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"Carbon monoxide poisoning can be deadly and should be taken seriously," said Steve Davis, M.D., acting Kentucky Department of Public Health (DPH) commissioner. "We urge Kentuckians to take steps to prevent exposure to carbon monoxide by avoiding the use of gasoline-powered stoves or charcoal grills as indoor sources of heat. It can be a matter of life or death."

In 2010, there were 206 emergency room visits for Kentucky residents related to carbon monoxide exposures, he said.

Items such as kerosene or propane gas stoves and ovens have been used as alternative heat sources indoors, sometimes with tragic results. These devices emit a colorless, odorless gas, called carbon monoxide, as a by-product, and improper use can lead to severe cases of carbon monoxide poisoning. DPH

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## Turner seeks dismissal of rape, abuse case

Jack Latta Staff Writer

**PRESTONSBURG** — Following a motion to dismiss filed Tuesday by Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, the trial of two Martin residents appears to be over.

Martha Pitts and Michael Pitts were arrested in March 2009 and charged with multiple counts of criminal and sexual abuse.

On Tuesday, Turner filed a motion to dismiss those indictments in Floyd County Circuit Court.

"Our ability to go to trial and present a case is dictated by the quality of the evidence," said Turner. "Things that have occurred over the last two years have just been devastating to our case. As a prosecutor, I have an obligation to do what's required under the law, even if I don't want to."

The Pittses had each been indicted with two counts of first-degree rape of a victim under 12 years of age, two counts of first-degree sodomy, two counts of incest with a victim under 12, two counts of first-degree sexual abuse and two counts of first-degree criminal abuse of a child 12 or under.

In the motion to dismiss, Turner states that after the indictments were

presented, the primary victim and lead witness disclosed that he had initiated significant sexual contact with the other children, including the other alleged victim in the case. No charges were brought, and the victim was transferred to an out-of-state treatment facility.

It was around that time that the victim also allegedly implicated three other adults, separate from

the Pittses, with sexual abuse, then later recanted those allegations, saying it had all been made up to "get out of trouble."

Turner says this turn of events was incredibly damaging to the credibility of the victim, and that the Pittses' defense would likely focus on this false accusation.

Most damaging of all

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County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall, facing away from camera, spoke briefly to those assembled about how much Anthony Paul Osborne meant to those around him. photo by Allen Bolling

## County dedicates bridge in memory of Osborne

Joshua Byers Publisher

**MIDDLE CREEK** — Anthony Osborne will never be forgotten. His loving mother and father, Stewart and Evelena, and his daughter, Courtney, would have already made sure of that, but after the county's bridge dedication, members of the community will know the name of the young man who impacted so many by just being himself.

R.D. "Doc" Marshall joined with family and friends in a light rain Monday, to dedicate a bridge on Route 114 about two miles from the Magoffin County line.

"What we do here today is minimal compared to what he did in his young lifetime," Marshall said. "As we dedicate this bridge as the

'Anthony Paul Osborne Memorial Bridge,' people who travel and commute will see his name on the bridge and those that knew him will see that from here on out he's remembered."

And if those that drive by ask who Osborne was, they'll hear the tale of a young boy, who was so excited every year at the time of the radio auction, he could hardly wait.

If bidding was slow, Floyd County Emergency Rescue Squad Captain Tim Cooley was known to say over the radio: "Anthony, where are you at?"

And so it became a ritual: Anthony would always bid on items that weren't generating very much interest. As a result of his bids, others would feel a sense of urgency

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"What we do here today is minimal compared to what he did in his young lifetime."  
— R.D. "Doc" Marshall

## Wheelwright man admits to conspiring to receive hundreds of pounds of marijuana

Times Staff

**PIKEVILLE** — A Wheelwright man admitted in federal court Thursday that he conspired to distribute at least 100 kilograms of marijuana in Pike and Floyd Counties.

John Hall, aka, "Johnny Boy Hall," 43, pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy to distribute 100 kilograms or more of marijuana and attempt to possess with intent to distribute 50 kilograms or more of marijuana.

Hall admitted that from January 2009 until December of 2010, he received between 220 and 880 pounds of marijuana.

The U.S. Attorney's Office and Hall agreed to a prison sentence of 10 years. Hall has a prior drug felony conviction which subjected him to a higher sentence for the offenses. U.S. District Court Judge Amul Thapar must approve the 10-year sentence before it becomes official. Hall is scheduled to be sentenced in May of 2012.

The investigation started in December of 2010 when authorities in South Carolina discovered approximately 150 pounds of marijuana in a vehicle operated by a co-defendant. The co-defendant claimed he was driving the marijuana to Floyd County to deliver it to Hall.

Kentucky State Police (KSP) and the FBI worked in an undercover capacity to coordinate the delivery to Hall. Shortly after Hall showed up to buy the marijuana he was arrested. Follow up investigation revealed Hall had been receiving shipments of marijuana prior to December 2010.

Kerry B. Harvey, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Elizabeth A. Fries, Special Agent in Charge, FBI and Rodney C. Brewer, KSP Commissioner jointly made the announcement Friday.

The investigation was conducted by FBI, KSP, Drug Enforcement Administration in North Carolina and Henderson County Sheriff's Office in North Carolina. The U.S. Attorney's Office was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Roger West.

## Rescue squad looking for support for new HQ

Jack Latta Staff Writer

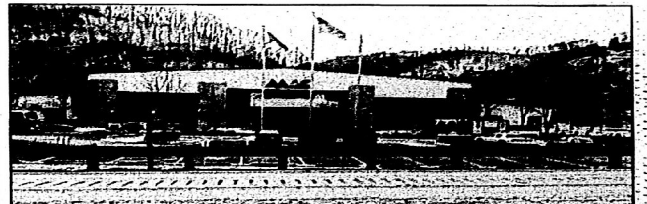
**FRANKFORT** — The Floyd County Emergency Rescue Squad is looking to upgrade its headquarters, and community members like you can help.

According to Captain Tim Cooley, of the Floyd County Emergency Rescue Squad, there is progress being made in Frankfort to secure funding for a new building to house the squad.

The rescue squad is hoping the effort will get final approval, with the help of public support. Floyd Countians wishing to express support for a new squad building are being urged to contact House Speaker Greg Stumbo and state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner.

The number to Stumbo's office is (502) 564-3366. The number to reach Sen. Johnny Ray Turner is (502) 564-6136.

## Fire Scare



Prestonsburg Fire Department was called to the Mountain Arts Center last Friday after employees complained of smelling smoke in the building. A heating and cooling unit reportedly caught fire. Damage was limited to the unit itself and no injuries were reported.

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# Obituaries

## Geraldine Short Grizzell

Geraldine Short Grizzell, 74, passed away Friday, Jan. 13, 2012, in Dayton, Ohio.

Formerly of Prestonsburg, she was born April 10, 1937, the daughter of the late William Short and Virgie Gibson Short.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Burl S. Grizzell.

Survivors include two sons, Bryan Keith Grizzell and Stanley Allen Grizzell, both of Dayton, Ohio; two grandchildren, Jesse Bryan Jarrell and Karissa Grizzell; and two sisters, Betty Hall and Kathy Allen Willis.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 17, at Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Steve Williams officiating. Burial was in the Short Family Cemetery, at Abbott Creek, in Prestonsburg.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home.

## Arnold Hamilton

Arnold Hamilton, 65, of Teaberry, died Sunday Jan. 15, 2012, at his residence.

He was born Jan. 29, 1946, to the late James and Levely Hail Hamilton. He was the husband of Scrime Johnson Hamilton and was a retired truck driver for Big Sandy Wholesale.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Freddie Hamilton.

He is survived by two sons, Kenneth Hamilton, of Price, and Danny Hamilton, of Beaver; one daughter, Jennifer Hamilton, of Teaberry; two brothers, Jimmy Hamilton, of Michigan, and Frank Hamilton, of Teaberry; one sister, Sylvia Hunter, of Honaker; five grandchildren and two step grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 18, at Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, in Teaberry, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating. Burial will follow the service at Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

## Nelson Frazier Funeral Home

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Brenda K. Castle

Brenda K. Castle, 59, of Prestonsburg, died Jan. 11, 2012, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

She was born Nov. 3, 1952, to Shirley Hall Nelson and the late Bill Nelson. She was the wife of Jay Castle, and was a former Corrections Officer and a member of Pleasant Home Baptist church in Prestonsburg.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Alvin Nelson.

She is survived by one son, Steven Ray (Patricia) Hatfield, of Prestonsburg, and two brothers, Kenneth Ray (Trish) Nelson, of Ragland, W.Va., and Rodney William Nelson, of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 14, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, with Mark Tackett officiating. Burial followed the service at Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Glenna Jean (Deanie) Hill

Glenna Jean (Deanie) Hill, 54, of Wheelwright, died Sunday, Jan. 8, at her residence.

She was born Sept. 4, 1957, to the late Hatler and Susann (Bailey) Hill.

She is survived by her lifelong companion, David Slone, of Wheelwright; three daughters, Brandy (Lee) Little and Angel Hill (Westley), both of Melvin, and Misti Hill, of Wheelwright; five brothers, Terry Hill, of Wayland, Tommy Hill, Bill Hill and Paul Hill, all of Wheelwright, and Darrell Hill of South Carolina; four sisters, Emma Perry, of Fleming County, Sandra Hall, of Mt. Sterling, Rhonda Burke, of Bypro, and Linda Adams, of Beaver; and four grandchildren, Tiana, Cameron, Conner and Canyon.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Jan. 12, at Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church in Melvin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating. Burial followed the service at Family Cemetery at Branham

## Hollow, in Wheelwright.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Ray Gordon

### 'Big Oz' Osborne

Ray Gordon "Big Oz" Osborne, 66, of Eastern, died Jan. 15, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born April 18, 1945 to Mildred Slone Collins, of Hindman, and the late Baisden Osborne. He was the companion of Bonnie Watts and worked as a graphic artist.

He is survived by two brothers, James Osborne, of Augusta, Ga., and Paul Osborne, of Lexington.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 18, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Don Crisp officiating. Burial will follow the service at Osborne Family Cemetery, at Eastern.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Wendell Sexton

Wendell Sexton, 71, of Garrett, died Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2012, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

He was born Nov. 15, 1940, to the late Ellis and Lula Slone Sexton. He was the husband of Betty Slone Sexton.

He was a retired coal miner and was a member of the Church of God at Garrett. He was also a United States Army Veteran.

He was preceded in death by one son, Wendell Sexton Jr.

He is survived by one son, Timothy Wayne (Beverly) Sexton, of Garrett; two daughters, Sandra Kay (Greg) Stapleton, of Wayland, and Loretta "Greta" Ann Sexton, of Garrett; nine brothers, Birchel Sexton, of Langley, Randall Sexton, of Florida, Larry Sexton, of Garrett, Rondall Sexton, of Prestonsburg, Lee Sexton, of North Myrtle Beach, S.C., James Sexton, of Wayland, Bob Sexton, of Garrett, Wood Sexton, of Garrett, and Eddie Sexton, of Hindman; two sisters, Loretta Mullins, of Belcher, and Ann Stewart, of Paris; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren on

## the way.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 14, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Eugene Haney officiating. Burial will follow the service at Sexton Cemetery, at Hueysville.

Pallbearers include Bradley Wayne Sexton, Christopher Sexton, Zachary Hamilton, Jeremy Davis, Joshua Davis, Jordan Davis and Joey Hacksforth.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Lena Lucille Wright

Lena Lucille Wright, 80, of Indianapolis, widow of Willie Wright Jr., died Jan. 12, 2012, at Community North Hospital.

She was born Sept. 4, 1931, at Risner, to the late Leonard and Nancy Jane (Salmons) Ousley. She was a homemaker.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Edith Ousley and her husband, Jimmy, and a brother-in-law, Stuart Campbell.

Survivors include a son, Stan (Clara) Wright, of Bellfontaine, Ohio; a daughter, Vivian (David) Wright-Deftrees, a sister, Evalie Campbell, of Safety Harbor, Fla.; five grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

Funeral services for Lena Lucille Wright took place Monday, Jan. 16, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, with Pastor Bob Clark officiating. Burial was in the Ever-Rest Memorial Park, in Cass County, Ind.

Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, of Peru, Ind., was in charge of arrangements.

## Oakley Owens.

She is survived by her sons, Jackie (Glenda) Reed, David (Trish) Reed, Joe (Pam) Reed, Michael (Diana) Reed; daughters, Alice Ousley, Sue (Ray) Shepherd, Burnice Fillback, Sandy (Larry) Childers, Cleisa (Jerry) McCoy and Crystal Brown; brothers and sisters, Orbin Owens, Willie Owens and Betty Shepherd; and long time companion, Russell Sammons.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 18, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Mike Sexton officiating. Burial will follow the service at Reed Cemetery, in Wayland.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Goldie Miller

Goldie Miller, 81, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, Jan. 13, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born August 4, 1930 to the late Milton and Ocie Johnson Shepherd. She worked as a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Larry B. Miller and Jerry Miller; three brothers, Fred Shepherd, Jimmy Shepherd and Chris Shepherd; and four sisters, Nora Smythe, Ina Slone Lilia West, and Alice Shepherd.

She is survived by one son, Tony (Yvonne) Miller, of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Judy (Mike) Burke and Brenda Reynolds, both of Prestonsburg; two brothers, Arnold Shepherd, of Martin, and Elmer Shepherd, of Michigan; two sisters, Rosemary Serin, of Ohio, and Christina Shepherd, of Floyd County; six grandchildren, Jerry Miller, Tonya Miller, Jennifer Parsons, Stephanie Shelton, Jessica Branham, Joshua Branham; and nine great-grandchildren, Emily, Rayna, Megan, Mason, Addison, Kylie, Isabella, Jasper and Logan.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 16, at the Nelson Frazier Funeral Home with William Hunt officiating. Burial followed the service at Clyde Miller

## Family Cemetery, on Spurlock in Prestonsburg.

Honorary pallbearer: Jerry Anthony Miller. Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Ruth Hall James

Ruth Hall James, age 80, of Frankfort, formerly of Prestonsburg, passed away on Friday, Jan. 13, 2012, at the Masonic Home in Shelbyville.

She was born August 11, 1931, to Childres and Mertie Hall. She was formerly married to Frederick Allen James I.

Ruthie was a 1949 graduate of Prestonsburg High School, loyal devoted employee of 27 years with Kentucky state government, enthused church choir member, inspiring mother, grandmother, sister, and aunt to many nieces and nephews.

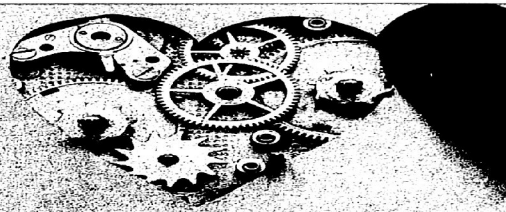
She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, O.C. Hall and Paul Hall; and sisters, Louberta Hunt and Emalene Hall.

She is survived by her children, Freddy Allen James II (Linda), MaryAnn James, and Emily Abbott James Anderson (Chuck); seven grandchildren, Suzanne Stacey Shane (Jim), Kris Reitz, F. Allen James III (Danette), Brett James (Kim), Daniel James Anderson, Samuel Anderson, and Savannah Anderson; one sister, Joan Hall Combs; a sister-in-law, Mary (Bootsie) Hall; and 19 great grandchildren; Kristopher Hans Reitz, Kyler Reitz, Kamron Reitz, Whitley Games, Miranda Games, Abigail James, Anna James, A.J. James IV, Haley James, Brody James.

Funeral services for Ruth Hall James were Monday, Jan. 16, at Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jesse Baxter officiating. Burial followed at Lucy Hall Cemetery, at McDowell, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Pallbearers: F. Allen James III, Brett James, Kris Reitz, Daniel James Anderson, Samuel Anderson, Phillip Haywood.

Honorary pallbearers: Kristopher Reitz, Kyler Reitz and Kamron Reitz.



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## Memory

From Page A1 and place their own bids on the item and eventually it would go to the highest bidder at an amount far exceeding where it would have been if he had not done that one little deed. Of course, he won quite a few items during the years for which he had no need, including football cards he

didn't collect and wrestling t-shirts he already owned. Cooley said he read Anthony's name a lot on air. "I don't know if he even knew how much he helped us...but as a result it helped us to get equipment," Cooley said. "He played a big part in helping to make the rescue squad the best in Kentucky."

Cooley called Anthony "as much of a squad member as myself." Osborne's grandfather, Paul W. Johnson, said it was hard to realize that Anthony was just a 19-year-old because he touched so many lives. Evelyn Osborne said she had a hard time finding the right words to express how much the bridge dedication meant: "Anthony didn't know how many lives he touched and of course I'd rather have him here, but it's real important that he's remembered." He is the grandson of Johnson and Mary Sue Triplett and of the late Leda and Rush Osborne.



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# University of Pikeville announces fall 2011 Dean's List

PIKEVILLE — University of Pikeville Dean and Vice President for Academic Affairs Thomas R. Hess has released the names of the top students for the fall 2011 semester.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must receive a grade-point average of 3.5 (B+) or better. Students making the Dean's List include:

**Pike County**  
Donavan B. Swindall of Ashcamp; Garrett C. Francis, Alexis B. Howard, Savannah F. Huddle, Rush Stacy and Bianca P. Workman of Belfry; Austin D. Abshire, Breanna L. Bentley, Brittany N. Coleman, Kenneth P. Elswick, Lindsay L. Fields, Jacob D. Justice, Benjamin T. Lawson, Sandra K. Powell, Gary D. Ratliff, Caitlin M. Rowe, Jonathan C. Smith, Lacosta S. Standifur and Elisha Taylor of Elkhorn City; Jonathan C. Ingram of Forest Hills; Seth P. Bowling of Freeburn; Angel M. Ferrell, Sarah E. Mullins, Leah G. Ray, Tiffany S. Scott and Philipp E. Verdida of Harby; Megan K. Bragg and James E. Williams of Huddy; Bradley Casey of Kimper; Alyson D. Gibson of Lookout; Teresa S. Rice of Majestic; Carissa P. Hackney and Corey S. Hatfield of Mc Andrews; Lacey Kyle Ferrell and Brandi Harvay Phelps; Andrew K. Belcher and Brandi L. Fugh of Phyllis; Lucas K. Miller and Lisa M. Trivette of Raccoon; Jennifer M. Charles and Deressa Prater of Shelbiana; Julie K. Johnson of Shelby Gap; Stephanie M. Bannister of South Williamson; Lisa D. Fuller and Keith D. Slate of Steele; Stefanie Brooke Francis of Stone; Marcus Blake Scroggins of Varney; and Danielle R. Adams, Miranda H. Caudill, Destiny N. Hager, Kayla L. Johnson, Taylor N. Mullins, Ashleigh N. Stanley, Bertha Lynn Tackett and Kayla R. Tackett of Virgie.

**Pikeville**  
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**Floyd County**  
Emily A. Holbrook and Olivia D. Holbrook of Allen; Matthew Q. Gonn and Jessica R. Bentley of Beaver; Jimmy L. Meade of Betsy Layne; Dakota C. Moore of Bevinville; Trenton L. McClanahan and Stephanie L. Preston of Grethel; Rebecca N. Ratliff, Allie N. Sloan and Brittany Walker of Harold; Thomas L. Westfall of Ivel; Sarah M. Kinney of Mc Dowell; Julia D. Burchett, Danielle R. Dials and Lauren T. Mullins of Prestonsburg; Derek R. Hatfield and Amanda J. Stanley of Stanville; and Brandi D. Gross and Nathan R. Martin of Teaberry.

**Johnson County**  
Brittany Lauren Frasure and Sarah L. Williams of Meally; Jacob K. Cyrus and Shayna L. Hale of Paintsville; Celena B.D. Conley of Staffordsville; and Megan A. Johnson of West Van Lear.

**Bath County**  
Kara Danielle Holbrook of Owingsville.

**Bell County**  
Matthew B. Simpson of Pineville.

**Bourbon County**  
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**Boyd County**  
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**Christian County**  
Prentice K. Robertson of Hopkinsville.

**Clay County**  
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**Montgomery County**  
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**Morgan County**  
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**Rowan County**  
Adam C. Pinks of Morehead.

**Scott County**  
Austin C. Jarvis and Lucas A. Wright of Georgetown.

**Warren County**  
Youphin Yeurn of Bowling Green.

**Woodford County**  
Kelsey M. Preece of Versailles.

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**International students**  
Sven Alexander Rodenbusch of Simmern, Germany; Juan S. Egas, Bryan Perez and Carolina Real of Quito, Ecuador; and Lucas Oliveira of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

**Part-time students**  
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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 Senate week in review

Sen. Johnny Ray, Turner

The second week of the 2012 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly saw proposed legislation taken up in committee meetings, a vetting process meant to identify and strengthen the most needed and effective bills.

Committee approval is the first step in a long legislative process that, for successful bills, means passage by both the House and Senate, reconciliation of differences between the two chambers, and signing by the Governor. It is a long journey.

Our opening slate of topics this year include some of the most important issues facing the Commonwealth.

We have seen the media reports and heard from our constituents about how substance abuse (especially methamphetamine abuse) is plaguing our State. This is not the first time we have discussed drug problems in the Legislature, and unfortunately it will not be the last. As illicit drug production and distribution schemes evolve, so must our tactics against them.

We began tackling the most urgent drug-related issues of pill mills and meth labs with pre-filed bills even before the session began. This week that work intensified.

In a joint meeting of the Senate and House Judiciary Committee, we heard from several experts on the State's meth epidemic. University of Kentucky researchers and seasoned drug enforcement professionals testified on the scope of meth-lab incidents, as well as the effectiveness of previous and current anti-meth legislation in the State and

nation. This is a complex problem that will require thoughtful legislation. We want to curb drug abuse — the scourge of meth especially — while being mindful of the rights of law-abiding citizens. Our hope is that by April — or before — we will have written and passed such a bill.

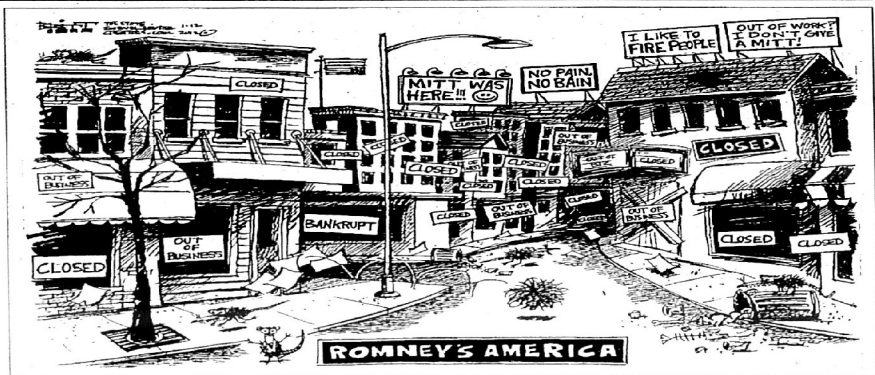
Talks began this week about other important topics, as well. Some of the most vulnerable citizens in our State took center stage as legislators discussed schools, long-term care facilities, veterans, open records in child-abuse fatalities, and the Impact Plus behavioral health program. Committee hearings do not always get a lot of attention, but they are key first steps in the process of a bill becoming a law, and citizens are always welcome.

It is still very early in the legislative session. The pace will continue to increase in the coming weeks and months. I will keep you posted, and ask for your feedback as well. To do my job well, I need to hear from you.

To leave a message for me, or any legislator, call the General Assembly's toll-free Message Line at 1-800-372-7181. You can also email me at johnnyray.turner@rc.ky.gov.

For more details about the work of the General Assembly, you can visit the Kentucky Legislature Home Page, [www.lrc.ky.gov](http://www.lrc.ky.gov). A taped message containing information on legislative committee meetings is updated daily at 1-800-633-9650. To check the status of a bill, you may call the toll-free Bill Status Line at 1-866-840-2835.

Sen. Johnny Ray Turner represents Breathitt, Floyd, Knott and Letcher counties.



## A Legislative Perspective

Rep. Greg Stumbo  
Speaker of the House

During the opening days of most legislative sessions in even-numbered years, the primary focus is getting bills moving through committee and readying for the governor's budget proposal.

As many of you may know, however, this year is somewhat different, as the General Assembly is also taking on the once-in-a-decade task of redrawing the population boundaries for itself, the Kentucky Supreme Court and the state's six congressional seats. It's something all states do after each Census.

The legislature is acting quickly so that those seeking office have enough time to study the changes before the filing deadline of Jan. 31st. Last week, the House voted for all of those plans, sending them to the Senate for consideration.

In getting them ready, other House leaders and I had several legal guidelines to follow. In the House's case, that meant keeping the 100 districts within five percent of the ideal population of about 43,000 people; maintaining county integrity; and ensuring that minority rights are not diminished.

The House plan adopted on Thursday

meets those criteria, but the result has led to some significant changes for many members, though relatively little changed with our district. If precedent is followed, the Senate will not alter our plan, and the House will accept that chamber's proposal as well. We will also almost certainly approve the recommended map the Kentucky Supreme Court provided last fall for its members and the Kentucky Court of Appeals. Finding a solution to Kentucky's congressional map may take a little longer, but for now, it is too soon to say what changes will ultimately occur.

While redistricting took up much of our time this past week, there were other highlights as well.

The House Education Committee, for example, unanimously approved legislation that would establish uniform teacher evaluations statewide by the 2014-15 school year. This would streamline a system that now varies from district to district and is, in the words of the committee chairman, "very subjective."

If this becomes law, teachers would be evaluated by someone who knows their subject area, and parent and student feedback could play a role as well. Districts that already offer something

similar could be grandfathered in as-is.

With education in mind, it was announced on Thursday that Kentucky students are continuing to do very well when measured against their peers in other states. The national publication Education Week reported in its latest annual study that our overall grade in elementary and secondary education was 14th best among the states, up 20 spots in just a year and ahead of such states as Tennessee, Indiana, North Carolina and Missouri. This report looks at such things as testing results, how high our standards are and the quality of our teachers.

In other good news, the state budget director announced last week that December was an especially good month for state revenues, indicating a growing economy. Receipts were up nearly 7 percent from a year ago, and the road fund was up more than 13 percent.

On Tuesday this week, Governor Beshear appeared before a joint session of the General Assembly to formally present his budget proposal to run the state for the next two years. He has indicated it would not be easy, even with modest growth predicted by the state's economists. I will of course update you next week on what he discusses.

## House Week in Review

Rep. Hubert Collins

State House members this week kept our New Year's resolution to get congressional and state legislative redistricting plans to the Senate early in the session, as proposals to change the geographic bounds of all six Kentucky congressional districts, many of the state's 100 House districts, and Kentucky's seven Supreme Court districts cleared the House.

By approving the plans in early January, the House made it possible for lawmakers to meet their goal of moving the plans through the Kentucky General Assembly by the Jan. 31 filing deadline for the 2012 primary election.

The next step toward meeting that deadline will be taken by the Senate, which has both the congressional redistricting plan (House Bill 2, which passed the House 54-42 on Tuesday) and will soon have the legislative and judicial redistricting plan (House Bill 1, which passed the House 63-34 on Thursday) in its possession.

The Kentucky General Assembly must redraw Kentucky's congressional and legislative district lines every 10 years to match changes in population recorded by the U.S. Census. It is not an easy job. The districts must meet strict standards—both geographically and demographically—to ensure that the Supreme Court's "one person, one vote" principle is met, even if that means placing fellow lawmakers in new districts that look very different than the ones they were originally elected from.

Lawmakers on both ends of the State Capitol will be working hard in coming days to ensure that we meet all legal standards required for redistricting as we finalize our plans and get them to the governor's desk, hopefully by the end of this month.

While redistricting is near the top of the General Assembly's agenda early this session, it is not the only issue we find before us. Budget discussions will soon heat up in the House, as will the debate on bills that propose everything from limiting access to over-the-counter drugs used to make the street drug methamphetamine to improving our public schools.

Discussion about limiting purchases of pseudoephedrine—a drug commonly found in cold and allergy medications like Sudafed—and related drugs used to make illegal meth dominated the agenda of House Judiciary hearings on Thursday.

That committee is currently debating two measures that would limit access to the so-called "meth precursors" HB 79, which would make the non-liquid form of pseudoephedrine and related drugs available by prescription only; and HB 80, which would both limit convicted meth offenders' access to pseudoephedrine and related drugs and put stricter limits on how much of the drugs could be bought per month or year. More discussion is expected before any vote is taken on the issue this session.

Work in the House this week also led to committee passage of several bills that would make life easier for Kentucky's military and its veterans. One of these was HB 221, a measure approved by the House Veterans, Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee that would allow veterans to request their status as a veteran be placed on their driver's license or personal ID card.

Supporters of the measure say it would allow a veteran to easily prove his or her military status to anyone who requests it—whether the person be law enforcement, a court official, or a business person requiring identification for special veterans' discounts.

Military veterans would also benefit from legislation approved this week by the House Veterans, Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee that would expedite the availability of a new "I Support Veterans" license plate for Kentucky drivers and ease the cost of the child adoption process for Kentucky National Guard members. HB 224 would give Kentucky National Guard members the same access to state adoption assistance funds that active duty military and state employees already enjoy. Both HB 224 and the license plate legislation, found in HB 197, now go with HB 221 to the full House for consideration.

Finally this week, the House Veterans, Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee approved a bill that could prevent potential troops from getting

tattoos that disqualify them from military service—a little-known disqualification.

HB 32 would require tattoo parlors to put up a sign warning customers that any tattoo on the hand or lower leg would mean automatic disqualification from serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. That bill now joins the other veterans bills on the House floor.

Lawmakers turned our attention to the importance of colon cancer screening on Thursday when the House Health and Welfare Committee passed a bill appropriating funds for the Kentucky Colon Cancer Screening Program. HB 55 would appropriate \$8 million over the next two fiscal years for the program, which serves uninsured Kentuckians ages 50 to 64. The bill now goes to the full House for consideration.

Attention to issues affecting education in Kentucky dominated committee hearings early in the week, as the House Education Committee passed bills to create a uniform, statewide multi-measure teacher evaluation system, require school boards to incorporate rules of "digital citizenship" in policies governing use of technology in schools, and allow school boards to sell ad space on their school buses. All three bills—HB 40, HB 91 and HB 30, respectively—now go to the full House for a vote.

The Kentucky General Assembly will reconvene on Tuesday for the session's third full week, and the start of an increasingly busy schedule, after breaking for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Jan. 16 and bad weather on Jan. 13. Capitol watchers can expect the legislative pace to become more and more frenetic between now and mid April when we lawmakers reach the last of the session's 60 legislative days.

You can stay informed of legislative action on bills of interest to you throughout the 2012 Regular Session by logging onto the Legislative Research Commission website at [www.lrc.ky.gov](http://www.lrc.ky.gov) or by calling the LRC toll-free Bill Status Line at 866-840-2835. For committee meeting schedules, please call the LRC toll-free Meeting Information Line at 800-633-9650. Or, to comment on a bill, please call the toll-free legislative Message Line at 800-372-7181.

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# Artists team for exhibition

Two local artists have teamed up to showcase their talents at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College Art Gallery. John Haywood and BSCTC Associate Art Professor Tim Smith have joined forces to present a variety of works that range from original paintings to one of a kind sculpture. Haywood, a Floyd County native who now resides in Letcher County and operates a tattoo business, is well known to the area. Not only is Haywood a painter and sculptor, but he also a favorite with his brand of mountain music, both contemporary and traditional. An accomplished "fiddle" player, he has accompanied

the likes of Jesco "The Dancing Outlaw" White and has played at Civil War events. Haywood received his master's degree from Morehead State University, and is known widely as "The Renegade Hillbilly." Haywood's work documents mountain life and experience in a unique fashion. "He is passionate about his talents and I feel that the public will respond likewise," said Tim Sizemore, BSCTC Gallery Director. Associate Professor Tim Smith developed an interest in art at an early age and he credits comic books as being an inspiration. Since the age of 15, Smith has honed his talents in photography.

He experimented with darkroom techniques, and joined photography club to better his knowledge of the craft. Smith took all available art classes in high school, and became increasingly interested in other art forms. On completion of high school, Smith, a Pike County native, attended Eastern Kentucky University. Signing up for graphic design, Smith soon changed his major to sculpture, and created works in stone, wood, and cast bronze. He received a BFA in sculpture from EKU, and continued his studies at The University of North Carolina in the Graduate program. Smith earned a Master of Fine Arts degree in sculpture

with an emphasis in drawing. Currently Smith is working on a series of mixed media paintings. "The creative process is the significant aspect for me," Smith says. "The finished artwork is the footprint of that experience. Art has never been such an important and fulfilling aspect of my life." The exhibit will run from Jan. 10 until Feb. 15. The public is cordially invited to attend. The BSCTC Gallery is open from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. until noon Friday. To contact the gallery, call Tim Sizemore at (606) 886-3863 ext. 64746.

## NEW STUDY

# Diversifying into clean energy can create jobs, save money

BEREA — A new study estimates that in 10 years Kentucky could create over 28,000 jobs while lessening the growth of electricity bills by passing clean energy legislation currently in front of the General Assembly. Synapse Energy Economics produced the study, which is an analysis of the Clean Energy Opportunity Act (HB 167) introduced by Representative Mary Lou Marzian. "This study confirms that legislation to diversify our electricity portfolio would be economically beneficial to Kentucky," said Justin Maxson, President of the Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED). "The bill would allow the state to hedge against increasing rates by making homes and businesses more energy efficient. And it would spur the creation of clean energy jobs installing renewable energy projects and making energy efficiency upgrades. "The era of cheap energy is coming to an end," said Maxson, "and it is really a question of whether we in Kentucky take advantage of the opportunities that exist in the clean energy economy of the future." The Clean Energy Opportunity Act calls for the establishment of a renewable and efficiency portfolio standard (REPS). An REPS requires utilities to obtain a small but growing share of their electricity from clean renewable energy and increase their energy efficiency programs. The bill would require utilities to get 12.5 percent of their electricity from renewable energy and achieve 10.25 percent cumulative savings from energy efficiency efforts by 2022.

under the REPS, average annual electricity bills could be eight percent to 10 percent lower than under a do nothing scenario. In addition to saving Kentuckians money, the REPS would lead to over 28,000 net new jobs over and above any jobs lost in fossil fuels and add \$1.5 billion to gross state product once fully implemented in 2022. "Efficiency and renewables are already in the emerging trend in construction in the Commonwealth," said Kentucky solar entrepreneur Matt Partymiller of Solar Energy Solutions in Lexington. "This report by Synapse captures what Kentucky engineers and contractors already know and what other states have already seen. Legislation like the Clean Energy Opportunity Act will provide the tools necessary for Kentucky builders to create jobs while ensuring Kentucky energy costs stay low." The study's findings are supported by what neighboring states that have passed similar legislation have experienced. North Carolina has seen tremendous growth in the number of clean energy firms operating in their state since passing an REPS in 2007. Ohio built on the strengths of its traditional manufacturing sector to start building clean energy equipment in state, and reap real economic benefits from their 2008 law.

Synapse carried out the study for the Mountain Association for Community Economic Development, a Berea based economic development organization and the Kentucky Sustainable Energy Alliance, a coalition of over 50 businesses, affordable housing advocates, non-profit organizations and faith based groups. MACED and KYSEA wanted to understand the economic impacts of an REPS in Kentucky, and a comprehensive analysis of a bill like the Clean Energy Opportunity Act has not been part of the policy conversation until now. The report can be accessed at [www.maced.org/files/Potential\\_Impacts\\_of\\_REPS\\_in\\_KY.pdf](http://www.maced.org/files/Potential_Impacts_of_REPS_in_KY.pdf)

and increase their energy efficiency programs. The bill would require utilities to get 12.5 percent of their electricity from renewable energy and achieve 10.25 percent cumulative savings from energy efficiency efforts by 2022. Synapse's study is a high level analysis of the proposed legislation's impacts on Kentucky's electricity bills, jobs, and economy. The study concludes that making small but significant steps to begin diversifying Kentucky's portfolio over the next ten years will lower the bills of Kentucky's residents, business owners, and industrial facilities compared to their bills without a clean energy standard. Synapse projects that,

# School system recognizes board members

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer

The Floyd County School District is recognizing the contributions of its board members, as Board Appreciation Month kicks off. Floyd County Supt. Henry Webb says that thanks are in order to the members of the Floyd County Board of Education for their service to the kids of Floyd County. "Serving on a board of education is not an easy task," says Webb. "To be a successful school district you must have board members that are committed to teamwork and willing to understand

and analyze different types of data, from assessment to budgets. They also must be familiar with state and federal requirements." Webb says board members must be committed to serving the needs of the area schools. "Most importantly, you have to have a passion for making things better for kids. Our board team works diligently at understanding the scope of education and how to best make decisions for KIDS and I hope everyone appreciates the job they do." School officials say that board members must spend time working

with data and attending monthly meetings and other various school activities. The board of education is the link between the community and the school and they take their charge seriously says Webb, adding that these responsibilities are just a few reasons Kentucky and other states set aside the month of January to thank local school board members during School Board Recognition Month. Board members say the impact of educators on their lives is what prepared them to be successful in life, and as members of the Board. "My parents, teachers

and coaches created many opportunities throughout my school years and I am honored to be part of a team that focuses on creating those kinds of opportunities for students today," said Jeff Stumbo, Board chairman from District 3. Sherry Robinson from District 5 says, "My anatomy and physiology teacher was a direct influence on my decision of going into the medical field so I understand the power of a teacher." "I am proud to be part of a team that is trying to improve the educational opportunities for all the students in Floyd County," says Robinson.

# BSCTC Alumni Spotlight: Judge Eric Hall

PRESTONSBURG — Judge Eric Hall graduated from Prestonsburg Community College in 1970 with an Associate of Arts Degree. He continued his education at the University of Kentucky and received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science. He went on to the University of Louisville and received his Juris Doctor in 1977. He worked with several well-known attorneys before accepting the position as Floyd County District Judge in 1998. Judge Hall has many passions in life, including the great outdoors. He loves archery, hunting,

and fishing, hiking, birding and canoeing. He instituted the Archery Program into the Floyd County Schools in 2007. He strongly believes that "archery is a way to reach kids that may not otherwise have the opportunity to compete in traditional sports activities therefore giving them the chance to be a part of a team." Judge Hall realizes that the drug epidemic in our area is out of control and growing at an enormous rate, and he is passionate about the role of Drug Court, which not only allows individuals a second chance to make

their life better but is also an alternative to those who are facing jail time. Drug Court allows individuals to enter an intensive treatment program as an alternative to jail. Since its inception in 2004, data indicates that those who have graduated from the program are less likely to return to drug use. In fact, approximately 90% will remain drug free. Judge Hall is a compassionate man who believes in people. When asked about life experiences, he said, "I learned early in my career how 'not to treat people.'" He added, "The

decisions I make each day affect people's lives; you must always treat people with respect and honesty." One of the most important people in Judge Hall's life is his wife Cara. "She keeps me grounded and reminds me that people come first." They have one son, Nathan. His advice for others is to "stay in school and be practical." "Our world continues to change and a general college degree does not guarantee you a job. Young people need to explore areas of employment and focus on degrees that provide marketable skills," he said.

## Risk

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advises Kentuckians to follow these steps taken from guidelines issued by the National Center for Environmental Health to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning:  
• Install a battery-operated carbon monoxide detector in your home or replace the battery when you change the time on your clocks each spring and fall for daylight saving time. If the detector sounds, leave your home immediately and call 911.  
On average, carbon

monoxide detectors should be replaced about every five years.  
• Don't use a generator, charcoal grill, camp stove or other gasoline or charcoal-burning device inside your home, basement or garage or outside near a window.  
• Don't run a car or truck inside a garage attached to your house, even if you leave the door open.  
• Don't use a fireplace that isn't properly vented. Don't heat your house with a gas oven.  
• Be sure to carefully follow manufacturers'

instructions for kerosene heaters, making sure the wick is set at the proper level and is clean. Ensure your kerosene heater is only operated in a well-vented area.  
• Kerosene heaters require 1-K grade kerosene fuel and the fuel should be clear, not colored or cloudy.  
• To avoid the risk of fire, place kerosene heaters several feet away from all furniture, curtains, paper, clothes, bedding and other combustible materials. Infants, small children and pets should be kept

away from heaters to avoid serious burns.  
• Seek immediate medical attention if you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning and are experiencing symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning. Early symptoms include headache, nausea, vomiting and fatigue. Carbon monoxide poisoning is treatable.  
• If you are experiencing symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning, call 911 or contact the Poison Control hot line at (800) 222-1222.

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**Floyd County Animal Shelter**  
**Pet of the Week**




This week's celebrity is six-year old McKenna Johnson who came straight from Kindergarten at McDowell Elementary to spend the afternoon with "PEARL", a 10 week old chow mix. McKenna lives in Painter, where she loves to play with Barbies and would have puppies named Blackey, Brownie and Pearl if she could. PEARL the puppy and her siblings are available for adoption now at the FLOYD COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER.  
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# Community Calendar

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**Free clothes and household giveaway**  
The Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will give free clothes and household items to anyone need on Friday, Jan. 27, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Saturday, Jan. 28, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The giveaway will take place at the old Middle Creek Fire Department on Route 114. For more information, call Dearl Faye Holbrook at (606) 886-8481 or (606) 226-3525. There will also be a sewing class on Jan. 19, from 6 to 8 p.m.

**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. M2C 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

[Kinzer@MtComp.org](mailto:Kinzer@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. (607 p.m.). Contact: Billie Chain, [eastkautismawareness@gmail.com](mailto:eastkautismawareness@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 1428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

**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 the abuse of addictive pharmaceutical on 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.drugsnog.com](http://www.drugsnog.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?**  
Lifetime of Floyd County "Conquer Your Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:

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

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# Teachers get new tool to prevent dropouts

Educators now have a new tool to help fight rising high school dropout rates in Kentucky and encourage students to stay in school and plan for their future careers.

Forward in the Fifth and The Center for Rural Development are launching a new dropout prevention video and discussion guide, the "Stay in School Toolkit," which shares candid stories of eight individuals from rural Appalachia and how choices they made positively—and in some cases negatively—impacted their education and future.

The video subjects, including a professional baseball player, successful entrepreneur, Kentucky National Guard sergeant, and district court judge, talk about how they used education to advance their career goals. Conversely, students will also see a candid message from a person serving prison time, cautioning them against squandering opportunities to further their education.

A discussion guide also is included with the resources that encourages students to freely discuss messages in the video sessions and how those situations apply to their lives.

"For too many young people are not staying the course and completing their high school education," according to Jim Tackett, executive director of Forward in the Fifth, a nonprofit organization created to help raise the educational attainment levels in Southern and Eastern Kentucky. "The bottom line is that this decision is critically impacting them, their

families, and communities in a negative manner."

Starting in February, Forward in the Fifth and The Center will host a series of free training sessions in the region for educators and local leaders interested in using the "Stay in School Toolkit" in their community to help lower dropout rates.

The training sessions will take place at the following locations:

- Feb. 3 at Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia.

- Feb. 7 at The Center for Rural Development, Somerset.

- Feb. 16 at The Forum at The Hal Rogers Center (in front of Hazard High School), Hazard.

- Feb. 24 at The University of the Cumberlands, Williamsburg.

- Feb. 28 the Mountain Arts Center, Prestonsburg.

- March 20 (tentatively scheduled) at Morehead State University, Morehead.

To pre-register for these sessions, visit <http://crdev.us/stayinschooltoolkit> online and complete the registration form. All participants must pre-register prior to any of the scheduled sessions. Session times will be determined based on the number of participants, and registrants will be notified of those times.

Attendance at one of the regional training sessions is required before a school can receive and use the video and discussion guide.

The "Stay in School Toolkit" presents real stories from real people who have lived and worked in Southern and Eastern Kentucky.

In the video, Josh

Anderson, a professional athlete from Somerset, shares his dreams and challenges as he moved from high school to college, and ultimately to the ranks of Major League Baseball. His small-community experience gives Anderson a unique perspective as he pursues his life-long baseball career.

Additionally, Perry County District Judge Leigh Anne Stephens highlights her desire to obtain an education early in life.

To combat the stereotypes and negative perceptions of people from Appalachia, Stephens chose to return to the area after completing her education and give back to her community in a meaningful way.

Prior to the video's launch, Forward in the Fifth and The Center successfully piloted the "Stay in School Toolkit" with students at Perry Central High School, Lawrence County Middle and High School, and three alternative schools in Fayette County Public Schools.

"Since the stories are true, it made me realize how easy it could be for me to mess up my life," a high school student at Perry County High School said after viewing the video.

Another student at Lawrence County High School said she was inspired by the video to "try harder, graduate high school, and get my degree." In Fayette County Public Schools, the stay-in-school message drove home a crucial point to one student: "It helped me think more about what I'm

doing after high school."

The "Stay in School Toolkit" is an extension of the work first started by retired NCAA head coach Lee Rose in partnership with Forward in the Fifth. Since 2004, Rose and his wife Eleanor have visited at least one school in each of the 42 counties within Forward in the Fifth's primary service area inspiring more than 11,000 students to stay in school and use their education as a stepping stone for future success.

"It is our hope that this toolkit will provide some insight on the importance of obtaining a high school diploma and inspire all ages to achieve their full potential," said Beckett. "The ultimate goal is to assist schools and communities in looking closer at their graduation and dropout rates."

"Our young people need direction and there is no better start we can provide for their journey than expressing the importance of graduating from high school," added U.S. Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers (KY-05), the visionary behind the creation of Forward in the Fifth and a strong advocate for education. "These toolkits guide the way for teenagers to achieve one of the best decisions they'll ever make."

Forward in the Fifth is an affiliate of The Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

For more information about Forward in the Fifth or the "Stay in School Toolkit," call 606-677-6000 or email [ff@centertech.com](mailto:ff@centertech.com).

## Dismissal

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to the case, Turner said, is that shortly after release from a nine-month period of treatment, the alleged victim in the Pitts case was allegedly found to be again, initiating extensive sexual contact with multiple young children.

It is the Commonwealth's understanding that this has resulted in serious felony charges being filed against the victim as a juvenile and the detention of said victim," Turner's motion says.

Turner said that after these charges, the victim faced a lengthy period of detention and treatment. "He's charged with the same kind of felonies they were. He could end up being detained for years and years on that."

According to Turner, it is common for children who have been abused to act out and commit abuse themselves, even as children. However, he adds that the belief, "a child that abuses has been abused," is not a principle that can be used in court.

Turner said that following these charges, his office filed a motion for continuance, which was denied by the judge. With the credibility and availability of his primary witness in doubt, Turner says he feels he had no other option but to seek dismissal.

"That's what I hate, is that I do feel like something happened to these kids, but how can we prove it," Turner said. "I'm not happy about how it's turned out, but I can't change what the evidence is."

According to Turner, the Pittses have been out on bond for some time. "Once we became aware of the victim falsely accusing those people and the other charges against the victim, we made that known immediately, and did not oppose the bond."

Turner says custody of the couple's children is currently being litigated in Pike County Family Court, and his office and the criminal case have no bearing on those proceedings.

"The resolution of this case is not controlling on that," Turner said. "The judge has to make his own determination on that." Turner says the couple does not currently have custody or any visitation rights with their children.

The motion for dismissal requires that the Pittses stipulate that probable cause existed for the issuance of the indictments.

"There acknowledging that there was significant information presented to the grand jury to indict them. It's not an admission of guilt," says Turner.

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## Bobcats eliminate P'burg

STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - Longtime 58th District/Floyd County Conference rivals Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg were matched up Thursday night in the 15th Region All "A" Classic at the East Kentucky Expo Center. Reigning All "A" Classic champion Betsy Layne prevailed in a low-scoring affair, defeating Prestonsburg 47-36.

Senior Andrew Roberts and sophomore Dylan

Meade led a balanced Betsy Layne offensive effort with 13 points apiece. Roberts registered the game's only double-double, pulling down 13 rebounds to go along with his 13 points.

Cody Luster and Charles Daniels chipped in six points apiece in Betsy Layne's regional tournament game triumph. Betsy Layne improved to 10-2 after posting the win. The Bobcats are reigning All "A" Classic champs.

Prestonsburg slipped to

7-7 following the loss. The Blackcats had claimed four straight games prior to suffering the setback.

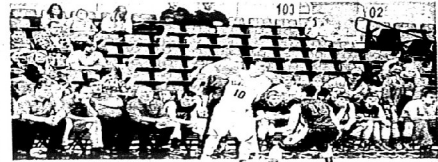
Betsy Layne was 16-of-42 from the field, including 3-of-12 from 3-point range. The Bobcats shot 75 percent (12-of-16) from the free throw line. The Bobcats led at the end of each quarter. After outscoring Prestonsburg 12-5 in the opening quarter, Betsy Layne packed a 25-14 lead into halftime.

The Bobcats led 34-24 at the conclusion of the third

quarter.

Prestonsburg pushed Betsy Layne throughout the second half. The Blackcats, however, couldn't convert enough on the offensive end to pull off an upset win. Junior guard Bryson Williams and senior forward Joseph Jamerson paced Prestonsburg with seven points apiece. Senior guard Cody Bentley and junior forward Trey Stapleton chipped in six points each for the Blackcats.

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Betsy Layne sophomore Dylan Meade (13) defended against Prestonsburg junior Bryson Williams when the two Floyd County rivals met in the 15th Region All "A" Classic last week.

Ladycats fall to Paintsville in 15th Region All 'A' Semis

STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - The Betsy Layne Ladycats fell short on Saturday in the 15th Region All "A" Classic Semifinals at the East Kentucky Expo Center. Paintsville ended fellow former champion Betsy Layne's hopes of capturing the 2012 Girls' 15th Region All "A" Classic title, defeating the Ladycats 45-40.

Paintsville advanced to meet 57th District rival Magoffin County in the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game Monday night. Magoffin County defeated Shelby Valley 66-61 Saturday.

In the victory over Betsy Layne, senior guard Leah VanHoose led Paintsville with a game-high 22 points. VanHoose was the only Paintsville scorer to reach double figures. Senior guard Megan Jones and junior forward Andrea Hansford followed VanHoose, adding seven points apiece for the Lady Tigers.

Paintsville started strong, outscoring Betsy Layne 11-6 in the first quarter. But Betsy Layne enjoyed the same scoring advantage in the second quarter, leaving the game tied 17-17 at intermission.

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## Rebels limited in loss to Valley

STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - Freshman Dalton Richardson scored 17 points and teammates Cody Belter and Cory Hamilton combined for 23 more as Shelby Valley defeated Allen Central 56-41 on Saturday in the 15th Region All "A" Classic semifinals at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

Shelby Valley advanced to play defending All "A" Classic champion Betsy Layne in the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game Monday night. Betsy Layne defeated Pikeville 69-50 Saturday.

Belter had 12 points and Hamilton 11 for the Wildcats. Andrew Newsome netted seven points and Cody Bentley chipped in six for the Shelby Valley boys' basketball team.

Shelby Valley secured an early lead and never faltered, limiting Allen Central to seven points in each of the first three quarters.

The Wildcats outscored Allen Central 15-7 in the first quarter and enjoyed the same scoring advantage over the Rebels in the second period. After leading 30-14 at halftime, Shelby Valley remained in control in the second half.

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Senior Micah Harlow eyed a free throw attempt during Allen Central's All "A" Classic game versus Shelby Valley.

## Determined Betsy Layne rolls past Pikeville

STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - Betsy Layne senior guard/forward Andrew Roberts wanted to play for another 15th Region All "A" Classic title. Roberts did his part to get the Bobcats back to the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game on Saturday, scoring 21 points and grabbing 13 rebounds to lead Betsy Layne past Pikeville, 69-50 in the semifinals at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

Betsy Layne shot 46.9 percent (23-of-49) from the field. The Bobcats were 21-of-26 (80.8 percent) from the free throw line.

Betsy Layne advanced to play Shelby Valley in the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game Monday night.

The Panthers had a five-game winning streak snapped. Pikeville hadn't lost since dropping a game to Bryan Station in the High Fayette County Invitational Dec. 22.

The Bobcats, who had 14 assists opposed to only five turnovers, owned a lead at the end of each quarter.

Betsy Layne limited Pikeville to 23 points in the second half. The Bobcats outscored Pikeville 15-11 in the game's initial quarter and took a 34-27 lead into intermission.

Dylan Meade scored 17 points, Peyton Case pushed in 13 and Blake Spencer added 12 for the Bobcats.

Betsy Layne (11-2) played well

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## TACKETT HONORED

Allen Central senior guard Braxton Tackett was honored for scoring his 1,000th point earlier in the month when the Rebels hosted 58th District/Floyd County Conference rival Prestonsburg. Tackett is pictured with Allen Central Coach Brad Short.



## Blackcats can't overcome slow start against JC

STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Prestonsburg couldn't overcome a slow start Friday night in a regular-season game at the Fieldhouse against 15th Region rival Johnson Central. The Blackcats also struggled to contain freshman guard Braxton Blair, who poured in a game-high 26 points to lead the Golden Eagles. Blair also had five rebounds, four steals and one assist as Johnson Central defeated Prestonsburg 72-67.

Johnson Central was 26-of-56 (46.6 percent) from the field. The Golden Eagles shot 61.3 percent (19-of-31) from the free throw line.

Johnson Central prevailed on the boards, outrebounding Prestonsburg 41-32. Sophomore Shane Hall registered a double-double, scoring 16 points and pulling down 11 rebounds for Johnson Central in the non-district game.

Slade McPeck joined Blair and Hall in double figures, adding 10 points for the Golden Eagles.

Johnson Central outscored Prestonsburg 23-16 in the opening quarter and carried a 34-29 lead into halftime.

The Golden Eagles remained out in front in the second half, outscoring Prestonsburg 21-11 in the third quarter.

Dalton Adkins had seven points, Chad Collins six and Nick McKenzie four in Johnson Central's win.

Other players providing scoring for Johnson Central were Truman Salyer (two points), Kyle Gullett (one

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# Kelly's career-high lifts Eagles over EKV

Times Staff Report

**MOREHEAD** — Sophomore Drew Kelly tallied a career-best 26 points and the Morehead State University men's basketball team drilled 10-of-12 at the free-throw line after halftime to post a 57-54 win over rival Eastern Kentucky University before a crowd of 3,783 on Saturday night at Johnson Arena.

"This was another great game between Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky," MSU Coach Donnie Tyndall said. "I certainly feel like this is one of the great rivalries in college basketball. Every time these two teams play, it's a battle. Both teams played extremely hard again tonight."

The Eagles improved to 9-10 overall and 3-3 in the Ohio Valley Conference. The Colonels fell to 10-9 overall and 4-3 in league play as a result of the loss.

MSU also improves to 57-9 (.864) in home games over the past five years. The schools, which are just 90 minutes apart, will square off again on Feb. 11 in Richmond.

"I have a lot of respect for (EKU Head Coach) Jeff (Neubauer) and his program," Tyndall said. "They're a very hard team to play against because they always control the tempo. You're not going to speed them up, and you're not going to force them into things they don't want to do."

Kelly topped his previous career best of 21 points by

drilling 7-of-12 from the field and 12-of-16 from the free-throw line. The foul-line numbers were both the most by an MSU player this season.

Kelly also pulled down six rebounds and came up with a team-best four steals in 31 minutes.

Freshman Angelo Warner added 11 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two steals in 32 minutes. The point and rebound totals were the most for him in a Division I game this year.

"I'm very proud of the way Drew (Kelly) and Angelo (Warner) played tonight," Tyndall said. "Drew was terrific offensively and Angelo showed why he's one of the top freshmen in our league."

Morehead State recorded

advantages of 24-6 in the paint, 15-2 in second-chance points and 34-20 in the rebounding department. The Eagles are now +65 on the glass over their last 12 games and have only been out-rebounded twice during that stretch.

Morehead State shot 45 percent (19-of-42) from the floor and 76 percent (16-of-21) from the charity stripe, while limiting Eastern Kentucky to a 31-percent clip (13-of-42) from the field.

"I thought we did a great job defensively tonight," Tyndall said. "We were there on the catch and we made Eastern Kentucky take some tough, contested shots."

The conference contest featured 12 ties and 12 lead changes.

The 11th tie came at the 4:09 mark of the second half. Morehead State immediately went on a 7-0 run - on a pair of buckets by Warner and two free throws by Kelly - but the Colonels responded with an 8-0 spurt to knot the contest at 54 with 45 seconds to play.

Kelly and Warner combined on three more free throws in the final minute, while the Eagles held EKV to a pair of missed shots.

Senior Ty Proffitt added eight points and seven boards for Morehead State.

Senior Jaron Jones led Eastern Kentucky with 15 points and six rebounds, while junior D'Mitri Riggs (13) and junior Mike DiNunno (12) also registered double figures in the scoring column.

Morehead State continues its three-game homestand on Wednesday when Murray State visits Johnson Arena at 7 p.m. ET.

The Racers (18-0 overall, 6-0 OVC) are one of just three undefeated teams left at the Division I level.

Murray State, which is currently No. 14 in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches poll and No. 15 in the Associated Press poll, is the league's first nationally-ranked team since the 1997-98 season.

The Racers will also be the first nationally-ranked men's basketball team to ever play at Johnson Arena, which opened on Dec. 3, 1981. The last top 25 team to play in Morehead was #9 Western Kentucky on Feb. 20, 1971.

# Rio Grande shoots down Bears, 82-65

Times Staff Report

**PIKEVILLE** — The University of Rio Grande broke open a six-point game in the final 10 minutes to knock off the University of Pikeville 82-65 Thursday night.

Rio Grande (12-5, 3-2 in the Mid-South Conference) took a 48-34 lead in the half but was outscored 16-8 to open the second half. Sophomore Brogan Conley scored eight of her team-high 18 in the stretch to pull the Bears within six, 56-50.

But the Red Storm

dominated the final five minutes. A jumper by freshman Nicole Lyons with 5:49 to play pulled UPIKE within nine at 66-57, but the hosts outscored the Bears 16-8 down the stretch, taking advantage of five three-point baskets in the final five minutes for the win.

The Red Storm was 11-of-21 from the arc in the win.

Conley, who also led the Bears with nine rebounds in the loss, was joined in double figures by freshman Whitney Belle Jackson's 12 points, all of which came

before halftime. Freshman Sydney Mason, who was 3-of-4 from the arc, added 11 off the bench.

Rio Grande was paced by senior Kaylee Helton's 23 points. She also had five assists and three steals in the win. Junior Sharda Morrison-Fountain followed with 20, thanks to 3-of-4 shooting from the arc.

Freshman Noelani Woodson tossed in 12, hitting 4-of-6 from downtown, while sophomore Brooke Shaw added 10 points and nine rebounds.

Times Staff Report

**MOREHEAD** — Morehead State University senior guard Courtney Lumpkin scored 27 points and fellow senior guard Linda Dixon added 22 as the MSU women's basketball team knocked off Ohio Valley Conference rival Eastern Kentucky 68-58 Saturday night at Johnson Arena.

The Eagles improved to 7-10 overall and 4-1 in the OVC. EKV fell to 8-8 overall and 4-2 in the league.

The victory was also the 11th in the last 13 meetings for MSU against the Lady Colonels.

Lumpkin was 11-of-25 from the floor, while Dixon hit a team-high four three pointers and was 8-of-10 at the free throw line. She also had seven boards. Junior

forward Ashar Harris collected a game-high 14 rebounds as the Eagles out-rebounded EKV 42-39. Harris tied her career-high with six assists.

In the process of leading the team in scoring, Lumpkin also had four assists and became just the second player in school history to score at least 1,000 points and dish out 450 career assists.

Carla Booth and Jade Barber each scored a team-high 14 for the visiting team.

Lumpkin scored 16 first-half points and helped ignite an early 8-0 run. With the game tied at 4-4, she hit the next three buckets as MSU built a 12-4 lead.

The Lady Colonels rallied later to knot the contest at 17-all, but Lumpkin buried another three-pointer and

the Eagles outscored the visitors 14-6 in the final 6:32 to lead 31-23 at the half.

After the Eagles built their advantage back out to eight (39-31), EKV trimmed the MSU lead down to just one, at 43-42, with 10:37 left. But, a three-pointer by Dixon started a 15-3 Eagle run that Lumpkin capped with a free throw at the 4:46 mark. MSU built its largest lead at 13 (58-45).

Mackenzie Arledge grabbed a career-high eight rebounds for the Eagles, who shot 48 percent in the second half and 41 percent for the game. EKV hit 36 percent of its shots.

Morehead State will travel to Tennessee State on Thursday for an 8 p.m. matchup against the Lady Tigers.

# Morehead State women turn back Eastern Kentucky

# Bears hold off Red Storm 82-78

Times Staff Report

**RIO GRANDE, Ohio** — Senior Andrew Young sank 3-of-4 free throws in the final 8.0 seconds to help the University of Pikeville hold off the University of Rio Grande 82-78 Thursday night.

The win improved Pikeville to 11-6 on the season and 3-4 in the Mid-South Conference. The Red Storm slipped to 9-8 overall and 1-4 in the league.

UPIKE held a 73-62 lead after senior Chris McHenry nailed a three-point basket with 4:50 left. But over the next 1:30, the stubborn Red Storm cut the lead to six, 75-69, hitting 7-of-8 from the free throw line.

Junior Trevor Setty sank

two tosses with 3:09 left, but followed with a three-point basket from straight away by sophomore Jermaine Warmack. After he sank one of two from the line, a putback by junior Dominick Haynes with 27 seconds left cut the Bear lead to 77-75.

The teams traded points before Young made one of two with 8.0 seconds left to give the Bears an 80-77 lead. Senior Darriel Hunter went to the line with 3.9 seconds left for two shots. He missed the first but sank the second.

The Storm sent Young back to the stripline with 2.3 seconds left, where he put the game away by making both shots.

Young led the Bears with

23 points.

At the half he was 7-of-8 from the floor and had 16 markers.

Setty followed with 21, hitting 4-of-8 from the arc, and sophomore Josh Whitaker joined them in double figures with 12.

Rio Grande had four players in double figures, getting 23 from Warmack and junior Turrell Morris.

Junior Dominick Haynes followed with 15, with senior Shaun Gunnell finishing with 12.

The Red Storm easily won the rebounding battle 35-25, with no player having more than six but five pulling down at least five. Senior Cordaro Ellis led the Bears with nine to go with his six points.

# Ladycats

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The Lady Tigers moved back out in front in the second half, managing to hold on late.

Paintsville led Betsy Layne 34-30 at the end of the third quarter.

Senior center Grace Mills and freshman forward Kerrigan Samons added to Paintsville's offensive effort, scoring four and three points, respectively.

Paintsville (14-3) posted its fourth straight win.

Freshman guard Timera Thacker paced Betsy Layne with 13 points. Junior guard/forward T.J.

Tackett joined Thacker in double figures, adding 10 points for the Ladycats. Sophomore center Kelsi Tackett contributed eight points and junior guard Paige Watkins registered four in Betsy Layne's setback.

Freshman guards Chloe Johnson and Brandy Morrow rounded out the Betsy Layne scoring with three and two points, respectively.

Betsy Layne is scheduled to visit Prestonsburg tonight for a 58th District/Floyd County Conference game at the Fieldhouse.

# 15TH REGION ALL "A" CLASSIC

at East Kentucky Expo Center (Semifinals)

Paintsville 45, Betsy Layne 40

Paintsville (14-3): Jones 7, Hansford 2, Carroll 7, VanHoose 22, Samons 3, Mills 4.

Betsy Layne (6-9): Watkins 4, T. Tackett 10, K. Tackett 8, Thacker 13, Johnson 3, Morrow 2.

Paintsville.....11 617

11-45

Betsy Layne.....6 1113

10-40

# Slow

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The Blackcats, prior to falling short, outscored Johnson Central 27-18 in the fourth quarter.

Prestonsburg shot 39.2 percent (20-of-51) from the field. The Blackcats fared better at the free throw line, connecting on 24-of-37

(64.9 percent) free throws.

Junior guard Bryson Williams led Prestonsburg with a game-high/career-high 27 points. Williams also hauled in seven rebounds.

Senior Joseph Jamerson joined Williams in double figures with 13 points. Jamerson pulled down a game-high 12 rebounds,

giving him another double-double in his senior season.

Senior Adam Crisp and freshman Jarred Jarrell contributed six points apiece for the Blackcats.

Prestonsburg was visiting Shelby Valley at press time Tuesday night. Results from the Prestonsburg-Shelby Valley game were unavailable.

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# Bears' rally falls short

Times Staff Report

MONTGOMERY, W.Va. — WVU Tech stormed out to a 42-24 lead at the half and held off a rally to defeat the University of Pikeville 86-71 Saturday afternoon.

Pikeville (4-15) got as close as four, 52-48, in the early stages of the second half. The Bears got a tremendous effort off the bench from sophomore Anne Klee, who had a career-high 13 rebounds, and sophomore Kayla Stamper, who had 23 points to lead the team. Both played key roles in the rally.

But WVU Tech (6-13) held on, and, thanks to

going 10-of-10 from the free throw line in the final 1:04, stretched an eight-point lead to 15 by the end.

Stamper, who added six rebounds, was joined by three teammates in double figures in the game. Sophomore Brogan Conley struggled from the field but finished with 16 points and 11 rebounds. She had five of the offensive glass, while Klee grabbed nine offensive misses to help the Bears to 23 offensive rebounds and a 53-47 advantage on the glass.

Freshman Sydney Wainscott finished with 13 points and four assists, while senior Jaisha Jones

tossed in 11 and added six rebounds.

Tech was paced by junior Amy Gardner, who had a game-high 28 points on 5-of-9 shooting from the arc, and led her team with 11 rebounds.

Freshman guard Nia Nolan scored 15 points and handed out 10 assists, while senior Alannah Begay made it five players with double-doubles in the game by scoring 13 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

Pikeville will be off for a week before visiting UVA-Wise on Saturday at 2 p.m. WVU Tech will visit Shawnee State on Thursday at 6 p.m.

## Rebels

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doubling up Allen Central 14-7 in the third quarter.

Allen Central, prior to falling short, outscored Shelby Valley 20-12 in the final quarter.

Jordan Robinson scored two points and Logan Lucas connected on a free throw for the Wildcats.

No Allen Central scorer reached double figures. Tyler Cole and Seth Jarrell led Allen Central with eight points apiece. Micah Harlow and Braxton

Tackett added six points apiece for the Rebels.

Allen Central (7-10) was hosting WYMT Mountain Classic champion Knott County Central Tuesday night at J.E. Campbell Arena. Results from the Allen Central-Knott County Central game were unavailable at press time.

**15TH REGION ALL "A" CLASSIC (SEMIFINALS)** at East Kentucky Expo Center

Shelby Valley 56, Allen Central 41

Allen Central (7-10): Harlow 6, Tackett 6, Prater 5, Cole 8, Jarrell 8, Handshoe 4, Ackins 2, Lawson 2.  
Shelby Valley (9-5): Hamilton 11, Lucas 1, Robinson 2, Bentley 6, Richardson 17, Belter 12, Newsome 7.  
Allen Central.....7  
7 7 20-41  
Shelby Valley.....15 15 14 12-56

## Roll

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defensively, registering 13 steals, five deflections and two blocks.

Junior guard Ethan Rowle led Pikeville (11-5) with 21 points. Pikeville featured three scorers in double figures as Jacob Hamilton had 11 points and Jared Tackett 10.

Betsy Layne is scheduled to host Pikeville in a regular-season finale Feb. 16.

Editor's note: Complete coverage of the Boys' 15th Region All "A" Classic championship game pitting Betsy Layne against Shelby Valley will appear in the Friday, Jan. 20 edition of The Floyd County Times.

**15TH REGION ALL "A" CLASSIC** at East Kentucky Expo Center (Semifinals)

Betsy Layne 69, Pikeville 50

Betsy Layne (11-2): Roberts 21, Spencer 12, Meade 17, Case 13, Lester 3, Harmon 2, Rogers 1.  
Pikeville (11-5) — Tackett 10, Anderson 2, Hamilton 11, Hall 2, Branham 4, Rowe 21.  
Betsy Layne.....15 19 12 23-69  
Pikeville.....11 16 8 15-50

# Second half run leads WVU Tech past UPIKE

Times Staff Report

MONTGOMERY, W.Va. — West Virginia Tech broke open a two-point halftime lead early in the second half and knocked off the University of Pikeville 78-58 Saturday afternoon at the Baisi Center.

Leading 36-34 at the break, the teams traded baskets before Tech went on an 11-0 run. Using 3:11 off the clock, seniors Donald Robinson and Rahshon Tabb had four points apiece in the stretch, and when Robinson sank two free throws with 15:52 to play the Golden Bears were on top 49-36.

Tech (12-5) maintained

a double-figure lead into the final minute and a half.

The Bears got within seven at 75-68, on a three by senior Chris McHenry, but only nine seconds remained in the game.

In the first half of the game, Tech shot only five free throws while the Bears got 15 tries, but in the second half, UPIKE was 4-of-5 while Tech was 14-of-22.

Tech won the rebounding battle 43-37 with 15 of them coming off the offensive glass.

Junior David Rawlinson led all scorers with 22 points and paced his club with four assists.

The Las Vegas native sank 8-of-9 free throws in

the win.

Tabb and Robinson scored 15 apiece to join him in double figures. Robinson had nine rebounds to lead the Golden Bears.

Senior Andrew Young led the Bears with 17 points and also had seven rebounds.

McHenry scored 16 for the Bears, while junior Trevor Setty scored 11 and added nine rebounds before fouling out of the game.

Pikeville (11-7) will be off for a week before visiting UVA-Wise in a 4 p.m. tip next Saturday. WVU Tech will hit the road on Thursday night, visiting Shawnee State at 8 p.m.

## Bobcats

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Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg are due to meet again Wednesday night in a 58th District/Floyd County Conference game at the Fieldhouse in Prestonsburg. The Bobcats are scheduled to host Prestonsburg on Jan. 27 at the Dome.

**15TH REGION ALL "A" CLASSIC**

at East Kentucky Expo Center

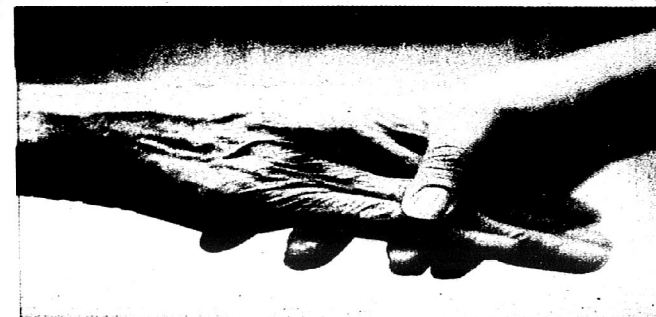
Betsy Layne 47, Prestonsburg 36

Betsy Layne (10-2): Roberts 13, Spencer 2, Newsome 2, Meade 13, Case 5, Luster 6.

Daniels 6, Prestonsburg (7-7): Jarrell 5, Bentley 6, Williams 7, Anderson 3, Crisp 2, Stapleton 6, Jamerson 7, Betsy Layne.....12 13 9 13-47

Prestonsburg.....5 9 10 12-36

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# OUR YESTERDAYS

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

20 years ago  
(January 16 and  
January 17, 1992)

State officials apparently have joined the dogfight over the future of Combs Airport, issuing an ultimatum that safety violations at the airstrip must be corrected by January 30, to prevent the possible revocation of Combs' landing designation. Revocation of the airstrip's landing designation would effectively force closure of the jointly owned Paintsville-Prestonsburg facility.

An arrest was made, Monday, in connection with the December 13, 1991, robbery of Jim's Stop & Shop on North Lake Drive in Prestonsburg. Police Detective Jeff Stumbo, arrested James Slone, of Paintsville, after Slone was detained for questioning on a forgery warrant.

An early morning break-in, Friday, at Mert's Gun and Ammo in Allen resulted in the loss of thousands of dollars worth of guns and knives. Floyd County deputy Chuck Ousley, and Kentucky State Police are investigating the burglary which, was reported by the owner at 4:49 a.m.

Plans to use Allen Central High School's swimming and athletic facilities for underprivileged children from local housing projects may have hit a snag in the areas of insurance and transportation. Floyd County Housing Authority members pondered those issues at Thursday's meeting, but requirements by the Department of

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) may nip the project in the bud.

Residents of Left and Right Beaver may within the year be drinking suitable water as the Beaver Elkhorn Water District enters yet another stage of expansion, and water line installation for approximately 1,700 potential new customers in that area. Representatives from the Beaver Elkhorn Water District and the Big Sandy Area Development District will be conducting numerous public meetings in February for Left and Right Beaver residents about the expansion of water service into those areas. Meeting locations and times will be announced later this month.

Prestonsburg Mayor Ann Latta gave her State of the City address during the local city council meeting, Monday night. Prestonsburg continues to show moderate economic growth, with slight increases forecast in all revenue categories for the current fiscal year. Caution should be exercised for the coming year, Latta pointed out, because of national business conditions. The current fiscal year city budget is \$2.8 million.

A \$2000 reward is being offered by South Central Bell for information about thefts of telephone cable in Floyd County. Telephone cable has been stolen at Abbott Mountain, Highway 114 on the Old Middle Creek Road, and in West Prestonsburg across from Archer Park. The reward will be paid for information

leading to the arrest and conviction of the parties responsible for the thefts.

A meeting of PTA and PTO presidents and vice-presidents took less than two hours last Thursday evening to select a parent representative to participate on the superintendent screening committee to find a new top administrator for the Floyd County school system. The group decided on Debra Hayes of Betsy Layne to act on the committee required by KRS 160.352, which calls for a screening committee for superintendent applicants composed of two teachers, one board of education member, one principal, and one parent. Present board superintendent Ron Hager's contract expires in June 1992.

Allegations that improperly placed construction materials on the site of the Left Beaver High School caused an eight-month delay in progress was called "comical" by representatives of the company that oversees construction on that project. Those allegations and claims that the site contractor and project architect James Ellis were punished for voicing complaints about the construction manager of the project were raised at Tuesday's Floyd County Board of Education meeting.

Controversy concerning the Left Beaver High School project is not new, questions and concerns about the site were raised by the architect, construction manager and the public, as early as 1987. Once the

site for the new school was announced in 1987, referred to as the Mitchell site, heated discussions took place between residents in the Wheelwright and McDowell areas; between residents and the architect, James Ellis; and between the architect and the local and state school board.

Morehead State University is establishing a local scholarship program that might well contribute to the lives of many Floyd Countians. President C. Nelson Grote announced Wednesday at the Prestonsburg MSU extended campus that Morehead State University is developing the program for area "part-time, nontraditional students" who would like to attend the college locally.

A 46-year-old Prestonsburg man was charged with first degree wanton endangerment after he allegedly fired two shots at a man at Jenny Wiley Village in Prestonsburg, Wednesday evening. Ernest "Bucky" Collins turned himself in to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, Wednesday evening, for allegedly shooting at James "Whig" Pennington, after the two men had argued in the village's parking lot, said Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson.

Country music stars are shining bright on a Harold youth Kimberly Carter, 17, recently signed a recording contract with American Records of Tokyo, Japan. Her single, "Rocking at the Dance Hall," will be released throughout the United States on February

17. The album's release date is March 23, in Japan. The album has been recorded with producer Mick Lloyd, who has produced recordings by Johnny Lee, Slim Whitman, and the late Lew DeWitt, of the Statler Brothers.

There died: Elmer Hackworth, 64, of Abbott Creek, Sunday, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington; Shirley Daniels Sparks, 71, of Louisa, Saturday, at her residence; Basil McGuire, 70, of Taylor, Michigan, formerly of West Prestonsburg, Friday, at Heritage Hospital in Taylor; Alva Stambaugh, 77, of Sitka, Saturday, at the Paul B. Hall Medical Center; Lillie Jones, 88, of Robinson Creek, January 13, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Willard "Baby" Moore, 69, of Minnie, Thursday, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center; Boge Tackett, 68, of Myra, Thursday, at Jenkins Community Hospital; June Slone, 57, of Langley, Thursday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Velva DeRossett Compton, 65, of East Point, Wednesday, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington; Okey Burkett, 73, of Warsaw, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, Monday, at Kosciusko Community Hospital in Warsaw, Indiana; Fred Miller Sr., 97, of Piercetown, Indiana, Sunday, at Whitley County Memorial Hospital, Columbia City; Francis Marion Tackett, 91, of Virgie, January 15, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Juanita "Nita" Putebaugh, 51, Monday, at

the Life Care Center of La Grange; John Melvin Barbe, 55, of Shelbiana, formerly of Betsy Layne, Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Virginia Vinson, 87, January 15, at her residence; Edna Faye Adams, 69, of Hager Hill, Sunday, at the J.J. Jordan Nursing Home in Louisa; Ivory Mae Jarvis, 66, of Endicott, Thursday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Minnie B. Conley, 98, of Garrett, Wednesday, at her residence; Geraldine Bryant, 64, of West Prestonsburg, Thursday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

30 years ago  
(January 20, 1982)

Razing of the old Chessie System rail depot at West Prestonsburg began some ten days ago. The levelling of Garfield Place began Monday.

Schools closed for 13 days as record breaking cold and heavy snow covered Floyd County, the thermometer dropped to 8 below.

Floyd teacher, Sandy Boyd of Dana, who was charged with giving a student marijuana to sell was cleared, as the student confessed that he lied.

William Ogie Bevins, accused of killing five people and assaulting three others at Allen, was granted a change of venue. Bevins will stand trial in Greenup County.

There died: Charles Clark, former Superintendent of Floyd County Schools, Wednesday, at Highlands

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<p><b>Legals</b></p> <p><b>NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE</b></p> <p>Pursuant to Application Number 858-5064 Amendment No. 8</p> <p>In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Ozar Coal Corporation, 81 Enterprise Drive, Debord, Kentucky 41214 has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.5 miles south-east of Odds in Martin, Floyd and Johnson Counties. The amendment will add 21.16 acres of surface disturbance and add 2,729.89 acres of underground mining that overlies existing underground permitted boundary, making the total area within the permit boundary will be 11,215.58 acres.</p>	<p><b>Legals</b></p> <p>The amendment area is approximately 2.5 miles south of Kentucky Route 3's junction with Big Sandy Regional Airport Road and located in Sycamore Creek of Daniels Creek near Crookers Branch of Johns Creek.</p> <p>The proposed amendment is located on the Thomas and Lancer U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amendment is to add a face-up area in the Coalburg seam, add a slope up to the Van Lear seam and add underground mining acres that overlie currently permitted underground areas. The surface area affected by this amendment is owned by Pochontas Development Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by Pochontas Development Corporation, New South Mining Company, Inc., Jerry Howell, William Crider, Charles &amp; Della Bradley, Gene Porter Leslie, John Claude Burchett, Sammy Lafferty, et al., Frank &amp; Harold</p>	<p><b>Legals</b></p> <p>Buskirk and Virgie Burchett - Heirs.</p> <p>The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.</p> <p>Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.</p> <p>This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.</p>	<p><b>Legals</b></p> <p><b>PUBLIC NOTICE</b></p> <p>NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE</p> <p>Pursuant to Application Number 836-0408 Major Revision #6</p> <p>In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Laurel Mountain Resources, LLC 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a major revision to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.38 miles southwest of Hueyville in Floyd County. The major revision will add 0.0 acres of surface disturbance making the total area within the permit boundary 636.41 acres.</p> <p>The proposed major revision area is approximately 0.60 miles southwest from State Route 76 junction with Saylor Branch Road on Sattlick Creek.</p>	<p><b>Legals</b></p> <p>is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area affected by this major revision is hereby given by Beulah Hughes, et al., Melvin Cox Heirs, Bessie and, Neeley, Sharon Belding et al., Allen Dudson et al., Randolph Allen, R&amp;J Well Service, Inc., Osborne Drilling, Inc.</p> <p>The Major Revision proposes to change the Post Mining Land Use to Pasture-land.</p> <p>The proposed major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining 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 Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.</p>	<p><b>Legals</b></p> <p><b>PUBLIC NOTICE</b></p> <p>NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0393 Transfer</p> <p>In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560 intends to transfer Permit No. 836-0341 to Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560. The new permit number will be 836-0393. The operation disturbs 353.91 surface acres and underlies 131.53 acres of sugar. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.</p> <p>The operation is located 2.2 miles northwest of Higo in Floyd and Magoffin Counties. The operation is ap-</p>
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approximately 0.2 miles north-west of KY 85...

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FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
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By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 17th day of October 2011...

A parcel of land located on the waters of Middle Creek, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 14th day of October 2011...

By virtue of a Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 9th day of December, 2011...

Being the same property conveyed to James M. Allen, from Dixie Nell Layne, a widow, by deed dated August 24, 1999...

Beginning at an iron stake on the right-of-way of Highway 1210, then running south with a driveway to the property of Mar on a Hiale and Hershel Hale to the C & O railroad...

Legals
The following de- scribed property, with Property Address: 195 Hatfield Drive, Prestonsburg, KY

A certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, and described as follows:

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taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds...

PUBLIC NOTICE
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
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FENDANTS DE- FEASANTS
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Also, being the same property conveyed to Maynard Hoover from Eva Wicker by deed dated May 16, 1936, and recorded in Deed Book 109, at page 24, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office...

Also, being the same property conveyed to Maynard Hoover from Kendall Griffith by deed dated April 11, 1936, and recorded in Deed Book 104, at page 603, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office...

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Being the same property conveyed to Asbury Boyd and Rita K. Boyd, no marital trust was provided in the will of Asbury Boyd...

Also, being the same property conveyed to Maynard Hoover from Bill Prater by deed dated May 15, 1926, and recorded in Deed Book 73, at page 10, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office...

Also, being the same property conveyed to Maynard Hoover from Laura Crisp by deed dated December 22, 1930, and recorded in Deed Book 97, at page 209, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office...

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**Legals**

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**Legals**

sure who acquired title, with title of a deed from Audie Elkins, an unmarried person, dated October 10, 2008, filed October 19, 2008, recorded in Deed Book 528, Page 679, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky. Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements. A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety hereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security. B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price. D. The property described above is sold subject to any assessments, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein. Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

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VS.

**STELLA RENEE FRASURE, ET AL**  
**DEFENDANTS**

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 24th day of October 2011, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property in the principal amount of \$77,840.20, with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 26th day of January 2012 at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit: Property Address: 2003 Frasure Creek, McDowell, KY 41647

Parcel No: 068-00-0035 03

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- Area Attraction
- Church
- Civic Club
- College
- Community Festival Event
- Dining Atmosphere
- Elderly Care Facility
- Elementary School
- Entertainment
- High School
- Hospital/Medical Facility
- Local Band
- Middle School
- Place to camp out
- Place to have a business lunch
- Place to lose weight
- Place to meet friends
- Place to spend Saturday night
- Place to take out of town guests
- Place to work

## BEST FOOD

- Barbecue
- Biscuits
- Brand of Soft Drink
- Burgers
- Catering
- Chicken
- Chili
- Chinese Food
- Decorated Cakes
- Desserts
- Doughnuts
- Fish and Seafood
- French Fries
- Fresh Meat for Grilling
- Home Cookin'
- Hot Dogs
- Ice Cream
- Kid's Meal
- Mexican Food
- Onion Rings
- Pizza
- Roast Beef Sandwich
- Salad Bar
- Sandwiches
- Shakes/Malts
- Steak

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- Accountant
- Attorney
- Bank Teller
- Boss
- Building Contractor
- Carpenter
- Car Salesperson
- Chiropractor
- City Employee
- Club President
- Codish
- Dental Hygienist
- Dentist
- Electrician

- EMT/Paramedic
- Firefighter
- Funeral Home Attendant
- Furniture Sales Person
- General Physician
- Hair stylist
- Heating/Air Service Person
- Insurance Agent
- Jeweler
- Law Enforcement Officer
- Loan Officer
- Manicurist
- Massage
- Mechanic
- Nurse
- Optometrist
- Paper Carrier
- Pastor/Priest
- Pharmacist
- Photographer
- Physical Therapist
- Plumber
- Politician
- Principal
- Radio Announcer
- Real Estate Agent
- School Teacher
- Secretary
- Store Cashier
- Sunday School Teacher
- Surgeon
- Waitress/Waiter
- Veterinarian

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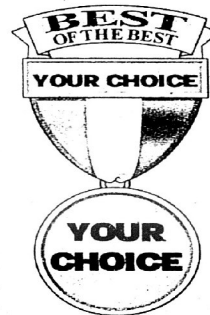
- Athletic Shoes
- Auto-Body Repairs
- Bath Towels
- Bed Linens
- Cabinets
- Candles
- Carpet
- Dairy Items
- Dress Shoes
- Eye Glasses
- Frozen Foods
- Furniture
- Health & Beauty Aids
- Home Health Care Needs
- Home Mortgage Loan

- Kid's Clothing
- Men's Clothing
- Pets
- Pet Supplies
- Produce
- School Supplies
- Seafood Items
- Snack Food
- Sports Apparel & Equipment
- Stress
- Toys
- TV-VCR Repair
- Used Automobiles
- Vinyl Siding/Underpinning
- Wallpaper
- Women's Clothing

- Nail Salon
- Newspaper
- Office Supplies
- Oil Changes
- Optometrist, OD
- Paint Dealers
- Pawn Shop
- Payday Loan Service
- Pet Grooming
- Pharmacy
- Plumbing
- Real Estate Agency
- Rental Items
- Restaurant
- Retail Store
- Roofing Company
- Security
- Sewing/Alterations
- Tanning Salon
- Tire Store
- Tools & Supplies
- Trophy Dealer
- Truck Dealership
- Upholstery
- Variety Store
- Wireless Cellular Provider
- Vision Center
- Wedding Accessories

## BEST BUSINESS

- Accounting
- Antiques/Collectibles
- Appliances
- Artwork/Framing
- Athletic Supply
- Auto Parts
- Bait/Tackle
- Beauty Salon
- Bookkeeping/Tax
- Building Contractor
- Building Supplies
- Car Dealership
- Car Wash
- Commercial Printer
- Concrete
- Construction/Remodeling
- Convenience Store
- Crafts
- Daycare Center
- Dental Center
- Deli
- Dry Cleaners
- Electrical Supplies
- Electronics
- Eyewear
- Exterminating
- Farm Equipment
- Financial Institutions
- Financing
- Floor Coverings
- Florist
- Funeral Home
- Furniture Store
- Garage
- Gas Station
- Gifts
- Grocery Store
- Guns/Ammo
- Hearing Aids
- Heating/Air Conditioning
- Home Decorating
- Insurance Agency
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# OUR YESTERDAYS

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

Regional Medical Center; Mack Little, 66, of Melvin, last Friday at UK Medical Center; Sol Tackett, 100, of Kite, Saturday, at his home; Stella Mullett, 63, of Auxier, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Martha B. Butcher, 66, of McDowell, last Wednesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Charles Hughes, 58, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Martin E. Bley, 40, of Arvilla, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, last Friday, at Kendallville Nursing Home; Clarence (Chigger) Lewis, 80, of Banner, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; James G. Richmond, 63, of Paintsville, Monday, at Paintsville Hospital; Tony Isaacs, 55, of Teaberry, last Thursday, in Louisa Community Hospital; Siddle Reed Hughes, 81, of Iveysville, last Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Arnold Thornsberry, 62, of Kite, last Friday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; and Lulu B. Harvey, 85, of Honaker, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

### 40 years ago (January 20, 1972)

Two Prater Creek men who allege that mining of coal on their lands has created heavy damage filed suit in circuit court Tuesday, asking a total of \$57,500 damages of the Greer-Ellison Coal Company. State Treasurer Drexell Davis announces the appointment of Charlotte Mullins as his chief executive officer. She is

the daughter of Mrs. Oak Mullins of David, and the late Mr. Mullins.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools has reaffirmed the academic accreditation of Prestonsburg Community College.

Only two changes of state jobholders has as of this week been made in this county as a result of the transition from a Republican to a Democratic state administration—but more are on the way.

Anita Lou Auxier, eighth-grade student at Betsy Layne Elementary, is the county winner of the 1971-72 Conservation Essay Contest. Second place went to Janie Beverley, Prestonsburg High School, and David Martin, Garrett High School, was the third-place winner.

Born: a son, Johnny Edward Jr., December 10, at the Cabell-Huntington Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Edward Webb, of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Melissa Ann, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ivan Leedy, of Prestonsburg; a son, Craig Emberton, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Troy W. Blackburn, of Rt. 1, Prestonsburg.

There died: J.L. (Leonard) Oppenheimer, 83, former Prestonsburg merchant, last Thursday, at a Dayton, O., hospital; James Ernest Compton, 58, at his home in the Goble-Roberts Addition near here, Saturday; Kathy Marie Spears, week-old daughter of Willis and Elma Honeycutt Spears, January 16; Mrs. Gladys H. Spradlin, 56, of Walbridge, O., formerly of Bonanza,

last Wednesday; Otho Smith Burton, 76, well-known civil and mining engineer of Pikeville; at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Sarah A. Hopkins, 80, of Lackey, last Thursday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Martha Robinson, 66, of Langley, mother of C. "Ollie" Robinson, Friday, at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington; Mrs. Sallie W. Burchett, 89, of Cliff, last Tuesday in a Lexington hospital; William Wallen, 93, of Dwale, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Mrs. Virgie McCoart, 57, at her home at Melvin, Saturday.

### 50 years ago (January 18, 1962)

A definite move toward a new courthouse and jail for Floyd County was made, Friday, by the Floyd Fiscal Court.

The largest rural school pilot lunch program in the United States was initiated in this county, Tuesday, with the serving of hot lunches to the pupils of the Spruce Pine school at Honaker, and the Brasuro school near Grethel.

An Allen building in which Pauline Akers conducted a beauty shop and dress shop was completely destroyed by fire, Tuesday morning.

Pledges made to the Big Sandy College Development Corporation for the purchase of a site here for a two-year college to serve Floyd and other counties of the area, stands at a figure somewhere between \$75,000 and \$80,000.

There died: Mrs. Lowtie Herald, 87, Monday, at her home on Cow Creek;

Floyd Conn, 73, of Justell, Friday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, from burns received the same day at his home; Jones Moore, 60, Sunday, at his home at Langley; Grover C. Moore, 69, of East McDowell, Saturday, at home; Mrs. Ellen D. Lafferty, 54, formerly of Water Gap, last Monday, at her home at Lake Worth, Florida; Lorenzo D. Freeman, 63, of Cliff, Monday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Bill Sherman, 89, last Thursday, at his home at Emma.

### 60 years ago (January 17, 1952)

Construction projects costing approximately \$1,312,500 are scheduled for Highways KY 89 and U.S. 23 in Floyd County, in a proposed five-year program announced by State Highway Commissioner W.P. Curlin.

During the past year, \$459,188 went to residents of Floyd County in public assistance payments.

Enforcement of the law requiring purchase of licenses for dogs was urged by the grand jury of the Floyd Circuit Court in its final report to Judge Edward P. Hill, made on adjournment Wednesday afternoon.

The U.S. Corps of Engineers last week again rejected arguments presented by Congressman Carl D. Perkins and local interests, contending that canalization of the Big Sandy River, its Levisa and Tug tributaries, would be a justifiable outlay of money.

William Crawford, general manager of the Princess Elkhorn Coal

Company at David, has announced that James R. Carnica, of Prestonsburg, will assume the position of auditor of the company. L.B. Brashear of Manton, will head the Floyd County drive for Red Cross funds to launch in March.

The Blackburn brothers, Tommy and Adrian, have been members of the VFW basketball team, the Ramblers, during the three consecutive years in which the team has won the state VFW basketball championship. Tommy currently is the leading scorer for the team, with Adrian in the runnerup spot.

There died: James A. Goble, 64, native of Prestonsburg, at his home in Matewan, W. Va., Saturday; Mrs. Millie F. Watkins, 67, January 11, at her home on the Left Fork of Abbott Creek;

Mrs. Molly Belcher, 62, at the home here of her daughter, Mrs. Clyde Smith, Tuesday; Willie Walter Whitaker, 56, of East Point, Saturday, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Eva Collins, of Little Paint; Rev. A.D. Blackburn, of Yeager, Saturday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Tackett, at Pikeville; Mrs. Martha Jane Hamilton, 61, of Beaver, January 13, at a hospital here;

Shade Combs, 45, native of Knott County, Saturday, in Clarksville, Ind.; Kennard Clark, 24, of Maysville, formerly of this county, Sunday, in an auto accident at Maysville; Mitch T. Scalf, former Floyd County resident, January 8, at his home in Pikeville; I. A. Straughan, 78, former

superintendent of the Elkhorn Piney Coal Co. at Wecksbury, last Thursday, in Montgomery, W. Va.; Gabe Crum, 47, Tuesday, at the home of his parents, Wilce and Liza Lewis Crum, of West Prestonsburg.

### 70 years ago (January 22, 1942)

Work on the final survey of the Big Sandy River will begin early next spring; Congressman A.J. Moy this week wired The Times after the War Department approved this further step toward canalization of the waterway.

The need for increased emphasis on larger yields and the growing of better crops to provide more feed for livestock which would mean more food for the Floyd County Food for Victory campaign, was stressed as 45 volunteer leaders gathered in an all-day meeting, Tuesday.

A blazing gas well this week destroyed the drilling rig of D. C. Stephens, Prestonsburg man, at an estimated loss of \$5,000.

Floyd County's American Council, organized for defense work, will hold its next meeting Saturday evening at Odd Fellows' Hall here; it has been announced.

A full course dinner was offered this week at the Auxier Hotel for 50 cents!

There died: George Music, 67, of the Auxier Road, Monday, in a car wreck near Mesa, Arizona; Lee Leslie, 77, Wednesday, at his home at Emma; Carrie Davidson, 14, Wednesday, at Stumbo Memorial Hospital; Mrs. Polly Combs, 56, of Bypro, last Thursday, at Martin.

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