, formerly of Wheelwright, Juanita Hammonds Jenkins, 21, last week at Edgerton, 0; Henry Porter, 90, well-known Allen man at his home hast Saturday; Alka Davis, 91, of Pyramid, Tuesday, at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home here; David Prater, 73, of West Prestonsburg, General Hospital, Jonnah Thornsberry, 55, of Kite, Sunday, at he McDowell Regional Hospital, John Michard Shell, 70, of Bohanza, Wednesday, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital, John William Parsons, 76, of McDowell Hospital, John William Thursday, at the McDowell Hospital, John William Sat, John William Parsons, 76, of McDowell Hospital, Mrs. Dallas Scott Azbill, 46, formerly of Huerysville, hast Wednesday, in Ukiah, Calif.; Sonny Jones, 87, of Ligon, Last Thursday, at the McDowell Hospital, Parmer Salisburg, 82, of Hunter, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Marty Scott Moore, 1 mouth, of Ligon, Monday.

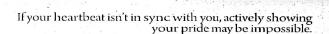
50 years ago (November 30, 1961) Floyd County rural school children, heretofore without lunchroom facilities, will lunchroom facilities, will receive hot lunches with milk, beginning Jan. 2, it was announced this week by Charles F. Clark, county superintendent. During the five and a half months of the pilot food stamp program operation

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in this county, a total of \$400,613 in food stamps, has been added to the local economy, Carl R. Horn, supervisor of the stamp supervisor of the stamp program here, said last week. This state is encouraging counties to make regular rechecks of federal surplus-food recipients, and the operation has produced mild to drastic cuts. The need for public support of the Floyd County Tuberculosis Association through nurphase of

TuberCulosis Association through purchase of Christmas Seals is particularly urgent this year, it was pointed out this week, after thousands of Seals had been mailed to prosective buyers and users.

after thousands of Seals had been mailed to prosective buyers and users. At the Warrix IGA here this week, coffee was listed for \$.49 for a pound can, chuck roast was \$.39 a pound, and smoked picnics per fround were \$.29. Born: to Airman 1st Class and Mrs. Jack Snavely, of Roosevet, Oklahoma, a daughter, Pamela Mae, Nov. 7; to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Howard: a son, John Timothy, Nov. 27, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Wayne Harris, a son, Rudy Wayne, Jr., Nov. 27, at Prestonsburg General Hospital. There died: Tommy Moore, 73, of Minnie, last Wednesday at McDowell Memorial Hospital; Emma Osborne, 57, formerly of this county, Monday, at Titusville, Florida.



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