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Brilliant

Insurers nix child-only

FRANKFORT — A 2010 order by the Insurance Commissioner Sharon P. Clark selling in the individual health market must of open enrollment January for under age 19.

The annual enrollment was each January 1, 2011 and ending part of federal health insurers will not deny coverage, regardless of health status, in 2014.

Clark took the action after insurers notified the Department of Insurance in 2010 that they planned to cease writing policies on Sept. 23 of that year, the date the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act prohibited companies offering these policies from denying coverage because of an applicant's pre-existing health condition.

A list of health insurers required to offer these policies is available at <http://insurance.ky.gov>.

Highlands, Big Sandy form alliance

alph Davis
Managing Editor

PRESTONSBURG — Two giants on the Eastern Kentucky health care scene announced a plan yesterday to begin working together. Highlands HealthSystem, which operates Highlands Regional Medical Center and other facilities, and Sandy Health Care, which provides services to uninsured and underinsured people through its primary care clinics, including the Eula Hall Health Center, made the agreement public during an announcement yesterday evening.

Details of the agreement were not immediately clear, but an announcement provided to The Floyd County Times Thursday afternoon pointed out that both organizations intend to keep their current names and structures.

"This is not a merger or acquisition," said Harold C. "Bud" Warman, president and CEO of Highlands. "It is a formal, written agreement to work together on very important, health-related issues."

Both of our

organizations have similar missions. We have worked together for a long time, and now we would like to formalize a structure that lets us accomplish even more in the realm of improving health care in our communities."

The announcement noted that the agreement would "allow Big Sandy and Highlands to align efforts in several key areas, while maintaining autonomy," allowing the two organizations to improve "access and quality, while reducing unnecessary duplication of services."

"We can add additional services to our existing sites, expand hours of operation and possibly open new sites, with this kind of collaboration," said Ancil Lewis, CEO of Big Sandy. "Working together, we can put the right resources where they need to be and at the most convenient time for patients. That improves overall service to the community."

One key area where it appears the two will work closely will be in the field of health information technology.

"We have invested in

information technology that will allow us to access patient information when and where needed," Warman said. "We can integrate well with Big Sandy Health Care, and that gets us closer to a useful community health record that can be used by any of the patient's care providers."

The two also hope the partnership will allow them to decrease costs.

"Health systems have to find ways to decrease costs, while still maintaining and

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Two-vehicle accident



EMS crews worked to free people from their vehicles Thursday afternoon after a two-vehicle accident on U.S. 23, near junction with Route 80.

photo by Jack Latta

Aunt pleads not guilty to murder

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — Gladys Dickerson pleaded not guilty to murder Thursday in Floyd Circuit Court, as her sister, Rhonda Lewis, the mother of the deceased Walton Adkins, looked on.

During court, Judge Johnny Ray Harris entered Dickerson's "not guilty" plea, and scheduled her next court appearance for March 1. Her bond of \$2 million will remain the same.

"At least she can't kill no more babies," said a visibly agitated Rhonda Lewis, as she left the courtroom.

Lewis says she is still angry that social services and the courts failed her son. She named Judge David Platt, of Elliot County, and Drew Coomer, with the Department for Protection and Permanency, as those most responsible.

"I begged them to take these children," said Lewis. "I started reporting the

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2 DAY FORECAST

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PPD getting ready for Shop with a Cop

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — Santa Claus will be getting a police escort this weekend as Prestonsburg Police Department hosts its 13th annual Shop with a Cop program.

Lt. Steve Little, with the Prestonsburg Police Department, says his agency expects to have 46 children participate in the program this year. Seventeen of the children have been selected from schools, and their siblings round out the rest.

According to Little, the kids will get a pizza party at the Mountain Arts Center, followed by a musical performance, and then a visit from the Jolly Old Elf himself, Santa Claus.

The kids will get some gifts at the MAC, and then it will be off to Wal-Mart.

"All of this comes from donations," said Little, who added that the department collects at different times of the year, including Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival, and receives everything from cash donations to new toys.

Once at Wal-Mart, the kids will be partnered up with a police officer, who will take them shopping in the store for some added Christmas delight.

Little says that when the program began in 1998 they had about \$1,000 to work with; 13 years later, they are over \$14,000.

The program doesn't stop with the Pizza Party and trip to Wal-Mart. Little says that the department helps out another 40 kids in the community.

"The more we have, the more we can give out to needy families," said Little.



Gladys Dickerson, right, pleaded not guilty to murder and abuse charges Thursday, before Circuit Judge Johnny Ray Harris. Her husband, Jason Dickerson, will appear in court Monday to answer to the same charges.

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Beshear promises a better tomorrow for today's and tomorrow's Kentucky kids.



Gov. Steve Beshear, waving to the crowd, and first lady Jane Beshear ride in a carriage during the governor's inaugural parade Tuesday in Frankfort.

David Greer
KPA News Content Service

FRANKFORT - Ignoring overcast skies and chilly temperatures, Gov. Steve Beshear shared his vision for tomorrow with Kentuckians during his inaugural speech Tuesday afternoon on the Capitol's steps.

Beshear became only the second Kentucky governor in modern times to serve consecutive terms. Paul Patton was the first.

Tuesday's 2 p.m.

swearing in was ceremonial since Beshear and new Lt. Gov. Jerry Abramson, Louisville's former five-term mayor, were both sworn in at midnight in the Capitol Rotunda. It's the first time Abramson has held a statewide office.

Beshear's first official duty of his second term was to sign an executive order certifying the appointment of Maj. Gen. Edward Tonini as the state's adjacent general.

During his speech following Tuesday

FYI
See the full text of the governor's inaugural address in Opinion, page A4.

afternoon's public swearing in, Beshear urged Kentucky's leaders to avoid Washington's pitfalls of acrimonious shouting.

"Shouting does not foster unity," the governor said. "It only makes people cover their ears."

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OBITUARIES

Diana Sue Wells Goble

Diana Sue Wells Goble, 60, of Auxier, died Monday, Dec. 12, 2011, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

She was born May 18, 1951, to the late Orville Wells and Ruby Shrage Wells. She was the wife of Larry Goble, and was self-employed.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Larry Wells.

She is survived by her children, Scott (Jessica) Goble and Lisa Lemaster, both of Auxier; one brother, Randall Wells, of Auxier; one sister, Tammy King, of Auxier; and grandchildren, Black Lemaster, Krista Chick and Brody Goble.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Dec. 15, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Chapel, with Russ Taylor officiating. Burial followed the service at Wells Family Cemetery in Auxier.

William J. May

William J. May, 82, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

He was born May 28, 1929, to the late Hager and Goldie Frasure May. He was a sign painter, owner of South Lake Signs, a US Veteran, a member of the First Christian Church, a Kentucky Colonel, and a lifetime member of the Prestonsburg VFW. He was the husband of Bonnie Smith May.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Willie May.

He is survived by one daughter, Michella Jo May, of Prestonsburg; one granddaughter, Amanda Michelle Phillips; one brother, Wayne May, of Prestonsburg; one sister, Evelyn Adams of Jupiter, Fla.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, Dec. 16, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with military honors by Auxier DAV Chapter 18. Emery C. Hall will officiate.

Burial will follow at the Mayo Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Lois Faye Potter

Lois Faye Potter, age 79, of Prestonsburg, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011, at her residence.

She was born August 15, 1932, in Prestonsburg, the

daughter of the late Ira and Anna Hamilton Brookover. She was a member of the Daughters of American Confederacy and an Eastern Star.

Lois is survived by two sons, William Dennis Potter and Steven Brookover Potter, both of Prestonsburg; one daughter, Sherry Shepherd, of Prestonsburg; four grandchildren, Stacy Potter, Angie Goodman, Desirae Potter and Chris Potter; and four great grandchildren, Clara and Macy Potter and Ryan and Miles Goodman.

The family wants to say a special thanks to cousins, Norman Conn and Sandy Brookover.

In addition to her parents, Lois was preceded in death by one brother, Harry Brookover; three sisters, Marie Waddle, Eileen Conn and Cynthia Campbell; and one grandchild, Kevin Stone.

Funeral services for Lois Faye Potter will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Rev. Ray Snyder officiating. Visitation will be held from 1 until 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Nancy Spurlock

Nancy Spurlock, age 70, of Harold, wife of the late Bobby G. Spurlock, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2011, at the Pikeville Medical Center, in Pikeville.

She was born May 5, 1941, at Harold, the daughter of the late Wallace and Eunice Warrix Keathley. She was a homemaker and attended the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church.

Nancy is survived by one son, Kenneth (Julie) Spurlock, of Harold; two daughters, Kathy (Tony) Adkins, of Harold, and Bobbi (Steve) McKinney, of Grethel; and six grandchildren, Anthony, Stephanie, Adam, Brittany, Taylor and Jacob.

In addition to her husband and parents, Nancy was preceded in death by one son, Dale Spurlock; one brother, Victor Keathley; and one sister, Montana Osborne.

Funeral services for Nancy Spurlock will be held at noon, Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Tracy Patton officiating. Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel. Visitation will be held after 6 p.m. Thursday, with services nightly at 7 p.m.

FOR THE RECORD

CIVIL SUITS

Capital One Bank v. Billy R. Thompson; contract.
Capital One Bank v. Amanda S. Tackett; contract.

Capital One Bank v. Leshia Blackburn; contract.
Capital One Bank v. Jessica L. Adams; contract.

Capital One Bank v. Larry C. Moon; contract.
Lendmark Financial Services v. Eugene Tackett; contract.

Lendmark Financial Services v. Anthony Herald; contract.
Lendmark Financial Services v. Mike Zemo; contract.

Lendmark Financial Services v. Clifton Hall; contract.
Prestonsburg Housing Authority v. Nathan Hall; contract.

Housing Authority of Martin v. Arlie M. Johnson; contract.
Calvary SPVI, LLC v. David Rogers; contract.

Pioneer Credit Company v. Chrystal Little; contract.
GE Capital Retail Bank v. Chester Morris; contract.

Housing Oriented Ministries v. Heather Little, et al; contract.
Bank of America N.A. v. Joyce Smith et al; contract.

Joe T. Merce v. Malcom Layne; contract.
Robert Hannan Jr. et al v. Johnny Sargent et al; contract.

Calvary SPV 1, LLC v. Brett J. Ivan; contract.
Credit Acceptance Corp. v. Daniel C. Hall; contract.

Calvary SPVI, LLC v. Leslie Williams; contract.
Midland Funding LLC v. Brenda Conn; contract.

Penny Pennington v. Morgan C. Salyer; contract.
Deborah Goble v. Darrell Goble; dissolution of marriage.

Melissa Lowe v. Michael K. Lowe; dissolution of marriage.
Estate of Justin K. Slone v. St Joseph Healthcare et al; wrongful death.

CHARGES FILED

April Collins, 24, East Point, receiving stolen property, public intoxication of a controlled substance.

Timothy Isaacs, 22, Hi Hat, theft by unlawful taking.
Michael K. Lowe, 40, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.

Arron D. Tate, 28, Richmond, two counts of first-degree possession of a controlled substance.

Kevin Moore, 21, Hi Hat, theft by unlawful taking, forgery.
Michael William Elliot, 27, Banner, flagrant nonsupport.

Krista Garrett, 25, Blue River, public intoxication of a controlled substance.
James Griffith, 44, Prestonsburg, second-degree disorderly conduct.

Emily R. McCarty, 20, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault, harassment.
Letha Gibson, 47, Busy, shoplifting.

Sandra Gail Chimal, 55, Martin, third-degree terroristic threatening.
Hayes Nicholas Hall, 24, Harold, theft by unlawful taking.

Michael Stanley, 48, Hager Hill, public intoxication of a controlled substance.
William A. Collier, 46, Sitka, public intoxication of a controlled substance.

Edward C. Hill, 42, Harold, menacing, resisting arrest.
Charles E. Lewis, 46, Blue River, reckless driving, speeding over 18 mph, failure to wear seat belt, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs/alcohol, drug paraphernalia, second-degree possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in original container.

Ellina Daniels, 39, Prestonsburg, shoplifting.
Ashley D. Hicks, 27, Hagerhill, shoplifting.

Johnny W. Rackey, 58, Hi Hat, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, failure to maintain insurance, second-degree disorderly conduct, no registration, possession of open beverage container.

Randall Akers, 35, fourth-degree assault, alcohol intoxication.
Judith Diane Hall, 58, McDowell, theft by unlawful taking, illegal possession of legend drug.

James Chilling, 56, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
Robert Brady, 31, Wheelwright, two counts of harboring a vicious animal.

James Allen Prater, 25, Harold, first-degree criminal trespassing.
Leslie Gabbard Herald, 37, Buckhorn, shoplifting, providing false name/address.

Brandon Jenkins, 21, Oil Springs, shoplifting.
Angel C. Young, 18, Pikeville, receiving stolen property.

Rosalee Rhoades, 35, Prestonsburg, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia.
Ted P. Carroll, 46, Craynor, alcohol intoxication.

Brenda S. Hall, 62, Martin, shoplifting.
Bobby Pennington, 46, Pikeville, public intoxication of a controlled substance, second-degree disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.

Penny Pennington, 41, Prestonsburg, public intoxication of a controlled substance, second-degree disorderly conduct.
Gobby D. Pennington, 46, Pikeville, menacing, harassment.

communications.
Sharon Kay Osbourne, 46, Dwayne, harassment.

James Howard, 44, public intoxication of a controlled substance, unlicensed operator of a motor vehicle.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS
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Paul David Banks to Timothy R. Banks, property location not listed.

Geraldine Bartrum to Thomas Bartrum, property location not listed.
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Tommy Hicks to Michael Case, property location not listed.
Gregory T. Stumbo and Kayla Stumbo to Barbara Castle, property location not listed.

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Roland E. Gray Sr. to The Roland E. Gray Sr. Restated Revocable Trust, property location in Prestonsburg.
Gerald Hall to Eulavene Hall, property location not listed.

Shirley Noble to Tommy W. Hicks, property location not listed.
Malcom Layne to Kentucky Power Company, easement.

Michelle Spears to Kinzer Business Realty Ltd., oil and gas lease at Neck Branch of Branham's Creek.
Anthony R. Spencer and Vickie R. Spencer to L&B Oil and Gas Inc., property location not listed.

William R. Powell, Larry Joe Wells and Lola Wells to Matheson Tri Gas Inc., property location not listed.
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The Family of Clifford Randall Combs

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James L. Allen
would like to say "Thank You" to all of our friends and family who helped comfort us during this very difficult time. Those who sent cards, flowers, food or just came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Randy Osborne and Larry Adams for their message and all the kindness that was shown to our family. Thank you to the Floyd County Sheriff's Dept. for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their excellent professional service. Your love and support will always be remembered.
The Family of James L. Allen



ACMS students learn about careers

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

EASTERN — Students from one Floyd County School got an early look into some future careers last month, when business leaders put together a career fair.

On Nov. 22, Allen Central Middle had its first annual Career Day.

State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner was the special guest for the event, which brought together various business, community and college partners.

In preparation for the event, all classrooms placed a school-wide focus on careers.

Advisor/Advisee time was devoted to making students aware

of the numerous career opportunities available in Floyd County, as well as in the state, in a variety of fields.

The language arts department — teachers Angela Mullins (8th), Sandra Stapleton (7th), and Erin Moore (6th) — required students to research their career choices.

As part of the assignment, students were given a variety of resources and reference materials in order to create and design a display board on their given career choice. Those students' Career Day projects were on display during the event.

Business organizations and that

participated in the event included Beaver Creek Animal Clinic, Waste Connection, Floyd County Tech, Forestry Department, Floyd County Sheriff Department, Kentucky State Police DOT, Avon, Dr. Karen Patton ARH Hospital, Saint Joseph Martin, Alice Lloyd College, Big Sandy Community and Technical

College, First Guaranty Bank, Wayne Supply, Dairy Queen, Kiddie Land Day Care, InterMountain Cable, Big Sandy RECC, social workers and Gear Up.

ACMS is already planning to next year's event, and wishes to encourage more businesses and organizations to participate.

Bill would create flat tax rate for individuals, business; lower sales tax

FRANKFORT — Representatives Bill Farmer, R-Lexington (88th District) announced Wednesday he is pre-filing a bill for the 2012 Regular Session that seeks to make a comprehensive overhaul to Kentucky's tax code system. In filing the bill, Rep. Farmer said the time for talking about tax reform is over, and it's time for the leadership in Kentucky to take action.

"As we prepare once again to draft another two-year budget, it is clear that the years of 'robbing Peter to pay Paul' have dramatically impacted our ability to fund revenue to provide for the services and facilities needed in state government," said Rep. Farmer. "Meanwhile, we continue to use a tax code that is more than 70 years old. Considering both factors, the time is now that we address a complete overhaul of our tax system."

"We know that comprehensive tax reform is needed in Kentucky, and while this bill may not be everything for everyone, at least it's a start and certainly a vehicle in which the much-needed debate can begin," said House Republican Floor Leader Jeff Hoover, who worked with Rep. Farmer on his bill. "There is no longer any need to sit back and talk about possibilities. This is a proposal which, while not perfect, can allow us to begin the debate in earnest and in good faith. I commend Rep. Farmer for his continued work and his passion in pushing for the overhaul of the Commonwealth's outdated tax code."

rate will be created for pass through entities, which includes S-corporations, LLCs and Partnerships, and would also lower Kentucky's sales tax rate to 5 percent beginning in October 2012. Rep. Farmer's bill would also eliminate Kentucky's corporate income tax.

It also seeks to combine most of the tax exemptions under the Sales and Use tax, including coal for the manufacture of electricity, food purchased with Food Stamps, recycling machinery or equipment, and the first \$1,000 of sales made by people for fundraising events and garage/yard sales. It would also make the trade-in value allowance permanent for vehicles purchased after October 1, 2012.

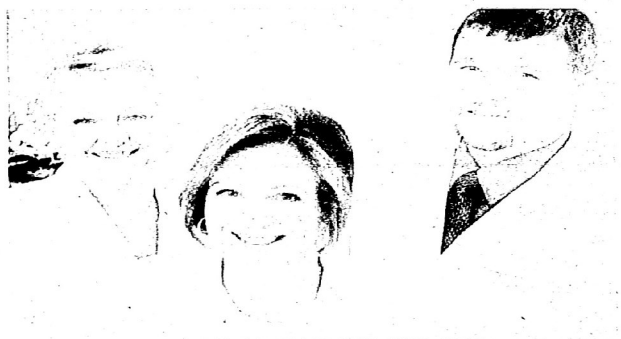
It also seeks to eliminate Sales and Use exemptions on sales to counties, cities or special districts; machinery for new and expanding industries; sales of materials, supplies, and services to any non-profit organization that is used to restore, maintain, or operation a historic site; and energy and energy producing fuels used in manufacturing. The proposal would also remove exemptions on sales of text books and other course material by school bookstores.

In addition Rep. Farmer's bill would also expand the

Sales and Use tax definition for numerous areas of business that are currently exempt from charging sales tax for services rendered, including accounting, tax preparation, bookkeeping and payroll services; lease or rental of commercial real estate; advertising, public relations, marketing research and public opinion polling services; legal services; and dry cleaning and laundry services.

If passed and signed into law the changes in Kentucky's income tax law would not go into effect until January 1, 2013.

The bill is pre-filed as BR 236 for the 2012 Regular Session.



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Viewpoint

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 Main Street small businesses stand with Occupy Wall Street

Kit Schackner

Main Street small businesses like mine are part of the 99 percent who have suffered in the Great Recession. There are few business owners in my acquaintance — I should say no business owners in my acquaintance, from convenience store owners to construction businesses to dentists, who have not felt the effects of the financial meltdown.

We have struggled to retain our employees in the face of declining revenues while our fuel costs and health insurance costs have risen precipitously. We have found our lines of commercial credit curtailed. Many of us have dipped into our home equity to keep our businesses afloat in the face of reduced commercial lending. Many of us have had to lay people off — one of the worst things a small business owner has to do.

As we discount our prices in an effort to keep business coming in, our bank fees increase, our rents rise, and (if we're lucky) our mortgages stay fixed even as our equity shrinks. It is no wonder that we feel solidarity with Occupy Wall Street.

Those at the top of the financial chain who share direct responsibility for this recession have not been held accountable. They have not suffered the losses they have visited on millions of small businesses across America. While Main Street struggles to cover costs, make payroll and stay in business, Wall Street continues to bank record profits. The salaries at the top haven't declined; the bonuses appear to keep rolling in. Those at the top of the heap appear untouchable.

It is little wonder then that public resentment grows over income disparity. It grows over the mantra leaders in the financial industry repeat ad nauseam in their efforts to dodge the blame they so deserve. "It wasn't the banks' fault," they protest. "You don't understand." And then, in attempts to

shift the blame, "What about the borrowers who took out those mortgages they couldn't afford? What about Fannie and Freddie? Why is everyone blaming us? We're doing God's Work!"

Attention Bankers: We're blaming you because you are indeed responsible for turning our economy into a casino, for gambling with our futures and for continuing to stand in the way of real solutions — and because you haven't been called to account.

The fact is, small business will not fully recover until housing recovers — and Wall Street and the banks are standing squarely in the way of that recovery. Housing affects every aspect of our economy, from the unemployment rate to construction and real estate to consumer confidence.

But the housing market can't recover until we force the banks to face reality and write down mortgages to market value. They're not going to do it on their own, they've proved that already. They're sitting on vast numbers of foreclosed homes, destroying entire communities rather than taking a write-off. There has been little improvement or basic accountability in the foreclosure process.

Politicians, meanwhile, can't seem to find the political will to force the issue and fix the housing market. Could that have anything to do with the huge piles of campaign cash and independent expenditures Wall Street pours into our elections?

Until small business owners see some accountability at the top, until we see that our pain is shared by those who created it — the bankers and the CEOs — we will stand in solidarity with Occupy Wall Street.

Schackner owns Foley-White Associates, a custom woodworking business in Bloomfield, N.J., and is a leader in the Main Street Alliance small business network. She has been a small-business owner for 34 years.

Guest View Governor's 2011 inaugural address

Gov. Steve Beshear

Thank you, Jane, for your love and support, and for being such a great First Lady. Thank you to our sons, Jeremiah and their families, for making us so proud.

And thank you to Jerry, Madeline and Sidney Abramson, for agreeing to join us in leading this state over the next four years.

We began this day with solemn prayer, and we will bring it to an end, late this evening, with ceremonial music and dancing. Inaugurations, after all, are a collage of tradition and hope.

But as I stand here with the eyes of Kentuckians upon me, what I feel — more than anything — is the call of responsibility.

What we observe today is not the triumph of one man or the victory of one political party. It is the collective will of a people who yearn for — and desire — a better future.

Nearly 850,000 Kentuckians went to the polls on Nov. 8, and they delivered an explicit message.

They want leaders who build bridges, not dams.

... who are motivated by the common good, not ideology.

... and who reject the politics of division and intolerance.

Kentucky must resist becoming another voice in Washington's acrimonious shouting match. After all, shouting does not foster unity. It only makes people cover their ears.

Jerry Abramson and I campaigned hard, but campaign season is over. Now it's time to govern. And it's time to come together.

Two years have passed since Kentucky adopted an official state seal. The buckskin jacket and the swallowtail coat pictured in that seal are out of date, but the symbolism of the two men clasping hands is as relevant as ever.

If the frontier woodsman and the formally educated landed gentry could look past their striking differences 19 years ago, then we in 2011 are capable of doing the same. And my friends, we must do the same. For the challenges that confront us demand nothing less than unity of purpose and unselfish cooperation.

As your governor, I accept — indeed I enthusiastically embrace — that charge.

During my second term, we will continue to draw on and draw in Kentuckians from all over the state — Kentuckians of all races, creeds, income levels and political leanings.

In Washington today, the national discourse suggests that only two opinions exist — Democrat and Republican. But in Kentucky, we know better. Here, we are more than our political loyalties.

Our state is richly populated with people who identify themselves by other names first — titles like Mom or Dad, Sunday school teacher, Farmer, Police officer, Student, Auto worker, Professor, Volunteer. These are the voices we need to hear.

We will continue to create partnerships — not only among Democrats and Republicans but also among the private and public sectors, urban and rural areas, management and front-line workers, and state and local governments.

Kentuckians invest tax money and trust in their government. Unfortunately, when I took office four years ago, I found both money and trust to be scarce.

And like governors before me, I was stunned by a destructive atmosphere that had come to be known as the "culture of Frankfort."

Partisan rancor so strong that consensus was almost impossible.

A reckless attitude toward ethics.

Decisions guided by self-preservation.

And a dysfunctional way of tackling problems.

I knew things had to change, and so immediately we implemented a set of strong ethics policies and training. We created an atmosphere of accountability and openness.

In my first inaugural address, I pledged to put our "house in order. In this, my second address, I want to tell you that the house is in order.

There is a new culture, and it's based on honesty, integrity and putting the people first.

Four years ago, we also began a battle against an economic crisis that had begun and gained strength outside our borders. The global recession has

forced state government — like families and businesses — to take a harsh look at how and where we spend money.

Ten times now we've balanced Kentucky's budget. So far, we've cut over \$1.3 billion in spending, shrinking the executive branch to its smallest size in decades. We've even sold airplanes on e-Bay.

Some cuts were painless ... but others affected beneficial programs and services.

Some people suggested we cut across the board. And we could have done that. It would have been quick and easy.

But real leadership isn't about making easy decisions. It's about making the right decisions.

So in addition to being aggressive, we've been strategic. We've made systematic changes to increase efficiency and save money on an ongoing basis.

And we've targeted cuts to protect our priorities — education, public safety, job creation and health care for the most vulnerable.

As a result, Kentucky is on sounder footing with less turmoil than most other states. And your government is both smaller and smarter.

But my friends, hard times are not over. While the economy and state revenues are beginning to recover, the lingering effects of the recession pose immense challenges.

Difficult decisions loom. And more sacrifice lies ahead ... because our next budget may be the most challenging yet.

We can and we will fight through these challenges, but we will have to stand together to do it.

Any top priority remains jobs — creating new Kentucky jobs and saving existing ones.

With support from the General Assembly, two years ago we totally overhauled our economic development programs. For the first time, we now have the tools to aggressively help existing Kentucky companies and small businesses who want to expand and create good work forces. And we can also more effectively recruit new companies to our state.

I've traveled to other states to bring back jobs. I've even brought them back from places like India, Japan, Mexico and China.

But too many Kentuckians remain out of work. Too many parents go to bed worried about feeding their children and work forces. And we can also more effectively recruit new companies to our state.

To them I say this: I will continue to fight for you, to find you security and opportunity.

But short-term survival is only the first step. To succeed long-term, Kentucky must strengthen its core.

We must position ourselves to compete in this demanding global economy.

Tax incentives, while helpful, aren't enough. Good roads and low energy costs, though also important, aren't enough either.

What companies desire most are talented employees — highly skilled, educated, trained and motivated. And this is where Kentucky must improve.

We must start with the newest generation. And we must focus on education at the youngest ages, because education is the foundation of a strong and vibrant work force.

People talk about vision. Well my vision is this: I want to create a Kentucky where every child — regardless of whether he or she is born in an inner city, in a mountain hollow, on a farm or in the suburbs — every child is guaranteed the potential for a life of promise and meaning.

A Kentucky where every child is given the opportunity and the ability to succeed.

We're not there yet. Too many Kentucky children get a poor start in life.

Too many children enter school with preventable health problems, with undeveloped minds, with no sense of curiosity or engagement in life around them. They start out behind and never catch up. We must do better.

Kentucky was once the land of invention, innovation and ingenuity. But that energy has been eroded by fundamental weaknesses in how we educate and care for our youngest children.

For too long, these weaknesses have been ignored or tolerated. No longer.

Over the last four years, we've been attacking those flaws ... and in the

next four years we will accelerate our efforts.

We will continue to find health insurance for uncovered children ... to improve dental care ... to make sure our children have enough to eat ... and to prevent chronic problems by reducing smoking.

We will continue restructuring our preschool and day-care programs to ensure every child is mentally and physically prepared for kindergarten the day he or she enters the classroom.

And we will continue tuning up our education infrastructure at every level — from preschool through college — to improve its fundamental mission.

Kentucky was the first state to adopt new national academic standards, and our math and reading scores are rising faster than other states. We are aligning our K-12 system with the demands of higher education and the work force. And we're re-fashioning our community and technical education system around a more robust academic foundation.

Without doubt, we have made progress. But we are not moving fast enough.

Today I call on all of Kentucky's leaders — in government, education and business ... in our churches, civic organizations and non-profits — to come together and commit to looking beyond the next election, commit to looking beyond the next crisis and commit to looking beyond the next headline.

Together, we must take transformational action whose impact will be greatest not for us but for our children and our children's children.

We must engage, strategically and boldly, in our politics. And we must find the political courage and the will to lay the foundation for a better tomorrow.

A foundation which requires, as we come out of this recession, restructuring of our tax system to make it more fair and efficient to meet the needs of our people.

And a foundation which requires allowing the people of Kentucky to vote on expanded gaming within our borders.

This isn't about credit. I don't want a building that bears my name.

I want a Kentucky where every child has access to education and development programs from the day they're born ... where full-day kindergarten is available to all ... where health problems like tooth decay and obesity never interfere with learning ... where dropping out of school is an obsolete concept ... and where every teenager sees culture and high-level job training as something that's not only achievable but necessary.

This transformation won't happen overnight, especially because we are only now beginning to emerge from the worst recession of our lifetimes. But it can and will happen.

How do we know? Because we are Kentuckians.

We have given the single one of the greatest presidents ever ... some of the sharpest minds to ever wear black robes on the Supreme Court ... one of the best compilation of writers to ever wield a pen ... explorers in space as well as the inner reaches of the human body ... creative geniuses in music and film ... and electrifying breakthroughs by Nobel Prize-winning scientists.

In the last year alone, we've inspired the world with a Medal of Honor recipient and a National Book Award winner.

And beyond the front pages are a tested people whose strength and resolve run blood-true back to our ancestors on America's first frontier.

As governor, I've shaken the hearts of courageous Kentucky soldiers in the combat zones of Iraq and Afghanistan ... I've served sandwiches at a shelter in a West Kentucky town hemmed in by ice.

I've comforted a single mother determined to find health care for her child ... and I've encouraged laid-off workers desperate for the chance to get back on the job.

These are the people I serve. And they've shown me that Kentuckians do not surrender. That no matter what challenges lie ahead, we will overcome.

With the spirit of our people to guide us, with a state united by a common purpose, I'm confident we can build a better tomorrow.

After all, we are Kentuckians. Thank you, and God bless the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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Rebecca and Joseph Coburn, center and right, received \$7,500 after completing the Family Self-Sufficiency Program through the Department of Housing and Urban Development. FSS coordinator Sarah Lumpkins is shown presenting them the check.

Family receives \$7,500 after completing program

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

A Floyd County woman received a nice Christmas present this year, after completing the Family Self-Sufficiency Program sponsored by Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Rebecca Coburn, and her husband Joseph recently completed all the requirements and goals set

forth in the program, and with that came a check for nearly \$7,500.

Sarah Lumpkins, FSS coordinator, says that the amount is significant, and that she has seen one other person top \$8,000. "She ended up being the perfect candidate for this program," Lumpkins said. "They've had obstacles like any family, but they never gave up."

Essentially, the

participant pays rent into the system for assisted living.

That money is then put into escrow, and upon completion of the program, is returned to the participant. "We're able to give them support and reward them when they are successful," Lumpkins said.

According to HUD, communities are encouraged to develop

local strategies to help assisted families obtain employment that will lead to economic independence and self-sufficiency.

Public housing works with welfare agencies, schools, business and other local partners to develop a comprehensive program that gives participating FSS family members the skills and experience to enable them

to obtain employment that pays a living wage.

Coburn, who works at First Commonwealth Bank, says she and her husband plan to purchase an automobile, or possibly put a down payment on a new home.

According to HUD, the objective of the program is to reduce the dependency of low-income families on welfare assistance and on Section 8, public, or

any federal, state or local rent or home ownership subsidies.

Lumpkins says the FSS program provides participants access to education, job training, counseling and other forms of social service assistance.

"The goal is to help people become self-sufficient, and to accomplish their goals."

Bill would require businesses to take part in 'E-verify'

FRANKFORT — Rep. Stan Lee, R-Lexington (45th District) announced Wednesday he is pre-filing legislation for the 2012 Legislative session that if passed would require companies doing business in Kentucky to E-verify their workers are legal U.S. citizens, or otherwise risk the loss of their business licenses and permits.

"This is yet another way to make sure that employees working in Kentucky are in the U.S. legally while employed on projects either funded by public or private funds," said Rep. Lee in filing the bill. "It is unfair to those firms who hire legal U.S. citizens to have companies that use illegal aliens to profit from doing business in the Commonwealth."

Rep. Lee's proposal is similar to a law passed in Arizona in 2007, called the Legal Arizona Workers Act, which requires every employer in Arizona to use

E-verify to confirm whether an employee is authorized to work in the United States. The U.S. Supreme Court recently upheld the Arizona law in the case Chamber of Commerce v. Whiting, 2011 U.S. LEXIS 4018. The high court stated that a state may require employers to use E-verify to confirm an employee's eligibility to work in the United States. The high court further upheld the loss of license penalty provisions of the bill.

Besides Arizona, the states of Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina, Utah, South Carolina, Louisiana and Mississippi require public and private employers to use E-verify to confirm a worker's status, and Georgia, Indiana, Virginia, Florida, Idaho, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Minnesota, and Colorado mandate public employers, state agencies and/or state contractors use E-verify.

Under Rep. Lee's bill, any company employing illegal aliens in Kentucky would have their state, county or city issued license or permit revoked for six months for each offense. Each additional illegal worker identified would be considered a separate charge under this proposal. "If a business uses E-verify, then they are safe and will have an absolute defense to the penalty provisions in the bill," Rep. Lee added.

"It is the goal of this bill to encourage all businesses, either based in Kentucky or who do business in Kentucky to use E-verify to make sure none of their employees are in our country illegally. The federal government has failed to act, and this is a state solution that has already been declared Constitutional."

The bill is pre-filed as BR 53 for the 2012 Regular Session.

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Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Ept., on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Elder Donnie Patrick, Minister.

First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.

First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.

Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly, Minister.

Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Willie E. Meade, Minister.

Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.

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

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

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

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Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Church Service, 9:15; Sabbath School, 10:45; John Baker, Pastor, 358-9263; Church, 886-3459, leave message. Everyone welcome!

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OTHER

Pastor Altha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the **CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY**, Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m.

Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg (next to old flea market); Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

Faith Revelation, Harkins Ave., West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m. Randy Hagans, Minister. 886-9460.

Faith Fellowship, Allen, Ky. Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Carl & Missy Woods, Pastor.

Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

Full Gospel Community (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.

Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.

Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge; Sunday School, 7:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor Curt Howard.

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.

Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 885-1003.

Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.

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

The Tabernacle, 265 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Pamela Aiken, Phone 265-1616.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line, 358-2464; Darlene W. Arnette, Pastor.

Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m. Kathy Vanderpool, Pastor.

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

Rising Sun Ministries, 141 Rising Sun Lane, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653; Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor D. P. Curry.

Church of God of Prophecy, Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m., Sunday Night - 6 p.m., Wednesday Night - 6 p.m. Pastor Glenn Eving. West Prestonsburg.

House of Refuge, Rock Fork; Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m., Monday Bible Study 7:30 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m., Bill B. Tussey, Pastor.

Seventh-Day Adventist 5 miles West on Mt. Parkway; Saturdays - Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m.; Church, 11:15 a.m.; Bible Study Tuesdays, 7 p.m. (We are studying the Book of Revelation); Pastor, Tony Kelley 423-464-2412, Church 806-886-3459.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

First Assembly of God, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorie Vanucci, Minister.

In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 6:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.

New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.

Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.; Midweek Thurs., 7:00 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

BAPTIST

Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.

Auxiliary Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.

Bait Branch Regular Baptist Church, Mousley Ky; Worship Service, 9:30, Every third Sat. and Sun. of each month; Roger Hicks, Pastor; Ralph Howard, Asst. Pastor; Contact Kermi Newsome 606-377-6881 for more information.

Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.

Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.

Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Kojer, 886-9855, ext. 6767.

Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.

Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.

Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.

Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.

Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship, Church of God, Banner Services; Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Jim Fierds, Minister.

Endicot Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sun. School, 10 a.m.;

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Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3376, (Branchham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Larry Panko, pastor; Phone: 358-0610.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

Jacks Creek Baptist, Bainsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor: Roger Trusty.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy Caudill, Pastor.

Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.

Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor: Bobby Carpenter

Left Beaver Regular Baptist Church across from Garth School, 4th Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Odd Saturday 6:00 p.m.; Gary Compton, Pastor.

Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Marie Little, Minister.

Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon; Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, (Indian Bottom Association) Services: 1st Saturday & Sunday every month 9:30 a.m., 3rd Sunday 9:30 a.m., Odd Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, East; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James R. Hunt, Minister.

Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.

McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Sadio Simons, Pastor.

Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; William L. Hunt, Minister.

Lighthouse Baptist, 2184 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Croger, Minister.

Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry Manns, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.

Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Phillip Flamey, Pastor.

Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brook); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 6:00 p.m.; Evng Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.

Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lewis Fornari, Minister.

CATHOLIC

St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Damron, pastor.

CHRISTIAN

First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD

Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.

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

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Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Family Training Hour - Thursday 7 p.m.; Bill B. Tussey Jr., Pastor.

Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.

Little Point Church of God, 671 Little Point Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff White, Pastor.

The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL

St. James Parish, 562 University Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, (606) 886-8046; Sunday Coffee Hour, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday evening worship, 7 p.m. Office Hours: Mon. - Fri., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Reverend Stan McGraw, www.dioce.net/stjames/ Visit us on Facebook!

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Auxiliary United Methodist, Auxier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Mead Music, Minister.

Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.

Allen Church United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.

Community United Methodist, 147 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neely St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeffrey Lambert, Pastor.

Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.

Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Profit.

First United Methodist, 258 South Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m.; Youth Services, 11 a.m.; Rev. Jim Adams, Pastor.

Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Midweek Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 6 p.m.; Judy Carback, Minister.

Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

Salisbury United Methodist, Printer, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.

Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor.

Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.

Vogel Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.

Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Housh, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John 'Jay' Patton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Salyersville; Sunday Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Santan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.

Parkway First Delivery Pentecostal, Floyd and Magginn County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6282.

Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church, Duale; Services Saturday, 6 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Services.

PRESBYTERIAN

Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

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New Opportunity School for Women
The New Opportunity School for Women (NOSW) in Berea is accepting applications for the 2012 Winter Residential Session Feb. 5-25. Deadline to submit is Dec. 15. The NOSW assists women of Appalachia and Kentucky in their pursuit of employment, education, and personal growth. To request an application contact the NOSW at (859) 985-7200, or info@nosw.org. Additional details available on our Website www.nosw.org.

Auxier Center happenings — 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.

Volunteer mentors wanted
Mentoring for a Second Chance is a jail-based service program designed to help reduce recidivism and promote positive growth, by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. MZC is looking for local men who are motivated to make a difference in the life of an individual while having a positive impact on the community. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a mentor, contact mentor coordinator Joshua Kinzer, (606) 886-4439, (606) 339-8878, or JKinzer@MtComp.org.

Veterans service officer
VFW Post 5839 in Lancer will have a service officer available every Wednesday, from noon until 4 p.m. Some services offered will be initial claim filing, upgrades, appeals, permanent and total claims and others. Contact (606) 886-9428 or (606) 297-1973 for more information.

Free Parenting Classes
To determine eligibility, call John 791-9887. Communities Against Drug Addiction - Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction 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. (67-

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, free foster parent trainings, mileage reimbursement, and 24-7 support are available. All foster children get a medical card, free school lunches, and clothing vouchers/other reimbursements. Call for more information, at 606-886-0163 or visit our website at: <http://www.benchmarkfamilyservices.org/>

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

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

FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes
The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall gentle exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. at May Drive, just off I-428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

Become a Volunteer with Victim Services Program
You are more likely to be hurt 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 by becoming a Volunteer with Victim Services Program. Call today to receive an application for our free training program.

Call the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-4323 for further information or to request an application. (The

Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

OutPatient Drug Treatment Program and Education
Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse. Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208. www.drugsno.com

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

Free Bible Lessons
Write to: Bible Way Outreach Ministry, P.O. 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 following schedule:
Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.
Mondays, at Little Mad, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.
Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.
Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

For more information, call Shirley Combs at (606) 434-8400, or Tom Nelson at (606) 478-2836.

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Hope in the Mountains
Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Water Gap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church. Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of

society. Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

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

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!
The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. 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, contact 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 program
Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

Looking for a Support Group?
Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times.

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

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

US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group
For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville. Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

Domestic Violence Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line
Manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605.

Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326. A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

PARENTS! - 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 while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free). East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call 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.com.

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bruises on Watson in March."

Lewis says she began documenting the abuse with photographs, and presented them to Coomer and Judge Flatt. She says Judge Flatt told her to stop taking photos.

Dickerson, 26, was indicted in November for the murder of her 2-year-old nephew, Watson

Adkins. Dickerson has also been previously charged with four counts of first-degree criminal abuse.

Lewis says the loss of her son is devastating, but for that loss to be at the hands of her own sister makes it worse.

Dickerson, and her husband Jason, 30, were both charged in connection to the abuse and death of Adkins, and the abuse of Watson's siblings.

Lewis says she doesn't know which of the Dickersons delivered the blow that killed Watson, but she says they are both guilty of the abuse. "They both, beat on those kids, both of them."

Lewis says her four remaining children have been in foster care since Watson's death, but that she has had visitation with them regularly on weekends. She says she

expects to have custody restored to her at a Jan. 9 hearing.

Judge David Flatt said that because the matter took place in juvenile court, he was unable to comment. Calls to Drew Coomer were not immediately returned.

Alliance

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improving quality," Lewis said. "Both organizations are committed to doing just that."

Other areas where the two look to work together are in establishing

wellness initiatives, community outreach and better health education.

"We want patients to have better access to primary care, as well as advanced diagnostics and treatment," Warman said.

"The alliance is one step of many in the right

direction." "We feel this type of collaboration really benefits the community," said Burl Spurlock, chairman of the Highlands board of directors.

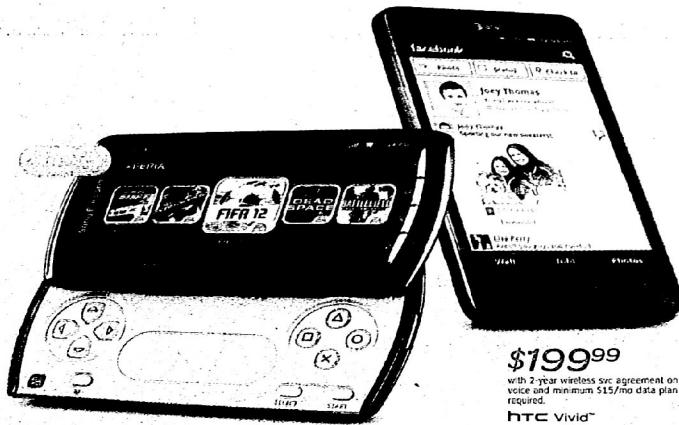
"Hospitals and health systems often talk about ways to integrate for the

benefit of the patient, but it is tough to get things done. This is an example of real progress in that arena."

Highlands and Big Sandy said more details about the agreement would be disclosed after the first of the year.

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Flag Retired



Students from Allen Central High School's JROTC program performed honor guard duties Tuesday as the flag at Jerry's in Prestonsburg was retired. Retired U.S. flags are to be burned on Flag Day.

photo by Jack Latta

Beshear

From Page A1

During his second term, Beshear also said he would push for needed state tax reform and a constitutional amendment to expand

gaming. Beshear touted his leadership during tough economic times for the state.

"Ten times now we've balanced Kentucky's budget," Beshear told the crowd. "So far, we've cut over \$1.3 billion in spending, shrinking the executive branch to its smallest size in decades."

But cuts have been targeted to protect the state's priorities — education, public safety, job creation and health care for the most vulnerable, he said.

As a result, Kentucky's financial footing is better than many states, Beshear told the crowd.

His top priority, the Dawson Springs native said, is to create new jobs for Kentuckians and to protect the ones we already have.

But along the way, each child in the state will be guaranteed a life of promise and meaning.

That means concentrating on improvements to the health-care and educational systems, Beshear said.

The next four years will see concentrated efforts in these areas, he said.

"We will continue to find health insurance for uncovered children ... to improve dental care ... to make sure our children have enough to eat ... and to prevent chronic problems by reducing smoking."

"We will continue restructuring our preschool and day-care programs to ensure every child is mentally and physically prepared for kindergarten the day he or she enters the classroom."

"And we will continue turning up our education infrastructure at every level — from preschool through college — to improve its fundamental mission," the governor said.

About 4,200 people participated in Tuesday morning's inaugural parade in Frankfort. Longtime observers called the parade route crowd one of the smallest in years. Among the parade participants were 54 high school marching bands from every corner of the commonwealth.

CORRECTION

In a story that appeared in our Wednesday paper, the date of Marlow Tackett's Christmas for Needy Families was reported

incorrectly. The event will take place Sunday, in Whitesburg. For more information, call (606) 633-9270 or (606) 899-2080.

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ALC student-athletes bring Christmas cheer to McDowell Elementary



Members of the Alice Lloyd College basketball and cheerleading programs visited McDowell Elementary late last week.

Times Staff Report

MCDOWELL - The Alice Lloyd College athletic program got into the Christmas spirit early by paying a visit to McDowell Elementary School Friday (Dec. 9).

Despite the fact that it was just days before the start of semester exams, members of the ALC basketball and cheerleading squads were eager to take the time

to spread a little Christmas cheer to the youngsters.

The cheerleaders adopted different kids and made sure that every child was able to have a gift bag to open that was filled with a variety of items, which caused each of them to squeal with delight. ALC basketball players and cheerleaders made the students' day by not only handing out Christmas gifts to them, but by singing Christmas carols and

dancing with the children, too. ALC Cheerleading Coach, Kristi Crum (who is also an instructor at McDowell), along with principal Jerri Turner and several of her colleagues, welcomed the student-athletes (along with men's basketball Head Coach JR Hammond and co-head cheerleading coach Jolene Watts) with open arms.

See CHEER | B2

Ladycats drop home game to Letcher Central

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - The Betsy Layne Ladycats had a two-game winning streak halted Monday night. Visiting Letcher County Central used multiple runs to gradually pull away for a 65-49 victory over the Ladycats.

Betsy Layne saw the game slip away. The Lady Cougars used an 18-11 run in the third quarter to stretch their lead out to double figures heading into the final period.

Letcher County Central, a 14th Region title contender, placed four players in double figures in the scoring column. Junior guard Kelah Eldridge paced Letcher County Central with 16 points. Junior forward/center Julie Cornett contributed 13 points, freshman guard Cheyenne Stidham scored 12 and senior guard Erica Meade added 10 for the Lady Cougars.

Letcher County Central remained undefeated, moving to 5-0.

Betsy Layne dropped to 3-3 as a result of the loss.

The Ladycats remained in contention throughout the contest. Letcher County Central edged Betsy Layne 16-14 in the opening quarter and carried a 35-30 lead into halftime.

Following the 18-11 run in the third quarter, Letcher County Central finished strong, outscoring Betsy Layne 12-8 in the final frame.

Junior guard Paige Watkins paced Betsy Layne with 16 points, sharing game-high scoring honors with Letcher County Central's Eldridge. Watkins was one of three Betsy Layne scorers to reach double figures. Junior guard/forward T.J. Tackett tossed in 13 points and freshman guard Timera Thacker added 11 for the Ladycats.

In additional individual scoring, Brandy Morrow netted four points while Andrea Akers and Chloe Johnson added two apiece for Betsy Layne in the loss.

The Ladycats are not scheduled to meet Letcher County Central again this season.

Betsy Layne was hosting former 13th Region powerhouse Clay County at press time Thursday. The Betsy Layne-Clay County game ended too late to make this edition.

LETCHER COUNTY CENTRAL: 65, BETSY LAYNE 49
Letcher County Central (65): Whitaker 6, Meade 10, Eldridge 16, Cornett 13, Breeding 5, Collins 3, Stidham 12.
Betsy Layne (49): Watkins 16, T. Tackett 14, Thacker 11, Akers 2, Johnson 2, Morrow 4.
Letcher County Central...16 19
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Lineman Alex Garner (55) will represent Prestonsburg in the Kentucky/Tennessee National Guard Border Bowl in early January.

Garner selected to play in Kentucky/Tennessee National Guard Border Bowl

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIAMSBURG - The rosters have been announced for the Kentucky/Tennessee National Guard Border Bowl. The annual high school football all-star game will take place Saturday, Jan. 7 at the University of the Cumberlands. Kickoff is set for 12:30 p.m. at James H. Taylor, II Stadium.

Prestonsburg senior offensive/defensive lineman Alex Garner has been selected to play in the Kentucky/Tennessee National Guard Border Bowl. In nine games during his senior season, Garner registered 49 tackles, 19 of which were solo stops. Garner battled back from an injury during his senior campaign.

WYMT will broadcast the Kentucky/Tennessee National Guard Border Bowl live. A breakdown of the Kentucky roster for the Border Bowl follows.

Kentucky: Coaches - Sam Harp, Danville, Head Coach; Tom Larkey, Harlan County, Assistant Head Coach; Mike Holcomb, Breathitt County,



Clark, Madisonville; Brandon Ford, Shelby County; Matthew Sims, Mercer County; Tyrone Pearson, Seneca; Seth Hunt, East Jessamine; Troy Slaughter, Somerset; Codi Diamond, Knox County; Pat Graffey, Central Hardin; Keith Thielemann, Boyle County; TD Jemison, Tate County; Coty Croley, Williamsburg; Seth McCoy, Whitley County; Alex Lange, Somerset; Brady Foley, Corbin; Chad Hall, Lexington Christian Academy; Mikel

See GARNER | B2

Visiting Russell too much for P'burg

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Visiting Russell secured an early lead over Prestonsburg Monday night at the Fieldhouse and never faltered. Sophomore forward Hayley Sparks scored a game-high 20 points to lead Russell past host Prestonsburg 72-37. Sparks, a proven scorer, connected on six 3-pointers for the Lady Devils.

Four Russell scorers reached double figures. Senior guard Gabrielle Cassidy, sophomore forward Hope Parsley and junior forward Arden Gross added 10 points apiece for the Lady Devils.

Russell also thrived defensively, registering 27 steals.

Senior guard Peyton McDade added eight points for Russell in the victory.

Senior guard Kristian Waugh, a veteran performer, paced Prestonsburg with 15 points. The senior guard was one of two Prestonsburg players to reach double figures. Senior center Cassie Burchett added 12 points for the Lady Blackcats.

Prestonsburg shot 34.2-percent (13-of-38) from the field in the loss. The Lady Blackcats were 3-of-11 from 3-point range.

Prestonsburg missed over a dozen foul shots, finishing 8-of-21 from the free throw line.

Junior guard Caitlin Kidd chipped in seven points and senior center Katie Burchett added two for Prestonsburg in the setback.

With the loss, Prestonsburg dropped to 0-3.

Sophomore center/forward Kate Rose scored on a free throw for the Lady Blackcats.

Prestonsburg was hosting Pikeville Thursday night. Results from the Prestonsburg-Pikeville girls' basketball game were unavailable at press time.

RUSSELL 72, PRESTONSBURG 37
Russell (72): H. Sparks 20, Cassidy 10, Parsley 10, A. Gross 10, McDade 8, Berry 4, Huddleston 4, Peyton McDade 2, J. Gross 2, Hanson 2.
Prestonsburg (37): Kidd 7, Burchett 2, Waugh 15, Rose 1, C. Burchett 12.

Blackcats knock off East Ridge

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LICK CREEK - Prestonsburg returned to the win column Tuesday night with a victory over 15th Region rival East Ridge. In a battle of first-year head coaches, Prestonsburg defeated host East Ridge 57-46.

Prestonsburg improved to 2-2 after posting the win. The Blackcats defeated Paintsville for their first win early last week. Prestonsburg is under the direction of first-year head

coach James DeRossett. East Ridge, which had claimed three straight wins, slipped to 4-2 following the loss. The Warriors had notched wins over Pike County Central, Letcher County Central and Phelps. East Ridge is under the guidance of first-year head coach Preston LeMaster, a former University of Kentucky player.

Prestonsburg shot 46.9 percent from the field. The Blackcats were 3-of-9 from 3-point range. Visiting Prestonsburg was 8-of-16 from the free throw line.

Junior guard Bryson Williams paced Prestonsburg with a team-high 13 points. Williams was one of two Prestonsburg scorers to reach double figures. The junior guard was 4-of-9 from the field and hauled in five rebounds. Williams is one of several Prestonsburg basketball players who have made a successful transition from the gridiron.

Senior guard Adam Crisp added 10 points for the Blackcats.

See KNOCK | B3



Senior forward Joseph Jamerson scored nine points and grabbed 10 rebounds in Prestonsburg's win over East Ridge.

Branham, Hogge sign with MSU men's golf program

Times Staff Report

MOREHEAD - Morehead State University head men's golf coach Dr. Rex Chaney has announced the signing of two student-athletes to National Letters of Intent. Will Branham and Logan Hogge will join the program for the 2012-13 school year.

"We are very excited about these two young men," Chaney said. "Will and Logan are both excellent students and outstanding golfers. They work hard and are dedicated to progression in both areas."

Branham, a senior at Pikeville High School, was named to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association All-State Team in 2011. He has played in six state championships and was named Region Player of the Year earlier this year.

Branham has also won five Eastern Kentucky Junior

Golf Association events in the past year - two at MSU's home course Eagle Trace, one at Mt. Sterling, one at Green Meadow and one at Bellefonte. His stroke average is 71 in both high school tournaments and on the EKJGA Tour.

"I knew Will would be an excellent fit for our program when I sat down with his family," Chaney said. "Will has already won six high school and junior tournaments this year. He's very poised and under control on the golf course, plus he has great swing mechanics."

Hogge, a senior at Bath County High School, has played in the KHSAA state championship three of the past four years. He earned KHSAA All-State accolades after his junior and senior campaigns.

Hogge is a four-time All-Area selection and two-time Region Player of the Year recipient. He owns a 4.0

grade-point average and has won numerous academic awards during his high school career.

"Logan's mother works at Morehead State and he's grown up in this part of the state," Chaney added. "Logan is a very task-oriented person. He has great swing mechanics, works extremely hard and is very mature on the golf course."

Chaney, who has been associated with the university since 1961, feels both golfers have the chance to be recognized by the Ohio Valley Conference and other organizations during their careers at MSU.

"To me, Will and Logan were the top two prospects in the state of Kentucky. They certainly have the potential to be All-Conference performers for us. It's great to be an Eagle when these types of recruits choose Morehead State."

Five Wildcats earn postseason honors

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON - Four University of Kentucky football players have been named All-Southeastern Conference performers by Phil Steele's College Football, including senior linebacker Danny Trevathan, who was also named a fourth-team All-American.

On top of the All-America honor, Trevathan was selected as first-team All-SEC linebacker, while Guy was named second-team defensive back and Warford was named second-team offensive lineman. Tydlacka was tabbed a third-team punter.

A native of Leesburg, Fla., Trevathan made 143 tackles during the season for the Wildcats, leading the SEC in tackles for the second-consecutive season.

Trevathan ranked fifth in the nation in tackles with an 11.92 average per game and led the nation's linebackers in fumbles forced (five) and was second among the nation's linebackers in interceptions with four.

The senior finished the season with 11.5 tackles for loss, three quarterback sacks, five pass breakups and two quarterback hurries.

Trevathan ends his UK career ranked 10th all-time on Kentucky's career tackle list with a total of 374 stops.

Trevathan had a total of 20 games with double-figure tackles in his career, including a career-high 17 tackles in 2010 against Auburn, the eventual national champion, and also against Mississippi State, Ole Miss and Georgia.

Guy was just behind his teammate in tackles, ranking second in the SEC with 120 stops.

The native of Lexington also ranked tied for 22nd in the nation in tackles, averaging 10 per game. Guy had eight games of double-figure tackles this season, including a high of 14 at South Carolina and against Tennessee.

The senior was named National Defensive Back of the Week for the Western Kentucky game when he had 10 tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and two interceptions.

Guy was named fourth-team All-SEC by Phil Steele's College Football last season.

Guy finishes his career at Kentucky with 297 tackles after recording back-to-back seasons of 100 tackles or more the past two seasons.

Warford, from

Richmond, allowed only one quarterback sack during the season and was graded at 87.5 percent for the season. Warford, who was named third-team Mid-Season All-America by Phil Steele's College Football, led the Wildcats in knockdown blocks with 34.

Tydlacka, a senior from Louisville, ranked fourth in the SEC by averaging 43.6 yards per punt.

His outstanding hangtime and punt placement helped UK rank second in the league in net punting with 39.6 net yards per punt.

Tydlacka had 20 punts of at least 50 yards, leading the SEC in that category, and he also placed 19 punts within the 20-yard line.

Tydlacka was named the SEC Special Teams Player of the Week in his final game as a Wildcat, the 10-7 win over Tennessee.

With field position at a premium for that game, Tydlacka kept Tennessee backed up all day long, as the Volunteers did not begin a drive outside their 30-yard line the entire game.

He punted nine times that day for a 43.6-yard average and his placement and hangtime did not allow UT to return a punt.

Lady Eagles fall short in Grayson

Times Staff Report

GRAYSON - The Alice Lloyd College Lady Eagles faced Kentucky Christian University, the nation's top ranked NCAA team, Friday (Dec. 9) in a road matchup. ALC fell behind in the first half, but battled back in the second half before Kentucky Christian held on to win 61-51.

ALC played well early, claiming a lead in the opening half. The Lady Eagles hurt themselves with poor shooting on offense and defensive breakdowns. Taking advantage of Alice Lloyd's hardships, Kentucky Christian led 37-18 at the break.

Sparked by forwards Ariel Nickell and Hayley Smith,



Courtney Crowder

Alice Lloyd battled its way back into contention. When Nickell connected on a contested jumper in the paint with 4:00 remaining, Alice Lloyd's deficit was incredibly just four, 51-47.

Alice Lloyd's comeback,

however, fell a little short. KCU regrouped and showed its championship mentality, making a huge basket huge on its next possession. The exhausted Lady Eagles could get no closer.

For ALC (1-13), Nickell, a sophomore led all scorers with a game-high 22 points. Nickell registered a double-double, adding 12 rebounds.

Smith, a freshman, finished the night with 15 points and 8 rebounds. Sophomore Courtney Crowder led all players with 5 assists.

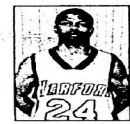
For KCU (13-0), Tanya Bowers led four players in double figures with 14.

Alice Lloyd managed to out rebound Kentucky Christian 54-36.

JUCO All-American Troy Burgan commits to play for Cincinnati Christian College

Times Staff Report

CINCINNATI - Junior college All-American Troy Burgan has committed to play basketball for Cincinnati Christian College. Burgan, an Akron, Ohio native, decided on Cincinnati Christian College after being heavily recruited. Floyd County native Mike Slone is an



Troy Burgan

assistant coach on the CCC coaching staff.

Slone is in his first season as an assistant coach on the Cincinnati Christian College coaching staff.

Burgan was an All-American at Harford Community College in Maryland.

The Ohio native averaged 11.4 points and 3.5 rebounds per game for Harford during the 2009-10 season.

Burgan, an accurate shooter, shot 50.9-percent from the field in the 2009-10 campaign.

Garner

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Reynolds, Boone County; Matt Robinson, Perry County Central; Seth Peay, Allen County-Scottsville; Michael Brooks, Collins; Everett Tubert, Bryan Station; Brandon Ball, North Laurel; Caleb Carter, Bell County; Josh McCoy, Franklin County; Michael Smith, Harlan County;

Ben Lake, Rockcastle County; Brady Jorstad, Fort Campbell; Brett Eychmann, Beechwood; Alex Garner, Prestonsburg; Seth Carmichael, Anderson County; Chase Roark, Middlesboro; Cory Davenport, Bell County; Will Thomas, Collins; Breathin County; Adam Kozerski, Holy Cross; BJ

Combs, Hazard; Markell Hayes, Garrard County; Jacob Mulderink, Conner; Eric Walker, Covington; Holy Cross; Jason Ford, Danville; Isaiah Burrus, Mercer County; Avery Pitt, Henderson County; Kurt Welhelms, Lexington Catholic; Jaysuma Webb, Bryan Station; Logan Prewitt, Bullitt East.

Cheer

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"It was truly a blessing to all who participated in handing out toys at McDowell Elementary," Watts exclaimed. "To give

to those in need, especially at Christmastime, made for a memorable experience. It was heartwarming to see the joy in the children's faces. I could not have been

more proud."

Brittney Briggs, a junior from Whitesburg, thoroughly enjoyed the time she spent with the youngsters.

"I enjoyed seeing the expressions on the children's faces when they opened their gifts," Briggs said. "Seeing the joy that we brought them made me realize how blessed I am. To see the sparkle in the eyes of less fortunate children opening their gifts really warmed my heart."

"We also loved singing songs with the special education class! I know that my own Christmas will be even merrier because of this experience I shared with them."

ALC's participation was as a service for the "Champions of Character" program, which is unique to NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) affiliated colleges around the country. This program is used to promote five core values in the community. These values include: Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Servant Leadership and Sportsmanship.

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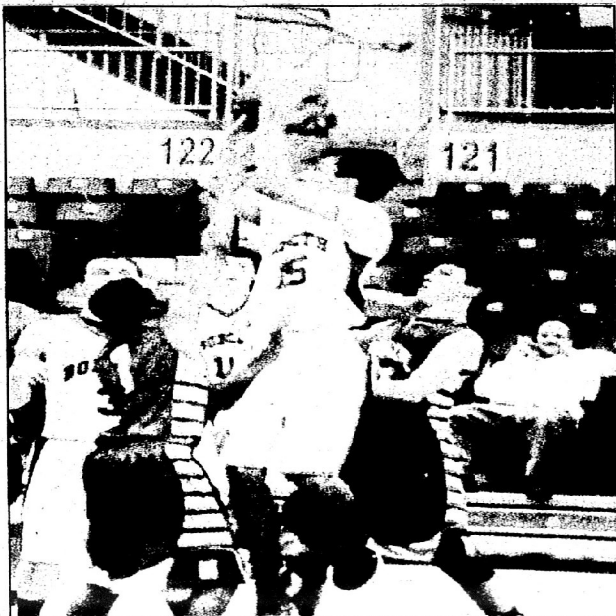
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BETSY LAYNE BASKETBALL



Senior Andrew Roberts lofted a shot for Betsy Layne during the Kentucky Farm Bureau Classic matchup versus Male over the weekend.



Andrew Roberts (15), Landon Hale (3) and Dylan Meade looked to grab a rebound for the Betsy Layne Bobcats.



Adams Middle School's Dalton Frasure is a member of the Kentucky 8th-Grade team competing in the FBU National Championship event. The Kentucky team advanced in the national tournament over the weekend. Kentucky defeated Wisconsin 40-7.

Frasure helps Kentucky advance in FBU national tourney

Times Staff Report

WHARTON, NJ — The Kentucky 8th-Grade team continued its impressive run in the FBU National Championship this past weekend. Kentucky defeated Wisconsin 40-7 in the second round of the "March Madness-style" tourney and is now only one win away from an all-expense-paid trip to San Antonio to compete for the National Championship title in the Alamodome. Kentucky will face Kansas City, Mo. in third round the weekend of Dec. 17-18 as it looks to punch its ticket to the Alamodome.

Adams Middle School standout Dalton Frasure is a member of the Kentucky team.

The FBU National Championship is a football version of the Little League World Series featuring 40 teams competing in a NCAA-style bracket tournament to select a true national champion in youth football's 8th-grade division.

The tournament kicked off Saturday, Nov. 26 at various locations across America. Winners advance to the second round of the single-elimination, five-round long tournament. The first three rounds take place at regional sites and the semifinals and finals will take place at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas, with the champion being crowned following the U.S. Army All-American Bowl on

Saturday, January 7, 2012. All participating 8th graders cannot turn age 15 before September 1, 2011.

"This is more than a regional all-star game or weekend jamboree tournament; this is a real national championship that brings together the whole country," said All American Games president Rich McGuinness. "This is a chance to play with great athletes and represent your state. Baseball has the Little League World Series, basketball has AAU all-star teams, and now more than 2,000 eighth-grade football athletes will have the chance to test their ability and challenge themselves for a chance at the National Championship. That is core to our philosophy."

Knock

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Joseph Jamerson narrowly missed a double-double, adding nine points and 10 rebounds for the Blackcats.

Cody Bentley also contributed nine points for Prestonsburg in the hard-fought win. The leading long-range shooter for the

Blackcats, Bentley drained 2-of-5 3-point field goal attempts.

Jarred Jarrell scored eight points and Trey Stapleton chipped in six for the Blackcats.

Jarrell also registered eight rebounds in the triumph. Wesley Robinson

chipped in two points for Prestonsburg in the road game.

The Blackcats are slated to host East Ridge Feb. 10.

Prestonsburg was visiting Pikeville Thursday evening. Results for the Prestonsburg-Pikeville boys' basketball game were unavailable at press time.

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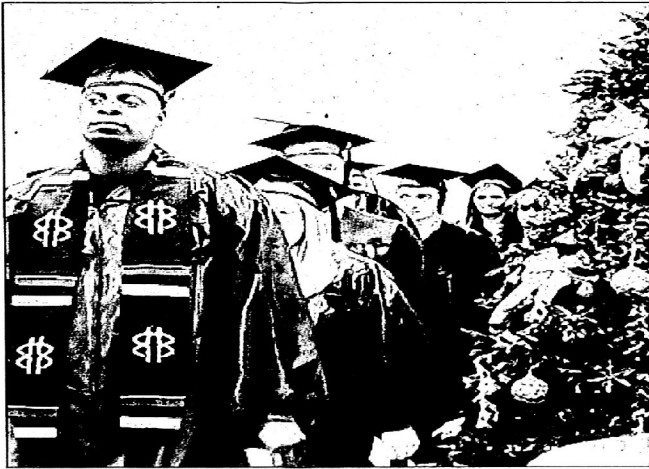
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Graduate candidates filed in to the assembly hall for commencement exercises.

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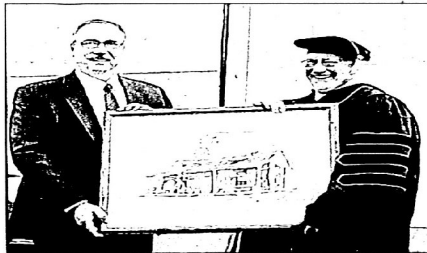
PAINTSVILLE — Big Sandy Community and Technical College hosted Commencement Exercises in the Mayo Auditorium on the BSCTC Mayo Campus Dec. 9.

A total of 105 degrees, 17 diplomas and 169 certificates were conferred. The event began with a processional of "Pomp and Circumstance" played by Bryan Lynne Goble, Vice President of Institutional Services, Bobby McCool welcomed guest with an introduction of panel guests and recognition of student achievements and awards.

Nineteen students achieved recognition in Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. Ten students were recognized for induction and service in Phi Theta Kappa.

BSCTC employee, Susan Scott provided two beautiful musical renditions entitled, "I Was Here" and "Wind Beneath My Wings."

BSCTC President and CEO, Dr. George Edwards introduced guest speaker, Coy D. Samons, superintendent of Paintsville Independent School System. Samons is a native of Floyd



BSCTC President Dr. George Edwards, right, welcomed Paintsville Supt. and Floyd County native Coy Samons as the event's guest speaker.

County and a graduate of Betsy Layne High School. Mr. Samons was recently named the Kentucky Educational Development Corporation Outstanding Superintendent for 2011-12. Samons spoke fondly of his childhood experiences. He talked about growing up on a farm and working hard. He told the audience, "In life you should strive to leave things a little better than you found them. I was the first one to earn a college degree in my family."

Samons closed his speech with some important advice for the students. He

encouraged them to set goals, plan ahead, train well, stay involved in education, make good choices, stay focused and perform their best when asked.

BSCTC Provost, Dr. Nancy Johnson presented the graduates to the audience at the close of the Ceremony.

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MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'Red State'

Tom Doty
 Times Columnist

Three teen-aged males find themselves in dire straits when they arrange to meet a middle-aged woman over the internet, in this genre-jumping piece from Kevin Smith ("Clerks").

It begins as a social drama, wherein we meet our three high school-aged characters after the death of a fellow student has rocked their community. Turns out, the young man was a victim of a hate group that targeted homosexuals. The crime has brought out a religious cult, lead by the charismatic Abin Cooper, that sees the death as God's plan, which compels them to picket the young man's funeral.

The event leads to some spirited discussion at the school, but our three leads (Travis, Jared, and Billy-Ray) are more interested in using the internet to set up a sex date with an older woman.

They arrive at her trailer and eagerly consume her alcohol to their peril. Turns out, they have been lured into a trap by Cooper's cult and are to be punished for their sins.

Cooper steals the film at this point as he regales his congregation

with his take on God. Cooper firmly believes in a vengeful God who must be feared. He illustrates his point by quoting various Psalms as well as relating the stories of Noah's ark and Sodom and Gomorrah.

He also appears to believe that it is his right to punish the wicked, too, and he does so by having his members tie up and shoot a suspected sexual deviant. The boys witness these events and quickly realize they are in deep trouble.

The hint of salvation appears when the ATF is summoned to the scene, but their orders are similar to the ones that Cooper appears to be getting from a higher authority: Kill everyone.

This strategy will supposedly avoid the bad press of another incident like the one in Waco, Texas, and can be carried out under the guidelines of anti-terrorism policies.

This is the first Kevin Smith film that veers away from his patented humor.

While there is plenty of irony and satire here, the story is played straight and comes off all the more terrifying because of it.

It is a measured look at the horrible justifications people and government use to punish those they don't agree with, and

it is truly unsettling. Smith avoids laughs and tells this story without winking at the audience, who would probably be too stunned to catch the gesture anyway.

This is strong stuff and it gets a big lift from some talented actors. John Goodman is spot on as the agent charged with handling the ugly mess, while Stephen Root ("Office Space") scores as a small-town sheriff who is deep in the closet about his homosexual tendencies. Kyle Gallner manages to evoke sympathy as one of the teens who is lured to the house, but the film belongs to Michael Parks, as Cooper.

He tones down his performance and makes Cooper a quietly crazed leader who fully believes in what he is doing to the extent that he gently nudges a devotee to bring him some sweet tea while engaged in a firefight with federal authorities.

This may be Smith's first film that doesn't employ broad humor, but that doesn't stop the film from zeroing in on big issues.

Best line: "People do strange things when they believe they are entitled, but they do even stranger things when they just plain believe."

2010, rated R.

RENTAL CENTRAL

Tom Doty
 Times Columnist

Three of this week's releases are remakes or sequels, but your best bet was a spoof of a famous movie character that ran on television in the late 1980s.

"Kung-Fu Panda 2" — All of the characters return for this entertaining sequel that charts the slow death of the martial arts when gangs enter the culture. Despite the serious theme, the story is played for laughs, and this animated yarn puts together an amazing cast that includes returning stars like Jack Black, Lucy Liu, and Jackie Chan, alongside newcomers like Jean Claude Van-Damme, Gary Oldman and Michelle Yeoh.

"Rise of the Planet of the Apes" — This sequel to Tim Burton's remake of the original film winds up going in a new direction and producing an original and very entertaining yarn. James Franco stars as a well-meaning scientist who is trying to find a cure for Alzheimer's disease and tests his serum on a lab ape.

The stuff works but it enhances the ape's intellect and grants it human emotions. Soon, it is time for a revolution that caps the film with some high-impact action. It all works thanks to a smart script and an intense performance by Andy Serkis ("Gollum") as the ape in question.

"Fright Night" — This is a straight-up remake of the 1980s flick that starred Chris Sarandon as a vampire who moves to the suburbs but runs afoul of a

nosy teenager and a has-been horror film star. This is a good film, but no better than the original. A game cast includes Colin Farrell as the vampire and David ("Dr. Who") Tennant as the horror host. They are good but there is nothing new here.

"Sledge Hammer" — This short-lived series was a hilarious spoof of the "Dirty Harry" films and employed an "Airplane" style of parody that included generous doses of slapstick. David Rasche is well cast as the titular cop who preferred to let his large gun do the talking. Fun stuff that should appeal to fans of "The Naked Gun."

Next week brings Helen Mirren in "The Tempest" and John Landis' take on two famous grave robbers in "Burke and Hare."

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CLICK & CLACK TALK CARS

Does gas gauge read correctly after tank was dented?

Tom and Ray Maglozzi
King Features Syndicate

Dear Tom and Ray:
I'm sending this anonymously because I don't want my friends to know what a bonehead I am. I went out to the driveway to replace the rear brake shoes on my daughter's '98 Honda Civic EX. I positioned my floor jack under the rear cross member, but did not jack it up. I then went into the garage to get my jack stands, and placed them beside the car. Without checking the jack, I started to jack up the car. Something didn't seem right, because the car hardly lifted for the amount I jacked. I looked under the car and saw that the floor jack had rolled forward a few inches and the saddle was pushing up on the fuel tank, which was now dented in! I quickly jacked down the car, but the damage was done. I drove the car through the neighborhood and up onto the interstate to confirm that it still would run fine. It now has more than a thousand miles on it since I dented the fuel tank, and it runs with no problems. My question: Is the fuel gauge still accurate, or is it incorrect because of the dent in the tank? I have gotten my daughter to refill the tank whenever the gauge registers half a tank. It takes about six gallons to fill it up from there. My daughter wants to drive beyond half a tank on the gauge to see if the gauge is accurate down to empty. I don't think she should do this. What do you guys think? By the way, I did finally replace the brake shoes, but she doesn't let me work on her car any longer. —Joey

TOM: Don't worry, Joey. Your secret is safe with us. I mean, how many Joeyes can there be with daughters who own green '98 Honda Civic EXs with bad gas gauges writing from Maple Street in Tallahassee, Fla.?

RAY: With the last name Sawyer?

TOM: We made that up, by the way, readers. Joey, I

think your daughter has to try the experiment. And you need to be following her with a five-gallon gas container.

RAY: This car was still using a metal tank in 1998. So you crumpled it. But you probably didn't deform it too badly; otherwise, it would be leaking now.

TOM: These tanks can take a pretty good beating. I mean, they're not designed to support a 2,500-pound car on the saddle of a floor jack, but they do get hit by rocks and road debris and snow banks, and they manage to survive all that stuff.

RAY: What you need to find out is how much you've reduced the volume of the tank, and whether you've interfered with the operation of the float, which tells the gauge how much fuel is left. And there's only one way to do that, Joey.

TOM: If you really wanted to be a good dad, you wouldn't even make your daughter participate. You'd tap one of your buddies (who now knows what a bonehead you are because you wrote to us) and have him follow you while you drove your daughter's car.

RAY: Here's what you'll do. This car has a tank that holds about 12 gallons. You know the gauge works fine between full and half-full, because you know that accounts for six gallons. You also know how many miles that gets you.

Let's say, for the sake of argument, that you get 150 miles out of the first half of the tank.

TOM: So you want drive another 150 miles, or until the tank is empty. Along the way, you want to correlate the mileage with the reading on the fuel gauge.

RAY: So when you've driven 75 miles, is the gauge reading a quarter-full? If so, you know it's accurate to the one-quarter mark.

TOM: If the car runs out of gas before you expect it to, you'll want to note what happens. Did the gauge drop suddenly from a quarter-full to E? Did it stay on a quarter-full and just

run out of gas?

RAY: And with this newfound, scientifically derived information, you'll be able to tell your daughter exactly what to expect, and when she needs to fill up from now on.

TOM: And by the way, Joey, if the car runs out of gas as soon as you leave the house, you'll know what you're getting her for Christmas this year.

Switching oils is no big deal.

Dear Tom and Ray:
I have a 2009 Nissan Cube. I take the car to the dealer for oil changes. I always use synthetic, but at the last oil change, they put in regular oil by mistake. I drove the car for 3,000 miles and then asked them to put in synthetic oil. Now my husband says that I have "ruined" the engine by switching the oils back and forth. Is this true? He says that I immediately should have asked them to drain out the regular oil and replace it with synthetic before I drove the car away. What do you think? —Mary

TOM: I think he's got his head up his oil drain, Mary.

RAY: When synthetic oils first came out, we heard rumors that you shouldn't switch from regular oil to synthetic, or vice versa.

But we never saw any proof that this was more than a rumor.

TOM: And now several of the major oil companies sell synthetic blends, which are what? Mixtures of regular oil and synthetic? So they mix them right at the factory.

RAY: So obviously, no harm is done by mixing them in your crankcase, or switching from one to another.

TOM: So drive happily, Mary. It sounds like the only thing you ruined here is your husband's credibility.

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TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

Shoveling snow is hard on heart

Paul G. Donohue, M.D.
King Features Syndicate

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My husband is 73. I am sure he's going to die this winter. He insists on shoveling our snow, and we have lots of it. He says it's good for him; it gives him exercise. This from a man whose other exercise consists of popping open a beer can. He comes in after he's cleared the walk, puffing and exhausted. Please talk some sense into him. —M.L.

ANSWER: After every snowstorm, city emergency rooms fill with older men who have had a heart attack after cleaning their snow-covered walks. Snow shoveling is strenuous exercise.

It burns 420 calories an hour. The heart rate of a shoveler rises to 170 beats a minute, and the systolic blood pressure (the first number of a reading) exceeds 200. Of course, the demand depends on the depth and weight of the snow. Older hearts cannot support such stress.

In addition to the work of shoveling, cold weather adds more demands on the heart.

Unless a man your husband's age has had medical clearance for such exhausting exercise, he is tempting fate.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: A friend has a case of constant hiccups. Can you suggest any possible cures? —P.W.

ANSWER: Hiccups come from involuntary contractions of the diaphragm, the horizontal muscle sheet that lies between the chest and the abdomen. It is the principal breathing muscle. Sometimes persistent contractions can be traced to gallbladder problems, diseases of the pancreas, reflux of stomach acid into the esophagus (heartburn) or an abscess on the abdominal side of the diaphragm. However, most of the time, no cause is found. For temporary hiccups, gulping food and simultaneously swallowing air sometimes brings them on. So can carbonated beverages.

Through the years readers have provided me with hundreds of home remedies for dealing with hiccups, and I welcome new additions. Swallowing a teaspoon of sugar irritates the throat, which sets in motion a reflex that can end hiccups. Breathing into a paper bag raises the blood carbon-dioxide level, which, in turn, raises blood acidity, and that triggers a release of calcium. Calcium can spark nerve signals to stop hiccups. Putting angostura bitters on the back of

the tongue is another sometimes-successful trick. Hiccups that last longer than 48 hours aren't likely to respond to home remedies. Medicines have to be turned to. Chlorpromazine, omeprazole, metoclopramide and baclofen are often successfully used.

In cases that are resistant to medicine treatment and that are disrupting a person's life, doctors can interrupt, in a number of ways, the transmission of nerve signals conducted to the diaphragm by the phrenic nerve.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 34 and have been jogging for 10 years. I do it year-round. I've noticed this winter that my knees feel stiff before I run. They don't hurt during the run or after. Could this be a sign that I'm getting arthritis? —B.C.

ANSWER: It's not likely that at age 34 you're coming down with arthritis. It's more likely a weather thing. Cold weather thickens joint fluid. That makes joints stiff. Warming the fluid by exercise relieves the stiffness.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health news at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The New Year brings challenges that can change many things in your life. You need to be prepared not only to confront them, but also to deal with what happens afterward.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You have what it takes to set your goals quite a bit higher this year. Learn what you need to know and put what you learn into your efforts. A partner offers loving support.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) In true Gemini Twin fashion, you're conflicted about a decision you know you'll have to make in this New Year. Best advice: Get the facts before you make any commitment.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A friend offers you an exciting opportunity for the New Year. Although your positive aspects are strong in most respects, caution is advised. Investigate before you invest.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You can make this New Year a roaring success.

Start by readjusting your goals to reflect the changes in the economy. Your den-bargain offers both wise and loving support.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The New Year brings new opportunities for change. But you need to be ready to move from the comfortable status quo to the challenging unknown. It's up to you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your most important New Year's resolution should be to work out problems with a family member in order to avoid continued misunderstandings. Do it soon, for both of your sakes.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The New Year has much to offer about your determined Scorpion, who isn't afraid to take on challenges and stay with them until they surrender their rewards.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You'll have many fine

opportunities in this New Year. But be warned: Reject offers of help. You work best when you're free to be your own creative self.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The New Year offers changes that you might feel you're not quite ready for. Best advice: Deal with them one step at a time, until you've built up your self-confidence.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Travel is a dominant aspect of the New Year. This could mean relocating to another city (or even another country) in connection with your education or your career.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) This New Year brings news about a change you've been anticipating. You might have a problem persuading a loved one about your new plans, but he or she will soon go along with them.

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Legal Notice Pursuant to Application No. 836-0370 Original

SEQ CHAPTER 14 v 1 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasero Creek Mining, LLC, 9774 Teaves Valley Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia 25560 has applied for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 21 acres of land located 0.7 mile southeast of Pyramid in Floyd County, SEQ CHAPTER 14 v 1. The proposed operation will disturb 278.42 surface acres and will underlie 81.63 acres within the permit boundary making a total permit area of 318.55 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 2.75 miles northwest of KY Rte. 550 in Floyd County. The longitude is 82°51'50". The surface area is owned by Eliu Elliott Pitts of J. Alvie Thomsbury, Dovie Thomsbury, Doris Pitts, Edward L. & Sadie Shepperd, Shade & Patricia K. Pitts, Billy Susan, and Dexter Reffett, J. T. & Anna Lea Thomsbury, Phyllis Reffett, Jeffrey and Zelma Watson, Judith C. Hamm & Floyd Davis, Jeremy T. and Wynnda Howard, Paul Lloyd Hicks, and Big Branch Holding Company, LLC.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin USGS 78trac12, minute quadrangle map. The applicant will use the surface contour, surface area, and surface auger/highwall miner methods of surface mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Kentucky Department for Natural Resources, Department of Surface Mining and Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office at 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 9, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE1 Pursuant to Application Number 836-0404 Amendment No. 4

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Laurel Mountain Resources LLC, 1374 HWY 192E, London, KY 40324 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 4.5 miles northwest of Hueysville in Floyd County. The amendment will add an additional 7.2 acres of surface disturbance, delete 52.8 surface disturbance and will delete an additional 42.4 underground acres making the total area within the permit boundary will be 705.1 acres.

The amendment area is approximately 1.8 miles north of west from Route 202's junction with KY Route 7 and located in Plummer Branch and Flaccoon Branch of Sallick Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the David and Handscomb U.S.G.S. 7-12 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will use the contour and auger/highwall methods of mining. The surface area is owned by John Hoover, Laurel Mountain Resources LLC, Thelma & Lurey Hoover, G. M. C. Forestry Fund 3, LP and Sylvia Warrick. The operation will utilize the surface area owned by John F. Hoover, Co., Inc., Laurel Mountain Resources LLC, Thelma & Lurey Hoover, G. M. C. Forestry Fund 3, LP and Sylvia Warrick.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Legal Notice Pursuant to Application Number 836-5588

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that EXCO Resources Company, PO Box 4000, Elmwood, Kentucky 41635, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 2 miles south of Blue Moon in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 4.4 surface acres and will underlie 250 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 254.4 acres.

(2) The proposed operation is approximately 2.5 miles south of Kentucky Route 202's junction with Little Mud Creek Road and located on Little Mud Creek Branch and Lower Wolfpen Branch and Upper Wolfpen Branch. The latitude is 37 degrees 28 minutes 36 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds.

(3) The proposed operation is located on the McDowell USGS 78trac12, minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Emmett Lawson. The operation will be owned and operated by Tina Atkins Estate, Audrey Parsons, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, and Vannie Kidd.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 9, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-8069, Renewal No. 5

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Martin Coal Processing Corporation, P. O. Box 1000, Robinson Creek, Kentucky 41560 has applied for a renewal of a permit for a coal processing facility affecting 12.00 acres located 0.15 miles east of Hueysville in Floyd County. The proposed operation is located approximately 0.87 miles southeast from KY 122's junction with KY 80 and located 0.10 mile southeast of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The proposed operation is located on the Harold and Martin USGS 7-12 minute quadrangles. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Martin Coal Processing Corporation and CSX/Chessee Systems. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

PUBLIC NOTICE Lizzie B's Cafe, LLC, Mailing address: 2010 Ky route 321 Prestonsburg Ky, 41653

Lizzie B's Cafe, LLC, Mailing address: 2010 Ky route 321 Prestonsburg Ky, 41653. The business to be operated is a Restaurant Wine Drink and Malt Beverage Retail Beer License(s) no later than December 13, 2011. The business to be operated is a Restaurant Wine Drink and Malt Beverage Retail Beer License(s) no later than December 13, 2011. The business to be operated is a Restaurant Wine Drink and Malt Beverage Retail Beer License(s) no later than December 13, 2011.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Joshua Keith Lawson, Restaurant, Live Band, Juke Box and Beer, Location is 11037 US HWY 23, S. Betty, KY, 41605. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant has a good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permit shall file with the County Clerk no later than January 19, 2012. In writing, allegations shall show cause as to why the application should not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for January 19, 2012. At the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive will hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

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COMICS/ENTERTAINMENT

BLONDIE

Dean Young/Denis Lebrun



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Mort Walker



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Tom Batiuk



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Chris Browne



HI & LOIS

Brian and Greg Walker



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Patrick McDonnell



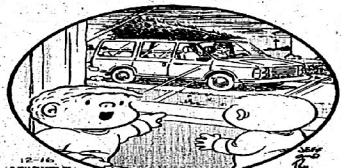
ZITS

Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

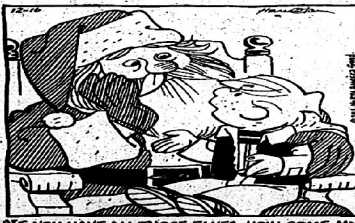
Bil Keane



"Mommy, get the decorations ready! Daddy finally captured our Christmas tree!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

Hank Ketchum



"IF YOU HATE ALL THOSE ELVES, HOW COME MY DAD HAS TO ASSEMBLE ALL THE TOYS YOU BRING?"

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU

by Dave Green

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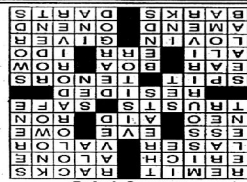
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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

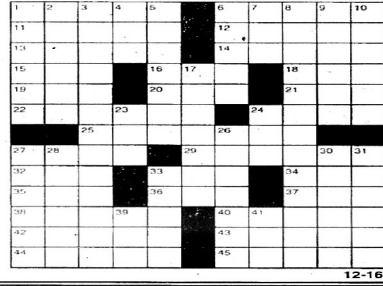
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 - 12 Singly
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 - 18 Have debts
 - 19 "The Matrix" hero
 - 20 Land a hand
 - 21 Harry's friend
 - 22 Has faith in
 - 24 Ump's call
 - 25 Diver's point of land
 - 29 Bocelli and Caruso
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 - 34 Quarrel
 - 35 2001 biopic
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 - 2 Pencil part
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 - 4 Foad
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 - 28 Picasso's daughter
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Today's Answers

1. Send in
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38. Rock band
39. Tattoos, slangily
40. Generous one
41. heap

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THE LOCKHORNS

William Hoest



"NO, THANKS, I'LL JUST HAVE A BITE OF YOURS."

Jacqueline Bigar's HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Dec. 16, 2011: You are unusually direct and precise this year. At times, your candor could distance others. Work could be a source of confusion and/or misunderstandings. Contain this problem to the workplace. A promotion or pay raise could appear. You will need to flex. If you are single, you are in a position to meet many potential suitors. If you are attached, the two of you need to go out more together, bonding your closer. Choose a common commitment. **VIRGO** can push hard.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★ ★★ Remain as mellow as possible. Pressure builds quickly, as you could be judging yourself a little too much. Let go of this internal conversation. Go off and accomplish what you must. Tonight: Easy works.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★ ★★ While many people stress out as a misunderstanding sets in, you find unusual solutions. A change in perspective might be absolutely necessary. You have a strong drive and a need to achieve. Your goal could be a social or personal one. Tonight: Fun and games, of the TGIF variety.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★ ★★ You are well anchored and determined to achieve exactly what you want. Stay tight with a family member who often has a little too much gloom and doom in the name of realism. Have you considered that you might be too gracious? Still, express your uniqueness. Tonight: At home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★ ★★ You are full of fun and excitement. Listen to your inner voice about a misunderstanding. What purpose does a misunderstanding serve but to push someone away? Rarely does that behavior serve you in the long run. Give it up! Tonight: Make a caring gesture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★ ★★ Be aware of what you have to offer — not everything can be measured in financial or monetary terms. A loved one could create quite a good scene. You might want to express your depth and caring to another person in a way that counts. Tonight: Bring others together for a fun activity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ ★★ You are all smiles and might want to do something very different. Do just that. Some of you want to explore a new, different or updated neighborhood. Others might have different fancies. If you're at work, open up to a new idea. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★ ★★ You might want to vanish and play it low-key. Your innate creativity points to an imaginative flight of fancy. Others try to get you to land, to no avail. Take action later, when you're grounded. Tonight: Not to be found. Let others wonder.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★ ★★ Zero in on what you want. A meeting plays a significant role in your plans. You could be confused about a domestic or personal matter. Put this issue on the back burner for now. Let a key person know that you both have been a victim of a misunderstanding. Tonight: Friends will want to join you wherever you are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★ ★★ Pressure builds wherever you are. You feel overly responsible, as if you must perform. You jump through some unnecessary hoops. Stop and indulge yourself a little. Buy yourself that coveted item. Tonight: In the limelight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★ ★★ You discover the importance of breaking past a self-imposed barrier. You will see situations more clearly and feel better ultimately. Make plans before it is too late to meet a friend or loved one halfway during the next few weeks. Swapping gifts in a new setting could be fun. Tonight: Let your mind relax to great music.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★ ★★ You might believe you are too dependent on another person. Don't worry about it. You are far more independent than you realize. Relax and enjoy this person in your life. Tonight: Try to live more in your heart than your head.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★ ★★ Others come toward you and share a lot of themselves. In a professional situation, you might not mind — personally, you could feel burdened by some of what is said and feel that in some way you are the cause of the problem. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

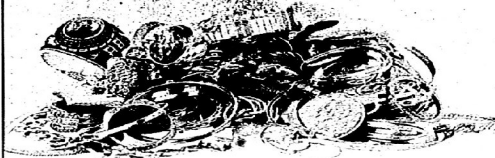
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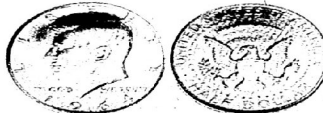
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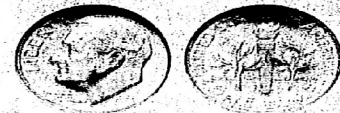
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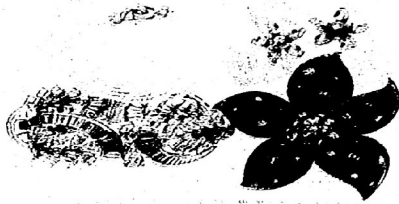
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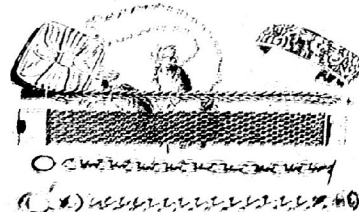
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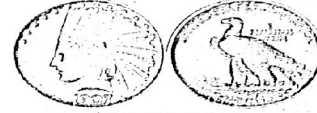
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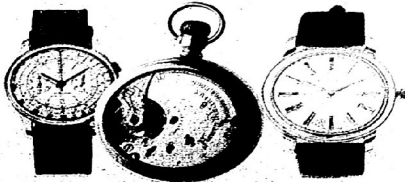


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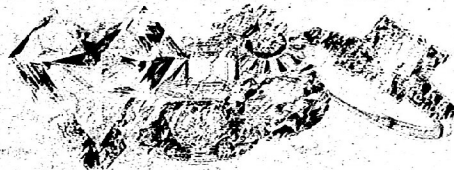


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