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Police find active meth lab on riverbank

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

LANCER — A active meth lab was discovered in Prestonsburg Monday, after police were alerted to suspicious activity.

According to Assistant Chief Brian Hall, the Prestonsburg Police Department received a call early Monday morning that there was an active meth lab in the Lancer area, behind the Spar-

ling Car Wash. Hall says that neighbors reported seeing a lot of traffic back and forth to the riverbank.

When the police investigated the call, Hall says, they did find an active meth lab on the riverbank. Kentucky State Police units were called in to help with the investigation, dismantling of the lab, and cleanup.

According to court records Mike Lowe, 41, and William Shell, 34, both of Prestonsburg, were arrested with manu-

facturing methamphetamine. Shell was additionally charged with operating on a suspended operator's license.

Police records state that both subjects admitted to using materials to make meth.

Hall could not say whether or not he believed meth is on the rise, but he did state that most often police find materials or remnants of a lab. Hall said this was only the second active lab he recalls being found in Prestonsburg.



Thieves cause outages

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

PRESTONSBURG — Thieves stole "several hundred feet" of telephone cable between Sunday night and Monday morning, knocking out phone and internet service to a wide area.

AT&T spokesperson Cathy Lewandowski said the cable was stolen along Old Route 114, at West Prestonsburg, which knocked out service in the surrounding area, including nearby shopping centers Glyn View Plaza and Prestonsburg Village.

Businesses which depend on telephone lines to verify credit card transactions were hit particularly hard by the outage, which left them unable to accept those types of payments. As the outage continued well into a second day, those businesses were taking a significant hit.

Lewandowski said technicians were racing to fix the problem and said AT&T hoped to have service fully restored by Tuesday night.

Climbing copper prices and a soft economy have seen such thefts become more common, but Lewandowski said they are still just as dangerous and cause just as many problems.

"Copper theft is a serious crime," Lewandowski said. "We are working with law enforcement agencies and scrap metal dealers to catch those involved."

Lewandowski said the damage caused by such thefts isn't limited to AT&T, pointing at the troubles the current outage was causing to businesses, and noting that those who rely on their telephones in times of emergency had been left without a lifeline.



Fans of all ages flocked to Combs Field Saturday afternoon for the Hillbilly Arm Drop Drags. Many said they would love to see the event occur more frequently. (photo by Ralph B. Davis)

Rain doesn't dampen enthusiasm; fans want more

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

HAGER HILL — With raindrops on their heads and mud in their shoes, fans were nonetheless undeterred from flocking to Combs Field by the thousands Saturday, eager for their annual taste of live drag-racing in the Big Sandy Valley.

And many of those same fans left wanting more, convinced the Hillbilly Arm Drop Drags could draw similar crowds every month or weekend, if made a regular event.

Robert Pigg, from Paintsville,

was viewing the action from the pit. While he often races such events himself — at Clay City, Bart Gay, London and "just all around" — he was there Saturday to watch his grandson and granddaughters race.

"People have been wanting to do this for years, and right now, you have to drive 100 miles to do it, or close to it," he said.

Asked if he thought a regular event could draw similar numbers on a weekly or monthly basis, he replied, "I guarantee it. I mean, just look at the people that are here."

That seemed to be a common sen-

timent among the crowd, as well as those behind the wheel.

Philip Muncy, who drove in from Mingo County, W.Va., to race his 2002 Corvette, shared the belief that a regular event would draw similar crowds.

"They would have no problem getting an audience," Muncy said. "Look, it's a rainy day and look how many people turned out ... They could have this every weekend, if they turned this into a racetrack or had a regular event."

Muncy said the appeal of drag-rac-

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Hearing on outburst delayed

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — The preliminary hearing for a Floyd County man charged with disorderly conduct in a courtroom and intimidating witnesses was rescheduled for next week so a special prosecutor can be named.

David J. Slone, 38, of Wayland appeared in court Monday, wearing a sling from the gun shot would be suffered after the alleged rape of a 12-year-old girl, for his second preliminary hearing after he acquired several new charges during his previous preliminary hearing.

According to Assistant County Attorney Tyler Greene, due to the fact that most of the courtroom attendees, including the prosecutor, are witnesses to his acts in court last week, his hearing was rescheduled to allow for the Commonwealth to bring in a special prosecutor.

David Jason Slone is charged with first-degree rape and being a persistent felony offender. During his preliminary hearing May 1, there was an outburst when Slone allegedly cursed County Attorney Keith Bartley and called him a liar. Slone was then seen pointing his fingers in the form of a handgun at two witnesses in that trial as he exited the court.

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West Prestonsburg road falling into disrepair

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

WEST PRESTONSBURG — Complaints from local residents are coming in as an oft-maligned Floyd County road is needing some attention once again.

Residents in the area have expressed concern for both the beauty and the safety of the area around Old Route 114.

Prestonsburg resident Steven Meadows says the state of Old Route 114 is deteriorating, as trash and debris pile up in dump sites and grass grows unchecked along the roadway.

"I'm really upset about this," Meadows said. "This is the second time in the last year I've had to call about this."

According to county officials, Old Route 114 is a state road.

Meadows said recent blacktopping of the road has left a steep drop off on the edges and that sooner or later there will be an automobile accident

due to the steep shoulder. "School buses travel this road everyday."

Meadows also notes that the last contractor to work on the road left a pile of asphalt on the side of the road which has hardened.

A utility box could be seen Monday laying on the ground in a ditch along side the road. Meadows blamed the utilities company for poor work stating that the box has been there for several weeks, though Time Staff learned Tuesday that a rash of recent copper thefts along the road could be responsible for the unusual placement of the utilities box.

The road has been notorious site for garbage dumping and has been previously selected for PRIDE cleanups.

The location was the site of a Fall Roadside PRIDE Cleanup project in 2007. Pride Coordinator Ella Clay says that she would love to see another cleanup organized for the area. Anyone interested in organizing a pride clean up of along Old 114 can call (606) 886-9193.



Actors in Appalachian Community Theatres' production of "Aladdin Jr." sang the finale of the musical, during a special performance Thursday night. The group performed the play for general audiences Friday and Saturday nights, and held matinee performances for schoolchildren Monday and Tuesday. The acting troupe will next perform "Schoolhouse Rock" in the fall. (photo by Ralph B. Davis)

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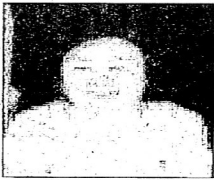
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Obituaries



Kazuko Hall

Kazuko Hall, age 77, of Cocoa, Fla., passed away Monday, April 30, 2012. Kazuko was born in 1934, in Sapporo, Japan, the daughter of Shinichi and Hiroko Umezo.

She is survived by her loving husband, Raymond Hall, of Cocoa, Fla.; sons, Edward Hall, of Titusville, Fla., and Steve Hall, of Scottsdale, Ariz.; daughter, Terry Stewart, of Merritt Island, Fla.; sisters, Eiko, Atsuko and Mana; six grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. She was a devoted wife and mother. Everyone who met her, loved her.

Along with her husband, Kazuko co-founded the Prison Book Project.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Friday, May 4, at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, in Wheelwright, with Louie Ferrari officiating. Burial followed in the Buckingham Cemetery, at Bevinville.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Prison Book Project, P.O. Box 1146, Sharpes, FL 32959.

Marcella Patton Bishop

Marcella Patton Bishop, age 87 of Martin, wife of the late Delano "Fred" Bishop, passed away Saturday, May 5, 2012, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born Dec. 24,

1924, in Pikeville, the daughter of the late Oscar and Lucy Estep Patton. She was a homemaker.

Marcella is survived by one son, David Spencer of Zionsville, Ind.; two sisters, Donna Klinger, of Zionsville, Ind., and Glenda Dillinger, of Carmel, Ind.; three grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, George A. Patton and Billy Joe "Corky" Patton.

Funeral services for Marcella Patton Bishop will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 9, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with James Patton officiating. Burial will follow in the Patton Cemetery, at Maytown. Visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, at the funeral home.



Lorene Patton Salisbury

Lorene Patton Salisbury, age 77, of Ivel, passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2012, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born Dec. 20, 1934, in Martin, the daughter of the late Elick and Bessie Layne Patton. She was a former school teacher and member of the Community United Methodist Church, in Prestonsburg.

Lorene is survived by two sons, Billy Edwin Salisbury, of Prestonsburg, and John Lawrence (Alicia Set-

ser) Salisbury, of Ivel; one daughter, Tammy Elaine Vance, of Ivel; one brother, Everett Earl Patton, of Martin; one sister, Rosa Wohlford, of Lexington; two grandchildren, Gerri Whitney (Bradford Randall) Vance Martin and William Jeffery Elsworth Salisbury; and two great grandchildren, Isabella Cait Lorene and Hudson Bradford Martin.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three sons, James Jeffery Salisbury, Morris Elsworth Salisbury, and Thomas William Salisbury; two daughters, Betty Jean Salisbury and Fanny Michele Salisbury; two brothers, Joe Taylor Patton and Alick Patton Jr.; and three sisters, Berniece Ratliff, Shelby Jean Smith and Betty Lois Patton.

Funeral services for Lorene Patton Salisbury were held Saturday, May 5, in the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ray Snider and Charles E. Neeley officiating. Burial followed in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.



Ura Bane Thompson

Ura Bane Thompson, 88, of Prestonsburg, died Monday morning, May 7, 2012, at the Greg & Noreen Wells Hospice Care Center in Hazard. She was born Oct. 23, 1923, in Sherburne, to the late Audie and Lena Hunt.

Mrs. Thompson, previously of Grayson and Bath County, moved to Floyd County 47 years ago. She is of the Christian Church faith, a former Eastern Star, loved to cook and have family dinners. Mrs. Thompson's number one priority was her family, taking care of her late husband, Paul, her son, Paul Hunt Thompson, her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She will be dearly missed by her family and friends.

Survivors include one son, Paul Hunt Thompson (Donna) of Prestonsburg; one sister, Thelma Hunt Guley, of Sharpsburg; five grandchildren, Paul Thompson (Tabitha), of Prestonsburg, Charles Thompson (Cassy), of Wheelwright, John Thompson (Marla), of Prestonsburg, Jody Conn (Melissa), of Prestonsburg, and Chesa Shelton (Steven), of Prestonsburg; and nine great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Jesse "Kash" Hunt and Ralph Hunt.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions towards the Greg & Noreen Hospice Care Center, 101 Dennis Sandlin MD Cove, Hazard, Kentucky 41701.

Memorial services were held at the Sharpsburg Christian Church, Tuesday, May 8, Pastor Danny Curry will be officiating.

Guestbook: coffinmanmortuaryparlor.com

Arrangements under the direct care of Coffman Mortuary Parlor.

Helen Hall

Helen Hall, 99, of Hi Hat, died Friday May 4, 2012, at her residence.

She was born August 12, 1912, to the late Andrew Jackson and Sall Moore Gearheart. She was the

wife of the late Omery Hall. Helen was a homemaker and a member of the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, in Hi Hat.

She was preceded in death by one son, John Robert Hall; brothers and sister, Rush Gearheart, Rex Gearheart, Fred Gearheart, Roy Gearheart and May Gearheart; and one grandson, Michael Andrew Hall.

She is survived by her children, Willie (Wilma) Hall, of Miamisburg, Ohio, Thurman "TH" (Gerri) Hall, of Kettering, Ohio, Rex (Carol Lee) Hall Sr., of Adelton, Calif., Roy (Shirley) Hall, of Lexington, Stan (Rhonda) Hall, of Muncie, Ind., Freddie (Linda) Hall, of Pikeville, Chuck (Danna) Hall, of Martin, Rhea Burtch, of Swanton, Ohio, Christina (Tony) Scrocco, of Seven Hills, Ohio, Tom (Rick) Johnson, of Lexington, and Nada Ousley, of Hopkinsville; 20 grandchildren; and dozens of great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday May 8, at the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist church, Burial followed at Little Cemetery, at Price.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, at Hi Hat.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Darryl Neeley

Darryl Neeley, 53, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, May 3, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born Feb. 2, 1959, to Donald B. and Avonelle Hamilton Neeley. Darryl worked as a local miner electrician and was a member of the Pre-

stonsburg United Baptist Church.

He is survived by one son, Brandon Darryl Neeley, of Prestonsburg; one daughter, LaDara Neeley Rose, of Prestonsburg; one sister, Teena Spears, of Prestonsburg; and two grandchildren, Katelyn and Braedon.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 7, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, with Donald B. Neeley and A.J. Williamson officiating. Burial followed the service at Johnny Neeley Cemetery in Prestonsburg.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Steven Terry Sizemore

Steven Terry Sizemore, age 60, of Martin, husband of Joyce May Sizemore, passed away Thursday, May 3, 2012, at the Paul E. Hall Medical Center, in Paintsville.

He was born Sept. 3, 1951, in Paintsville, the son of Eula Mae Stephens Sizemore and the late Millard Sizemore.

In addition to his wife and mother, Terry is survived by one son, Dane Steven Sizemore of Martin; one daughter, Ashton Elizabeth May Sizemore, of Martin; and two brothers, Robert Byron Sizemore and John Darrell Sizemore, both of Martin.

He was preceded in death by his father and one sister, Patricia Ann Sizemore.

Funeral services for Steven Terry Sizemore were held Tuesday, May 8, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin. Burial followed in the Richmond Memorial Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Palbearers: Nate Birkhead, Jeff Hicks, Alex Patton, Robert Patton, Rory Patton, Brandon Sizemore, Calvin Sizemore, Danny Sizemore, Dwagney Tackett, and Brian Wallace

Rain

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ing could be summed up in one simple concept: excitement.

"It's an adrenaline rush. I guess," he said.

"That appears to be a sentiment shared not only among drivers, but also fans.

Zachary Dials, who drove in from Warfield to watch the race with friends, had a hard time putting it into words, but he seemed to be attracted by the high-velocity action.

"I don't know, really," he said, when asked why he was drawn to drag-racing. "Just the 'fastness' of it, I guess."

"Speed," chimed in his friend, Shawn Jarvis, also of Warfield.

Others also mentioned the common appeal of drag-racing. Danny Burkett, of Prestonsburg, who was watching the testing alongside Pigg, said the event hearkens back to a time for which many people still yearn.

"A lot of people like this because it's arm-drop," Burkett

said. "It's old-fashioned."

That prompted Pigg to recall a time when people would flock to the airport to drag-race, with something less than official sanction.

"People used to come out here years ago and do it," Pigg recalled. "You'd get a few arm-drops in and, then, everybody would have to run off, before the law came."

"There's not a lot to do and it's exciting," said Bud Wireman, who was attending to watch his boss, Willard Kinzer, race. "You get to watch good racing that anybody can do. Anybody with a car can come."

Wireman also believes the Hillbilly Arm Drop Drags needs to expand from its current annual status.

"I think it's a great thing," Wireman said. "Everybody seems to love it. I think they need a place where they can have this regularly."



Once the rain finally stopped and crews finished working on the runway, drivers lined up for their first chance to test out the track.

Hearing

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Slone's outburst came as the Bartley was defending

his argument against lowering Slone's bond. According to Bartley, Slone has previously been charged

and convicted of three counts of theft by unlawful taking, third-degree burglary, two counts of crim-

inal possession of a forged instrument, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, fleeing or evading police officer, two time persistent felony offender, providing false name to police officer, second-degree escape, aggravated assault, receiving

stolen property, wanton endangerment, resisting arrest, and criminal sexual assault of a person under 13 years of age, which Bartley says occurred in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Slone's preliminary hearing Monday was to address these newly acquired charg-

es — three counts of retaliating against a participant in a legal process, second-degree disorderly conduct, menacing, and two counts of terroristic threatening.

Slone is currently being held in Floyd County Detention Center on a \$100,000 cash bond.

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Calendar

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

Summer School Tutors Needed

Handman Settlement School seeks to hire several tutors for the 2012 Summer Tutoring Program for children with dyslexia. Applications can be picked up at the office between 8-5 weekdays, or can be mailed or emailed to info@handmansettlement.org. You can also visit our web site for an application. Those with prior tutoring experience and outstanding college students will receive first priority for hiring. Do not apply if you plan to take off any time during the five-week program, which is scheduled to run from June 18-July 20.

For further information please call 606-785-5475 or write to P.O. Box 844, Handman Settlement Center, or email info@handmansettlement.org to request an application.

Handman Settlement School is an equal opportunity employer.

AARP to meet
Jenny Wiley Chapter 3528, AARP will meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, May 15, at First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg.

The speaker for the evening will be Senator Johnny Ray Turner who will provide information on extra funding for senior services. All members and friends are welcome.

Cent for Autism fundraiser

The Knights Den will host a fundraiser for the Highlands Outreach Center for Autism, with 100 percent of ticket proceeds going to the foundation, from 1 to 8 p.m., May 20, at Thunder Ridge Raceway. There will be seven bands, games and horse rides for the kids. The event is sponsored by the Floyd County Fiscal Court, Thunder Ridge, the Appalachian Brotherhood of Sidney, and the Defries of Stone.

PHS class of 2002

Ten-year reunion planning is underway for the Prestonsburg High School class of 2002. For more information, contact Zach Slone at (606) 205-1371.

Miss Floyd County pageant

For the 15th year in years, the Miss Floyd County Pageant is scheduled for May 12. This year's pageant will be held at the Heritage House Hotel in Prestonsburg and the pageant is currently still taking entry forms. The Tiny Miss, Little Miss, Pre-Teen, Teen, and Miss Floyd County Pageant are natural pageants — no glitz. The pageant is scheduled for 5 p.m.

Categories include Tiny Miss (ages 3-5), Little Miss (ages 6-9), Pre-Teen (ages 10-13), Teen (14-17), and Miss (18-23). Tiny Miss, Little Miss, and Pre-Teen contestants will compete in formal dress and casual wear. Teen through Miss contestants will compete in formal wear, casual wear, and will also have a on-stage question. Each contestant in the teen and miss category will be participating in an opening number production that will spotlight local schools and institutions for which they have attended to pursue their educational endeavors. Photogenic is also a part of this year's pageant and you do not have to be a contestant to enter this portion of the pageant.

For an entry form or for additional information please contact local directors at (606) 377-6157 or (606) 205-7262.

Relay for Life fundraisers

Fitzpatrick Baptist Church will be having a motorcycle ride, Saturday, May 12. The ride will leave Fitzpatrick Baptist Church at 9 a.m. and travel through Norton, Va. This will be an all-day event. Cost is \$50 per bike. Contact Tonya Parker, (606) 886-6204, for more information.

Fitzpatrick Baptist Church will be having a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, May 20, immediately after church. Dinner is \$10 and includes spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and a dessert. Contact Tonya Parker, (606) 886-6204, for more information.

Highlands Regional Medical Center will be hosting a "Deal or No Deal" game on at noon, Friday, May 18, in the hospital atrium. Contact Joshua Johnson at Highlands for more information.

Veterans representative

A veterans benefits field representative will be at the Floyd County Public Library, in Prestonsburg, Wednesday, May 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for state and federal veteran benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, call (866) 647-2929 to speak with a Veterans benefits field representative.

Four-day revival

The Upper Salt Lick United Baptist Church, at Maysville, will hold a four-day revival, May 2, 3 and 4, at 6 p.m. nightly. The evangelist will be Bro. Lee Combs. For more information, call (606) 785-2976.

Communities Against Drug Addiction

Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meet on the third Tuesday of each month, on the third floor of the Floyd County Health Department. The next meeting will be May 15. Lunch will be provided.

Lunch will be provided to those who RSVP to Mike Vance at (606) 226-2075 or MikeVance@suddenlink.net. Carol Jo May at (606) 285-6692 or cjmaj@olwh.org, or Leslie Howell at (606) 263-4370. (606) 339-7338 or speak@suddenlink.net.

Hillbilly Armdrop Drags

The Hillbilly Armdrop Drags will take place May 4 and 5, at Combs Airport, on Route 321 between Paintsville and Pikeville.

May 4 will feature tech, test and cruise at 2 p.m. grudge matches at 4:30 p.m. and cruise-in at 6 p.m. featuring classics, exotics, muscle cars, rat rods, bikes and anything with an engine and wheels. Gates open at 4 p.m.

May 5 will feature tech at 8 a.m., and test and cruise at 10:30 a.m. and armdrop drag racing at noon. Gates open at 10 a.m.

Admission is \$5, with children 12 and under free. A pit pass is an additional \$5.

Sponsored by Prestonsburg Motorsports, (606) 886-0616.

Johnson reunion

The Mary and Green Johnson family reunion will be held Saturday, May 26, at the Weeksburg Community Center Park. Please bring a covered dish. For more information, call (270) 737-2629 or (937) 866-7937 or locally (606) 452-2473.

Maytown Community Homecoming

The Maytown Community Homecoming will be held Memorial Day weekend, May 25 and 26. Registration will begin Friday, May 25, at 10 a.m., in the old school building. There will be a gospel sing at 7 p.m., Friday night, at Graceway Church, Saturday, May 26, will begin with breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. and an afternoon meal from 2 to 4 p.m. Meals will be catered and the \$22 per person fee must be paid in advance. Saturday activities will take place in the old lunchroom. On Saturday night, the evening program will feature the Valentinos, from Lexington. Admission will be \$5 at the door.

Send in reservations by May 2 to Betty May, 363 Wilson Creek, Langley, KY 41645. For more information, call (606) 285-3362.

Floyd County Job Club

The Floyd County Job Club meets every Thursday, from 11 a.m. until noon, at the Floyd County Public Library, in Prestonsburg. This free job club is sponsored by Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program, Big Sandy Area Community Action Program and the Office of Employment and Training. At the club, you will get job leads, job search advice and networking opportunities. We will help you get hired. All are welcome and first-time visitors are encouraged to come 30 minutes early for a one-on-one orientation. Call (606) 886-2948, for more information.

Allen VFD membership drive

Allen Volunteer Fire Department is now holding a membership drive. Meetings are held every Monday night, at 6:30 p.m., at the station. Please stop and help your volunteer fire department or call Chief Roy Compton at (606) 791-1790.

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 jkinzer@MtComp.org.

Veterans service officer

VFW Post 5839 in Lancer will have a service officer available every Wednesday, from noon until 4 p.m. Some services offered will be initial claim filing, upgrades, appeals, permanent and total claims and others. Contact (606) 886-9428, just off 197-1973 for more information.

Free Parenting Classes

To determine eligibility, call John 791-9887.

Autism Awareness & Support Group

2nd Monday of each month. Calvarys of Call Church, Lancer, (6:7 p.m.). Contact: Billie Chain, eastkyautismawareness@gmail.com

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

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

Non-profit agency needs foster parents

Non-profit agency in need of foster parents in your area. Financial compensation/bonuses, free foster parent trainings, mileage reimbursements, 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 www.benchmarkfamilyservices.org/Auxier-Learning-Center

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 that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse.

Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs.

877-379-0208.

www.drugsno.com

Auxier Community Center

Free GED classes, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

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

Need help with addiction?

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

Mondays, at Minnie (be-

side pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.

Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.

Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.

Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

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Hope in the Mountains

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

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

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The family of Hiram Carroll (Hamm) would like to thank Brother Ted Shannon and Ricky Mitchell for taking care of the service at Drift Pentecostal Church. Hiram's special friends he called his brothers, Ranger Rick, Mike Lafferty, Russ with Bentley, Sheriff John K. Blackburn, and especially to Keith Meade for being a living example of what God can do! Precious friend, Keith, you are the light that led Hiram to God. Words can never express how precious you are to the Carroll family.

Thanks to everyone that sent food, flowers, and said a prayer for us. Many thanks to Central Baptist Hospital of Lexington and their excellent staff, and the Hope Lodge for their kindness. A special thanks to the Queen Time Baptist Church where Hiram enjoyed singing New Years Eve. He had planned to be there for the special singing on the 5th Saturday, but he was too sick to get there, but his heart and prayers were there for that service.

May the Hall Funeral Home be abundantly blessed for the kindness, and a special thanks to our Floyd Co. Sheriff's Dept. for everything. May God Bless you.

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— Gregory Nunn

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Our View Run 'em on the runway ... as often as possible

Prestonsburg Motor Sports may have really hit upon an idea with the Hillbilly Arm Drop Drags. What started out as simply a desire for local car enthusiasts to compete against each other has turned into an event that rivals Hillbilly Days in Pikeville and the Apple Festival in Paintsville.

Wrapping up the second iteration of the event, organizers said they were able to attract a two-day total approaching 10,000. Not bad for an event less than a year old that saw its second day overcome by bad weather.

Our interviews with drivers and fans revealed a desire to see the Drags expanded into a regular event. Organizers are already working to put together two more for this year — one on the Fourth of July and another in September — but the people to whom we spoke clearly want even more.

And we don't see a problem with that. In fact, having stumbled upon something so popular as to draw thousands from all around the region and even several states away, Floyd and Johnson counties stand to rake in barrels full of tourism dollars every time Kent Rose stands on the Combs Field runway and drops his arms.

Many folks would like to see the Drags become a monthly or weekly event. We're not so sure organizers are quite ready for that to happen, but it is certainly something we feel they should work toward, and the cities of Prestonsburg and Paintsville should be there to help them work through the growing pains.

— The Floyd County Times



A legislative perspective

Rep. Greg Stumbo
Speaker of the House

Earlier this year, as the General Assembly was putting together the budget to run state government, it was becoming increasingly clear that the state was finally beginning to see some lasting growth.

That was further confirmed several weeks ago, when one of the state's economists said that "all signs are pointing to the likelihood that the recovery is here to stay."

We're seeing that in places like the unemployment rate, which for more than eight months now has been in steady decline. Although still higher than anyone prefers,

March's 8.6 percent was a full percentage point less than it was in March 2011. Kentucky saw more than 34,000 jobs added during that 12-month period.

What is promising about the growth is that it has been spread fairly evenly. Economists split the job market into 11 major categories — from manufacturing to education and health services — and over the last year six of those saw gains, and two others remained steady.

A more long-term report that state budget officials gave late last month offers additional hope as well. It found that, in the first three months of this year, Kentuckians' overall salaries were up more than five percent and are

projected to outpace the national average through December.

Not surprisingly, the state's revenues have benefited from this economic uptick. The state's General Fund has grown by 4.3 percent over the last nine months, a figure that is significantly higher than had been forecast, and the Road Fund is doing even better, with growth up more than seven percent.

Kentucky's efforts to boost the economy are getting more notice nationally. Since 2008, for example, Forbes has moved us up 19 spots in its annual ranking of business climate among the states.

A national trade publication that tracks new and expanded business activity, meanwhile, put

us eighth among the states in 2011, our highest ranking ever. What's especially remarkable is that Kentucky was the smallest state population-wise among the leaders. We scored so highly because we had nearly 200 projects last year that either had, at a minimum, investment of \$1 million, the creation of 50 jobs or the addition of at least 20,000 square feet of new floor space.

Another trade publication called Kentucky's partnership with Ford Motor Company the economic deal of the year in 2011. Thanks to a tax-incentive package the General Assembly offered, Ford has invested more than \$1 billion in its Louisville operations and hired several thousand new

workers. This year, the General Assembly offered the same package to General Motors, Toyota and several large auto parts companies, if they are willing to meet the same criteria Ford did.

The auto industry has been an especially bright spot for the state in recent months. In 2011, according to the Cabinet for Economic Development, more than 70 auto-related facilities either expanded or located here in Kentucky.

There are still numerous challenges when it comes to getting Kentucky's economy back to where we want it, but as these examples show, there are reasons to believe that we have a lot in our favor, too. My hope is that 2012 continues that trend.

House week in review

Rep. Hubert Collins

The scheduled interest rate increase for subsidized Stafford college loans is the latest ingredient in the political gumbo we call election year campaigning.

From press releases from governor's offices to sketches featuring President Obama on late night TV, the message seems to be clear: If we don't extend the current 3.4 percent interest rate on subsidized Stafford loans by July 1 of this year, millions of undergraduates from West Sacramento,

CA to Waterloo, NY who are issued the loans based on economic need will be priced out of higher education, not to mention many Kentuckians.

That is a serious message, and, don't get me wrong, it's a serious issue. Not holding the rate on the loans at 3.4 percent for at least another year will, without a doubt, double the rate on these loans (from 3.4 back to 6.8 percent) for undergraduate students who are issued the loans after July 1 of this year. The culprit is the scheduled phase-out at the end of the coming academic year of a 2007 federal law

that lowered the interest rate on the loans from 6.8 to 3.4 percent.

The question is, just how many undergraduates would really be affected by the scheduled rate increase? An article published in USA Today last Monday says not as many as you might think—or may have been led to believe.

Titled "Most student loans unaffected by upcoming increase in rates," the article says about a third of undergraduates today have subsidized Stafford loans. Since only students issued a subsidized Stafford loan after July 1 would be affected an increase, it can be safely assumed that any rate increase would affect less than 33 percent of our nation's undergraduates—or around 7 million students nationwide as opposed to

more than 21 million students nationwide. Other undergraduates with a subsidized Stafford loan would have had their loan issued before July 1, and their rates are fixed for the life of that loan. "...no matter what happens in Congress," the article says.

No students with unsubsidized Stafford loans—which issued to any full-time student regardless of financial circumstances—would be affected by the rate increase, the article goes on to say, and subsidized loans for grad students would be unaffected. So not all, or even most, students with a Stafford loan would be harmed if Congress decides to raise the rate.

Even if the rates do revert back to the 6.8 percent rate for some new federal loans, that is probably a better rate

than students (or their parents) will find elsewhere, the article explains. Private loan rates are not fixed and could rise above the 6.8 percent rate depending on different factors. And interest accrues on private and unsubsidized federal student loans, while the government pays the interest on subsidized Stafford loans while the student benefiting from the loan is still in school.

Another benefit of a Stafford loan (subsidized and unsubsidized) is repayment options, the article says. Repayment options allow deferral of payments in case of job loss, for example, which automatically qualifies a borrower for a deferral of his or her loan payments for up to three years. Loan forgiveness programs are also popular among federal borrowers.

I believe we should protect higher education for our students. Like my party's leaders in our state and in our nation, I do not want to see any student priced out of higher education. I just think we should look at all the facts, which can become kind of clouded in good old politically-charged election years like the one we're in now.

The facts are that getting a college education has never been more expensive. But that blame does not fall on Stafford loans, or Congress' decision to roll back the interest rate on college loans in 2007. It falls on three decades of college tuition and room and board increases that have outpaced the rate of inflation and left Americans with

overall student loan debt of around \$1 trillion.

I wish I could say there is one final solution to the student debt problem, but there is none. What I can say is that while Congress hammers away at the Stafford loan issue, those of us back in the states need to find ways for students to earn credit toward a college degree that doesn't require 15 to 25 years of student loan debt.

Here in Kentucky, we are making it easier for students to pay for their education by making it easier to transfer less-costly community college credit to a four year institution. Students are earning valuable college credit while still in high school through AP and International Baccalaureate programs. And state lawmakers continued to fully fund state-sponsored financial assistance through the KEES merit scholarship program and need-based programs that Kentucky high school students have come to rely on to help pay their college expenses.

But let me say one more thing. The future of our young people is more than a political issue to be aired in an election year. It is the most important thing we deal with as policy makers. I am hopeful that all the attention being showered on the Stafford loan issue in Congress will not wash with the 2012 election, but will be channeled into finding a lasting solution to the student loan debt issue that has plagued our country for much too long.

Have a good week.

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With director retiring, Wheelwright Center seeking partners to continue work

WHEELWRIGHT — Partners are being sought to help sustain the work of the Wheelwright Baptist Center in Floyd County following the retirement of its long-time director.

"The Wheelwright Center is located in one of the poorest regions of the commonwealth and ministers to about 200 families each year," KBC Executive Director Paul Chitwood said. "We want to see this ministry continue."

The U.S. Census reports that 11,000 families in Floyd County live on less than \$10,000 annually.

Charles and Margie Wilson have served as North American Mission Board missionaries for more than 32 years, devoting 26 of those years to the people of

Wheelwright, according to Eric Allen, director KBC's Mission Service and Ministries Department.

"The Wilsons and a faithful core of volunteers model what it means to be missionaries," he said. "As a means to sharing Christ, they help families with food and clothing. They provide after-school and summer programs for children. They help transport people to the doctor and the pharmacy. There's also a deaf ministry there."

Last year about 15 short-term mission teams came to Wheelwright to serve. During the year, 37 local people made professions of faith in Christ.

"This is a vibrant ministry," Allen said.

Wilson is among 27 KBC employees to accept retirement or resignation incentive packages in preparation for a major restructuring of the work of the KBC Mission Board staff. Compensation for several staff, including Wilson, was provided jointly by NAMB and KBC.

Wilson also serves as pastor of First Baptist Church of Wheelwright, which holds services at the center.

"It was our hope that this week we would announce the transfer of the property and the ministry to a congregation in another state that has generously supported the Wheelwright Center in the past," Chitwood explained. "Unfortunately that arrangement has fallen

through and we are actively and aggressively seeking a new partnering church or association."

Allen said he is hopeful that God soon will call a new missionary, or missionary couple, to Wheelwright. He added that he is confident that with a missionary in place, the financial resources will follow to sustain the work.

"The Kentucky Baptist Convention will do what we can to match people power to resources to see this ministry sustained," Chitwood said. "We do not want to see this flock without a shepherd."

He encourages Kentucky Baptists to contact Allen for information on the center and how to help. Allen can be reached by e-mail at eric.allen@kybaptist.org

or by phone at (502) 489-3530 or (866) 489-3530 (toll-free in Kentucky).

The Kentucky Baptist Convention is a cooperative missions and ministry organization made up of nearly 2,400 autonomous Baptist churches in Kentucky. A variety of state and worldwide ministries are coordinated through its administrative offices in Louisville, including: missions work, disaster relief, ministry training and support, church development, evangelism and more.

For more information, visit the KBC website at www.kybaptist.org, become a fan of "Kentucky Baptist Convention" on Facebook or follow "kentuckybaptist" on Twitter.

11,000 books collected for tornado-stricken schools

WEST LIBERTY — First Lady Jane Beshear visited West Liberty Elementary School in Morgan County this week, to announce the overwhelming success of the Governor's Office Tornado Relief Book Drive.

To date, more than 11,000 books have been collected for schools affected by recent tornado damage, including a book contribution from Scholastic, the global children's publishing, education and media company.

Damaged or destroyed schools receiving donations include West Liberty Elementary, Salyersville Grade

School and Herald Whitaker Middle.

"Books and literature are necessary tools for learning, and we want to be certain that students and teachers in storm damaged areas have the resources they need," said Mrs. Beshear. "Thank you to Scholastic and all the state employees and other groups throughout our state who have truly stepped up to the plate to make this outstanding contribution. I never cease to be amazed by the generosity of Kentuckians and I know the schools, teachers and children re-

ceiving these donations are sincerely grateful."

Two months ago, devastating storms and tornadoes ripped through Kentucky killing 24 people and injuring hundreds more. Many homes, businesses and schools were damaged, if not completely destroyed. Recovery efforts on the federal, state and local levels continue everyday to help rebuild damaged communities and Kentuckians from across the state are still dedicating their time, money and other resources to help victims.

In early April, the Gov-

ernor's office launched the Tornado Relief Book Drive to help collect needed books for schools in storm damaged areas. State employees and other schools and libraries across Kentucky have donated more than 10,000 new and gently used books for the drive.

In addition, Scholastic donated 1,000 books to West Liberty Elementary School as part of the Tornado Relief Book Drive and in support for Mrs. Beshear's role as a "Reading Ambassador" for the Scholastic Summer Challenge reading program. Mrs. Beshear

has participated for the last four years in the program. She joins fellow governors' spouses from across the country who have signed on in support of promoting summer reading to children throughout their state.

The Tornado Relief Book Drive will be extended to the end of May because many schools are holding end of the year book collecting events, Mrs. Beshear said.

Book collection bins are located in the central lobbies of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, the Department for Libraries

and Archives, State Central Lab, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, the State Office Building and outside the Governor's Office in the State Capitol.

Monetary donations are also being accepted for the book drive. People can make donations at Central Bank branches or mail them to:

Tornado Relief Book Drive
Central Bank & Trust Co.
300 West Vine Street
Lexington, Ky. 40507



Participants in the training listen to details about PACT360.



Amy Bloustine, deputy director of community education programs for The Partnership at Drugfree.org, explains materials in the training kit.

Community leaders, educators receive training on drug education programs

MANCHESTER — Representatives of organizations across central and eastern Kentucky have received training on a series of evidence-based programs designed to help educate parents, teens and concerned citizens about drugs.

Thirty-five individuals from community coalitions, treatment and recovery programs, schools and the state juvenile justice program attended the PACT360 training presented by a team from The Partnership at Drugfree.org in collaboration with Operation UNITE and the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy.

The community prevention education system is designed to deal with existing drug issues and rapidly respond to emerging drug threats. The goal is to help reduce illicit drug use and its accompanying criminal behavior, thereby improving the safety and quality of life of the community.

Each of the multi-media outreach programs is designed to be presented by a team of law enforcement, treatment and prevention professionals and are designed to be tailored to address local issues, said Mike Townsend, director of community education for The Partnership.

The programs are intended to supplement, not supplant, ongoing initia-

tives within communities, Townsend added.

"We're excited that The Partnership launched this in Kentucky," said Heather Waincott, branch manager for the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy. "We had a variety of organizations participate. All of our community coalitions are looking for anything new to bring people together. This is another tool that they can use."

Began in 2005, the PACT360 program initially focused solely on methamphetamine. It has since been expanded to include both parent ("Parents: You Matter") and teen (wreckED) oriented presentations.

"The importance of educating parents, caregivers

and youth about the substance abuse is critical. Our UNITE coalitions are taking the lead in addressing local issues, and programs such as PACT360 make it easier to reach this critical audience," said Karen Kelly, director of UNITE.

"Not only do parents need to know about drugs and what to look for, they need to understand how to intervene and find treatment for drug and alcohol abuse," Kelly continued. "This is why education programs are so important."

"You're making it a reality for people," noted Amy Bloustine, deputy director of community education programs for The Partnership.

Those receiving Thursday's training will be avail-

able to present the various program components to other groups and organizations.

PACT360 is funded through a U.S. Department of Justice grant. To date, more than 2,300 individuals have received this training with more than 44,000 attendees at community presentations.

To view photos from the training visit: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/uniteky/sets/72157629601578706/>

To learn more about PACT360 contact Amy Bloustine, deputy director, community education programs, at 212-973-3548 or amy_bloustine@drugfree.org. For more information about Operation UNITE visit their website at www.operationunite.org.

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The Big Sandy Regional Industrial Development Authority (BSRIDA) is accepting bids for clearing and grubbing at Honey Branch Regional Business Park located on Airport Road in Martin County. If you are interested in submitting a bid, please contact Denise Thomas at 606-886-2374 or via email at denise.thomas@big-sandy.org. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on site on May 21, 2012 at 10:00 am.

The deadline for submission of bids is 11:00 am May 25, 2012. Performance and payment bond as well as liability insurance certificates are required. Sealed bids should be marked "Honey Branch" and be addressed to: Denise Thomas, 110 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. BSRIDA reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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HCTC announces Floyd County graduates

HAZARD — Hazard Community and Technical College graduated Floyd County students on Saturday, May 5 at The Forum in Hazard.

The following HCTC Floyd County graduates were honored: Ashley LaRae Alex Allen,

of Bypro Randi Leigh Anderson, of Bevensville Sharae Musette Blackburn, of Hueysville Brittany Susanna Brown, of Prestonsburg Stephanie Marie Clark, of Langley Whitney Nashea Conley, of Garrett Kayla Mashea Dixon, of Harold LeaAuna F. Flanery, of

Allen Ricky J. Green, of Elmrock Gregory Scott Hall, of Printer Krystal L. Hall, of Lackey Latessa J. Handshoe, of Hueysville Alena M. Little, of Melvin Brittny L. McGuire, of McDowell Jessica LeAnn Porter, of Prestonsburg Matasha Dawn Slone, of Lackey

Robert Shawn Wilks, of Prestonsburg.

A total of 691 students received 1,340 credentials this Spring. Associate in arts, associate in science, and associate in applied science degrees were awarded along with diplomas and certifi-

cates. These numbers represent all graduates for the 2011-12 academic year — those who graduated in August and December and those who graduated May 5.

To learn more about HCTC, visit the web site Hazard, KYTCES.edu



Hutchinson receives honorary doctorate from Cumberland

WILLIAMSBURG — On Saturday, May 5th, University of the Cumberland's (UC) presented the Honorary Doctorate of Administration degree to Mr. Bob Hutchinson during their annual commencement ceremony.

Hutchinson began working at the early age of 9 and worked until he was 14 as a newspaper carrier for Knight-Ridder Newspaper and The Akron Beacon Journal. At the age of 14, he started his career with McDonald's. At the age of 25 he obtained his first McDonald's franchise, and he currently co-owns 14 McDonald's franchises

throughout East Kentucky. He is a member of the Board of Trustees at the University of Pikeville, Midway College, Citizens National Bank, Commercial Bank of West Liberty, Green Historical Society, Christian Appalachian Project and Boy Scouts of America Bluegrass Council.

Mr. Hutchinson is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Paintsville, Kentucky; Leadership Kentucky; Pike, Floyd and Johnson County Chambers of Commerce; University of Kentucky Fellowship; McDonald's Government Relations Committee; Rock House Volunteer

Fire Department.

Among the awards Mr. Hutchinson has received are the Green Schools Foundation Outstanding Alumnus Award; the Eck Chandler Award; Friend of Education Award; Ronald Award; Golden Arch Award; East Kentucky Leadership Tony Turner Award; Silver Beaver Award.

He enjoys travel, good food, spending time outdoors, genealogy research and spending time with family. His advice for life is, "Always make time for family and God. Be sure to put a smile on someone's face every day!" Hutchinson was born in

Barberton, Ohio but now resides in Staffordsville, Ky. He is a graduate of Green High School, attended Kent State University, Tennessee Tech University, Excelsior College and Hamburger University.

Located in Williamsburg, University of the Cumberland is an institution of regional distinction, which currently offers four undergraduate degrees in more than 40 major fields of study; nine pre-professional programs; seven graduate degrees, including a doctorate and six master's degrees; certifications in education; and online programs.

Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You Eves and Rams will find your ideas cheered by a mostly receptive flock. Those few dissenters could well be turned around by your charm and powers of persuasion.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's time for the bold and beautiful Bovine to shake off the dust of the past and shape up with new ideas for the future. This could surprise some folks, but they'll soon adjust.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Those nagging new doubts about an upcoming decision should alert you to step back (at least temporarily) so you can reassess its potential impact from a new perspective.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) That unpleasant situation you hoped would go away by itself needs immediate attention before it affects an upcoming decision. Expect your supporters to rally around your cause.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're moving up and away from that recent setback. But remain cautious about finances. An exercise in thrift today helps cushion a possible end-of-the-month money squeeze.

VRIGO (August 23 to September 22) You're still dealing with overtones of pessimism that cause you to doubt your ability to make some needed changes. But the negative pressures will ease up by week's end.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) There could be some fallout from the way you handled a recent family problem. But those who know that you were in the right won't hesitate to step in on your behalf.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Financial strains ease by week's end. Meanwhile, focus on cultivating that new relationship if you hope to have it blossom into something more meaningful.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Health matters once again dominate the week. Be careful not to ignore recurrences of an old problem. An almost-forgotten commitment resurfaces.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The emergence of an unusual selfish streak could dismay those close to you. Defy it — don't justify it — so you can become your gracious self again.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Reassess your decision to stay with the status quo. It might seem like the sensible thing to do right now, but changes around you could make that choice a risky one.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Move decisively but cautiously when dealing with a delicate personal matter. The fewer mistakes you make now, the less likely it is that the problem will recur later on.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can find beauty where many cannot. And you enjoy sharing your discovery with others.



Nurses: Advocating, Leading, Caring

Saint Joseph Martin Celebrates National Nurses' Week

May 6-12, 2012

We honor our nurses this week for their tireless efforts and vital role they play in the health and well-being of our patients and the communities served.

Today's nurses make sacrifices on a daily basis to provide expert care during times of disaster and crisis, while making a difference in the lives of their patients and in the nursing community.

As we move forward in our journey to offer the state's best care with KentuckyOne Health, our nurses will provide a crucial role toward the building of the highest quality system in Kentucky.

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OUR WEDNESDAYS

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

20 years ago
(April 29 and May 1, 1992)
The man accused of trying to shoot Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson in January, pleaded not guilty, Friday, and was ordered to undergo a state psychiatric examination. Greg Little, 35, of Water Gap will be examined at the Kentucky Corrections Psychiatric Center (KPCPC) in La Grange. Little's attorney, David Williams, from the Pikeville Public Defender's office, asked for psychiatric testing "based on information regarding (Little's) mental state."
Residents of Prestonsburg's Richmond No. 4 voting precinct will soon be able to buy alcoholic beverages in their own district, thanks to last week's special-option wet/dry election. Mother Nature displayed her poetic side as heavy rain descended intermittently on those who entered and exited the polls at L & H Used Cars, 1000 South Lake Drive, on Saturday, April 25. The formerly dry precinct was voted wet by a small but deciding margin. There were 82 "yes" votes, and 74 "no" votes, as only 156 of the precinct's 398 registered voters turned out for the wet/dry election. The polls were open from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The local Board of Education approved payments for a major renovation of the Betsy Layne High School gym, Tuesday, even though that project was rejected by the state Department of Education. The payments approved to the project's architect, Paul Hoffman, however, have been put on hold until the project is approved by the state Department of Facilities Management.
April is National Math Month. To celebrate, students from Maytown, Osborne, Duff, and Martin elementary schools won prizes, played games, and competed against each other in written examinations and quick-recall events at Allen Central High School's 8th Math Day gala, yesterday. Joyce Watson, who has taught at Allen Central for the last 27 years, founded the event in 1985, before any other school in the region even had an academic team. Watson said that it was important for schools to put more emphasis on mathematics, and because she felt that the state didn't reward academics didn't receive nearly the amount of recognition that they deserved.
There died: Cindy Beth Black-

burn, 33, of Waynesfield, Ohio, formerly of McDowell, Monday, at St. Rita's Medical Center; Addie Atkins Hunt, 98, of Hunter, Tuesday, at Parkview Manor Nursing Home; Fred Gessling Robinson, 83, of Martin, Thursday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; John M. Stamper, 84, of Brinkley, Monday, at his home; John Kelly Tolson, 59, of Fords Branch, Thursday, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Bonnie Owens, 84, of Brinkley, Tuesday, at Kettering Memorial Hospital; Minnie Green Cantrell, 79, of Hellier, Wednesday, at her residence; Connie Howell Dale, 42, of Grethel, Sunday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Verda Ambergue Franklin, 73, of Mallie, Friday, at St. Joseph Hospital; Friday, at Redfox; Delora Dotson, 48, of Sasafas, Wednesday, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Medical Center; Cynthia Johnson, 84, of Pikeville, Sunday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Quentin Jacobs, 72, of Dema, Wednesday, at his home; Ellen Rosaline Music, 65, of David, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Willie Moore, 71, of Bowling Fork, Tuesday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Solo Boyd Roberts, 80, of Latford, Monday, at his residence; Emily Jane "Mudie" Salyers, 92, of Prestonsburg, Friday, in the Highlands Regional Medical Center; Carl Vernon Frasure, 46, of Buessville, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Clinton "Big Son" Collins, 66, of Ravenswood, West Virginia, formerly of McDowell, April 25, at Jackson County Memorial Hospital in Ripley, West Virginia; Maxine Rice, 60, of Banner, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Vera Turner, 70, of Cincinnati, Ohio, formerly of Eastern, Sunday, at her residence; Bessie A. Hale, 69, of Little Creek, Wednesday, at her home; Bessie, Tuesday, at Veteran Hospital; Zephia Grimm, 85, of Vero Beach, Florida, Monday, at Vero Beach.

30 years ago
(May 1, 1982)
One dead and six hurt after boats crash on Dewey Lake last Sunday afternoon; Robert Clayton Montgomery, 23, of Paintsville, drowned and six others were injured.
A circuit court jury began hearing evidence, Tuesday, on

the murder trial of Otis Lee Wallen, who is accused of the shotgun slaying of his neighbor, Paul Edward Mullins, on Town Branch.
An East Point woman, Parcella Collins, 37, died Thursday night while on her way home from church, in a two-car crash. Illegal mining practices were cited as cause for the deaths of eight men in a mine near Topmost, and seven in a Mink Branch mine in January.
There died: Steve Hamilton, 81, of Martin, last Thursday, at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Flauna Hamilton, 60, of Harold, last Thursday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Amos Stumbo, 80, of Price, last Thursday, at the McDowell Appalachian Hospital; Harmel C. Roberts, 68, of Harold, last Thursday at St. Joseph Hospital; Dorothy C. Moore, 65, of McDowell, last Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Ted Newman, 73, of Hi Hat, last Friday, at his home.

40 years ago
(May 3, 1972)
Floyd county's annual Music Festival will be staged here, Saturday, with an array of schoolgirl beauties and marching bands.
Employees of the Prestonsburg, County Judge Henry Stumbo and the county's four magistrates announced plans for what is hoped to be a county-wide cleanup effort through the remainder of this month.
Floyd County's fourth annual elementary track and field day will be held at the high school football field, here, May 20, with approximately 400 youths expected to be competing for trophies and ribbons.
Charter sight for the new East Floyd Kiwanis Club, of Harold, will be held at May Lodge, May 11.

60 years ago
(May 1, 1952)
Nine school bands and their 200 instrumentalists will escort the reigning beauties of their respective schools in the parade here Saturday, one of the colorful events of the seventh annual Floyd County Music Festival.
14-year-old Morris Edmund Maggard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Maggard, of Langley, was fatally injured in a fall from a cliff before daybreak, Saturday, while on a camping trip with other members of his Boy Scout

troop at Maytown.
David L. Francis, Huntington, W. Va., president of the Princess Elkhorn Coal Company at David, was injured in a plane crash near Paducah, early Saturday.
The Floyd County Good Government Taxpayers League, envisioning the need of legal aid, employed Robert S. Wellman as attorney in a meeting of the board of directors, Tuesday night.
From now on municipalities and industries emptying wastes into Kentucky's streams and rivers will be granted new permits, only if they can show that they have adequate waste treatment facilities.
Ensign Edmund A. Smith Jr., and Mrs. Smith, recently concluded a ten-day visit at the home here of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Smith.
Marine Cpl. Harry G. Dempsey, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dempsey, of Wheelwright, on April 29, witnessed an atomic explosion and then took part in an assault on an objective near the center of the atomic impact area.
There died: John Warren, 71, of Tram, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, last Tuesday; Mrs. Alice Smith Nichols, 84, of Lancer, April 29, at her home.

70 years ago
(April 30, 1942)
A total of 3070 Floyd men, between the ages of 45 and 65, registered for the draft.
With fires raging through timberlands in every part of the county, County Agent S. L. Isbell announced plans for the formation of a countywide volunteer firefighters organization.
At least 10 percent of Floyd County's population, or more than 5,000 persons are afflicted with venereal disease, Dr. Marvin Ransdell, director of the health department, said this week.
Bus service was resumed between Paintsville and Jenkins, after a four-day strike by members of the Transport Workers' union.
There died: Andrew Hunt, 28, at Ivel, of tuberculosis, and James Lee Goodman, 10, at his parents' home at Martin, of a lung abscess.

The other, deadlier kind of stroke

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

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: In October of last year, my husband, age 63, died of a brain hemorrhage (stroke). He was a youthful, health-conscious man, now sorely missed by his wife, family and friends. This tragedy was due to undiagnosed high blood pressure, since he, like many, never went to visit the doctor. Please encourage people, especially 55 and older, to have a checkup so they don't suffer a similar fate. R.A.

ANSWER: My sincerest condolences to you and your family. I hope many who read your letter will take your advice.
I've written about ischemic stroke, the kind that comes from a plugged brain artery. It accounts for most strokes. The letter-writer's husband suffered hemorrhagic stroke, one that comes from bleeding from a brain artery.

Hemorrhagic strokes have an abrupt onset. A person can be fine one minute, and the next there's a profound change. He or she can't move an arm or a leg, can't talk, has sudden, severe headache. Shortly the person becomes unresponsive. For 50 percent of people with a hemorrhagic stroke, death is the final step, and it often comes quickly.
Differentiating a stroke caused by bleeding from one caused by artery plugging is not something for an untrained person to attempt. Confronted by someone who has the signs

of a stroke, an untrained person should call for immediate help.

As Mrs. R.A. points out, high blood pressure is one of the most common medical conditions responsible for a hemorrhagic stroke. Prevention of these lethal strokes depends on knowing what your blood pressure is. Keeping blood pressure in the normal range is the best way to prevent them. The trouble with high blood pressure is that it seldom produces any signs until it's too late.

The booklet on stroke presents the different kinds, their treatment and their prevention. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — Or. 902W, Box 536475 — Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am an 82-year-old man with a history of two cancers, prostate and bladder, two knee replacements and lots of osteoarthritis. In spite of all that, I'm in good shape. I work out every day, I tour by bicycle 20 to 25 miles in a day, and I've lots of energy.

About four months ago, the strangest thing started happening to me. Every time I eat, my nose starts to run. It's not a real problem, but it mystifies me. Why does it happen? — D.M.

ANSWER: It is strange, and it has a name — gustatory rhinitis, a classy way of saying "runny nose when you eat." Hot and spicy foods often provoke the reaction. Consider it a reflex that has no useful purpose. If you're going out to eat and don't want to be embarrassed, placing an antihistamine about an hour before the meal might work. The

nasal spray Astelin has a good reputation for stopping the drip. Don't use these every day. Save them for a special occasion.

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

BID ADVERTISEMENT

The Big Sandy Regional Industrial Authority (BSRIDA) is accepting bids for re-striping a portion of the access roadway at Honey Branch Regional Business Park, located on Airport Road in Martin County. If you are interested in submitting a bid, please contact Denise Thomas at 606-886-2374 or via email at denise.thomas@vmsandy.org.

The deadline for submission of bids is 11:00 am May 23, 2012. Sealed bids should be marked "Honey Branch Access Road" and be addressed to: Denise Thomas, 110 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Contents of submissions should include cost of services, to be written in bid packet. BSRIDA reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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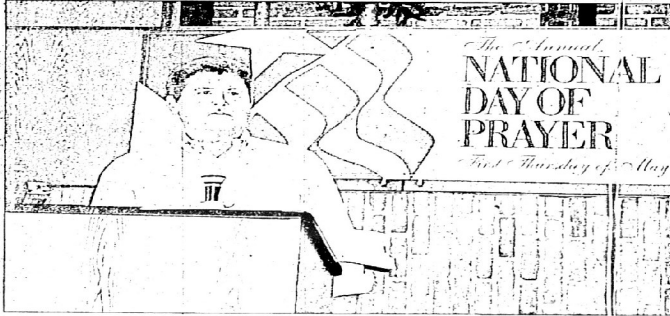
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Stream Team offers landowners assistance

FRANKFORT — Thousands of landowners in five eastern Kentucky counties are receiving notices in the mail from the "Stream Team." The mailer comes from the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, which is offering to repair unstable or eroding streams at no cost.

"Unstable stream banks erode valuable soil and property," said Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commissioner Jon Gassett. "Costly problems like bank erosion can — and should — be repaired. The Stream Team program is a valuable tool that can be used to make these repairs at no cost to landowners."

While any stream in Kentucky can be considered for

the program, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife is making a special effort in Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Martin and Pike counties. The funds come exclusively from the Stream and Wetland Mitigation Fund. No general fund tax dollars or hunting/fishing license money will be used. The Mitigation Fund is a trust that was created solely to improve local streams throughout Kentucky.

"Small streams are a very important part of Kentucky waterways and its fisheries," said Ron Brooks, director of the Fisheries Division. "We are excited to have a program that brings together working lands and clean water."

There are criteria that have to be met. For example,

the streams must be at least 1,000 feet long with banks that are eroding or unstable, and both sides of the stream must be available for repairs. In addition, project sites cannot be mined or have oil and gas activities along the stream.

Any landowner who did not receive a notice from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife may still be eligible. For more information, including additional requirements, visit the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife website at fwky.gov and look under the "Habitat Improvement" tab. Landowners also may contact B.J. Jamison with the "Stream Team," at (502) 564-9802 or by email: bj.jamison@ky.gov.

Police investigating Magoffin death

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

ROYALTON — Kentucky State Police is investigating after a woman's body was found inside her home.

KSP received a call Saturday from a man reporting he had found the body of Karen

Pitts, 44, in her residence. KSP responded to the scene and Pitts was pronounced dead by Magoffin County Coroner Mark Jenkins.

No further information has been released.

KSP Det. Chris Phillips is continuing to investigate the incident. He was assisted at the scene by Det. Jason Melro.

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Man killed in Pike wreck

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PIKEVILLE — A Pike County man was killed last week in a single vehicle car accident in the Yellow Hill community.

According to Kentucky State Police, 51-year-old Jackie Jones Jr. was traveling East on U.S. 460 last Wednesday, when the vehicle he was driving crossed the center line and struck a rock cliff. Jones was pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Deputy Coroner Denver Bailey.

The accident remains under investigation by KSP Trooper Jason McEllan.

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Tyler Stephens to appear at Sipp Theater

PAINTSVILLE — Country music fans are in for a real treat when Big Appal Music recording artist, Tyler Stephens along with the Back Roads Band, take the stage at the Sipp Theater in Paintsville, on Saturday, May 19, at 7 p.m., as a part of the ongoing Appalachian Artists Rural Roots Series. A special guest performance includes a performance by Jeremy Shawn Linton, of Jackson.

Both of these young new artists offer unique performances that are enjoyed by audiences of all ages. Tyler Stephens stays loyal to his country and his Appalachian roots with his smooth, straight-from-the-heart traditional country vocals; while Jeremy Linton brings an edgy, alternative sound to the stage. The two young singers complement one another. With talent like this, it's only a matter of time before Nashville label executives start paying attention to what's happening around Eastern Kentucky.

Tyler, who has already shown success in his musical career, began at the early age of 4 and now at only 19 years old, he never plans to look back.

With countless performances and the release of his first album behind him, Tyler couldn't see himself doing anything other than performing.

When interviewing Tyler about his success, he replied in shock, "We released our first album 'Freedom Don't Come Free' in February last year and since then things have moved so quick. Instantly we were playing every weekend and hearing people in the audience singing and requesting our songs. That makes it all worthwhile. We see our musical careers as a blessing because without the support of our family, friends, and fans, none of this would be possible. We are truly blessed to be surrounded with a group of people like these."

Tyler's hit song, "Freedom Don't Come Free" written by Scott and Courtney Patrick, had extraordinary success in 2011, being released to over 1,700 radio stations nationally alongside artists, Kenny Chesney and Easton Corbin. However, "Freedom Don't Come Free" was not the only song from the album grabbing the attention of listeners. "Rollin' 18

Wheels" became an Eastern Kentucky favorite because of its relation to the regions coal tradition. But, it doesn't stop there. It is our understanding that Tyler is working on his new single "Get Your Country On" to be released this spring just in time to rock in the summer months.

If you love country music then you owe it to yourself to check out one of its newest rising stars: Tyler Stephens. Tickets for the show are \$15 per person (plus ticketing fee), kids 10 and under free, and are on sale at the Country Music Highway Museum, Paintsville City Hall, Johnson County Public Library, and on-line at: www.tylerstephensmusic.com

Participating sponsors in the Rural Roots Series include: Appalachian Wireless, Care More Medical Management, Citizens National Bank, Hutch Buick/Chevrolet/GMC, McDonalds of East Kentucky, Ramada Inn, Paintsville Tourism, and U.S. 23 Country Music Highway Museum.

For further information about Tyler and the show, visit www.tylerstephensmusic.com



Tyler Stephens and the Back Roads Band will appear May 19 at the Sipp, as part of the Appalachian Artists Rural Roots Concert Series.

Huntington comic book convention set for June

By Michael Browning
Staff Writer

HUNTINGTON — It's been a long time since a comic book convention was held in West Virginia.

Years ago, Jeff Harper Productions put on shows in South Charleston and in Parkersburg, but it's been nearly a decade since any

convention was held in the Mountain State.

But, in June, a comic convention will be held in Huntington at the Big Sandy Supertory Arena.

TriCon, the tri-state comic con, will be held on June 9 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Several majors creators have already been

scheduled for the one-day convention, including Beau Smith (Spawn, 24, Wynonna Earp), Billy Tucci (Shi, Sgt. Rock, A Child is Born), James Patrick (Grimm Fairy Tales, Green Arrow, Batman Confidential), Tommy Patterson (Farscape, Tales From Wonderland and Game of Thrones), Dennis

Galero (X-Men Noir, Cowboys and Aliens and Star Trek), Jim Calahore (Exiles, Secret Six, Gotham Underground) and Lora Innes (Dreamer, The Apptomax).

Smith is a Ceredo-Keno native who worked for Eclipse Comics, Image Comics and IDW, and wrote Guy Gardner War-

rior for DC Comics.

Patrick is also a local talent, hailing from the Parkersburg area. He also wrote a Harley Quinn one-shot for DC Comics.

Calahore is also known for his 1990s work at Valiant Comics.

Admission to the convention is \$7 and kids under 10 get in free.

There will be a costume contest and lots of vendors selling comic books, according to a flyer given out recently in Huntington.

For more information, go to www.tristatecon.net, or look it up on Facebook at triconyv or on Twitter at @triconv.

Entrepreneurship Awards accepting nominations

The Excellence in Entrepreneurship Awards (EIEA) program—honoring excellence since 2001—is now accepting nominations for the region's top business leaders and entrepreneurs who have launched and are managing successful business enterprises in Southern and Eastern Kentucky.

Nominations will be accepted through June 4 in five business award categories, including a new award category that recognizes the accomplishments of young entrepreneurs.

For the first time this year, EIEA will honor the work of young entrepreneurs (25 years of age and younger) who are currently operating successful businesses in the region.

The new business awards category was announced earlier this year by EIEA program sponsors. "It recognizes the energy and creativity of the region's youngest business leaders and entrepreneurs."

"The Excellence in Entrepreneurship Awards (EIEA) program's purpose is to raise the awareness of the contributions of high achieving entrepreneurs," Stephen Taylor, EIEA committee chairman and development director for Kentucky Highlands Investment Corporation, said. "And now with the addition of the Young Entrepreneurs category, motivated people under the age of 25 have a category in which to compete."

The top three finalists in each of the five EIEA business categories will be recognized and the winners announced on Sept. 10 at the 2012 EIEA Awards luncheon hosted at The Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

Nominations will be accepted in the following EIEA categories: Business (in existence five or more years with greater than 25 employees) Small Business (in existence five or more years with 25 or less employees) Start-Up (in existence less than five years) Not-for-Profit Entity (in existence at least six months) Young Entrepreneur (for businesspeople who are 25 years of age and younger)

"Southeastern Kentucky has about 40,000 microenterprises, businesses with five or fewer employees," Taylor said. "Like these small businesses, the entrepreneurs leading many of the region's enterprises started in their garages, a basement or a spare room to become economic engines."

Nominees are judged on the economic success of the enterprise, contributions to the community, job creation, and operational achievement as measured by innovative business practices, superior safety achievement, and superior technology.

The EIEA program, sponsored by Eastern Kentucky University's (EKU) College of Business and Technology, Kentucky Highlands Investment Corporation, The Center for Rural Development, and its newest partner, Southeast Kentucky Economic Development Corporation (SKED), honors business leaders and entrepreneurs who exemplify America's spirit of entrepreneurship.

For more information

on the EIEA program or to download a copy of the EIEA nomination form, visit <http://crdevus/2012EIEA>.

Interested persons may also contact The Center for Rural Development at 606-677-6000, visit The Center's website at www.centertech.com, or call EKU's College of Business and Technology at 859-622-2334 or via email cbt.eia@eku.edu.

Nominations may be submitted by any individual or business within the EIEA's 55-county service area on or before June 4. Those counties include: Adair, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Boyle, Breathitt, Carter, Casey, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Edmonson, Elliott, Estill, Fleming, Floyd, Garrard, Green, Greer, Harlan, Hart, Jackson, Jessamine, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Lincoln, McCreary, Madison, Magoffin, Martin, Menifee, Metcalf, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Powell, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, Whitley, or Wolfe

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SPORTS



Reynolds wins at 'Dega; Blackburn finishes fifth

Times Staff Report

TALLADEGA, Ala. - Brandon McReynolds passed Matt Lofton on the final lap at Talladega Superspeedway this evening to win the International Motorsports Hall of Fame 250, his first ARCA Racing Series presented by Menards win in seven career starts.

NASCAR Sprint Cup Series veteran Lorin Ranier, a longtime friend, served as spotter for Steve Blackburn in the Prestonsburg driver's second straight

race in the ARCA Series. McReynolds, a 20-year-old Turner Motorsports driver, ran out of fuel and lost the lead on the final lap at Daytona International Speedway two months ago. McReynolds' (No. 32 Turner Motorsports/Win-Tron Racing Chevrolet) drive to Talladega's Victory Lane came 20 years and one day after Davey Allison's NASCAR Sprint Cup Series win at the track - an effort led by crew chief Larry McReynolds, Brandon's father.

Lofton led from the green flag, having accepted the first position by virtue of leading the 2011 owner points when Menards Pole Qualifying presented by Ansell

was rained out Thursday. Lofton kept the lead, even as Frank Kimmel (No. 44 Ansell/Menards Toyota) improved one position from the third starting spot. The two led a breakaway fluctuating between eight to 10 cars over the first 10 laps, with Lofton holding just more than a 0.1-second advantage the entire time.

Talladega's classic "big one" came early, when Steve Blackburn spun after contact and started on an 11-car incident on the front stretch, causing a red flag for 17 minutes and 43 seconds. Notable drivers eliminated early were Daytona winner and runner-up Bobby Gerhart and Drew Charner, respectively, Salem winner Alex



Bowman, Joey Coulter and Milka Duno. Lofton led the field to the green flag to start Lap 17, but

Roger Carter smacked the wall to bring another caution at Lap 20. Kimmel was one of several See REYNOLDS | B2

Rebels drop home game to Hazard

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN - Visiting Hazard pulled out a hard-fought win over Allen Central on Thursday, defeating the Rebels 8-7 in a late-regular-season matchup for both prep baseball teams.

Hazard, a championship contender in the 14th Region, won its third straight game, improving to 19-11.

Allen Central dropped its third straight game, slipping to 10-11.

Hazard pushed across eight runs on 11 hits. The Bulldogs overcame three errors en route to the win.

Allen Central pitcher Steve Blackburn struck out Cole Radliff paced Hazard with three hits.

Even Whitaker and Jordan Olinger delivered two RBI each for the Bulldogs.

On the mound, Griffin Wells pitched 5.1 innings for the Bulldogs. The winning pitcher, Wells threw 18 first-pitch strikes, registering six strikeouts during his outing.

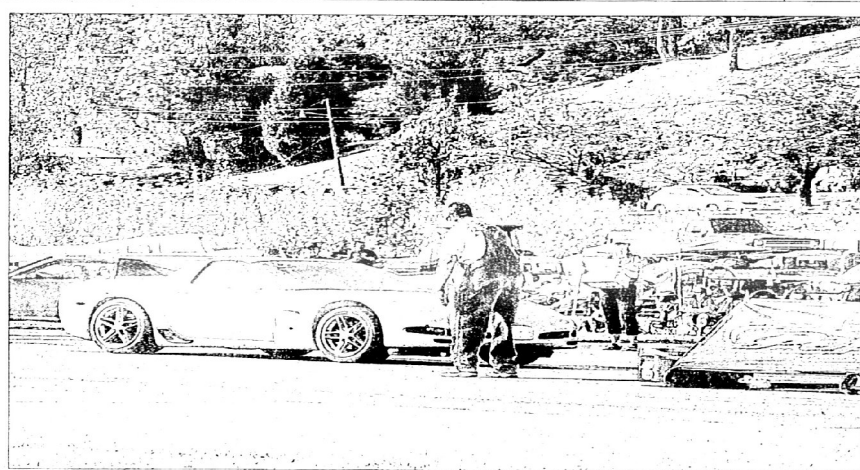
Hazard struck first, scoring twice in the top half of the opening inning. The Bulldogs maintained the two-run advantage until the third inning when host Allen Central erupted for three runs.

Hazard, however, answered. The Bulldogs scored five runs in the top half of the fourth inning and never trailed again.

Tyler Cole and Gage Parsons paced the Allen Central offense with two hits apiece.

Allen Central pitcher Dillon Lawson was stuck with the loss.

The Rebels scored seven runs via 10 hits. Defensively, Allen Central committed two errors.



The second edition of the Arm Drop Drags attracted over 10,000 to Combs Airport.

photo by Ryan Hall

Arm Drop Nation turns out for second event

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HAGER HILL - Drag racers didn't let it rain on their parade over the weekend. The second edition of the Arm Drop Drags Presented by Pop's Chevrolet concluded Saturday night at Combs Airport. In two days, over 10,000 attended the Eastern Kentucky drag racing event.

The Arm Drop Drags continues to grow. Thousands of drag racing fans are already looking forward to another local event at the once dormant property.

"We're on a learning curve," Arm Drop Drags official Kent Rose commented. "We learned a lot of things this weekend that will help us make it a better event for spectators and drivers."

"The Arm Drop Nation is getting

stronger everyday.

"The Arm Drop Nation is everywhere," Rose said. "It's amazing to go out now and see all of the people who are wearing Arm Drop T-shirts. They're proud and we are too. We are Arm Drop Nation."

Rose estimated that between 3,500-4,500 attended the Arm Drop Drags on Friday. The drag racing veteran said another 6,500-7,500 turned out for the event Saturday.

"Considering the rain, attendance was outstanding," Rose added. "Now, we're concentrating on getting the place cleaned up."

The event was called late Saturday night after heavy fog rolled in at Combs Airport. Drivers were in agreement to call the event for safety reasons.

The latest Arm Drop Drags featured multiple improvements from

the inaugural event, including barriers, fencing, lighting and additional parking (700 parking spots).

Rose said he hopes to have between 1,400-1,600 parking spots available for the next event.

The Arm Drop Drags attracted numerous big names from the drag racing world, including Jeff Lutz, Patrick Barnhill and Floyd Coutant Willard Kinzer.

What's next for the Arm Drop Drags?

"We're in the planning stages for an event July 4," Rose confided. "Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin and Paintsville Tourism are both excited and want to make it happen."

Another full-scale edition of the Arm Drop Drags is in the works for September.

Horsepower has a new home and its in the hills of Eastern Kentucky.

Thomas holds off Knowles, Kinzer for SAS feature win

Times Staff Report

EASTABOGA, Ala. — William Thomas seems to like the Talladega Short Track. Thomas, a 24-year-old from Phenix City, Ala., held off several challenges from Tyrone, Ga.-based driver Jake Knowles to capture his second-career Southern All Stars Dirt Racing Series event win at the Talladega Short Track on NASCAR weekend. Thomas also became the third straight different winner during the first three scheduled events.

Allen native Brandon Kinzer fin-

ished third in the SAS-sanctioned race.

Thomas led all 50 laps of the main event while driving the J.W. Miller Land & Timber, Austin-Trucking, Hoosier Racing Tire and Nevlin Farms-sponsored, Vinson-powered Barry Wright Race Car. Thomas' only other Southern All Stars Dirt Racing Series victory came less than a year ago on July 30, 2011 during the SAS' annual Michael Head Jr. Memorial race.

Thomas and Kinzer brought the field of 25 to life. An upstart driver, Thomas jumped to the point early. A spin in turn two

on lap four brought out the first of only two yellow flags as Doug King and Chad Winkles both spun, sending each driver to the tail on the double-file restart. On the 21st lap, Dylan Ames spun, bringing out the final yellow flag of the race. By the halfway point, Jake Knowles began to creep up on Thomas as they worked the lapped traffic and stuck his nose underneath Thomas several times, eventually switching to the high line. The dirt Late Model driver, however, couldn't make it stick for the lead. With only 10 laps remaining, Thomas, Knowles and

Kinzer were all vying for the lead. Thomas worked lapped traffic and to his advantage held off Knowles and Kinzer for the win.

Three previous series champions representing six years of championships were on hand for the 30th Anniversary visit to Talladega, including Ronnie Johnson (1985, 1987, 1988); James Cline (1990) and Randy Weaver (2009, 2010).

The Southern All Stars Dirt Racing Series will be back in action on Saturday, May 12 with the 35th Annual Tennessee Memorial event, which pays \$3,500 to win/\$300 to start.

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Prestonsburg head coach James DeRossett guided the Blackcats to a district championship. He will hold his basketball camp next week.

James DeRossett Blackcat Basketball Camp set for next week

Times Staff Report

PRESTONSBURG - The 2012 James DeRossett Blackcat Basketball Camp will be held May 14-18 from 8 a.m.-Noon at Adams Middle School. The camp is being held at Adams Middle School due to the

Prestonsburg High School Gymnasium being renovated. The camp is for boys and girls ages 7 and up and will focus on fundamentals. It will also feature individual and team drills. Daily competitions during the camp will include Hot Shot, Free Throw, 1-on-1 and 3-on-3.

Cost of the camp is \$60 per child. Each camper will receive a T-shirt and awards will be given out for competitions. Members of the Blackcat basketball team will be on hand to provide individual instruction. Registration will be held on Monday at 7:30 a.m.



Kentucky Wildcat Eloy Vargas

UK Wildcat Vargas to hold camp in P'burg on Tuesday

Times Staff Report

PRESTONSBURG - A member of the University of Kentucky's 2012 National Championship team will be in Prestonsburg next week, conducting a one-day camp. University of Kentucky Wildcat and National Champion Eloy Vargas will conduct one of five area youth basketball camps in Floyd County. Vargas, who helped the University of Kentucky men's basketball program capture its eighth national championship earlier in the month, will hold five camps in as many days May 14-18. The Nation of Blue Championship Camp featuring Eloy Vargas will be held at Prestonsburg Elementary School from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15.

The Wildcat-led fundamental basketball camp is for boys and girls ages 5-15. Cost of the camp is \$70 per participant. Each camper will also need to bring an additional \$5 for lunch, which will be held from Noon-1 p.m. Camp participants will have an opportunity to interact with the national champion throughout the camp. Fundamentals will be covered. Competitions will include Free Throw, 5-on-5 and 1-on-1 vs. Eloy Vargas. Each participant will receive a camp T-shirt. The camp will also include Wildcat merchandise giveaways. Camp registration forms are available at area schools and businesses. Pre-registration for the camp is encouraged. Checks or money orders for the camp should be made payable to Nation of Blue. For more information on the camp, call 606-339-5948 or email nobcamp@nationofblue.com.

Reynolds

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drivers to pit for fuel, closing Lap 21 with a visit to his crew from the second

position. Just before the Lap 28 green flag, Kimmel drove to pit road again to top off his tank, and re-

entered the race 22nd. An eight-car pack broke away by about five seconds over the next 10 laps, with

Lofton leading Brandon Davis, Hackenbricht, Chris Buescher, McReynolds, Kevin Swindell, Blackburn and Ryan Reed. The eight cars ran approximately 1.4 seconds apart, with the ninth-place driver about six seconds off of the lead.

A Lap 52 yellow flag for debris on the race track sent the leaders to pit road to close Lap 53, with Lofton surrendering the first position for the first time all day. Hackenbricht won the race off of pit road, just edging Lofton and McReynolds. McReynolds had originally lined up second, with Corr and Lofton following him, but review showed that Lofton had earned the second position out of the pits.

Nonetheless, Corr had improved substantially into the fourth position, with Davis and Blackburn filling out the top six. Kimmel, having not pitted, improved to seventh with nephew Will Kimmel eighth for the Lap 57 restart.

Reed, having just experienced trouble moving out of his pit stall to lose numerous positions, spun in Turn 4 quickly after the green flag, forcing another caution period. Mikey Kile spun after contact from Larry Barford Jr., and John

Ferrier crashed into the backstretch wall soon after the next restart, but the field got away clean after the Lap 69 green flag.

Hackenbricht, Lofton, McReynolds and Corr continued to lead, with Hackenbricht's advantage over Lofton mirroring Lofton's earlier in the race - about 0.1 second. The single-file train continued to hug the yellow line, as 13 cars ran within 1.628 seconds at Lap 71.

Mike Afarano crashed on Lap 75, rolling several times down the frontstretch before having to be rolled over by Talladega Super-speedway and ARCA safety crews. He walked to a nearby ambulance. Meanwhile, the field continued to drive under the yellow flag, having been forced to drive down pit road each time around.

The green flag flew at Lap 85, with Hackenbricht getting a good jump away from Lofton and McReynolds. An 11-car break formed, but Brett Hudson lost his hood as it flew off of his car and just over Chris Buescher, who drove behind him near the back of the top 20. The caution flag flew again, setting up a final dash to the finish.

Hackenbricht continued to lead out of the Lap 91 restart, but Lofton looked to the outside in Turn 1, a piece of foreshadowing in a race otherwise dominated by driving on the bottom line. McReynolds and Corr started to follow him on the outside line, but Corr was eventually shuffled away. Lofton took the lead and McReynolds followed for second. Tom Hessert moved into fourth.

Lofton took the white flag with a 0.094-second lead, but McReynolds and Hackenbricht held back to create a run. Hackenbricht started to push McReynolds on the outside, giving McReynolds just enough to pass Lofton. Light contact at the finish could not deter McReynolds, as he held a 0.195-second advantage at the start/finish line and, more importantly, an invitation to Victory Lane.

Hessert finished fourth with Blackburn occupying the fifth-place spot. Will Kimmel, Frank Kimmel, Brennan Poole, Davis, and Corr completed the top 10. Six caution periods slowed the race for 38 laps. The race finished in two hours, 11 minutes, and 19 seconds, at an average speed of 114.246 mph.

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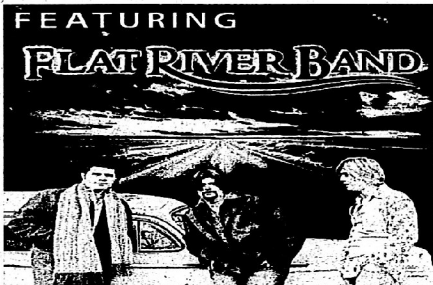


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Handshoe, Prater being considered for Top 100 Players list

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON - Allen Central High School baseball standouts Brian Handshoe and Jake Prater are among those in consideration for the iHigh Top 100 players list. Surprisingly, 15th Region All "A" Classic champion Prestonsburg doesn't have any players ranked or listed.

Just over two weeks remain in the Kentucky high school baseball season.

The current iHigh Top 100 Players and a list of others in consideration for the rankings follows.

The iHigh Top 100 Players: 1. Will Hurt, Lexington Catholic; 2. Walker Buehler, Henry Clay; 3. Michael Bollmer, Bryan Station; 4. Zach Arnold, Franklin County; 5. Chase Mullins, Bourbon County; 6. Ryne Combs, Bryan Station; 7. Zach Storm, North Laurel; 8. Jonah Phillee, Eastern; 9. Dylan Dwyer, Calloway County; 10. Zach Haynes, Lexington Catholic; 11. Jordan Simmons, South Oldham; 12. Rob Caudill, Danville; 13. Robert Strader, Eastern; 14. Andrew Lasure, Danville; 15. Bo Wilson, Meade County; 16. Mark Downs, Kyle; 17. Anderson Miller, Lafayette; 18. Trace Vorbeck Corbin; 19. Matthew Johnson Apollo; 20. Trey Salisbury, Boyd

County; 21. Josh Bartley, South Warren; 22. Alex Mercer, St. Xavier; 23. Doug Tegarden, Boone County; 24. Will Warman, Scott County; 25. Dalton West, Apollo; 26. Levi Clarkson, Kyle; 27. Cody Maerz, Jeffersontown; 28. Tyler Jackson, Lexington Catholic; 29. Trevor Lowe, Warren Central; 30. Chris LaPorte, Bryan Station; 31. Blake Ojler, Male; 32. Jordan Martin, Harrison County; 33. Dylan Creech, Wolfe County; 34. Parker Cash, Glasgow; 35. Cole Metcalfe, Madison Central; 36. Troy Squires, Central Hardin; 37. Hunter Best, Russell County; 38. Sam Hunter, Ashland Blazer; 39. Derick Broack, Bowling Green; 40. Michael Davis, Eastern; 41. Chance Hamilton, Hancock County; 42. Drew Harrington, Central Hardin; 43. Alex Sears, South Laurel; 44. Tyler Ward, West Jessamine; 45. Storm Wilson, Somerset; 46. Hunter Green, Warren East; 47. Hunter Hill, Harrison County; 48. Ben Maile, Covington Catholic; 49. Jackson Sowell, Bowling Green; 50. Andrew Bramley, PRP.

Others in Consideration: Trent Abner, South Laurel; Austin Adams, Murray; Seth Adams, Knott County Central; Kyle Adkins, East Ridge; Blaine Alvey, Union County; Joseph Anthony, Grayson County; Chase Armstrong, Henry

Clay; Isajah Armstrong, Moore; Alec Bahnick, Owensboro Catholic; Logan Bailey, Collins; Ryan Barrass, Western Hills; Zach Bartley, Morgan County; Jared Barton, Williamsburg; Blake Beamer, Butler; Rhodes Bell, Danville; J.R. Bell, Southern; Josh Berger, Simon Kenton; Trevor Bezold, Bishop Brossart; Donnie Bowlin, Williamsburg; Ray Brewer, Sayre; Kambron Bruner, Shelby County; Tyler Burns Deming; Marcus Carson, North Laurel; Dustin Cartas, Logan County; Chris Cervantes, Collins; Justin Cessna, Henderson County; Nathan Clemons, Grayson County; Nate Clifton, Collins; Dexter Cline, Greenwood; Jack Coleman, Lone Oak; Tyler Conley, Morgan County; Corey Corum, Clay County; Dustin Cottrell, Walton-Verona; Tyler Coulter, Washington County; Ryan Cox, Washburn County; A.J. Crush, Oldham County; Sean Dagleford, Trinity; Ethan Daniel, Lawrence County; Jordan Earlywine, Deming; Heath Ehrsam, Somerset; Thomas Epperson, Middlesboro; Wes Evers, Crittenden County; Ethan Eversole, North Laurel; Zach Fardo, Bishop Brossart; Eli Florer Bracken County; Kyle Fuller, Covington Holy Cross; Sam Goode, Lone Oak; Dale Gunn, John Hardin; Nathan Hackel, Graves County; Dorian Hairston, Tates Creek; El-

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Boone bowler signs with Pikeville women's program

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE - A Northern Kentucky product who had success playing five different sports in high school will bowl for the University of Pikeville.

Sheila Nicole Howe, who will graduate next week from Boone County High School, signed a scholarship agreement with UPKE.

Howe, who has played basketball, softball, volleyball and ran Cross Country in addition to bowling, finished 10th in the state tournament and is a Teen Master's qualifier. She averaged 169 as a senior at Boone County and 174 in her public league.

"Nicole will bring a lot to our program at the University of Pikeville," said Coach Ron Dameron, who recently won his third national championship and was named coach of the year for the third time as well. "She is a real competitor who has a desire to improve every time she goes to the bowling cen-



Boone High School senior Sheila Nicole Howe signed with the University of Pikeville women's bowling program recently.

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National Champions honored with Chrisman awards

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE — The department of athletics at the University of Pikeville handed out its most prestigious awards on Sunday at its season-ending banquet to a pair of national championship athletes.

Bowler Kim Yioulos and basketball player Justin Hicks were the recipients of the days' only awards, as Gov. Paul E. Patton presented the Charles B. Chrisman Athletics Leadership Awards.

The Chrisman Award was established in 2007 by his family. The award is presented in his memory and honors his life. The award is presented annually to a graduating male and female student-athlete who exemplify the love of sport, love of the university, and a love for the community. A monetary award is also included.

A longtime trustee of Pikeville College, Mr. Chrisman was the epitome of a servant leader. He was known for his tremendous faith and dedication to church, family and the college he and his grandmother attended. An advocate for students, he was generous with his time and treasure and believed in the power of education to change lives.

Mike Gottfried, who spent 12

successful seasons as a head college football coach and is known as one of television's most respected game analysts, was the speaker. Since 1990, he's served as an ESPN college football analyst for ESPN's Saturday Prime-time telecasts.

During his four years at Pittsburgh, Gottfried compiled a record of 26-17-2, including two wins each over Notre Dame, Penn State and West Virginia. His total coaching record as a college head football coach is 77-54-6.

Gottfried spoke to the crowd about the impact growing up without a father had on his life after his passing when he was only 12 years old. That led to his founding of Team Focus, a comprehensive mentoring program for fatherless boys and young men.

Gottfried embraced the inspirational verse found in Jeremiah 29:11, which was shared with him by a teacher as he dealt with the loss. The verse says, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Yioulos was named first-team All-American by the National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association and was named runner-up for National Bowler of the Year by the bowling writers, its equivalent of first-team All-American.



National Champions Justin Hicks (basketball) and Kim Yioulos (bowling) were presented the Charles B. Chrisman Athletics Leadership Awards during the UPike's annual banquet.

It is the third consecutive season she has been honored by both organizations.

Yioulos, the two-time NAIA Bowler of the Year, is a senior from Rochester, N.Y. She competed in 10 tournaments this season and was the individual champion in three of them. She was the only NAIA bowler to win three tournaments this year and one of only three in the country to do so.

Hicks was a three-time all-conference player for the Bears who, in the national championship game, got his team off to a quick start by hitting three consecutive three-point shots to account for the first nine points of the game. The Hazard native scored 21 points as the Bears beat Mountain State University 83-76 in overtime that night.

A four-year starter, Hicks

scored 1,571 points in his career. Only 10 players in the history of the program have scored more.

The school recognized an extensive list of All-Americans and all-conference players as well as dozens of academic honorees, as well as the women's bowling team, which captured its third national championship in Indianapolis on April 1.

Predators' big push falls short in Western semis

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Nashville Predators can console themselves knowing they aggressively moved in an all-out effort to win the Stanley Cup. Now they will spend the offseason finding out just how costly those decisions will be after coming up short in the Western Conference semifinals for a second straight year.

The Predators lost 2-1 to Phoenix on Monday night and dropped the semifinals in five games — a game less than a year ago when they lost to eventual Western champ Vancouver.

"We had high expectations as an organization, but we didn't get it done," coach Barry Trotz said after the loss. "The teams that made the playoffs in the West, everyone had a legitimate chance to represent the West and win the cup. There are no poor hockey teams this year. That is parity. That is the NHL."

The Predators showed their commitment to winning by sending a second-round pick in June's draft and young forward Blake Geoffroy to Montreal in February for defenseman

Hal Gill, and they followed that at the trade deadline by sending this year's first-round pick to Buffalo for center Paul Gaustad.

The moves helped a roster that started the season as the NHL's youngest roster and a group that remained the league's second-youngest coming out of the All-Star break. Nashville also welcomed back wayward forward Alexander Radulov in March, four years after he bolted back home to Russia to the Kontinental Hockey League.

All the trades resulted in Nashville finishing with 104 points, the third-highest in franchise history. The Predators grabbed the No. 4 seed and finished ahead of Detroit in the final standings. They also beat the Red Wings in the playoffs all for the first time, which made the quick loss to the Coyotes that much more stinging.

"It is tough to swallow," said goalie Pekka Rinne, a two-time Vezina Trophy finalist. "When you lose a series, it goes by so fast. It is over even before you realize it. It is hard to realize right now. We played a lot

of good hockey this year, and now it is done."

The Predators thought the path to the cup was wide open, with Detroit, Chicago, Vancouver and San Jose all gone. Those teams all had ousted Nashville in the postseason.

Instead, the NHL's best power-play unit in the regular season fizzled in the postseason. They went 0 of 23 on home ice, and they never could solve Phoenix goalie Mike Smith or the Coyotes, who simply beat the Predators at the defensive, grinding style they've used since hitting the ice in 1998.

"We're past the expansion stage, we're past that, and you've got to go through these hard lessons sometimes," Trotz said.

"Chemistry is a delicate thing. As I say, sometimes you can add skill or talent and all that. Does it come together at the right time? Or does it not come together at the right time? You can be a chemistry professor all you want, but you're dealing with human beings and the human factor on both sides."

Now the Predators have

tough decisions ahead. The roster features seven restricted free agents including Weber, who played on a \$7.5 million arbitrator's award this season, and defenseman Ryan Suter is among eight unrestricted players.

The only regulars under contract include Martin Erat, Mike Fisher, Patric Hornqvist and Rinne, who signed a seven-year, \$49 million contract in November. The head of the ownership group said the team has the money to re-sign captain Shea Weber and Suter. The Predators will have a chance to hold

onto Weber for another season but have not been able to sign Suter to a new deal yet.

Suter said after the loss that he had not thought about the offseason yet or whether he would be back next season with the team that drafted him in 2003.

"The group of guys we had here is a great group of guys," Suter said. "It's too bad we couldn't do anything with it. It's very disappointing."

Trotz has been heavily criticized since scratching Radulov and Kostitsyn for Game 4, a 1-0 loss to Phoenix, and extending their

punishment of a one-game suspension for team rules with a recent curfew violation re: Game 2 in Arizona. He refused to second-guess the decision.

Whether the late roster moves or the punishment of Radulov and Kostitsyn affected chemistry has been another big question. Weber said he thought they had a great group in the locker room, just as good as the past.

"We didn't accomplish what we thought we could have, and it is due in part to a great team here in Phoenix," Weber said.

Bowler

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ter. She will be a tremendous addition to our program."

Howe won the Northern Kentucky Invitational Tournament and placed fourth in the 2012 regional tournament. She finished third in the 2012 Kentucky State USBC Junior Gold qualifier and was fourth in the 2012 Pepsi Sectionals.

A two-year captain where she was the anchor bowler, Howe is a member of the student council, the National Honor Society, the Senior Board and the Women of Boone.

In addition to her bowling scholarship, she will bring with her the WBA Greater Cincinnati Scholarship and scholarship from the Northern Kentucky Bowling Foundation.

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Parcel No.: 095-10-19-004.00

Tract I: A certain tract or parcel of land situated at Pin Hook Creek, Floyd County, Kentucky, and being bounded and described, more particularly as follows:
Beginning at corner between Burnice Howard and Charlie T. Stator line, thence North 15 ft. to a stone; thence West along the Orson Southin line; thence 15ft. South to Joe Osborne line; thence East 130 ft. to a stone and beginning

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RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 12th day of January, 2012 in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$235,951.06 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 17th day of May, 2012 at 9:45 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:

That was conveyed on June 10, 2005, in which event the Paul Clark Combs and Shirley W. Combs, his wife, to Buck Darin Combs, single, by deed recorded in Deed Book 214, Page 20, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office as described in the following description:
A tract of land near Banner, Floyd County, Kentucky and more particularly described as follows, being a portion of the conveyed to Paul and Shirley Combs in Deed Book 432 at Page 245 and a distance of 86 miles northeast of the intersection of Daniels Creek Road and U.S. 23 on Hurricane Branch;
Unless stated otherwise, any monument referred to herein as an "iron" shall be a set of iron rods or an eighteen (18) inches in length with a bright yellow plastic cap.
U.S.E. 2735-2652". All bearings stated herein are referred to Windy Brook II Subdivision.
Beginning an iron in set on to of the ont a corner to the lands of Daniels Creek Develo ment (DB 269, P. 40) and Shirley Combs (DB 432, P. 438), witnessed by Paul and Shirley Combs (DB 432, P. 438), witnessed by a nail in the root of a 15' chestnut oak bearing N 82°00'30" W a distance of 26.37' and a nail in the root of a 21' white oak bearing N 75°45'00" W a distance of 42.78'; Thence severing the lands of Paul and Shirley Combs (DB 432, P. 438) S 35°08'19" W a distance of 217.65' to a tack in a hub on

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PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY COURT DIVISION II C.A. NO. 09-CI-415

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CITIFINANCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC. F/K/A ASSOCIATES HOME EQUITY SERVICES, INC. PLAINTIFF VS. SABRENA STEPP CACH, LLC COUNTY OF FLOYD DEFENDANTS

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Special Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 16th day of September, 2009, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$158,135.40, together with interest, costs and fees, 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 bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 17th day of May, 2012 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 115 COPPERAS LICK BRANCH, PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653.

BEING LOT NOS. 812, OF THE COPPERAS LICK ESTATES, PRESTONSBURG, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO SABRENA STEPP AND NORMA STEPP FROM CHARLES E. BRANHAM AND SHARON NEELEY-BRANHAM, HIS WIFE, BY DEED DATED FEBRUARY 4, 1998, AND FILED FOR RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 1998 IN DEED BOOK 424, PAGE 346 IN THE OFFICE OF THE FLOYD COUNTY CLERK.

NORMA STEPP IS NOW DECEASED, UPON HER DEATH, ALL RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST BEING VESTED TO SABRENA STEPP.

TERMS OF SALE:

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 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 thereon. 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 surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year's property taxes 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.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd 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 G. Francis, Special Master Commissioner

PUBLIC NOTICE

LGEA & CRA HEARINGS

FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The meeting, called by Floyd County Judge Executive Robert D. Marshall, shall take place at 10:00 a.m. on May 18th, 2012 on the second floor Courtroom of the Floyd County Courthouse located at 144 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY

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PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 10-CI-00960

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., successor by merger to CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. NATHAN BARTLEY AMANDA BARTLEY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 14TH day of March, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$104,443.47 with interest thereon; 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 10th day of May, 2012 at 9:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Address of Property: 613 Store Hollow Road, Betsy Layne, KY 41605

Beginning at a drilled water well near a 25-foot road, and running up the hill a distance of 118 feet to a sweat gum tree; thence running Around the hill 242 feet to an iron pin; thence from iron pin running downhill along with the fence 170 feet to the center of a 25-foot road; thence running with the center of said road 185 feet to point opposite the well and to the beginning, and containing one acre, more or less, and one four cornered house; and

Being the same property conveyed to Nathan Bartley and Amanda Bartley, husband and wife, by Deed dated April 28, 2008, by Deed recorded on May 1, 2008 in Deed Book 548, Page 721 of the Clerk's Records in Floyd County, Kentucky.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 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 thereon. 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.

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. SCOTTY WILLIAMS AND KIMBERLY WILLIAMS DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 19th day of March, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$187,722.23 with interest thereon; 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 10th day of May, 2012 at 10:15 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Address of Property: 8 Holbrook Drive, Banner, KY 41603

Situated in Floyd County, Kentucky, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying in 11 Floyd County, Kentucky on Daniels Creek, a tributary of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River and being more particularly described as follows:

Being Lot No. 2 of the Windy Brooks Subdivision as shown on map dated May 2, 1995, of record in Map Files No. 901, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed to Scott Williams from Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee in Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of April 1, 2005 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-WHO2, on February 23, 2009 and recorded on in Deed Book 555, Page 517 of the records of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 10-CI-1246

PILGRIM ENERGY, INC. PLAINTIFF VS. DELORES KIRK, ET AL NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 13th day of March, 2012, in the above cause, in the amount of \$416.35, being Pilgrim's acquisition cost of the 2004 tax made of this suit; 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 10th day of May, 2012 at 9:15 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

All of Defendants' interest, including, but not limited to, 3.33333% percent royalty interest in the undivided oil and natural gas underlying

TRACT 1 A certain parcel or tract of land situated on the waters of left bank of Fossil Creek, a tributary of Big Sandy River lying and being in the County of Floyd, State of Kentucky and bounded as follows:

Commencing on a white walnut at a Lick spring thence with Samuel Walters line a west course to the top of the I-41 thence with Green Creek line running with Jack Moore line running a west course to Bill Shepherd's line running with the ridge south to James Aliens line East with James Aliens line East with Sally Stephens line East to a sugar pine opposite the line of Pitts Fork across middle creek of Pitts Fork with the lands of Sol Allen to the mouth of a small stream upon the stream a cross fence on the point running with the fence to a rock thence with Henry Hale's line back to middle creek down middle to the Beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to George W. Ratliff and Amy Ratliff, his wife, to Adam Prater and Prater's Estate, by deed dated December 28, 1965, at Deed Book 14, Page 460, of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

For divination of title see the following documents: Affidavit of Descent of Adam Prater dated January 30, 1986, at Deed Book 298, Page 159, Affidavit of Descent of Adam Prater, dated February 16, 1999, at Deed Book 430, Page 609, all of which are recorded in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 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 thereon. 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.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 10-CI-1269

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. PLAINTIFF VS. STEVEN DAVID VARNEY CANDY VARNEY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 13TH day of March, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$91,718.14 with interest thereon; 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 10th day of May, 2012 at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Address of Property: 18 Shadow Cat Alley, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Beginning on a stake on the center of a concrete culvert in edge of highway witnessed by an X on an edge of pavement bearing N 12 57 E 19 80 feet to X, also a corner to Lot No. 3, thence running with line of Lot 3 down the Leslie Branch S 7 W 137 feet to a stake in the top of branch S 31 30 W 40 feet to a stake on the right side of the branch S 10 27 E 200 feet to a stake on right bank of branch S 41 46 W 112.80 feet to a stake on right side of branch S 24 36 E 50 feet to a stake at mouth of branch and edge of river; thence leaving the line of Lot No. 7 and running up the river to a stake, a corner to the lot conveyed to Wm. T. Leslie by D. B. Leslie, Jr. thence leaving the stake and up the river bank and across the bottom with the line of Wm. T. Leslie's stake near the edge of the state highway; thence down and along the State Highway to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Steven David Varney and Candy Varney, husband and wife, from John Brunley Wright, et al, by deed dated September 14, 2007 and recorded on September 27, 2007, in Deed Book 539, Page 365, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 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 thereon. 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 surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year's property taxes 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.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd 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.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 11-CI-572

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO FIRSTSTAR BANK, N.A. PLAINTIFF VS. GAYLORD G. MARTIN, ET AL DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of an In Rem Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 2nd day of March, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$28,013.91 with interest thereon; 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 10th day of May, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Address of Property: 2103 Turkey Creek Road, Langley, KY 41645

That certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being on the waters of Turkey Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, and is part of Tract No. 5 of The Jack Webb Farm, which is described as follows:

BEGINNING at a stake at the top of the ridge between Turkey Creek and Hayes Branch of Turkey Creek at the North end of Chalmers R. Martin property. Following southeast down the point along the property line of Chalmers R. Martin to a stake at the property line of Thomas E. Martin on the east side of the highway #777, then turning NE along highway #777 to a stake dividing the line of Thomas E. Martin and Glemma Gay Martin Moore, thence following along the line of Glemma Gay Martin Moore to a stake; thence across the west side of Turkey Creek to a stake on the west side of the highway; thence across the bottom and across Rt. #777 to a stake on the west side of Highway #777 up the hill to a stake near a White Oak Tree; thence to a stake near a White Oak Tree joining the property line of Clem Martin; thence following along the line of Clem Martin to the top of the ridge turning south to the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Gaylord G. Martin and Glemma Martin on October 10, 2012 in 10/10/2012, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky.

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 thereon. 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 surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year's property taxes 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.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD COUNTY COURT
DIVISION NO. II
C.A. NO. 11-CI-604

U.S. BANK, NA (Successor by Merger to Firstar Bank, NA, f/k/a Star Bank, NA, Successor by Merger to Trans Financial Bank, NA, f/k/a Trans Financial Mortgage Company, Successor by Merger to The Citizens Bank of Pikeville)
PLAINTIFF

vs.

BRADLEY J. MOORE, ANY UNKNOWN OR UNASCERTAINABLE SPOUSE OF BRADLEY J. MOORE, MICHAEL MCCRAY and ANY UNKNOWN OR UNASCERTAINABLE SPOUSE

MICHAEL MCCRAY
DEFENDANTS

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 18th day of January, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$20,860.04, 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 17th day of May, 2012, at 9:15 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit: Property Address: 29 Lower Burton Road, Wheelwright, Floyd County, Kentucky

Lying and being in Burton Village Subdivision and being the surface and improvements of House Lot No. 46 as shown upon the plat of Burton Village Subdivision filed in the office of the Clerk of Floyd County Court on December 12, 1955, and filed in Box No. 3, Map No. 174 therein, to which reference is made. This conveyance is subject to the covenants heretofore granted and all rights reserved and restrictions, limitations, and obligations imposed in the instruments in first party's chain of title.

Being the same property conveyed to the mortgagors herein by deed dated October 29, 1990, as recorded per Deed Book 342, Page 17, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed to Bradley J. Moore, from Peggy Moore, by Quitclaim Deed pursuant to Floyd Circuit Court Civil Action 92-CI-476, dated April 1, 1998, as recorded April 25, 1994, in Deed Book 376, page 142, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

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 thereon. 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 surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year real estate taxes 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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notices

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Yankees' Fenwick Injury

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We often hear baseball pundits talk about the value of hitters being surrounded by other feared hitters in the lineup. It's easy to see the impact of not having protection behind hitters in the lineup. We learned the importance of that nearly a decade ago watching Barry Bonds walk 232 times in 2004, with 120 of those intentional. But what about the table-setters hitting in front of the big guys? A clear example is happening right before our eyes in Cleveland. Shortstop Zack Cozart is hitting .196 batting leadoff and .354 batting No. 2. Similarly, when center fielder Drew Stubbs bats leadoff, he's a palmy .107. But put him second in the order and his average jumps to .373. Stubbs also struggles in the seventh spot at .187. That's what you call the Joey Votto Effect. Votto is the Reds' No. 3 hitter, and his helps explain why Cincinnati has committed more than \$200 million to their first baseman.

The Orioles' Flying Start

The Orioles are out of the gate at a division-winning clip, capturing 10 of their first 28 games. That puts the O's on pace to win 110 games, a mark that hasn't been reached in the AL East since the Yankees won 114 in 1998. But hold your horses there Baltimore fans. The Orioles have done this before to only to be disappointed. That year the Birds were 19-9 and improved to 26-13 with a 3-5 game lead in late May. But by the end of the month they were first place and manager Lee Mazzilli was fired after a loss on Aug. 3 in Anaheim — their 16th setback in 18 games — leaving them with a record of 48-21. The team finished 74-88 and in fourth place, 18 games behind the Red Sox and Yankees.

Chippewes' Jones, Atlanta

The veteran third baseman made just four starts last week, but he chipped in with three hits in each of his last three games. His three-game barrage began with a walkoff home run to defeat the Phillies in a wild 15-13 win. He homered against the Rockies to break a 6-6 tie, then drove home five runs in the next game.

James McDonald, Pittsburgh

The Pirates are still struggling to score runs, and McDonald gave the team a huge lift last week with two wins over the Braves and Reds. He lowered his ERA to 2.70, but those are his only two wins of the season in 14 innings. He allowed 17 base runners and struck out 17.

Nick Castellanos, Detroit

Drafted in the first round out of Archbishop McCarthy High School in Southeast Ranches, Fla. in 2010, the rising star has been on the fast track to the majors. He played shortstop in high school, but was immediately moved to third base by the Tigers. After playing a full season at low-A West Michigan in 2010 where he drove in 76 runs with 36 doubles and hit .312 in 135 games, he was promoted to High A this season. His progress has not slowed at all. In his first 28 games at Lakeland, he hit .314 with two homers, 21 RBIs, 10 doubles and 15 runs. The Tigers are counting on him to be the third baseman of the future, which could come as early as 2013.

May 11, 1972

The San Francisco Giants traded Hall of Famer Willie Mays to the Mets for pitcher Charlie Williams and \$50,000. Another Hall of Famer was dealt 18 years later. The Yankees sent Dave Wadell to the California Angels for pitcher Mike Witt.

May 9, 1984

The great Tom Seaver, pitching for the Chicago White Sox at age 39, earned two wins in one day. The White Sox and Brewers completed a 25-inning marathon suspended from the night before, and Seaver pitched the final inning to earn the win. He threw 8.1 innings in the regularly scheduled game in Chicago's 5-4 win.



Matt Wieters

1. Dodgers: Lost seven of last 13.
2. Rangers: Lost five of seven and headed to Baltimore.
3. Rays: Rays-Orioles suddenly a huge series this weekend.
4. Braves: Freddie Freeman getting 11 done with ball and glove.
5. Cardinals: +62 run differential is best in baseball.
6. Yankees: Still in shock over losing Mariano Rivera.
7. Nationals: Natlitude alive and well in DC.
8. Orioles: Took five of six in New York and Boston.
9. Blue Jays: Need to gain ground at Oakland and Minnesota this week.
10. Indians: Won four of five with only loss in extra innings to Texas.
11. Tigers: Vaunted offense managed just 12 runs over last four games.
12. Reds: Mired within two games of .500 for past two weeks.
13. Diamondbacks: Need Paul Goldschmidt to unleash his power.
14. Phillies: Starting pitching will be good enough to keep them in hunt.
15. Giants: Leading run-producer Pablo Sandoval out for at least a month.
16. Mets: Frank Francisco has won or saved last four games.
17. Marlins: Giancarlo Stanton is beginning to heat up.
18. Brewers: Ryan Braun enjoyed three homer day at San Diego.
19. A's: Getting out and outscored, but still better than .500.
20. Angels: Pujols breaks through with homer, but hitting below .200.
21. Cubs: Skipper proving most of the offense.
22. Rockies: Swept by Atlanta as three different pitchers got saves.
23. Astros: Jose Altuve should be AL All-Star second baseman.
24. Red Sox: Baltimore's DH Chris Davis shut down hitters for two frames.
25. White Sox: Adam Dunn leads team with 23 RBIs.
26. Pirates: Batting .228 and averaging 2.8 runs per game.
27. Cubs: Baltimore's DH Chris Davis shut down hitters for two frames.
28. Royals: Haven't lost a series in two weeks.
29. Padres: Only National League team with single-digit wins.
30. Twins: Have won back-to-back games only once this season.

Mariano Rivera Vows to Come Back

Mariano Rivera vows that he will come back next season, telling reporters last week, "I am coming back," and to "write it down in big letters." **MARIANO RIVERA IS COMING BACK NEXT SEASON.** There, Mr. Obviously, does not want his career to end this way. But how else could we expect Rivera's career to end? We don't expect him to lose the effectiveness of his cutter. It doesn't appear that he will ever wear out by pitching. So how else

with his devastating cutter. But maybe he is too old to shag flies during BP. But Rivera responds to come back and has no regrets. "It's just going to happen, it's going to happen, something I love to do," explains Rivera. "And shagging I love to do. I'd do the same thing, without hesitation. The reasons why it happens, you have to take it as it is. You know, just have to fight."



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No.	Date	Opponent	Winning Pitcher
1	May 17, 1996	Angels	Andy Pettitte
10	June 11, 1999	at Marlins	Orlando Hernandez
200	Aug. 1, 2001	Rangers	Sterling Hitchcock
300	May 28, 2004	at Devil Rays	Javier Vazquez
400	July 16, 2009	White Sox	Chris Young
500	June 28, 2009	at Mets	Chen-Chang Wang
600	Sept. 13, 2011	at Mariners	A.J. Burnett
608	April 30, 2012	Orioles	Hiroki Kuroda

could baseball keep Rivera from answering the call to the bullpen? A knee injury while shagging flies during BP. Yeah, that's the only way to stop the Sawdustman, the best relief pitcher in the history of the game. Rivera may never be too old to pitch. He may never be too old to break bats

as the starting pitcher — that's right — starting pitcher for the Yankees of Anaheim against the Angels' Chuck Finley. His manager was Buck Showalter and his catcher was Mike Stanley, the Yankees' cleanup hitter that day. Rivera didn't last long. He struck out Tony Phillips swinging, then caught Jim Edmonds looking. After that, the Angels began to catch up to the Sawdustman. The future three-time MVP came up to bat on a three-run jack to Edmonds, then walked. Tim Lincecum on four straight and Showalter was out of the dugout with the hook. Bob Macdonald was summoned from the Yankees' bullpen but the damage was done. Joe Assante and Scott Bankhead followed Macdonald, but Finley was too good. "None of that," he said. "The next time I'm in the next whomever..." Very quietly, on May 23, 1995, Rivera took the mound as the starting pitcher — that's right — starting pitcher for the Yankees of Anaheim against the Angels' Chuck Finley. His manager was Buck Showalter and his catcher was Mike Stanley, the Yankees' cleanup hitter that day. Rivera didn't last long. He struck out Tony Phillips swinging, then caught

What they're saying about Mo...
"Rivera has shagged entire pro career. In Single-A in '91 his mgr Brian Butterfield watched, said, 'This guy's our best outfielder!'"
— *Report by Joe Sherman of the New York Post*
"I saw it all go down. It's hard even to talk about it tonight. I mean, Mo has meant so much to us on a personal level, and his significance on the field, on the mound. But the bottom line is we're the New York Yankees, and nobody is going to feel sorry for us."
— *New York Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez*
"You have freak injuries, and this is one of them. We had a guy carrying a box down the stairs that broke his foot. You can fall off a curb. You have to allow him to be an athlete and a baseball player and have fun out there. You never seem to do anything recklessly, or seem Mo due to try to rob a home run. It's the way his exercises."
— *Yankees manager Joe Girardi*
"I always argued he was the best pitcher of all time. Not just the best reliever, but the best pitcher of all-time."
— *New York Yankees first baseman Mark Teixeira*

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67 games and tossing 107.2 innings. He had five saves and 26 holds and blew just three save chances. He had a more Rivera-like ERA of 2.09 and a 0.994 WHIP in his second season. He finished third in Cy Young voting and 12th in the MVP race. By the fall of 1996, everyone knew the name Mariano Rivera. Rivera's first save came at Yankee Stadium on May 17, 1996. He induced the Angels' Garret Anderson to ground into a double play turned by Derek Jeter in a game won by Andy Pettitte. His last — make that his most recent — came on April 30 of this season vs. Baltimore. That was save No. 608 for his career. His next save will come sometime in April of 2013 at the age of 43.

Yankees' Fenwick Injury

0-8 Boston's Adrian Gonzalez suffered through an 0-for day against Baltimore in the Red Sox 9-6 loss in 17 innings. The first baseman struck out in the 17th representing the tying run against the Orioles' Chris Davis, who began the day simply as the DH and ended it with a win. Gonzalez was the first AL cleanup hitter to go 0-for-8 since Andre Thornton of the Indians in 1984.

Yankees' Fenwick Injury

1968 The last time (before Sunday) that a position player picked up a win on the mound in the majors. Rocky Colavito of the last-place Yankees won a game in relief of Steve Barber against the first-place Tigers.

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Since Mariano Rivera became the Yankees' full-time closer in 1997, there have been pitchers credited with saves for the Yankees. Can you name the three pitchers besides Rivera with at least 10 saves for the Yankees during that time?

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