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County now considering cruelty charge

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

GERMAN BRIDGE — The Floyd County Attorney's office will file charges against Duane Conley, after new evidence was discovered this week in the animal cruelty case of Moo the

Great Dane. A Times report Wednesday told the story of a mistreated Great Dane named "Moo," and the people in whose care he was found. Duane Conley and his wife, Ada Conley, were not charged by authorities with second-degree cruelty to ani-

mals on Monday when the dog was picked up, because Conley reportedly told Animal Control Officer Paul Marsillett that the dog was a stray which had wandered in a week prior. On Monday, Marsillett said he and the county attorney's office could not prosecute

Conley because they could not prove he was the owner of the dog. However, Conley told Times staff in an interview Wednesday that "Moo" wandered into the campground on June 19, and that he and his wife Ada Conley had been trying

to nurse the animal back to health. In fact, Conley directed Times reporters to a Facebook page with photos of Moo, dated June 19. After reviewing the photos, Assistant County Attorney

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Martin fire dept. to be finished in October

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

MARTIN — A report on Corps of Engineers projects and the construction of the new fire department was given during Tuesday night's city council meeting. Mayor Thomas Robinson said after conferring with the contractors, the new fire department, currently being built on the City of Martin redevelopment site, will not be completed until October. Robinson says the contractors and subcontractors had a disagreement, and that the building had fallen a little behind, though it was still on schedule. "We're still on schedule and we should see walls go up in August," said Robinson. Robinson said that she had also talked to the Corps of Engineers and that they would be tearing down nine more buildings in old Martin. According to Robinson, nine locations on June Street are set for demolition to begin in September. Council members asked about when the Corps might get to some of the abandoned buildings on Main Street. "They're not buying buildings on Main Street," Robinson replied. "They're not interested in vacant buildings at this time." Robinson said that the Corps is more interested in getting people moved, rather than buying vacant property. Also during Tuesday's meeting, the council announced that the Red, White and Blue celebration will be held on the third weekend in September. The first meeting of the Red, White and Blue committee will be held Thursday, August 2. Bobby Dingus was the lone councilman not in attendance during Tuesday's council meeting.



Sally Allen, left, and Lillian Baldrige, right, presented homemade teddy bears Tuesday to Family Court Judge Stacy Marshall. The bears are given to children going through adoption and foster care proceedings in family court.

Courtroom Cuddles

Democratic Women donate homemade teddy bears to family court

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — A local Democratic Women's Club is trying to make life a little sunnier for some children going through the emotionally charged processes of family court. A donation of homemade teddy bears was made earlier this week to children going through the foster and adoption process by the Floyd County

Democratic Women's club. Members Sally Allen and Lillian Baldrige delivered the bears this week. "We were told there was a need, and that this was something we could do to help the children," said Sally Allen, acting president of the Democratic Women's Club in Floyd County. According to Allen, the Democratic Women's Club of Floyd County has routinely donated the teddy bears for nearly eight years. The bears are

made of material donated by members of the club. "They give the children the bears when they go through adoption, or foster process, just so they will have something that belongs to them." Family Court Judge Dwight Stacey Marshall was present Tuesday to receive the gift. Marshall said that the gift was just in time, as they were running low on bears following a number of recent adoptions.

Justice questions opponent's use of name

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

Candidates in a rematch for the District 7 Supreme Court seat are squaring off over an unusual subject — the challenger's name. Justice Will T. Scott's campaign is suggesting that his opponent, Court of Appeals Judge Janet Stumbo, is being less than candid with voters about her name. Specifically, the campaign says Stumbo's use of her maiden name gives her an unfair and inaccurate advantage with voters she would not have if she used the name of her husband, Prestonsburg attorney Ned Pillersdorf. A statement released on Scott's campaign website says Stumbo's use of her maiden name confuses some voters, who believe she is closely related either to House Speaker Greg Stumbo or former gubernatorial candidate Dr. Grady Stumbo. "Just recently, Stewart Media Group, again advised our campaign that Janet Stumbo using her maiden name, Stumbo, on the ballot instead of her married name, Pillersdorf, gives her an artificial advantage that benefits her by approximately 4.9 percent of the vote," the campaign's statement says. "This is due to noticeable numbers of voters who (mistakenly) believe that Janet is Grady Stumbo's wife or Greg Stumbo's

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Francis receives state's highest arts award

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

FRANKFORT — A Prestonsburg man is this year's recipient of an honor the Kentucky Arts Council calls "the

most prestigious arts award given by the governor." William Francis was named the recipient of the Milner Award. He was recognized for his longtime support for the arts in Kentucky.

According to a statement issued by the Arts Council, Francis has been an advocate for arts and education across the state, serving as a board member for several cultural and arts organizations, including Jenny Wiley Theatre,

Southern Arts Federation, Kentucky Arts Council, Kentucky Humanities Council and National Assembly of State Arts Agencies.

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For the Record

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edie Moore, of Wayland, to Larry North, of Raven.
 Ronald Gene Thompson to Santana Rachell Salyer, both of Allen.
 Savannah Nicole Spurlock, of Harold, to Nathan Thomas Newsome, of Banner.
 Christopher Wayne Akers to Jamie Nicole Dawn Martin, both of Prestonsburg.
 Vivian A. Hunter, of Prestonsburg, to Willie R. Hamilton, of Grethel.
 Earl Ray Meek to Angela Lynn Derossett, both of Prestonsburg.
 Ida Mae McCoy to Raymond Dudley Royce Jr., both of Sugar Grove, Ohio.
 Courtney E. Gullett to Kalen B. Spencer, both of Prestonsburg.
 Steven Glen Stone to Kallie M. Adkins, both of Paintsville.
 Keisha Dawn Carroll to Steven Michel Lester, both of Richmond.
 Terry Justin Adkins to Janet Marie Johnson, both of Prestonsburg.

CIVIL SUITS

Wells Fargo Bank N.A. v. Jennifer Osborne, et al - contract.
 Tax Ease Lien Servicing LLC v. Gary Light, et al - contract.
 Cach, LLC v. Corie Hall - contract.
 Discover Bank, C/O Zwicker Associates v. Ruby Moore - contract.
 William Blackburn v. Amanda Blackburn - contract.
 Kentucky Housing Co. v. Philip N. Robinson - contract.
 Bank of America N.A. v. Billy P. Music, et al - contract.
 Pilgrim Energy Inc. v. Joseph Allen Fulmer et al - contract.
 Pilgrim Energy Inc. v. Claude L. Allen - contract.

CHARGES FILED

Steven Allen Mitchell, 36, Beaver - complicity theft by unlawful taking.
 Jimmie D. Moore, Hi Hat - harassing communications.
 Jessica Lynn Garrett, 31, Pre-

stonsburg - possession of drug paraphernalia, second degree disorderly conduct.
 Henry Dean Akers, 45, Harold - violation of KY EPO/DVO.
 Curtis Matthew Parsons, 23, Phelps - third degree terroristic threatening.
 Marcel Tom Derossett, 56, Prestonsburg - public intoxication of a controlled substance, second degree disorderly conduct.
 Amanda Woods, 21, Allen - hindering prosecution/apprehension.
 Jeremy Carr, 26, Prestonsburg - second degree criminal mischief.
 James Matthew Woods, 18, Allen - third degree criminal trespassing.
 Gerardo Burgos, 41, Hixson, TN - alcohol intoxication.
 Chase Thornsberry, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
 Amanda Stumbo - forgers, theft by unlawful taking.
 Brian Shepherd - theft by unlawful taking, fleeing or evading police, first degree, fleeing or evading police second degree, no insurance.
 Walter Lee Setser - theft by unlawful taking, criminal mischief, fleeing or evading police, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest, persistent felony offender.
 Okie Boyd - theft by unlawful taking.
 James Westley Lafferty - fleeing or evading police, prohibited sale of vehicle with altered vin number, convicted felon in possession of a firearm, fleeing or evading police second degree, no insurance, operating an ATV on the roadway, operating an ATV without headgear, persistent felony offender.
 Edward Osborne - cultivation of marijuana (5 or more plants), possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of controlled substance.
 Christopher Sexton - third degree burglary.
 Lawrence Mullins - complicity third degree burglary.
 Jessica Marie Stumbo - complicity third degree burglary.

Michelle Hall - promoting contraband first degree, first degree possession of cocaine, possession of drug paraphernalia, public intoxication of controlled substance.
 Christopher Stinnet - theft by unlawful taking (cold checks).
 James mace - receiving stolen property, fleeing or evading police, first degree wanton endangerment, criminal trespassing, tampering with physical evidence.
 Matt Zemo - first degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking (shoplifting), criminal mischief.
 Mike Lowe - first degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking (shoplifting), criminal mischief.
 Sabrina Johnson, first degree possession of a controlled substance, thief degree possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance prescription not in original container.
 Kendra Artrip - escape second degree, tampering with physical evidence, theft by unlawful taking.
 Carl Ray Vanderpool - first degree possession of controlled substance, controlled substance prescription not in original container.
 Selina R. Lawrence - criminal possession of forged instrument (6 counts).
 Joseph Mullins - criminal possession of a forged instrument (13 counts).

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Shirley C. Belcher executrix, Kenis F. Clark and the estate of Martha R. Clark, to Brice Akers, Faith Akers, Shirley C. Belcher, Josephine C. Branham, Gary R. Clark, Kathleen Clark, Larry G. Clark, Mariann Clark, Mary Lou Clark, Ray Clark, Ronnie Clark, Sandy Clark, Wayne W. Clark, Linda Gearheart, Paul D. Gearheart, Glenda C. Karris, Christie Meade, Ransome Meade and Betty Shirazi, property location not listed.
 Robert Kyle Tackett, to Chris-

tina Latyne Berger, property location not listed.
 Virginia Bradley, to Dingus Blackburn and Joanna Blackburn, property locate at Fred Bailey Subdivision, at Eastern.
 Mary Wright and Robbie Wright, to Christopher Burke, property located at Left Fork of Otter Creek.
 Cody Blevins and Edwina Blevins, to Lucy Davis, property located at David Community Development.
 Nora Lou Jones, to EQT Gathering LLC, easement.
 Michael Little and Shirley Little, to EQT Gathering LLC, easement.
 Chuckly Allen and Debra Allen, to EQT Gathering LLC, easement.
 Sheldon Berger, to EQT Gathering LLC, easement.
 James Newsome, to EQT Gathering LLC, easement.
 Martin Dye, Susan Dye, GMAC Mortgage LLC and William S. Kendrick master commissioner, to GMAC Mortgage LLC, property location not listed.
 Gertrude Goble, Karen Goble and Ralph Goble, to Jimmy Goble, property located at head of Brush Creek.
 James G. Hall, Jami Hall and Michelle Hall, to James Hall and Zona Hall, property location not listed.
 Jami Hall, to Jami Hall and James G. Hall, property location not listed.
 James G. Hall and Michelle Hall, to Jami Hall, property location not listed.
 Spencer Hall, to Pauline Hall, property location not listed.
 Diana Sue Bowling, Ann Garnett, James E. Garnett III, Linda Sue Hatcher, Samuel D. Hatcher, Samuel Hatcher, Donald Lamb, Martha Ann Lamb, Mary Jo Lapointe, Josephine Liming, Stephen Liming, Barbara Boulos Maranville, George Maranville, Mona Maranville, Nancy Maranville, Robert Maranville, Judith Collins McCormick, Mack McCormick, Chester Okopski,

Judith V. Okopski, France Ward and Jerry A. Ward, to the Homer Short Company Inc., property location not listed.
 Kenneth Dewane Burke, Penni Mullins Burke and Randall Mullins, to Jennifer Hunt, property located at C.I. Layne Addition.
 Stevie Blackburn, to Kentucky Power Company, property location not listed.
 Jennifer O. Cavins and John C. Cavins, to Adam Lafferty and Tonya M. Lafferty, property located at Trimble Branch.
 Craig Penix, Reba Penix, Billy Wayne Thornsberry, Dicie Thornsberry, Fredia Thornsberry and Robert Thornsberry, to Curtis Lewis, property located at Anna A. May Addition to Auxier.
 Harry Randall Mayo, Harry Randall Mayo trustee, Linda Ely Mayo and Opal S. Mayo revocable trust, to Harry Randall Mayo and Lindsay Ely Mayo, property located near Martin.
 Freddie Conley, Vivian Conley, Cheri avis, Danny Davis, Darrell K. Davis, Douglas Davis, Phyllis Davis Amanda F. Deboard, Kennis Deboard, Flora M. Grimm, Francis Grimm, Bonnie Jean Reynolds, Clifford E. Reynolds, James Ward and Rowena Ward, to Ellis Osborne and Lettie Mae Osborne, property location not listed.
 George Bartrum Barnette and Lewis Patrick Barnette, to Alan E. Stumbo and Lisa S. Stumbo, property location not listed.
 Arnold J. Gillespie and Ida Joyce Gillespie, to Jimmy Dale Taylor, property location not listed.
 Fannie T. Johnson and James Johnson, to Cara Ann Thompson, property location not listed.
 Clementene Tackett and Danny E. Tackett, to Weeksbury Community House of God Inc., property location not listed.
 Hilton Sales and Rentals LLC, to Felicia Williamson and Mark Williamson, property location not listed.

\$500 Scholarship to be awarded in essay contest

FRANKFORT — A junior at one of Kentucky's public or private high schools will win a \$500 scholarship and a photo shoot at his or her school through the "Promote Your School" scholarship contest, sponsored by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

To enter, the student must submit an essay about the biggest challenge facing high school students. The essay must be no more than 200 words long and cannot mention the student's name, school,

county or community. The student's name, address and high school should be listed on a cover sheet or at the bottom of the essay. The student must be a junior during the 2012-2013 school year. For more information, visit www.kheaa.com/website/contest/intro. Photos from the winning school will be used in KHEAA publications and on KHEAA websites.

To enter, mail your essay to KHEAA, Publications Section, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602. You may also email your essay to publications@kheaa.com or fax it to (502) 696-7374. The winner will be chosen by a committee of KHEAA employees. The deadline for submissions is Sept. 15.

Students from high schools that have been featured in the past five years — Bowling Green, Green County, Williamstown, Menifee County and Boyle County — are not eligible to enter this year's contest.

KHEAA is the state agency that promotes college awareness, provides free college planning materials and administers state student aid programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES).

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to www.getocollege.ky.gov. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com, write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602, or call (800) 928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

Paintsville SBDC to offer free workshop on starting a business

PAINTSVILLE — Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville will host "Essentials for Starting a Business in Kentucky," July 31, at 5 p.m.

Have you recently been displaced in the workforce? Have you thought about starting your own business? If so, this workshop will walk you through the essentials of starting a business in Kentucky. It will be held at Paintsville Small Business Development Center, 224 Main Street.

"Small businesses are the engine that drives the American economy," said Michelle Spriggs, SBDC consultant. "This is an excellent and affordable opportunity

for individuals to learn more about entrepreneurship in Kentucky."

The free workshop is for all participants; however, seating is limited and advance registration is recommended.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

For a list of upcoming events, you may visit the MSU SBDC website at www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc.

Additional information and pre-registration are available by contacting Spriggs at 606-788-7272 or by email at m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu.

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Lawmakers hear about veteran task force

FRANKFORT — The number of veterans involved in the criminal justice system has increased significantly in recent years, Justice Will Scott told members of the Interim Joint Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs and Public Protection Thursday.

Justice Scott is the chair of the Veterans Issues subcommittee of the Kentucky Access to Justice Commission, a task force focused on

identifying veterans in the justice system and then connecting them with appropriate services to address their needs.

Until recently, there was no standardized method of determining if a person involved in the court system had veteran status. Work by the task force and others has changed that, Scott said.

Pre-trial officers now classify individuals by veteran and combat status as part

of the mandated post-arrest interview process. Similar information is now included on the Uniform Citation Report completed by police at every arrest, as well.

The information goes into a searchable database and enables court personnel to identify veterans in the system. This allows judges the option of requesting a veterans-only docket, and makes it easier to refer veterans to the programs they qualify for, Scott said.

Many veterans coming into the criminal justice system may be suffering from undiagnosed neurological or other combat-related injuries, Scott said. Veterans Justice Outreach Officers (VJOs) can assist qualified veterans by helping to divert their arrest with mental health of substance abuse treatment, he said.

A part of the Veterans Administration, VJOs offer assessment and case management to veterans involved in the justice system.

VJOs are also working to educate and train judges and others in the criminal justice system about the programs available to veterans involved in criminal and civil matters, Scott said.

Many veterans programs aren't utilized because people don't know about them, he said.

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Calendar items will be printed as space permits.

Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may have to visit our 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: fctfeatures@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.

Free underground mine foreman class

HCTC is offering a free underground Mine Foreman course made available through Kentucky Coal Academy scholarships. Course will begin Monday, August 13 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Room 226 of the Industrial Education Building located on the Technical Campus. Vance Arnold is the instructor.

Pre-registration is required. Contact Dianna Handshoe to register at 606-487-3292.

Veterans representative

A veterans benefits field representative will be at the Floyd County Public Library, in Prestonsburg, Wednesday, August 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for state and federal veterans 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) 647-2926 to speak with a veterans benefits field representative.

Free clothes and household giveaway

The Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will give free clothes and household items to anyone in need on Friday, July 27, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, July 28, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Middle Creek Fire Department, on Route 114.

For more information, call Deirdre Hays Holcomb at (606) 886-8481, or (606) 226-3525.

Quit smoking

Are you ready to kick the tobacco habit for good? The Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking can help! Classes are ongoing at Saint Joseph - Martin on Mondays, at 10:30 a.m. in the Seton Complex Lower Level Conference Room.

For more information, call 285-6692.

The Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking Program is made available to Kentuckians through the Kentucky Cancer Program and its partners.

Prestonsburg High School Majorette Alumni

Prestonsburg High School Majorette Alumni meet at 7 p.m., the second Tuesday of each month, at the First United Methodist Church gymnasium, in Prestonsburg. For more information, contact Carol Jo May at (606) 226-2565.

PHS class of 2002 reunion

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

Communities Against Drug Addiction

Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets at noon the third Tuesday of each month, in the third floor conference room of the Floyd County Health Department. Lunch is provided.

For more information, contact Mike Vance at (606) 226-2075, Leslie Howell at (606) 263-4370, or (606) 339-7358, or Carol Jo May at (606) 226-2565.

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 that will help you get hired. All are welcome and first-time visitors are encouraged to come 30 minutes early for a new member 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 Asst. Chief Bill Jarvis at (606) 791-6601.

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 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) 886-4430, (606) 339-8878, or Jkinzer@MtComp.org.

Veterans service officer

VFW Post 5839 in Lancer will have a service officer available every Wednesday, from noon until 4 p.m. Some services offered will be initial claim filing, upgrades, appeals, permanent and total claims and others.

Contact (606) 886-9428 or (606) 297-1973 for more information.

Autism Awareness & Support Group

2nd Monday of each month. Calvarys 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 reimbursement, and 24/7 support are available. All foster children get a medical card, free school lunches, and clothing vouchers/other reimbursements. Call for more information, at 606-886-0163 or visit our website at www.benchmarkfamily.com

Auxiliary Learning Center offers home

Need help with home repairs? The Auxiliary 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 806-886-0709 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 10 a.m., at 10:30 a.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2783 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.

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. 877-373-0208. www.drugson.com

Auxier Community Center

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

Free Bible Lessons

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

Need help with

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

Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.

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

Mondays, family support group, for families that have been hurt by addiction, McDowell First Baptist Church, 7 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.

Sundays, "Stepping into Freedom" group, McDowell First Baptist Church, 7 p.m.

For more information, call Libbi Hall at (606) 377-2930.

Need Help With Home Repairs?

The Auxiliary 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 our office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8-4.

Hope in the Mountains

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

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

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

Democratic Woman's Club

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

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!

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

Prestonsburg Rotary Club

Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets on Thursdays, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Reno's Roadhouse. For additional information, contact Paula Howard, 263-3225, or Tommie Layne, 886-4585. Everyone welcome.

'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2773; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

Looking for a support group?

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

Domestic Violence Support Group

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

'Overeaters' Anonymous

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

Police release names of victims in Knott death investigation

Heartland News Service

TOPMOST - Kentucky State Police in Hazard have released the identities of two people whose badly burned remains were found in Knott County last week.

Several agencies on July 20 responded to the scene at an abandoned mine site on Mullins Branch Road in Topmost following a report that a burned-out vehicle had been located at the site, and it appeared that human remains were inside.

David E. Sparkman, 26, and Keisha M. Sexton, 18, both of the Topmost community, had been burned beyond recognition when police arrived on the scene, according to a press release from the state police issued on Wednesday.

The vehicle and remains were transported to the state medical examiner's office for further examination, and the identities of those inside were released by authorities after notification from the coroner's office.

Police on Wednesday also declined to comment further on the investigation, but asked for anyone who may have information regarding the deaths of David Sparkman and Keisha Sexton to contact Det. Chris Collins at the Kentucky State Police at 606-435-6069.

Back-to-School Bash at Auxier Center today

AUXIER - The Auxier Center invites everyone in the Big Sandy area to join in the fun for a free "Back-to-School Blowout Bash" on Friday, July 27, from 6 to 9 p.m., in the Auxier Community Park.

Hand in Hand will be giving out free back-to-school supplies to every youth who attends. They encourage everyone to bring the family and enjoy the fun.

Allyson Williams, director of community relations, said, "We will have free food, ice cream, inflatables, games and music. We'll be giving out free school supplies and will also have backpacks, binders, notebooks, and other school items that can be purchased at a very reduced cost."

Andrew Kuchebrod, summer intern from Morehead State University, said, "We aren't trying to make money. We want to offer back-to-school items so that families can afford to get everything their children need and still meet their other financial obligations. All the proceeds will go towards community programs."

"We have lots of school supplies ready to share and hope to see a lot of families come out," Williams said.

"It's going to be fun. There will be a large bouncy house, obstacle course, several carnival type games, music and dance. The event is sponsored by The Center for Regional Engagement at Morehead State University, Pit Stop Barbeque and Walmart of Paintsville.

The center, located in the old Auxier school building, 21 South River Street, in Auxier, has been serving Big Sandy since 2000.

The Auxier Center is a program of Hand in Hand Ministries, an international social services organization that seeks to make a difference in the lives of the poor. Hand in Hand Ministries believes that all people deserve life's essentials: food, water, clothing, shelter, education and medical care. If you would like more information about the program or to become involved, call (606) 886-0709 or visit Hand in Hand's website at www.myhandinhand.org. You can find Hand in Hand on Facebook at www.facebook.com/myhandinhand and follow Hand in Hand on Twitter at @myhandinhand.

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— Gregory Nunn

Viewpoint

Amendment 1

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

Our View Kentucky will not fall behind

Gov. Steve Beshear

The federal mandate is clear: Kentucky either creates its own online marketplace to help its citizens find and qualify for health insurance ... or it moves aside and the federal government takes over.

These online marketplaces, known as exchanges, are required by the federal Affordable Care Act, which was recently upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court. That's a fact. The only question is: who runs it? Us, or Washington, D.C.?

Equally clear is the best answer to that choice: Kentucky — not the federal government — should manage its program.

So last week I signed an executive order establishing what's called the Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange.

Beginning in 2014, the exchange required by federal law will provide one-stop shopping for Kentuckians to enroll in qualified health care plans or through federal and state programs like Medicaid and KCHIP. It also will be the place where employers can enroll their workers in health plans, small businesses can qualify for tax credits and individuals can qualify for tax credits and subsidies to help pay their premiums.

My executive order also established an 11-member Exchange Advisory Board whose members will be announced by mid-August. And it sets in motion six upcoming forums around the state beginning July 25 with insurers, providers, agents, consumers, employers and advocates to educate the public on insurance reforms and to solicit input on the development of a Kentucky exchange.

My decision followed the recommendations of multiple stakeholders — including business groups, hospitals, insurers and health care advocates ... groups with as varied points of view as the Kentucky Hospital Association, the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce and Kentucky Voices for Health.

They have argued loudly and clearly that they don't want the federal government running this program for Kentucky.

Yet when it came time to find office space to house the program, a legislative committee — voting strictly along partisan lines — tried to block the creation of the exchange by rejecting that proposal. I overrode their action and authorized the Secretary of Finance to enter into the lease.

When are we going to get partisan politics out of policy discussions? The Affordable Care Act is neither perfect nor the end-all solution to health care reform. But it's a start, and it's the law. Regardless of your political affiliation, Kentucky and all other states are under federal order to create benefit exchanges for access to coverage for all citizens.

And with Kentucky's high rates of cancer and other chronic diseases, this exchange will help our citizens find affordable, quality health care that can help them get on a path to wellness.

We can either hide and let the federal government run this program, or we can step up.

I am determined that Kentucky will not fall behind in the implementation of our state health care exchange.

People who care about Kentuckians know they need help. And that's what we're going to give them.



Beyond the Beltway My broken heart

Donald Kaul
OtherWords

I celebrated the Fourth of July this year by having a heart attack. All things considered, watching fireworks would have been more fun.

I woke up at 2 a.m. on July 5th with raging pain in my chest and both arms. I was bathed in a cold, clammy sweat, and my breath was coming short. I was slightly nauseous.

"Gee," I said to myself, "I wonder what's wrong?" Apparently I was waiting for a Western Union messenger to come to the door and say: "You're having a heart attack, stupid. Call 911."

It went on like that for a few hours until my wife woke up too and convinced me to get help. An ambulance brought me to the emergency room, where a team of doctors, nurses, attendants, and God-knows-who else was waiting for me.

It was like being sent through a cardiac car wash. I went in on one end with a heart attack; I came out the other an hour later with an unblocked artery, a stent, and an optimistic prognosis.

They told me they expected me to return to close to 100 percent. (This was particularly good news as I haven't been close to 100 percent in years, if ever.)

I'm told that my reluctance to seek immediate help is fairly typical of men. Even male doctors often go into a state of denial when

confronted with symptoms that can only be a heart attack. They wait. It's a guy thing.

If you take only one thing away from the newspaper today, let it be this:

If you start showing symptoms of a heart attack, even if they're not as dramatic as mine, don't screw around. Call 911 and have an ambulance take you to the hospital. The treatment starts in the ambulance.

As a cardiologist friend told me: "They say time is money, but in my business time is muscle." The longer you take to get treatment, the more heart muscle is destroyed — permanently.

The upshot of this is that I've suspended writing this column indefinitely. (I can hear the moans of anguish across the nation now.) And there's a real question as to whether I'll start writing it again when I feel better. (I can hear the cheers and shouts of triumph drowning out the moans.)

I'm now 77 years old. I've been doing this — writing columns — for nearly 50 years, 35 years of it in Washington. I can tell you that things have changed, and not for the better.

I've covered fools, crooks, and charlatans over this half century. But for the most part, they had some sense of seriousness about them — an appreciation for the national interest as they saw it. Even rogues like Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon did.

The current bunch of miscreants

is nothing like that. Centrist Democrat who talk a good game but don't do much about it, are battling increasingly radical Republicans, a fierce tribe of Bible-thumping know-nothings fueled by money from modern Robber Barons who want to sell the country off by the board foot and metric ton for their personal profit.

Thus we approximate the times described by the Irish poet W.B. Yeats:

"The best lack all conviction, while the worst are full of passionate intensity."

Does that describe Congress or what?

Do I want to spend my time left deciphering such people, trying to decide whether the Republican leaders are as stupid as they sound or merely willfully ignorant?

We are well on our way toward becoming a nation on the colonial model, where a few people own everything and the rest of us play the lottery and watch football. That's not the America I grew up in. It's not the America I spent my life writing about.

I have to figure out whether I want to spend my last years writing about this new country.

I'll tell you know.

Columnist Donald Kaul lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Please send your letters to Donald Kaul via email to otherwords@ips-dc.org or snail-mail them to OtherWords, 1112 16th Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20036.

Letters to the Editor: Walls block development

Editor's note: The following is a letter the writer sent to House Speaker Greg Stumbo.

I wanted to thank you for your continued support of the economic development of the U.S. 23 corridor around Prestonsburg. Keeping our highways safe but accessible to business development is important in these times when our coal mines are suffering. As the future of coal is sometimes not within our local control, it is impor-

tant that we have the ability to attract development and businesses to our region.

The placement of dividers in the center of the highway around the foot of the hill at the Holiday Inn hill has caused multiple developers to ignore Prestonsburg and to take their investment money into other areas. Your support to stop these dividers from extending up from the present location blocking more development land and

to remove the ones previously placed is commendable.

I strongly support your position and will do whatever is necessary to make sure that the portion of U.S. 23 around Prestonsburg continues to develop to be the economic hub of the surrounding communities; hopefully providing work and land and a good living to our families and friends.

Floyd Skeans
Prestonsburg

Gas prices out of control

We, the good people of Floyd County, are tired of the gasoline prices. The oil companies are robbing us every day. It is just like holding a gun to our heads. They are doing it with gasoline, instead of a gun.

It is way past time for the president,

Congress, representatives, state senators, etc. to do something about it. Gasoline was supposed to get a two- or three-cent raise, not a 20-to-30-cent raise! Especially on holidays and vacation times, they raise the price! Also, this is price gouging.

I have contacted the Attorney General's Office on this matter. A petition will be circulating against Kentucky Oil, Food City Gas and Go, BP and Tiger Mart, locally.

Elmer Johnson
Prestonsburg

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4 pain clinics close after pill bill takes effect

Just days after a landmark prescription drug abuse law took effect, Gov. Steve Beshear joined lawmakers and providers to report the law has already effected changes in the medical field and positioned Kentucky as a national leader in battling prescription abuse.

House Bill 1 (HB1), sponsored by House Speaker Greg Stumbo, passed in a special legislative session this spring. The bill included multiple elements to prevent the abuse and diversion of prescription drugs and to enhance law enforcement's tools to investigate illegal prescribing practices.

"The enforcement of this bill began just a couple of days ago, and yet we already know that four 'pain management' clinics in Kentucky have waved the white flag and notified us they will shut their doors," said Gov. Beshear. "We know that more than 9,000 medical providers have signed up for electronic prescription monitoring just since this law passed in April — more than doubling the number registered. The word is out. Kentucky is deadly serious about stopping this scourge of prescription drug abuse, and now we have some of the strongest tools in the country to make that happen."

Gov. Beshear was joined by Attorney General Jack Conway as representatives from medical licensure boards, advocacy groups and law enforcement organizations for today's announcement.

HB1 expands the Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting (KASPER) system, the state's prescription monitoring system, by requiring all prescription providers of controlled substances to register. It requires pain management

clinics to be owned by a licensed medical practitioner, and requires professional licensure boards to investigate prescribing complaints immediately. The legislation allows for better coordination between health regulators and law enforcement to address problems of abuse. Finally, elements of HB1 will help prevent Kentucky from becoming a source state for prescription pills.

According to Kentucky's Drug Control Policy Office, nearly 1,000 Kentuckians die every year from drug overdoses — an annual fatality rate that exceeds deaths from car accidents. More than 5,000 overdose patients are admitted to hospitals annually.

"Let's be very clear — if you need a prescription for a controlled substance for medical purposes, you have nothing to fear. You'll get your medicine. For doctors who worry about their ability to prescribe will be compromised, you have nothing to fear. The law is built to protect valid prescribing," said Gov. Beshear. "But if you're doctor shopping, buying extra pills for recreational use, or prescribing pills for cash, you'd better change your vocation or change your location, because we're coming after you."

"Prescription drug abuse is killing Kentuckians. Three people will die today from prescription drug overdoses. I believe the provisions in House Bill 1 will save the lives of our neighbors and our family members," said Attorney General Jack Conway. "The provisions in this law will help shut down people and providers who are poisoning us. I appreciate those in the medical community who have joined with us as responsible providers to be a part of the

solution instead of part of the problem."

"House Bill 1 and the emergency regulations will help stop tragic loss of life to drug abuse. We are working closely with medical professionals to ensure that legitimate pain management cases are not adversely affected," said Speaker Stumbo. "The joint Implementation and Oversight Committee will be alert to any needed corrections, and we will make sure that all concerns are addressed."

Lawmakers praised the cooperation of the Cabinets, agencies, and boards who worked together to create new regulations, educate patients and medical providers, and build the necessary computer infrastructure to support the implementation of the law.

KASPER enhancements

Effective July 20, all medical practitioners who prescribe controlled substances must register to use KASPER and run a KASPER report before prescribing a patient a controlled substance such as Oxycotin or Xanax.

When the law passed in April, KASPER had 7,911 registered accounts. Since then, another 9,137 providers have signed up for the program, a 115 percent increase.

According to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS), which oversees KASPER, 90 percent of all KASPER reports are completed within 15 to 30 seconds. The reports show medical providers what other controlled substances have been prescribed to a patient and in what amount.

"Some providers worried that running a KASPER report would be cumbersome or time-consuming, but 9 times out of 10, it

will take as much time as measuring a patient's blood pressure or recording their insurance information," said Greg Stumbo, CHFS Director. "It's a very short investment of time that will become routine as taking a patient's temperature. A report can provide crucial information that not only may flag a problem user, but may also warn a provider of otherwise unforeseen complications from drug interactions."

KASPER's cache of prescription information will grow more robust as more users add records. Supporters say patient care will become more precise as medical providers review patient prescription history and know more about existing prescriptions.

To accommodate a KASPER users noted that 94 percent of medical providers said that the program is an effective tool in tracking an individual's prescription history, and nearly 94 percent reported satisfaction with the tool. Nearly 9 in 10 KASPER users reported denying a prescription for a controlled substance to a patient based on information provided by a KASPER report.

Existing regulations provide that all dispensers (usually pharmacists) report to KASPER when any Schedule II through Schedule V controlled substances are dispensed. For the first time, new regulations provide that all prescribers must request a KASPER report before Schedule II, III and some IVs are prescribed. A list of certain Schedule IV controlled substances are known to be used or

diverted, is attached.

Shared Investigative

HB1 requires that when a complaint about prescription abuse is lodged with any of several investigative agencies, the Attorney General, Kentucky State Police (KSP), CHFS, or any of the professional licensure boards — that complaint must be shared with the remaining agencies.

Previously, if KSP was investigating a possible pill mill, the agencies that licensed that clinic were not required to be notified, nor would they be compelled to contribute information to the case.

The Attorney General, KSP, CHFS and the six professional licensure boards have signed a memorandum of understanding to notify the other agencies of prescription complaints within three days of receipt. This will allow the investigators to share information quickly.

The six professional boards — Medical Licensure, Nursing, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Podiatry and Optometry — are required to share reports with the Attorney General, KSP and CHFS but not required to share among each other. This alleviates concerns that the professional organizations would be forced to report information to other boards that have no jurisdiction over the complaint.

Regulations Squeeze

Offender Offer Grace Period for Providers
Regulations for the implementation of HB1 were filed on July 20, the effective date of HB1. These regulations, which interpret how the law is carried out by each agency, board, or office, uphold the intent of HB1 — to reduce the abuse and diversion of pre-

scription drugs.

New regulations mandate that all pain management clinics must be owned by a licensed medical provider or employed medical director in good standing with one of the professional licensure boards. Clinics will have some time to meet those requirements, but CHFS administrators say that already, four of the state's pain clinics not owned by physicians have reported that they will close their doors. Another 9 have not yet contacted CHFS regarding licensing, and will be investigated to determine if they are operating illegally.

"Not all pain management clinics are abusing their prescribing authority — many of them are meeting legitimate patient needs," said CHFS Secretary Audrey Tayse Haynes. "However, these regulations are designed to make it very, very difficult to stay in business if your clinic is a pill mill, prescribing high volumes of powerful drugs to people who are addicted."

Each of the professional license boards has also created an educational period for practitioners through October 1st. Much like other laws such as the seat belt law, providers will have a few months to get accustomed to the new practices, before any disciplinary action will take place.

"We don't want the medical community to be afraid of immediate repercussions if they make an error this early in the process," said Preston Nunnally, chair of the Board of Medical Licensure. "We'll have a few months to learn how the new policies will work, and we'll be able to correct and guide providers along the way, instead of punishing people for unintentional errors."

Kentucky Arts Council seeks state poet laureate nominations

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Arts Council is accepting nominations for Kentucky Poet Laureate, the agency announced today. The next poet laureate will serve for two years starting in 2013, succeeding current Kentucky Poet Laureate Maureen Morehead, who has served since 2011.

The state poet laureate is appointed biennially by the governor to promote the literary arts in Kentucky through readings and public presentations at meetings, seminars, conferences and events, including Kentucky Writers' Day.

The arts council coordinates the nomination and selection process for recommendation to the governor.

"Kentucky Poet Laureate is the most distinguished state honor given to Kentucky writers," said Lori Meadows, arts council executive director. "Kentucky has a strong literary community, and I encourage individuals and organizations to take part in the nomination process."

Writers accomplished in any of the

recognized literary forms, including poetry, fiction, biography, creative nonfiction, playwriting, etc., who are Kentucky residents with a long association with the Commonwealth qualify for nomination.

Guidelines and nomination forms are online at the arts council website. Nominations will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. EDT Sept. 30, 2012, and may be made by an individual or organization in Kentucky or elsewhere.

Past Kentucky poets laureate include: Gurney Norman (2009-10), Jane Gentry Vance (2007-08), Sena Jeter Naslund (2005-06), Joe Survant (2003-04), the late James Baker Hall (2001-02), Richard Taylor (1999-2000), the late Joy Bale Boone (1997-98) and the late James Still (1995-96).

The Kentucky Arts Council, the state arts agency, creates opportunities for and benefit from the arts. Kentucky Arts Council funding is provided by the Kentucky General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Jobless rates down in 108 counties from June 2011 to June 2012

FRANKFORT — Unemployment rates fell in 108 Kentucky counties between June 2011 and June 2012, while 12 county rates increased, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the Commonwealth at 5.8 percent. It was followed by Fayette County, 6.5 percent; Union County, 6.6 percent; Oldham and Shelby counties, 6.7 percent each; Hancock County, 6.8 percent; and Daviess, Franklin, Owen and Scott counties, 7 percent each.

Fulton County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate at 17.5 percent. It was followed by Magoffin County, 16.9 percent; Jackson County, 14.8 percent; Leslie County, 14.4

percent; Bell County, 13.7 percent; Wolfe County, 13.5 percent; Harlan County, 13.3 percent; Clay County, 13 percent; and Breathitt, Lee and McCreary counties, 12.9 percent each.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually count people working.

Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks.

The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted to allow for comparisons between United States, state and county figures.

Learn more about the Office of Employment and Training at www.workforce.ky.gov.

KHS seeks nominations for 2012 Kentucky History Awards

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Historical Society (KHS) is currently accepting nominations for the 2012 Kentucky History Awards. All nominations must be received by close of business, Friday, Aug. 3.

The Kentucky History Awards recognize outstanding achievements by historians, public history professionals, volunteers, business and civic leaders, communities and historical organizations throughout the Commonwealth. Individuals and communities across the state are encouraged each year to nominate projects and individuals for their efforts to promote the preservation, awareness and appreciation of state and local history.

Nominated projects must have been initiated or com-

pleted between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2011, and must either pertain to some aspect of Kentucky's state or local history, or must be sponsored by or benefiting a museum, historical society, genealogical society or other history-related organization in Kentucky. An applicant may self-nominate and may nominate more than one

project, individual or group.

For complete rules of entry and to download a nomination packet, visit www.history.ky.gov/historyawards.

The Kentucky History Awards ceremony will be held Friday, Nov. 9, at the Old State Capitol in downtown Frankfort. It is free and open to the public, but reservations are required.

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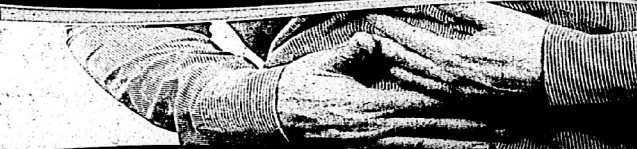
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Wednesday	6:30 p.m.

Attention Church Organizations, send in a picture of your church, pastor, or youth leaders.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, 1102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Church every Sun. Morning 11:00 a.m.; Wed. evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; First Sat. evening, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Mark Hunt, 606-478-2698.

Faith Bible Church, an independent Baptist Church, located on 1428, between Allen & Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bob Wireman.

Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Workforce Eglpt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Elder Donnie Patrick, Ministry Director.

First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Jody C. Workman, minister.

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

First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Jody C. Workman, minister.

Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Roger Trusty.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Brancham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Jody C. Workman, minister.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Indian Bottom Association Services: 1st Saturday & Sunday 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., 3rd Sunday 9:30 a.m., 5th Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, East, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.

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

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

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

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

Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. Home phone 285-3385.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Sponsler, Minister.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Upper Turb Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.

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

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

Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. Study Coffee Hour - Thursday 7 p.m., Bill B. Tussey, Jr. Pastor.

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

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

The Lodge Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday, Sunday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

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

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeffrey Lambert, Pastor.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Charge

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Tyler Green said charges would be pending against the Conleys very soon. Conley insists the dog arrived in the camp in far worse condition than when he was picked up on Monday, but when Shauna Brown, manager of the Floyd County Animal Shelter was shown the pictures of Moo from the Conleys' Facebook page, she said she saw a dog in significantly better health than the animal that was brought to her on Monday.

In an interview on Wednesday, Conley insisted he and his wife were trying to help. "All we were trying to do was help him," Conley said of the dog. "We gave him food and water."

Conley also stated that reports that he is a county employee were incorrect. He says he is disabled and draws Social Security, and that he and his wife live on a fixed income. "I can't afford to do any more than I've done. We live on a fixed income and we did all we could afford to do."

"I work for good, not for evil," said Conley. Conley says the earlier report took the words of the Animal Control Officer and Animal Shelter and spun it. Conley admitted he had not read Wednesday's story, but that people told him it had painted him badly.

It was confirmed that Conley does not work for the county. The Floyd County Fiscal Court leases the campground to the East Kentucky Trail Riders Association, and that group has employed Ada Conley as an independent contractor, who maintains the grounds of the camp.

When asked why he did not take the animal to a veterinarian or to the shelter, Conley said he thought the shelter would charge him, and that he had no means of transportation except for his van.

"The dog smelled real bad," Conley said when asked why he did not use the van to transport the dog to a vet.

"I have a 2012 Chevy Silverado and the dog rode in my car," Brown said. Brown asked on Wednesday why, if Conley was trying to help the dog and nurse it back to health, it was chained up outside in the heat,

where could be eaten by flies.

According to Brown, Moo required further surgery when it was discovered the dog had a hematoma on its ear from intense scratching and biting due to the flies.

"All he had to do was call the animal control officer," said Brown.

Conley said that Animal Control officer doesn't come when called, and that he has reported a biting dog at the campground that the officer has yet to remove. Marsillett said Conley advised him of the biting dog when he was there to pick up Moo, but the dog was nowhere to be found. Marsillett also said he has retrieved several animals from the German Bridge area.

Brown says the shelter asks for a \$3 donation when they take animals, but that she has never turned away a dog because someone couldn't afford the donation.

"He may have had good intentions and that's great, but he went about it the wrong way," Brown said. "The fact is, the dog was not getting the treatment it needed."

Moo's recovery has drawn a lot of attention, and Brown said on Wednesday that she had already had 50 calls and spoken with two television news agencies.

"He's gotten a lot of attention because he is a Great Dane," Brown said. "But we've had worse cases."

Moo's malnourishment is so severe, that as a nearly 1-year-old Great Dane he only weighs 48 pounds. Typical weight for 1-year-old male would be over 100 pounds. On Monday, Brown said that because the Great Dane breed generally does not enjoy a long lifespan, the treatment of Moo has probably shortened his lifespan to five years.

The Floyd County Animal shelter will accept donations from anyone who would like to help fund the veterinary bills of the dog. Those interested can contact the animal shelter at (606) 886-3189. Donations may be mailed to the Floyd County Animal Shelter at PO Box 1502 Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

The matter is still under investigation by Floyd County Animal Control.

Chamber: Colleges doing poor job on workforce

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Institute for a Competitive Workforce (ICW), an affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, recently released the third edition of its Leaders & Laggards series, "A State-by-State Report Card on Public Postsecondary Education." The report examines public colleges and universities in all 50 states, grading two-year and four-year institutions in areas critical to the increasingly competitive global labor market. The report found that while Kentucky four-year colleges and universities earn low marks across the board, the state's two-year colleges are among the leaders in terms of efficiency and cost-effectiveness.

For the first time, Leaders and Laggards grades postsecondary institutions in the follow-

ing six areas: Student access and success; Efficiency and cost-effectiveness; Meeting labor market demand; Transparency and accountability; Policy environment; Innovation.

Kentucky's complete report card may be found at <http://icw.uschamber.com/reportcard/Kentucky/>. The median wage of a Kentucky bachelor's degree holder is only \$17,300 (or 59 percent) more than the median wage of a high school graduate, and the overall unemployment rate for a bachelor's degree holder is about 4 points lower—which indicates Kentucky's graduates are not well-prepared for the workforce. On a more promising note, the report cited that Kentucky's two-year colleges rate among the ten best in the nation for a

cost per completion of \$58,141.

"With tuition growing, debt loads increasing, students questioning the marketplace value of their degrees, and large amounts of taxpayer dollars invested, the business community and the public are starting to ask questions of policymakers and higher education leaders," said President of ICW and former U.S. Education Secretary Margaret Spellings. "This report begins to look at how states are doing in preparing students for jobs after college and the value state taxpayers are getting in meeting the demands of local economies and employers."

The Chamber is urging policy makers, the business community, and educators to craft a reform agenda that promotes transparency to the pub-

lic, demands better data on performance, and focuses on outputs not inputs.

To view the report, visit the ICW website.

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Justice

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This mistaken advantage can be significant since 158,000 voters voted in this race in 2004."

The statement goes on to point out that, while his opponent has used the Stumbo name in her political races, she has been listed as "Janet S. Pillersdorf" or "Janet Stumbo Pillersdorf" on deeds and mortgages.

"Moreover, Kentucky State Board of Elections records reflect she was registered to vote in Floyd County as Janet Stumbo Pillersdorf until Nov. 19, 1996 — just after her 1996 election to the Supreme Court as Justice Janet Stumbo," the statement says. "Is she being entirely candid with the public and the press? You be the judge!"

Stumbo's campaign has called the allegations "bizarre" and "false."

In a statement released on her campaign website, the campaign says Stumbo retained her maiden name after marrying Pillersdorf and has used it exclusively throughout 27 years of marriage and in each of her five judicial races. The statement goes on to say Stumbo was already a practicing attorney and partner with the law firm of Turner, Hall and Stumbo,



Justice Will T. Scott

and for that reason chose to retain her maiden name, for professional purposes."

"The suggestion on the Scott website that I have tried to mislead anyone about my identity is absurd," Stumbo is quoted as saying in the statement. "On five different occasions I have sought elected office as either a Court of Appeals Judge or a Supreme Court Justice. Each time I have used the name I was born with — Janet Stumbo."

Stumbo said questions about her name have been raised in previous campaigns, dating back to her first race, against Barkley Sturgill in 1989, and including by Scott in a speech when the two ran against each other in 2004. She said the fact that it is an issue at all reveals a double standard in politics.

"It's an allegation that



Judge Janet Stumbo

can only be made against women, if you think about it," Stumbo said.

Stumbo said it is common for female attorneys to keep their maiden names after they get married, because they build stock in the names as professionals.

Pillersdorf said Wednesday that his wife has never used the Pillersdorf name. He said the bank lists her as Pillersdorf on mortgages and deeds for the sake of convenience and clarification.

"Every time we get a mortgage, they have to list her name as Pillersdorf to show that we're married," Pillersdorf said. "The bank does it. We don't do it."

Stumbo said adding her husband's name to deeds clarifies ownership of property in the event of a dispute later. Otherwise, she said it

would be possible for someone else named Janet Stumbo to assert an ownership stake in the property.

"There's a legal reason for doing it," she said. "It's a simple thing the bank does, and it's a legal issue, potentially."

On Thursday, Scott said his opponent has every right to use the Stumbo name, just as he has a right to clarify her identity for voters.

"Do you think any candidate should get 7,000 mistaken votes for free?" Scott said. "I'm not attacking her name. That's her name. But we don't want voters thinking she's someone she's not."

But Stumbo said she is not trying to run on anyone's name but her own, and she believes she has succeeded in making a name for herself.

"If people don't know who I am by now ... I've been in public office since 1989, every year except for two years," Stumbo said. "If they don't know who I am, I don't know what else I can do."

Stumbo also said she doesn't know what Scott's motivation is for raising her name as an issue, but called the questions an "abridgment." "I don't know what's in his mind, but he seems kind of obsessed by it."

Award

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The award, named in honor of the late B. Hudson Milner, was established in 1978.

"Congratulations to this year's recipients, who represent the best of Kentucky's artistic community," said Gov. Steve Beshear. "I am honored to acknowledge and celebrate their many contributions to our

state's artistic livelihood through the Governor's Awards in the Arts."

Others receiving awards this year include: National Award — Author Bobbie Ann Mason, Lawrenceburg; Artist Award — Gray Zeltz, Owenton; Business Award — UK HealthCare Arts in HealthCare Program, Lexington; Community Arts Award — Latitude

Artist Community, Lexington; Education Award — Christina Earle Towell, Morehead; Folk Heritage Award — Leona Waddell, Cecilia; Government Award — U.S. Rep. John Yarmuth, Louisville; The Media Award — Jeffrey Lee Puckett, Louisville.

The recipients will be recognized at a public ceremony and celebration on Oct. 9, in the

Capitol Rotunda.

Nominations for the Governor's Awards in the Arts are accepted annually from the public. The deadline to make a nomination for the 2013 awards is Nov. 1, 2012. The Kentucky Arts Council coordinates the nomination and selection process for recommendation to the governor.

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After her mother worked for years as a nurse at Pikeville Medical Center, Andrea Stump is using her degree from National College to follow in her footsteps.

Graduate follows in mother's footsteps

PIKEVILLE — Andrea Stump is continuing a tradition of nursing started by her mother as she begins her new career as a registered nurse at Pikeville Medical Center.

"My mom worked up there for years and years. I always said I felt like I grew up in that hospital," recalled Andrea, who graduated from the nursing program at the Pikeville campus of National College in May.

The single mother had been working as a certified medical assistant for seven years when she decided that she wanted to take her career to the next level. Her mother, who had graduated from nursing school with Shirley Goff, the campus's nursing administrator, encouraged Andrea to check in to the nursing program at National because she knew that it took just two years to

complete and that it offered night classes for those who continued to work while in school. Andrea said that she felt prepared for her new career. "My preceptor had to fill out an evaluation and she said that I did really great—that I was going to be an asset to the nursing community. That made me feel really good because I love this field," she shared.

She's proud to have completed her degree and to have gained employment with a hospital that offers great pay and benefits. "You can support your family; it's just me and my daughter [and] we're going to be fine," she said. "There's just so many opportunities—this is just the beginning. I've prepared for this for so long...I'm just ready to go as far as I can go."

KDMC to conduct free joint pain screenings Aug. 4

PAINTSVILLE - King's Daughters Medical Specialties in Paintsville will conduct free joint pain screenings beginning at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 24 at their office — 313 West St., Suite 2.

Joint pain is extremely common: as many as one-third of adults report having experienced joint pain in the past 30 days. Causes include arthritis, bursitis, gout, strains, sprains, normal wear and tear, aging and other injuries.

King's Daughters physical therapists will conduct the non-invasive screenings, which will include an exam of the affected joint (knee, shoulder, hip, back, elbow and other joints). King's Daughters orthopedic surgeon Kevin Kulwicki, M.D., and rehabilitation physician Scott Akers, M.D., will discuss evaluation results and make recommendations. Appointments are required by calling 1-888-377-KDMC (5362).

Teacher of the Year



Paintsville native Larry G. Ward, of Lexington, was recently named 2012 Kentucky Section PGA Teacher of the Year. He was also the recipient of this award in 2011. Ward is the owner of Larry Ward High Performance Golf, located at Keene Run Golf Club, in Nicholasville.

Combs named AHA 'You're the Cure Legislator of the Year'

PRESTONSBURG — The American Heart Association named Representative Leslie Combs its "You're the Cure Legislator of the Year" for her sponsorship of House Bill 467, which establishes a statewide hospital-based stroke registry.

This state-level award is given annually to a policy maker who demonstrates a commitment to improving the cardiovascular health of Kentuckians.

Utilizing data submitted by Certified Primary Stroke Centers, the registry will serve as a mechanism for evaluating, monitoring and improving stroke care in the state. The legislation was based on a successful pilot project overseen by the Kentucky Department for Public Health and the Kentucky Heart Disease and Stroke Task Force.

Representative Combs received the award during the Stroke Symposium hosted by Pikeville Medical Center at Jenny Wiley State Park.

"Without Representative Leslie Combs' dedication and hard work with House Bill 467, establishing a statewide stroke registry would not have been

possible," said Dr. Naveed Ahmed, Chief of Staff and Medical Director of Pikeville Medical's Primary Stroke Center. "This is good for Kentucky; this is good for stroke care."

"Representative Combs more than deserves this award," said Julie Brackett, vice president of advocacy for the American Heart Association's Great Rivers Affiliate. "This was an example of exactly the kind of leadership we need to improve stroke care in this state."

Stroke is the No. 5 killer in Kentucky, and No. 4 nationally. There are two types—hemorrhagic, or bleeding in the brain, and ischemic, blockage of a blood vessel to the brain.

In both cases, there is an interruption of oxygenated blood to the brain, causing cells to die.

For more information on cardiovascular disease and stroke, visit the American Heart Association's web site at heart.org. To become involved in the "You're the Cure" network, visit yourthe-cure.org.

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Keep Kentucky Kids Safe initiative announced

FRANKFORT — Attorney General Jack Conway and his Keep Kentucky Kids Safe partners announced Thursday the launch of a new initiative to warn Kentuckians about the dangers of prescription drug abuse and to remind the public of the importance of monitoring, securing and safely disposing of unneeded prescription pills.

With the generosity of the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI), a key partner in General Conway's Keep Kentucky Kids Safe program, and Lamar Outdoor Advertising, prescription drug abuse awareness billboards are going up across the Commonwealth.

"We are doing everything we can to warn Kentuckians about the deadly consequences of prescription drug abuse to ensure that we don't lose another generation to this scourge," General Conway said. "I appreciate the assistance we have received from Lamar, NADDI and our other partners as we launch this new awareness effort across the Commonwealth."

The non-medical use or abuse of prescription pills is the fastest-growing drug problem in the United States, according to the

Office of National Drug Control Policy. With controlled-substance prescriptions on the rise in 118 of the state's 120 counties, Kentucky is the fourth most medicated state in the country, according to Forbes Magazine. Last year, medical professionals in Kentucky prescribed 219 million doses of hydrocodone. That's 50 doses for every man, woman and child in the Commonwealth.

Over the past decade, prescription drug overdose deaths have doubled, rising to nearly 1,000 a year. More people in Kentucky are dying from overdoses than traffic accidents.

"Lamar Advertising is proud to partner with General Conway on this very important initiative to prevent Prescription Drug Abuse," said Mike Gibson, Sales Manager for Lamar Lexington. "Lamar will display this urgent message in more than a dozen cities across Kentucky immediately."

Keep Kentucky Kids Safe billboards are already on display at multiple locations in Lexington and will appear in Danville, Frankfort, Somerset, Winchester, Morehead, London, Liberty, Louisville, Richmond, Paducah, Owensboro and Covington in the

coming weeks.

"The Keep Kentucky Kids Safe campaign builds on the longstanding partnership between NADDI and the Attorney General's Office," said Paula York, NADDI of Kentucky President. "NADDI will continue to work with General Conway and his staff to educate law enforcement, healthcare professionals, as well as Kentucky families, about the dangers of prescription drug abuse and the importance of monitoring and securing prescription pills in the home."

In 2010, General Conway joined with the parents of overdose victims, the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy, NADDI, Operation UNITE and the Kentucky Pharmacists Association to launch the Keep Kentucky Kids Safe statewide education and awareness initiative. To date, General Conway and his partners have warned more than 10,000 middle and high school students in nearly two dozen counties about the risks associated with prescription drug abuse.

As part of the Keep Kentucky Kids Safe program, students are encouraged to participate in an annual statewide video PSA contest on the perils of prescription

drug abuse. Additionally, Attorney General Conway and his staff will raise awareness about prescription drug abuse at this year's Kentucky State Fair. The Attorney General's booth will be in the law enforcement section of the South Wing.

In addition to his public awareness efforts, Attorney General Conway worked closely with Governor Beshear, House Speaker Stumbo and other lawmakers to win passage of landmark legislation to prevent the abuse and diversion of prescription pills in the Commonwealth. Earlier this week, General Conway joined the Governor, law enforcement and representatives from medical licensure boards to discuss the recent implementation of House Bill 1 and how it can save lives by cracking down on illegal pill mills and expansion of the Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting system (KASPER).

In 2009, Attorney General Conway launched Kentucky's first and only statewide Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force. The task force has been involved in more than 130 prescription drug diversion investigations, including Operation Flamingo Road, the state's larg-

est prescription drug bust that resulted in the arrests of more than 500 people.

General Conway also reached across party lines to work with Florida's Attorney General Pam Bondi to see that her state implemented an electronic prescription drug monitoring system similar to Kentucky's KASPER system. The two continue to work closely to combat prescription drug abuse in their respective states and nationally. General Conway and Bondi are co-chairing the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) Substance Abuse Committee and are committed to ensuring that all 50 states have prescription drug monitoring programs and that all of the programs can share data across state lines.

Additionally, the Attorney General's office is a member of the Interstate Prescription Drug Task Force that is working with neighboring states, like Ohio, Tennessee and West Virginia, to shut down the prescription drug pipeline into Kentucky.

For more information on General Conway's drug diversion efforts and the Keep Kentucky Kids Safe program, please visit <http://ag.ky.gov/rxabuse>.

MSHA releases midyear mine fatality update

ARLINGTON, Va. — The U.S. Department of Labor's Mine Safety and Health Administration last week released a midyear summary of mining deaths across the country. During the first

half of 2012, 19 miners died in work-related accidents at the nation's mines.

Among 10 coal mining deaths, three resulted from slips or falls, two from rib falls and one each from the

following categories: exploding vessels under pressure, drowning, handling materials, machinery and electrical. An uncharacteristic trend identified is that five of these fatalities — three involving mine supervisors — occurred on five consecutive weekends.

Among nine metal and nonmetal mining deaths, four were attributed to powered haulage incidents, two were the result of a falling face/rib/highwall, and one each was linked to an accident involving machinery, falling material and a person falling.

"While 19 is the second-lowest number of mining

deaths recorded in mining midyear, we know that these deaths are preventable," said Joseph A. Main, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health. "Many mines operate every shift of every day, year in and year out, without a fatality or a lost-time injury. Mining workplaces can and must be made safe for all miners."

MSHA has taken a number of actions to identify mines with health and safety problems, and has initiated several outreach and enforcement initiatives, including "Rules to Live By," a fatality prevention program highlighting the safety and

health standards most frequently cited during fatal accident investigations.

Fatalties can be prevented by using effective safety and health management programs in the workplace. Workplace examinations for hazards — pre-shift and on-shift, every shift — can identify and eliminate hazards that kill and injure miners. Effective and appropriate training positions miners to recognize and understand hazards and find ways to control or eliminate them. Furthermore, miners must be free to exercise their rights under the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977

and be full participants in maintaining a safe and healthful workplace.

"We believe these actions, along with initiatives by the mining industry, can make a positive difference," said Main.

To review MSHA's analysis of mining fatalities that occurred during the first half of 2012, along with best practices to help mining operations avoid similar fatalities, visit the agency's website at <http://www.msha.gov/fatals/summaries/summaries.asp>. This information also has been provided directly to miners, mine operators and mine safety trainers.

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SPORTS

Crider brothers compete at two tracks



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Steve Lemaster
Sports Editor

DWALE — Karl-racing brothers Christian and Cameron Crider competed at a pair of tracks over the weekend. The brothers ventured to Wheelersburg Raceway in Ohio on Friday night and competed at D&K Raceway

in Clay County Saturday. Each of the racers fared well.

On Friday night, Christian raced in the Blue Plate class. He finished third in Heat 1 and second in Heat 2. Following a tire change, Christian won the Blue Plate feature race. Cameron also finished strong, passing

on the last lap to claim second in the Blue Plate class.

The brothers and 90-plus other racers were in action at the Clay County track on Saturday. D&K Raceway hosted 93 karts on an action-packed night.

Christian competed in the super-fast restricted 12-15 class, which fea-

tured 13 karts. He qualified sixth and finished seventh in the heat race. Christian also finished seventh in the feature. Cameron qualified third in the rookie class and fourth in his heat race. He came on strong in the feature and almost had the second spot secured before finishing third.

Drillers to host tryouts Aug. 25

To be held in Prestonburg

Steve Lemaster
Sports Editor

PRESTONBURG — The Kentucky Drillers will host open tryouts for the 2013 team on Aug. 25 in Prestonburg. The site and time for the tryouts will be announced soon. Pre-registration for the upcoming tryouts is underway.

The fee for those who pre-register for the tryouts is \$50. Anyone who registers on the day of the tryouts will be charged \$60.

The Kentucky indoor football team, which previously competed as the Eastern Kentucky Drillers, recently announced it was switching leagues, moving from the UIFL to the CIFL. The Eastern Kentucky Drillers spent two seasons in the UIFL, hosting home games at the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center in downtown Pikeville.

The Drillers, under the direction of owner/coach Rick Kranz, currently offers 2013 season tickets for as low as \$28. Other season ticket prices are \$80 and \$40, respectively. A five-game home schedule is being planned for the 2013 season. The Drillers, who will play in the CIFL along with the Kentucky Xtreme, a team based out of Louisville, plan to kick off the 2013 campaign in February.

The Drillers are also in need of a dance team coach and Drillbit dancers for the 2013 season.

For more information on the Kentucky Drillers, call 606-509-7277.



photo courtesy of WWE

Sheamus will defend his championship when WWE SmackDown visits Pikeville on Sunday.

WWE SmackDown returning

Steve Lemaster
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — The WWE SmackDown World Tour will visit Pikeville for a show at the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center on Sunday. Bell time for the highly-anticipated show is set for 7 p.m. Tickets for the upcoming WWE card remain available at the East Kentucky Expo Center's Appalachian Wireless Box Office.

Superstars scheduled to appear in Pikeville include WWE

SmackDown World Heavyweight Champion Sheamus, Alberto Del Rio, CM Punk, Christian, Cody Rhodes, Ryback, Daniel Bryan, Kane, Dolph Ziggler, Chris Jericho, Sin Cara and AJ.

Sheamus (Stephen Farrelly) was also a two-time International Heavyweight Champion during his tenure in Irish Whip Wrestling. He is a three-time World Champion. He held the WWE Championship on two occasions. The Irish professional wrestler also won the King of the Ring in 2010 and the Royal Rumble in 2012.

Previously, he enjoyed one title reign as WWE United States Champion.

Alberto Del Rio (Alberto Rodriguez) is a Mexican professional wrestler. He is a former two-time WWE Champion and also won the 2011 Royal Rumble, outlasting 39 other participants. He has competed as both a mixed martial artist and luchador in Mexico and Japan. The talented performer is the son of luchador Dos Caras, nephew of Mil Máscaras and Sicodelico, and cousin to Sicodelico, Jr. and Hijo de Sicodelico.

KHSAA creates championship weekend

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON — Beginning in the fall of 2013 the first weekend of November will have a championship feel unlike any other in the Association's 95-year history. The KHSAA Board of Control approved a measure at its July meeting to create a fall sports weekend of championships as five separate team championships will be decided on the same Saturday.

The final championship contests for volleyball, boys' and girls' cross country, as well as boys' and girls' soccer will be awarded on Nov. 9, 2013. The new series of championships will be held in week 18 of the NFHS corresponding date calendar.

The decision to create a fall weekend of champions received support for several reasons, among them the

fact it cuts down on scheduling conflicts for member schools, unlike when the championships are conducted on three separate weekends. Similar events also have been conducted in the past with multiple championships on the same weekend, including the soccer/cross country, tennis/track and baseball/softball combinations with great success.

"This is a model that has worked well in the past and we likely will be using more in the future because it causes minimal intrusion in the academic year," said KHSAA Commissioner Julian Tackett. "We want to make sure student-athlete success in the classroom comes first and if having multiple championships at once is a way to ensure they miss less study time and it helps teachers, then I'm all for it."

We tried it last spring by doubling up tennis and track in May and baseball and softball in June and received a lot of positive feedback for it. I think that weekend will be something people now will be able to circle on their calendars years in advance, which will really enhance the championship experience for every sport involved."

The length of the soccer season will remain unchanged. The length of volleyball season will remain the same, though the official start date of the first match will move back by one week, to Aug. 12, 2013. The length of the cross country season will be one week shorter as the date of its championship moves from the second weekend of November to the first. The first official practice date for each remains July 15.

Blankenship posts top-10 finish in LOLMDS



John Blankenship finished ninth in his latest Late Model feature race.

photo by Thomas Hendrickson

Times Staff Report

WILLIAMSON, W.Va. — Veteran driver John Blankenship and the Number 23 Inc. team traveled to I-80 Speedway in Greensboro, N.C., July 20-21 for the 2nd Annual Silver Dollar Nationals. The Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series sanctioned the mega-event, which boasted a hefty \$26,000 payday.

In the unique two-heat race format on Friday night, Blankenship finished fourth in a first prelim and second in his final heat race. After rolling off from the inside of the fifth row in the 80-lap main event, Blankenship hung around the top 10 and eventually posted a solid ninth place performance.

He is ranked sixth in the latest LOLMDS point standings following the event held at I-80.

Blankenship and Tommy Baldwin Racing (TBR) have formed a partnership that will move the 2009 Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series Rookie of the Year into the NASCAR Nationwide Series. Blankenship is slated to make his debut in a TBR Chevrolet sponsored by Coal America's Energy at Iowa Speedway on August 4.

In addition to Iowa, Blankenship will run with TBR in the final three races of the 2012 NASCAR Nationwide Series season, which will take place at Texas Motor Speedway on Nov. 3, Phoenix International Raceway on Nov. 10 and the season finale at Homestead-Miami Speedway on Nov. 17.

Coal America's Energy will be Blankenship's sponsor in all four races.

Squirrel Hunt set for Aug. 17-18

Steve Lemaster
Sports Editor

GERMAN BRIDGE — The 13th Annual Youth Hunt Squirrel Hunt Campout will be held Aug. 17-18 at German Bridge Campground. This year's event is being held in memory of Roger Nelson (Nelson Funeral Home) and Stoney Burke (Dewey Lake Corp of Engineers).

The youth hunt/campout is for youth ages 4-15. Each youth must be accompanied by at least one parent or guardian. All campers must bring their own hunting, fishing and camping equipment. Age groups will be 4-6, 7-9, 10-12 and 13-15.

Disabled youth hunters will also be accommodated. Youth hunters ages 12 and older must have a hunting license and a hunter education orange card. All federal, state and WVA game regulations will apply.

Each youth will receive a gift and a hat. Participants ages 7-15 will also have a chance to win a shotgun.

Door prizes will be given away to all ages groups. The youth hunt/campout will also include a BB gun shoot, canoeing and a turkey calling contest. Pre-registration is required as spaces are limited.

No pets will be allowed at the youth hunt/campout.

The event is being sponsored by the Floyd County Hunter Education Organization, Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club, Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Kentucky Hunter Education Association and the Salato Museum.

Donations for the youth event are also still being accepted.

For more information, call Tom Bormes (606/285-5061), Joe R. Bolton (606/496-8683), Jim Goble (606/874-2490) or Gerald Jones (606/886-8656).

Hunter Education Class: The Floyd County Hunter Education Organization will hold a hunter education class Aug. 6-8 at Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club.

KHSAA assists with emergency action plans

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON - Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) member schools will soon have assistance in formulating venue specific emergency action plans, thanks to examples and templates prepared before the Board of Control and to be offered by the Association through its

newly redesigned website (www.khsaa.org). As a condition of House Bill 281, in addition to education requirements for concussion education, each KHSAA member school must develop and practice a venue specific emergency action plan for each athletic facility. "North Carolina passed similar

legislation a couple years ago and as a result we reached out to the staff at the North Carolina office and those that assisted with the implementation of their plans, and they were extremely helpful," said Tackett. "They gave us several good resources to use as a framework that we will be sharing with our membership so they may

develop plans that are comprehensive, easy for everyone to understand quickly and to be used at the facility. Every second matters if the plan ever has to be used." McCracken County football team placed in district. McCracken County High School was scheduled to open in the fall of 2013, was placed in Class 6A, District 1 by

a measure approved the KHSAA Board of Control. The placement is good for the 2013 and 2014 seasons. Muhlenberg County, a current member of Class 6A, District 1, will move to District 2. McCracken County High School will be formed from the consolidation of Reidland, Lone Oak and Heath High Schools.

Oaks may be impacted by heat, drought

Art Lander
KENTUCKY FIELD

FRANKFORT - Oaks are the most important tree species to wildlife in Kentucky forests, but the impact of this years drought remains to be seen. White oaks are faring better than red oaks so far.

White oaks produce acorns that are a critical food source for squirrels, white-tailed deer, wild turkey, black bear and many non-game species. White oak acorns are preferred by wildlife because they are more palatable. Acorns produced by red oaks contain tannin, which makes them bitter.

White oaks can produce acorns every year. Entire crops are often lost due to late freezes and heavy rains just as pollination of oak flowers begins as well as summer droughts.

Philip Sharp, a private lands wildlife biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources in Crittenden County, said its too soon to make a prediction on the mast crop in western Kentucky, the area of the state most affected by drought. Our white oaks have small acorns now, but that's pretty typical for this time of year. They can grow a lot in a short period of time and fill out in late summer.

Red oaks are not faring as well. Some areas of western Kentucky are really dry. There are places that have had about a half inch of rain in the past two months, said Sharp. I'm concerned. The dry conditions

are killing some of our red oak trees on ridges with thin soils.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, Crittenden and parts of nine other Kentucky counties along the lower Ohio River are classified as being in an Exceptional Drought, the driest category of five listed. Because it takes two years for red oak acorns to mature, and not all trees produce mature acorns in the same year, red oaks are a more reliable source of acorns on an annual basis.

David Yaney, senior deer biologist for the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, said a mix of white and red oak species is preferred. This will ensure that some acorns will be there for wildlife when there's a failure of the white oak crop.

According to the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, there are 10 native species of oak trees in Kentucky: six members of the red oak group and four of the white oak group. Typically, it takes an oak tree about 20 years to start producing acorns.

The U.S. Forest Services 1981 Wildlife Habitat Management Handbook said the white oak (Quercus alba) followed by the chestnut oak are the two white oak species in Kentucky that produce the highest yields of acorns. For red oaks, its the northern red oak (Quercus rubra), then the scarlet oak (Quercus coccinea).

The leaves are a good way to tell the difference between white oaks and red oaks. White oak leaves are

narrower (about 4 inches) with rounded lobes. Red oak leaves are wider (as wide as 6 inches) with pointed lobes.

Although oaks are considered intermediate in their tolerance to shade, they grow best on sites with openings in the forest canopy and minimal competition for sunlight, water and nutrients from other plants. Oak stands regenerate naturally by sprouting acorns as well as stump sprouts.

Since acorns and other hard mast are so important to wildlife, department biologists began an annual survey in 1953 to assess each years crop. Biologists walk the same route every year and determine the proportion of trees bearing hard mast by observing nuts on hickories, white and red oak and beech trees.

The mast survey helps biologists predict game availability and behavior. For example, each years estimate of the number of squirrels available to hunters is based on the previous years mast crop.

In years when the mast crop is sparse, deer and wild turkey are more vulnerable to hunters because game must move around more to find food. In years of plenty, deer and turkey harvests are likely to decrease because food sources are available everywhere, so there isn't as much game movement.

Nuts begin to mature in mid-September. The annual survey will be conducted this year between Aug. 15 and Sept. 1.

MSU's Cox to play in International Scout Bowl Sept. 1

Times Staff Report

MOREHEAD - Former Morehead State University football player Desmond Cox has been added to the United States roster for the first-ever Euro-American International Scout Bowl. The contest will be played on Sept. 1 at the newly-constructed National Stadium in Warsaw, Poland.

The Euro-American Challenge features American players who are interested in signing a European contract against European players who are willing to play in America. The United States squad will begin practice on Aug. 27 at the St. Lawrence Sports Complex in Hillburn, N.Y.

Cox picked up several postseason honors after his senior campaign in 2011. He was a Second-Team All-Pioneer Football League selection for both academic and athletic achievement.

A native of Akron, Ohio, Cox tallied 956 rushing yards a year ago en route to 1,783 for his career.

He was named the PFL's Offensive Player of the Week after collecting a career-high 218 yards on the ground, including a school-record 92-yard touchdown burst, in the season finale against Butler.

Soccer heat timeout procedure adopted

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON - Beginning this season, soccer matches that are played when the heat index is high enough to warrant mandatory water breaks will have a common time to take those breaks.

In games where the heat index has been determined to be 95 or higher, play will stop at the 20 minute mark of each half of play to allow student-athletes and officials to take a mandatory 10-minute heat timeout and water break. The timeout will not be charged to either team. Contest officials will get heat index information from game management before the start of the contest and will then implement the timeout procedures by notifying the coaches at the required pre-game meeting.

"This continues our ongoing and long standing efforts to protect student-athletes during times when heat can be the most dangerous," said Commissioner Tackett. Assistant Commissioner for soccer Michael Barron added, "It's something that is already being done in football and represents a solid common sense solution. I think our officials will quickly adapt and this will give our coaches the ability to make any necessary strategic decisions."

Ky. Motorsports Hall of Fame 2012 induction set Aug. 11

Times Staff Report

BOWLING GREEN - The Kentucky Motorsports Hall of Fame has announced that its 2012 induction ceremony will take place on Saturday, August 11 at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green.

The ceremony, the Hall's fifth annual such event, will begin at 2 p.m. Central Time, 3 p.m. Eastern Time.

Members of the 2012 class are: Allan and Donald Barker of Louisville, Sports Car Club of America road racing champions.

Collings Downes Sr. and Jr. of Louisville, APBA and NHRA champions.

Butch Krieger of Louisville, drag racing and tractor pull announcer.

Joseph Reynolds (Joie) Ray Jr. of Louisville, groundbreaking oval track sprint car racer.

John Potts of London, longtime track and sanctioning body official.

Tommy Thompson of Louisville, NASCAR pioneer driver and oval track owner.

Darrell Waltrip of Owensboro, three-time NASCAR champion.

Wayne and Jim Williams of Valley Station, drag strip builders and operators.

Woodsley, Sharp and Reynolds of Winchester, NHRA championship dragster team.



Key player captured the USBA National Championship, defeating all of its foes convincingly en route to the title.

Dingess averages triple-double, leads to USBA title

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

MYRTLE BEACH, SC

Inez Elementary School standout Brady Dingess averaged a triple-double over the weekend to

lead Key Player won the USBA 3rd Grade National Championship. Key Player defeat-

ed the West Virginia state runner-up, Charleston Cavaliers, 47-18 in the championship game.

During the national tournament, Key Player defeated state champions from North Carolina and New Jersey. Dingess averaged 15 points, 10 assists, 10 steals and five rebounds per game for Key Player during the national tournament.

The standout from Marien County scored 21 points for Key Player in a convincing 71-22 win over the Charlotte Hoyas in the tournament quarterfinals.

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Blue Water Trails: Green River, Mammoth Cave National Park

Lee McClellan
Kentucky Affair

FRANKFORT - The rolling Pennyroyal country south of the Green River looks like a pockmarked World War I battlefield from the air. Those pockmarks aren't from artillery shells impacting the ground; they come from a combination of rainfall, porous limestone and time.

These forces created sinkholes that collect rainfall and power underground streams that course strongly with each storm. The streams eventually flow north to the Green River and emerge from the ground as springs such as Echo River Spring, River Styx Spring and Turnhole Spring.

During the water's travel from sinkhole to Green River over the millennia, it carved tunnels, caverns and huge rooms through the porous, easily dissolved limestone under the ridges along the south side of the river. These features seemed so gargantuan to the first visitors they called it Mammoth Cave, now recognized as the longest cave system in the world.

Canoeists and kayakers may float the Green River right through the heart of Mammoth Cave National Park and witness one of the most unique geological areas on Earth. Mammoth Cave National Park is a World Heritage Site and Biosphere Reserve - recognition of the ecosystem's international importance.

Two floats through the park give paddlers an intimate experience with the power of flowing water and nature. The dark cyan waters of the Green River flow through a bluish-lined gorge with streamside caves, springs and healthy populations of black bass, catfish and toothy muskellunge. The flow of Green River makes for an easy, relaxing float, perfect for families, beginners and anglers.

This stretch of Green River is floatable year-round, but the National Park Service warns paddlers not to float the river at the 10 foot level or higher. The park service maintains a phone line at (270)-758-2166 for current river levels and information on the Green River Ferry and Houchins Ferry. Paddlers must mind the operation of these ferries while floating and land their boats on the downstream side of the ferry landing.

The first float begins at the historic Dennison Ferry Access and Day Use Area on Dennison Ferry Road (some maps refer to this road as Big Woods Road) and ends at the Green River Ferry. The gravel access road will test the limits of smaller cars, but is passable. Dennison Ferry requires a fairly steep carry-down to the water. The park service provides wooden slides on the stairs for canoes and kayaks, but secure all gear beforehand or it may wind up floating downriver.

A streamside cave greets paddlers on the left (looking downstream) a short way into this float that boaters may paddle into for about 40 feet at certain water levels. The shoals and gentle riffles hold smallmouth bass on this stretch. The chute to the right of Three Sisters Island, about a mile into the float, is a good spot to throw a 1/8-ounce tube jig in the green pumpkin color. A crawfish-colored medium-running crawfish bait, obtain a free backcountry permit from the park's Visitor Center. Check the weather forecast, as the Green rises quickly after rains. The National Weather Service pro-

The renowned cave explorer

Floyd Collins discovered this cave in 1917. He later grew internationally famous for surviving for 14 days after getting stuck while exploring the unstable Sand Cave in 1925. After valiant efforts to rescue Collins, he succumbed to thirst, exposure and starvation. The media attention drove public awareness of the Mammoth Cave area and served as a catalyst for the creation of Mammoth Cave National Park in 1926.

The river eventually flows around a left-hand bend. The rocky outside bank holds smallmouth bass. After the bend, the green flows over some good shoals that also hold smallmouths.

Spotted and largemouth bass lurk in the woody cover of the slower moving sections of this float. Four-inch black fincuse worms rigged on 1/8-ounce leadheads probed through the wood draws strikes.

The river then bends to the right at the base of the ridge that holds the entrance to the Great Onyx Cave. Some islands also punctuate this stretch and make good places to prospect for smallmouth bass in the flowing chutes, especially one of the largest, Floating Mill Island.

After a bend downstream, paddlers float near the Historic Entrance to Mammoth Cave. The take-out at Green River Ferry lies on the left less than a mile later. It is a short carry to the parking lot at Green River Ferry.

The next float covers 12 miles, beginning at Green River Ferry and ending at Houchins Ferry. This float requires a lengthy shuttle, but boaters can save some time by taking the gravel Joppa Ridge Road which lies on the right a short distance from Green River Ferry. This road is one-way from Green River Ferry Road to KY 70 (Brownsville Road), so it can't be used on the return from Houchins Ferry.

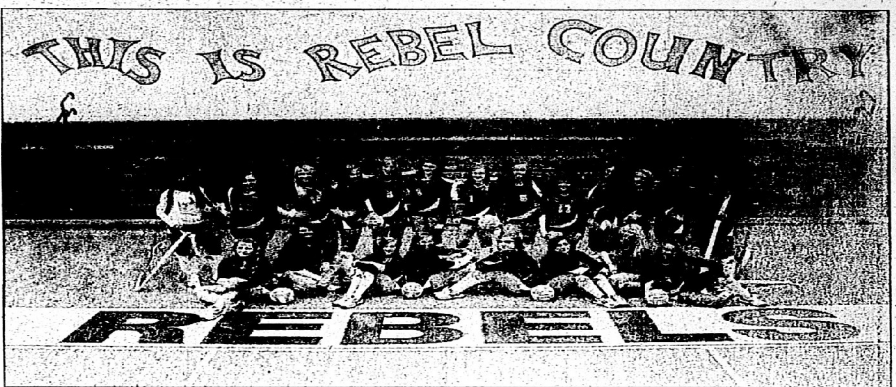
Paddlers will notice the Green River grows deeper and more sluggish from the influence of Lock and Dam No. 6 downstream of Mammoth Cave National Park. The river takes a long slow bend around the end of Joppa Ridge and the deeper woody cover in this stretch holds muskellunge. Anglers with bass fishing tackle can catch Green River muskellunge, provided they use a wire leader on the end of their lines to attach a lure. Monofilament, fluorocarbon and even braided lines are no match for the teeth of a sizable muskellunge.

The stretch of Green River in Mammoth Cave National Park produced several state record muskellunge in the 1950s and 1960s. Medium-running crankbaits in fire tiger, gold or chrome draw muskellunge strikes as do large white double-bladed spinnerbaits. The treble hooks of the traditional muskie in-line spinners dressed in bucktail often get hung up in woody cover.

After flowing around Joppa Ridge, the river makes a horse-shoe-shaped bend to the south called Turnhole Bend, named for Turnhole Spring. The small lake created by this spring provided steamboats a place to turn around back in the day.

The two islands in Turnhole Bend, Sand Cave Island and Boardcut Island, are popular spots for float camping. Campers must obtain a free backcountry permit from the park's Visitor Center. Check the weather forecast, as the Green rises quickly after rains. The National Weather Service pro-

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Allen Central High School is home to the defending 15th Region volleyball champion.

Allen Central preparing for 2012

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

EASTERN - The Allen Central High School volleyball team is preparing for the new season, returning the core of its 2011 squad. The Rebels had a very successful run during 2011, winning the 15th Region All 'A' Classic, reaching the semifinals of the small-school state tournament and claiming the 13th Region tournament title. Allen Central was also the first 15th Region volleyball team to win a match in the state tournament with a 2-0 win over Corbin. The Rebels finished the season with an impressive 30-11 record.

Back for the 2012 season are seniors Courtney Hodge, Ciara Jones, and Laken Tackett. Also joining Rachel Moore and DeShea Elliott and freshman Katie

Kendrick return for the Rebels. Those players excelled last season, combining for 80 service aces, 281 assists, 376 kills, 1078 returns, 440 digs and 280 blocks.

"This year's team will be defensively focused and hinge on speed and quickness to the ball," Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard commented. "They are a small team but very consistent and play big. Teams that take them for granted will be very surprised at their aggressiveness, power, and they way they cover the court."

There will be a few who may be 'new' to a varsity line up but experienced and seasoned over the years. A lot is expected from junior Brandy Crum, sophomores Heather Burdzilauskas, Taylor Moore, Emily Watkins, and Lanah Gibson, and Freshmen Sarah Grindrod,

Jannah Halbert and Chelsea Austin. Others expected to step up their game and contribute to the varsity are Kelsie Jackson, Hayley Finson, Haley Smith, Emily Johnson, Breanna Thompson, Lauryn Stumbo and Shawna Holbrook. "They all are varsity caliber and can and will be called upon to fill any voids in our defense or offense," Maynard added.

Allen Central's game plan is simple, stop or slow the opponent's offense and run a balanced attack from every position.

"This is a team that devotes themselves to be better individually," Maynard commented. "They are extremely dedicated to this program and to its success."

The Rebels' philosophy this year is 'Play like they are in first, practice like they are in second.' The

Allen Central squad has attended various camps at the University of Kentucky, Morehead State University, and the University of Pikeville. The Allen Central players give up a lot of personal time to be the best they can be - and it shows. The Rebels played in the Rowan County Summer Smash and finished 10-2. Allen Central also participated in the Morehead team camp, compiling a 14-7 record against multiple powerhouse.

Maynard, who captured his 300th career win last year, added, "It is all about them. They want to do the off-season physical training and conditioning, they are the ones that want to get into the gym to practice and attend camps, and, any success we have, is because of them, their dedication, and willingness to work hard to achieve it."



Brooke Mounts is the latest signee for the University of Pikeville volleyball program.

UPIKE volleyball program signs Mounts

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE - The University of Pikeville has signed a volleyball player from Regional Christian School. Brooke Mounts is

a defensive specialist who was a member of the Beta Club and an honor-roll student at the school. Coach Shannon Gassman's Bears will open the 2012 season in the La-

bor Day Volleydogg Classic in Lebanon, Tenn., on August 31. The Mid-South Conference has not yet released its preseason volleyball poll. Pikeville competes in the Mid-South Confer-

ence along with Bluefield, Campbellsville, Cumberland (Tenn.), Cumberland (Ky.), Georgetown, Lindsey Wilson, Ro Grande, Shawnee State, St. Catharine and UVA-Wise.

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ACT, Venice Theatre team up for 'Greater Tuna'

This month, three of Artists Collaborative Theatre's actors and directors — Cody Anderson, Jason Justice and Lauren Stewart — traveled to Venice Theatre, in Venice, Fla., to rehearse, train, and make plans for ACT's latest production, Greater Tuna.

Jason Justice spoke of the difference that theatre can make in a community. "My time at Venice Theatre helped me understand how valuable theatre and art can be to a community (even a large one). Venice offers a Summerstock program to pre-high school students to learn all aspects of theatre—including acting, set-building and technical work. Many of these children go on to seek a career in theatre because of that program. Perhaps more importantly, Venice, in conjunction with the Loveland Center, sponsors a program for mentally and/or physically handicapped individuals called the Loveland Players. This program culminates in a show called The Loveland Folies, where members of the group rehearse and perform a show. I think this program is magnificent because it demonstrates just how much a theatre can offer all aspects of its community. ACT offers an amazing afterschool program and does wonderful outreach work with the Mountain View Nursing Home and West Care rehabilitation center, but at Venice, I learned just how much a theatre with enough time, volunteers and resources can give back to its community."

Venice Theatre hosted the trio in actor housing for three weeks, where they enjoyed mornings at the beach and days at the theatre. After a week of rehearsals, the employees of Venice Theatre realized what a unique group of well-rounded thespians they were working with, and soon put the skills acquired through years of work at ACT to good use in Venice. Lauren, Jason, and Cody proved useful in the set shop, the property annex, and especially the costume shop, where they aided Nicholas Hartman in pulling and assembling the amazing costumes showcased in Greater Tuna.

Lauren Stewart is excited about



The cast and directors include, from left, Jason Justice, Lauren Stewart, Allen Kollar and Cody Anderson.

implementing her experiences. "I learned that we at ACT have the resources and the talent to expand our theatre to a larger scale and to take on more complex projects like they handle at Venice. We may not be equipped for a stage 2 yet, but we can handle anything we put our minds to on mainstage. Personally, I reaffirmed that theatre is what I want to do with my life, and that what makes me happiest is creating art on and offstage. I enjoyed every moment of working with the Venice theatre, and I'm grateful to have them as mentors for our theatre. We can learn so much from their work individually and as a company, and I can't wait to put what we learned there

into practice in our own community." ACT has long considered Venice Theatre its "big brother theatre." Through the American Association of Community Theatre (AACT), Venice Theatre has been a mentor of ACT since 2004. It was then that Kollar co-directed ACT's Kentucky Women's Playwright Festival as well as recruited a lighting designer and actress from Venice, Florida to round out ACT's local talent.

Kollar then returned in 2005 to teach a directing class with the showcase production, "ACT's Director Shorts: Come See Our Shorts," a compilation of five local novice directors' productions tied together for one production. Allan Kollar and Venice The-

atre continued their role as big brother to ACT when they hosted Kimper resident Bryan Ratliff to attend a theatre training program in 2007. Kollar revisited ACT in 2009 to direct the summer comedy, Dearly Departed, a show so widely popular with ACT audiences that it was restaged by Cody Anderson and Jason Justice as this season's opening production, later winning statewide and regional awards. Just last year, Kollar travelled to ACT to direct The Foreigner, the theatre's 2011 summer comedy. Under his direction, the performers were magnificent and made audiences roar with laughter, night after night. Cody Anderson has come to appre-

ciate the closeness and acceptance of his theatre family. "I was solidified in knowing that theatre is a community of openness and acceptance unlike the rest of the world, which can be cold, hurtful, and unaccepting. I learned that I need to be in that kind of environment to thrive, to be my true self instead of the mask that I sometimes wear. I continued my learning that in theatre you can build all these separate identities and live in them for the length that will are on stage. The hurtful moments were redeemed somewhat when we met an amazing group of people on the beach who were accepting. I learned to appreciate the close knit family that we have at ACT. There were so many volunteers at Venice Theatre that I couldn't remember all the names. All were welcoming, but there were just so many."

Greater Tuna is a comedy that rounds out ACT's 2012 season. The production stars Cody Anderson and Jason Justice and is directed by Lauren Stewart. This hilarious send-up of small town morals and mores focuses on the upstanding citizens of Tuna, Texas, which happens to be the state's third smallest town. The long-running Off Broadway hit features two actors (Anderson and Justice) creating the entire population of Tuna in a tour de force of quick change artistry, changing costumes and characterizations faster than a jack rabbit runs from a coyote. There's two actors, twenty characters, and a heaping barrel of laughs, ya'll!

Reviews for Greater Tuna include, "Howlingly funny" by Variety and "The audience ... all but exploded the theatre with laughter," by the New York Post.

Don't miss your chance to see Greater Tuna! Performances will take place at ACT in Elkhorn City (207 N. Patty Lovless Drive) through July 29. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 each and available at the door, by calling (606) 754-4228, or online at www.act4.org.

15 named entrepreneur awards 2012 finalists

SOMERSET — Fifteen of the region's top small businesses and nonprofit organizations have been named finalists in the 2012 Excellence in Entrepreneurship Awards (EIEA) program.

The announcement comes after the EIEA selection committee narrowed a field of 41 nominees from across Eastern and Southern Kentucky into groups of three finalists in each of the five EIEA business award categories.

This year, the EIEA program added a fifth award category to recognize the achievements of young entrepreneurs (25 years of age or younger) in Southern and Eastern Kentucky who are operating a successful business venture.

The 2012 EIEA finalists and their respective award categories are:

Young Entrepreneur
Jared Sizemore, owner, Juggling Jared, Pin-ville. Michael Todd Duff, owner, LowGap Outfitters LLC, Hindman. Hong Ren Zhang Durandal, founder and president, Energy Hunters LLC, Berea.

Start-Up Business
Nick Noble, owner, Park Mammoth Resort, Park City. Shane Rich-

mond, GM and owner, Wildcat Harley-Davidson, London. Troy E. Lay, CEO, Alternative Energies Kentucky, LLC, Danville.

For-Profit Small Business
Jeff Parmelee and Terry Randall, owners, Total Rehab Center, Somerset. Shane Baker, president, CEO, and co-owner, Ferm Solutions, Inc., Danville. Sarah Culbreth and Jeff Engle, owners/potters, Tater Knob Pottery and Farm LLC, Berea.

For-Profit Business
Bob Hutchison & Tom Hutchison, owners, McDonald's of East Kentucky, Paintsville. Anthony and Julie Roberts, owners, Servpro of Pulaski and Laurel counties, LLC, London. Masato Sugimura, president and owner, Lincoln Manufacturing USA, LLC, Stanford.

Not-For-Profit Entity
Bobby W. Grant, president and CVO, Twin Lakes Family Wellness Center, Albany. Grace Community Health Center, Gray. Jeff Rubin, executive director, Body Recall, Inc., Berea.

The award recipient in each category will be announced and publicly

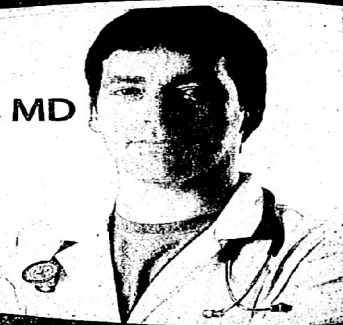
recognized on Monday, Sept. 10, at a regional awards presentation and luncheon at The Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

All finalists—regardless if they are chosen as an award recipient—will also be recognized with in-depth business video profiles that will air during the ceremony.

The EIEA program—honoring excellence in entrepreneurship since 2001—recognizes small business leaders, entrepreneurs, and nonprofit organizations in Southern and Eastern Kentucky for their efforts in exemplifying America's "spirit of" entrepreneurship and playing an important role in growing the region's economy.

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 is 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).

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Local students help to build Habitat home

LOUISVILLE — On July 14, Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer joined Habitat for Humanity of Metro Louisville and 2809 West Madison Street in the Russell neighborhood to celebrate construction of the organization's 377th home in the Louisville area.

Local High school students from the Governor's Scholars Program constructed the home in four weeks. Established in 1983, the Governor's Scholars Program celebrated its 30th summer in Kentucky by partnering with Habitat for Humanity to build the home as a service project.

Local students taking part in the program included Derek Newsome, of Prestonsburg, who attends Prestonsburg High School, and Chase Thacker, of Banner, who attends Betsy Layne High School.

"This collaboration between Habitat for Humanity and these young Governor's Scholars is something our entire city and state should celebrate," Fischer said. "Two of our top goals are for Louisville to be a city of lifelong learning and to make it an even more compassionate community than it already is by encouraging community service. It's exciting that Habitat gave these students an opportunity to learn the value of service and continuous learning, and carry that spirit back to their hometowns across the Commonwealth."

This project supports the Governor's Scholars Program's mission to nurture Kentucky's future civic and economic leaders. This summer, 360 Governor's Scholars lived and studied on Bellarmine University's campus. The students, representing 93 Kentucky counties, joined the 50 members of the program's faculty and staff to volunteer 2,025 hours to build the house.

"This great achievement demonstrates that the Governor's Scholars Program continues to achieve its goal of building Kentucky's future, not only by enhancing the leadership skills of our Commonwealth's future generation, but most importantly by helping others achieve their goals," said Aris Cedeno, the program's executive director.

The new homeowners, Omar Muse and Ubah Adan, are originally from Somalia. They completed more than 400 sweat equity hours by working on their home and the homes of others as a requirement for becoming Habitat for Humanity members. On Saturday, Cedeno and Kasey Schroeder presented the family with keys to their new home, after which Muse and Adan invited visitors inside for a tour of the home.

"Our new home will make it possible to gain the freedom we lost when we started living in rental housing," Adan said. "We also plan to continue volunteering with Habitat from now on. Our greatest accomplishment will be helping others who are less fortunate. One day, we will establish our own organization, whether it's building houses or doing relief work locally and internationally."

"We thank God for this opportunity, and for all the people who make it possible, for the homeowner program, and for the volunteers who contribute their time, money and sweat to Habitat in order to build affordable homes," Muse said.

Through donations of money, materials and volunteer labor, Habitat for Humanity was able to build the home in four weeks and sell it at an affordable price. Muse and Adan purchased the home with a zero interest loan, and their monthly mortgage payments will be used to build more Habitat houses.

To Your Good Health — Viruses not the only cause of hepatitis

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

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: For the past year, my wife has had to deal with autoimmune hepatitis. It's something that hardly anyone knows about or understands, and that makes it even more difficult to cope with. Every-one thinks she has an infection. I can only haltingly explain what she has. Will you tell your readers about this illness? — D.R.

ANSWER: Say "hepatitis," and people automatically think of a viral infection. Say "cirrhosis," which is sometimes the last stage of hepatitis, and people think of alcohol as the cause. Not all hepatitis is virus-caused, and not all cirrhosis is alcohol-caused. Your wife's illness is an example. Her liver is inflamed (hepatitis), not from an infection but from an attack on her liver by her immune system.

The reason why a person's immune system, a system designed to keep us healthy, turns on the liver is obscure. Signs that the immune system is the cause are demonstrable by finding antibodies in the blood. Antibodies are the ammunition the immune system makes to fend off dangerous invaders. One special antibody, the anti-nuclear antibody, is a big indicator that the liver has come under an immune attack.

The course of autoimmune hepatitis is unpredictable. It might be mild with few symptoms, or it may take a more aggressive

course in which the skin and eye whites turn yellow, where fatigue is immobilizing, where abdominal pain is common and where the skin develops an itch.

Quite often, a liver biopsy is the procedure that provides evidence of autoimmune hepatitis. Adenoprednisone, one of the corticosteroids, often is the treatment of choice. It reins in an out-of-control immune system. Another immunomodifying drug, azathioprine, can be added to the regimen. It sounds like your wife is responding well to treatment. (Please allow for your letter that I had to delete).

The booklet on hepatitis details the various forms of the illness, and how they are acquired and treated. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue, P.O. No. 503W, 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.

Movies from the Black Lagoon 'Eye of the Stranger'

Tom Doty
Times Columnist

A mysterious stranger arrives in a cowed town (one where the residents are cowards and not bovines) and begins a violent campaign against corrupting influences in this Troma film.

The movie starts with an establishing shot that introduces the desert town of Harmony. It is a marvelous thing, too, because it lingers on oil drills while showing that the town has little else going for it. This is all communicated in about 12 seconds and everything is fine until the actors show up.

Turns out Harmony is anything but that. The scattered citizenry live in fear of Mayor Bains. He is a nasty overlord who means to buy up all the businesses in town so he can commence to drill the heck out of the area for oil. He is so sure of himself that his re-election campaign appears to have cost him three bucks, and consists of standard sized fliers pumped out of an aging copier.

A band of guilty-looking types spend their time getting drunk at the watering hole while where they commiserate about the mayor and some dark deed they did seven years earlier. This group consists of the impotent sheriff, a vertically

challenged bar owner and the town doctor.

Meanwhile, Bain's enforcers, two lunkeads who add up to one guy that is nowhere near smarter than a fifth-grader, lean on the remaining business owners to cough up their deeds. Into this setting comes a trucker who abandons his rig outside of town and proceeds to poke this hornet's nest.

It all leads to a night of recrimination in which a lot of people die in poorly executed action scenes, until Harmony is thug-free. This mess is all brought to you from triple threat extraordinaire David Heavener. Mr. H. even cast himself in the lead (no wondering who he had to sleep with to get the part). I have a few problems with this one.

One: The title makes no sense. The stranger has two eyes and neither one is very interesting.

Two: Sally Kirkland shows up but her acting chops aren't tested as Heavener is only interested in showing that the Oscar nominated actress still has a great figure.

Three: Heavener is happy to bill himself in four departments but never acknowledge that this was a great movie when we saw it as "High Plains Drifter." He steals entire scenes from that Clint Eastwood classic but doesn't spare one line over the credits thanking Er-

nest Tidyman for the screenplay; this rips off. Very uncool. Lucky for heaven that Harlan Ellison wasn't the writer he ripped off or he would have been sued by that creative curmudgeon who is infamous for taking hacks to task for stealing ideas from his works.

Four: Heavener is probably a nice guy but someone needs to tell him that it takes more to carry a movie than growing a beard. Granted the guy rocks some righteous whiskers, but they appear to have skipped the same screen acting course he slept through.

All said, this is a time-waster that delivers on the exploitation elements (thanks to Ms. Kirkland), but fails to give you even a dollar's worth of decent action. The flick should come with an itemized bill for the phoned in performances of such usually reliable thespians as Stella Stephens, Sydney Lassick and Martin Landau (two years away from winning an Oscar for his turn as Bela Lugosi in "Ed Wood").

The good news is that Heavener now produces Christian rock and has gotten this stuff out of his system.

Best line: "I don't even know your name. I made love to you but I don't know who you are. I feel like I know you. Who are you?" 1993, rated R.

Tom Doty
Times Columnist

Lots of flicks skip your local theater, but that is more a case of what studios think will make money rather than an indication of a film's quality. This week you get three flicks that made little at the box office but still offer some good entertainment.

"Bret" — A Secret Service guy wakes up in a sealed trunk with a digital timer, CB radio and nary an escort in sight. Turns out he has been grabbed in an effort to get him to reveal where the president's secret bunker is located. This is a pretty good thriller, thanks to tight suspense and a good actormance by Stephen Dorff as the unfortunate agent. It played like an episode of "Mission: Impossible" told from the target's point of view.

"Meeting Evil" — Luke Wilson stars as an everyday guy who helps out the worn stranger, Samuel L. Jackson. Turns out Jackson is a killer with a twisted philosophy that has him seeing his work as a service for the unhappy. He sets his sights on Wilson's family, but will the victim find the backbone and guts necessary to stop a force of nature like Jackson? Worth renting to find out.

"Silent House" — Horror fans will dig this unique haunted house flick. A woman goes to visit her dad and uncle, who are renovating an old house with a history, when she starts hearing funny noises. She investigates and finds herself cut off from her family and at the mercy of a house that may not be so empty as her dad thought. This one is done in one long take and it totally works. You never

leave this young lady's side and wind up feeling like you're in the movie with her. Good stuff.

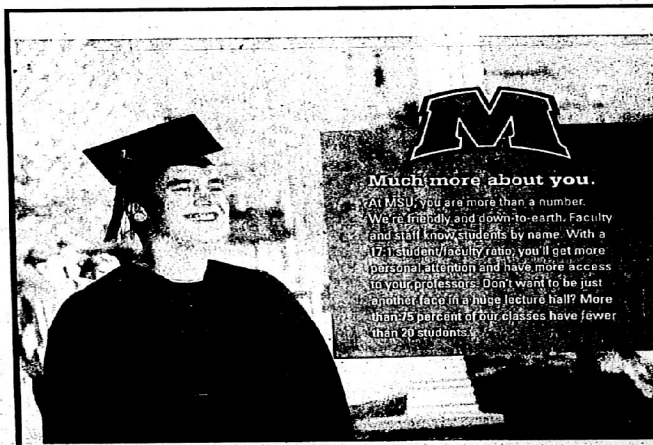
"The Untouchables" — The fourth and final season of the groundbreaking crime series fi-

nally arrives on DVD. The whole series can now be purchased as a boxed set as well. This black-and-white crime drama never flinches from the violence that was part and parcel of the war on gangsters and prohibition waged by

Elliot Ness and his band of loyal cops. Great guest stars include Charles Bronson, Lee Marvin and Richard Conte.

Next week brings the best take yet on "The Hatfields and the McCoys."

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Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A strong social whirl brings a new round of good times to fun-loving Rams and Ewes. Cupid also is busy aiming arrows at single Lambs, hoping for a heart-to-heart encounter.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A romantic incident could take a more serious turn if the Divine Bovine considers meeting Cupid's challenge. Meanwhile, a professional opportunity is also about to turn up.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A bit of hardheaded realism could be just what the Twins need at this emotionally challenged time. Face the facts as they are, not as you want them to be. Good luck.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Many opportunities open up. But you need to be aware of their actual pros and cons. Check them all out and make your choice from those that offer more of what you seek.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A more stable situation begins, allowing you to feel more secure about making important decisions. Meanwhile, be sure to meet your project deadline so you can move on to other things.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Congratulations. A new personal relationship thrives as you learn how to make room in your busy life for this wonderfully warm and exciting emotional experience.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A new contact opens some doors. That's the good news. But there's a caution involved: Be sure you protect your rights to your work before showing it to anyone.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A former colleague might seek to resume a working partnership. Ask yourself if you need it. If yes, get more information. If no, respectfully decline the request.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Good times dominate your aspect. So why not have a party to celebrate a loved one's success? And do invite that special person you want to know better.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The dry side of the Sea Goat soon gives way to your more assertive self. This should help you when it comes time to speak up for yourself and your achievements.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new period of stability will help you deal with some recently reworked plans. Once you get your current task done, you can devote more time to personal matters.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Things are finally much more stable these days, so you can restart the process of meeting your well-planned goals with fewer chances of interruption or delay.

BORN THIS WEEK: You love being the brightest light wherever you are, and people love basking in your warmth and charm.

AC not affected by car's speed

Tom and Ray Magliozzi
King Features Syndicate

Dear Tom and Ray:
I was told that it was a bad idea to turn on the air conditioning when driving at highway speeds. I was advised that the AC should be turned on only when the car was idling or moving very slowly. I guess the idea was that starting the AC when the engine was operating at high RPMs would jolt it and put a lot of sudden strain on the belt-driven AC parts. I have always followed that old advice, and I get funny looks when I slow to 20 mph to turn on the AC. Is it a bad idea to start the AC when not idling or moving slowly? Was it EVER a bad idea? Am I the victim of a 40-year-old joke? Thanks!
—David

TOM: Bad news, David. For at least the past 40 years, while you were being so careful, your AC was cycling ITSELF on and off at highway speeds.

RAY: That's how the air conditioner works. It has a clutch, and it engages based on demand, and then disengages itself when the demand or other conditions have been met. This happens at all speeds, from idle to highway.

TOM: For example, the AC also will cut out when you start the engine so that all the battery power can go to the starter. And it'll cut out if you put a large demand on the engine for power. So if you're entering a highway, or climbing a hill on a highway, the AC may shut off during that hard acceleration to allow all available engine power to go to the wheels.
RAY: So the air condi-

tioner is designed to be started and stopped at all kinds of speeds. And it's doing that whether or not you turn it on and off.

SO you can forget all about this advice. And — let me do some calculations — it's been 40 years, so hopefully your father is still around. He's obviously the one who gave you this lousy advice, so give him the good news, too. Tell him he can now enjoy his golden years by turning on the AC at any speed he wants to.

His wife's full of hot air

Dear Tom and Ray:
As I write this, I am still fuming. This past week, the temperature has been in the high 80s to low 90s. I hate the heat and get super grumpy. So, I got into my wife's VW, which, of course, has been baking in the sun all day, and she's waiting for the engine to warm up before she turns on the AC so the AC will be colder! After what felt like a four-mile drive in hell, she finally turned on the AC, but she would only set the fan speed to No. 1, so there was barely any air blowing. I asked if we could put the fan on the highest setting to get some cold air into this hot box. She said no, and kept it on the lowest possible setting. I wanted to scream! Her reasoning was that since the air is recycled, the AC works better, and the air is therefore colder, if the fan is not turned on full blast. Huh? Is there anything on earth are there other fan speed settings, then? I'm thinking so one can actually FEEL the cold air. Has all this hot air thinking capabilities? Sincerely hot under the collar

—Skip
TOM: Oh, boy. Skip's 100 percent wrong, Skip. But even worse, the way you guys are relating to each other reminds me of some of my earliest marriages.

RAY: With one exception: In those marriages, Tom was always the one who was 100 percent wrong.

TOM: There's no reason to "warm up" the air conditioner before using it, or to warm up the engine before turning on the AC. The engine is more than capable of powering the air conditioner right away without any adverse effects, and the AC is ready to work within seconds.

RAY: And because the air conditioner recirculates the air inside the passenger compartment, it cools that air FASTER if the air is recirculated more times per minute through the evaporator. So, having the fan on the highest setting not only would cool the air faster, but it has the added benefit of creating an evaporative effect on your skin, making you feel cooler, too.

TOM: But those are minor issues! The bigger issue is why is she making you suffer, Skip? Do you deserve it? You might! We don't know you.

RAY: If she doesn't simply hate you, then the other plausible explanation is that she learned the AC thing from her father. It's very tricky to get between your wife and her father. You have to approach any such situation with extreme caution.

TOM: So, cool down first, you! You're less grumpy. And rather than telling her she's dead wrong — which she is — tell her you found

an interesting article. Just to increase your odds here, say that you found it in Scientific American rather than in say, Playboy.

RAY: Explain that while her approach to using the AC (i.e., the convection oven approach) used to be the right way to do it, due to recent improvements in technology (like 50 years ago), it's now actually fine to use the AC right away, and that the new recirculate mode actually cools BETTER if the fan setting is higher.

TOM: You'll be employing a white lie, but you'll be doing it in the interests of marital diplomacy.

RAY: By presenting your findings that way, you'll be respectful to her rather than dismissive of her opinion, you'll leave her a graceful way to change her mind rather than cause her to dig in her heels, and you won't be disparaging her mythical father and making her choose between the two of you.

TOM: I know you're not going to do that, Skip. You're going to do the happy dance and prance around like howas in your B.V.'s singing "Nya nya nya nya nya nya."

RAY: Which is fine, Skip. You certainly can do that. But keep in mind, it may result in your having to get your own car to ride around in soon. And maybe your own apartment, too. Good luck, and try to stay cool.

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Strongman to attempt record to inspire children, raise funds

SOMERSET — Growing up in Massachusetts, Mike Bruce was physically and psychologically abused by his natural father, bullied at school, and briefly institutionalized for extreme anger issues — all before the age of 14.

But Bruce, now a 37-year-old personal trainer and owner of The Machine Shop Gym in Somerset, turned his life around through the love his adoptive stepfather, a stint in Marines that saw him graduate at the top of his class of 68 at Parris Island, and years of boxing, wrestling, and intense weight training that earned him the nickname "The Machine."

Bruce, also a professional strongman known across the globe through his website, www.mikethemachine.com, now plans to put his claim to have "the world's strongest neck" to the test in a world-record attempt that will see him bend as many as five 5/8-inch steel bars across the front of his neck in only 60 seconds.

Bruce will attempt the death-defying record at a special fundraising event held on Aug. 25 in Somerset at The Center for Rural Development. A donation of \$5 per adult will be collected at the door, with all proceeds going toward the Lake Cumberland Blue Star Mothers and the Bethany House Abuse Shelter of Somerset.

The Blue Star Mothers organization organizes efforts to raise funds for, as-

semble, and ship care packages to men and women serving overseas in the Armed Forces. The Bethany House Abuse Shelter is a safe house in Somerset for victims of domestic abuse.

Children and students under 12 years of age will be admitted free of charge. The event will start at 1 p.m. and include a special strength show by Bruce's Team Machine, a group of his teenage clients who he has mentored and taken under his wing. Several other nationally known professional strongmen, including Dave "Iron" Whitley (www.ironameridavidwhitley.com) and Grandmaster Strongman Dennis Rogers (www.dennisrogers.net) will appear, with Rogers also serving as master of ceremonies.

Bruce will close the show with his world-record bar-bending attempt.

"Everyone is capable of doing amazing things if they truly have faith in themselves and I believe in giving back," Bruce said. "This is a great chance for me to give back to some organizations that are close to my heart and to hopefully inspire our community and kids with the belief that they can do anything—including overcoming abuse, bullying, obesity and tough times—if they just put their minds and hearts to it," he added.

Bruce has become famous around the world for having the world's strongest neck and is the

only performer currently to have bent steel bars and horseshoes across his throat.

Upon his doctor's orders due to the physical risk involved with such feats, this event will be Bruce's last public performance of bending the steel bar across his throat.

If Bruce succeeds in bending at least five of the bars in 60 seconds, one of the bars from the performance will be placed in the H.J. Lutchter Stark Center for Physical Culture and Sports at the University of Texas at Austin (www.starkcenter.org).

The Stark Center is a nationally recognized library, archive, and museum dedicated to the study and preservation of the world of physical culture. Since its opening in 2009, the facility features the largest collection of its kind of materials on weight training, bodybuilding, athletic conditioning, alternative medicine, and other forms of self-improvement.

Bruce said the Stark Center has also agreed to officially recognize the world record should his attempt be successful.

"This is an incredibly dangerous feat that no one has had the training or strength to survive for over 100 years. This record will probably last several hundred more," says fellow professional strongman, Bud Jeffries. "This will be a once-in-a-lifetime event to witness, featuring one of the greatest feats of strength of its kind ever performed. No one else in the world could do this."

Bruce, a former professional fighter, is now considered one of the strongest humans alive today by other professional strongmen. He is a respected community business owner, professional speaker, world recognized fitness expert, author and a dedicated husband.

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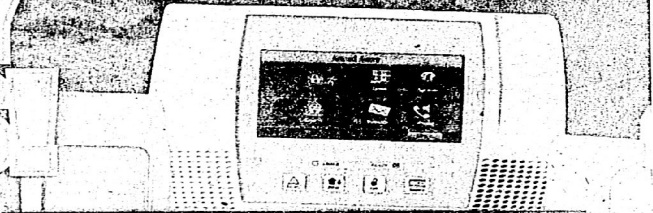
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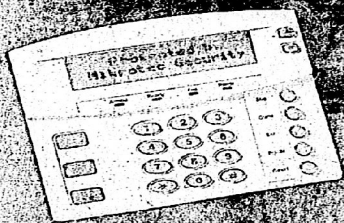
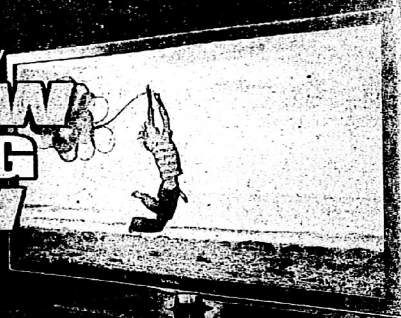
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Strange but true

It was beloved American comedian and film star Groucho Marx who made the following sage observation: "There's one way to find out if a man is honest — ask him. If he says 'Yes,' you know he is a crook." The ancient Egyptians were known to use crocodile dung as a contraceptive. You may be surprised to learn that when the hit 1950s TV show "I Love Lucy" had its premiere, Lucille Ball was already 40 years old. Talk about sneaky: In order to get a photo of Bing Crosby in his coffin, The National Enquirer tabloid had a reporter dress as a priest and sneak into the private funeral service. To top it off, on his way out of the service, the disguised journalist told ABC reporter Gerardo Rivera not to pester the family at such a sensitive moment. Every year, about \$500 million is spent on beads for Mardi Gras. Ever wonder how the statuette taken home by winners of the Academy Awards got its nickname? Evidently, in 1931 a secretary at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences saw the statuette for the first time and exclaimed, "Why, he reminds me of my Uncle Oscar!" The comment struck the fancy of a reporter who was present, and he put it in a story about the awards, and the name stuck. Are you acerscemic? If your hair has never been cut, you are, Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee was not himself a slave owner. He reportedly did not believe in the institution of slavery. If this is an average week, three manmade artifacts hurtling into the atmosphere from space will crash into the Earth.

Thought for the Day
 "The world is round; it has no point." — Adrienne E. Gusoff

Griffin elected Academy of Osteopathy trustee

PIKEVILLE — Laura E. Griffin, D.O., F.A.A.O., associate professor and chair of the osteopathic principles and practices department at the University of Pikeville, Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine (KYCOM), was re-elected to the office of Trustee at the annual business meeting of the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) during the AAO Convocation in Louisville. She will serve a three-year term. Griffin graduated from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1996 and is board-certified in

Family Practice (FP) and Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine/Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM/NMMD). She is also the Student American Academy of Osteopathy chapter advisor and director of the Integrated FP/NMMD Residency Program at KYCOM. Griffin serves on the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine and is a member of the AAO's Postdoctoral Standards & Evaluation Committee and the C-NMMD/OMM Committee.



Laura E. Griffin

Riverview first Ky. nursing home to join Eden registry

PRESTONSBURG — Riverview Health Care Center has become the first nursing home in Kentucky to join the registry for the Eden Alternative, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to culture change in nursing homes and the belief that aging should be a process of continued development instead of decline. Much of the organization's work has revolved around de-institutionalizing the culture and environment of nursing homes and other long-term care facilities. The Eden Alternative's core concept is simply to view places where elders live as "habitats for human beings" rather than "facilities for the frail and elderly." In order to join the registry, nursing homes must undergo a lengthy process that requires they must reach a number of milestones demonstrating their commitment to the Eden principles. "Our Riverview Team is very excited to be the first nursing home in Kentucky to join the Eden Registry," said administrator Missy Allen. "Our mission and vision states we want to 'radically change the landscape of long term care forever by de-institutionalizing culture and environment to create a community where life is worth living.' We believe that in adopting the Eden Alternative philosophy and living it every day, we will indeed accomplish our mission. We understand that we will never be 'finished' in our Eden journey, but it will be something that continually grows and evolves." For more about Riverview Health Care Center, visit www.riverviewhealthcarecenter.com. For more about the Eden Alternative, visit www.edenalt.org.

Teacher investigates environmental issues

KEYSTONE, Colo. — A Paintsville teacher was among educators from across America who explored ways to investigate current environmental issues with their students during a recent summer workshop at The Keystone Center in Keystone, Colo. Kentucky Power, a unit of American Electric Power, sponsored the instructor, who was one of 10 educators chosen from a select field of applicants from across AEP's 11-state service territory. Chosen to represent Eastern Kentucky on behalf of Kentucky Power was Hans Doderer, a science teacher at Paintsville High School. The Key Issues Institute is a national teacher training program that provides creative and innovative middle-

level educators with the process, skills and confidence to investigate environmental issues with their students in a non-biased manner. Educators spend six days in the classroom and field engaging in activities that explore the environmental aspects of a simulated issue. To augment classroom implementation, participants receive a suggested curriculum, instructional materials, computer software programs, as well as lab kits and on-line support from educators and instructors. Teachers use the Key Issues Framework that meets National Education Standards in a variety of disciplines to develop and implement new classroom plans that focus on local environmental issues. The program supports an inter-

disciplinary approach. Bob Shurtliff, manager of distribution and customers services for Kentucky Power's Pikeville District, said sponsoring teachers' participation in the professional development program underscores Kentucky Power's commitment to education. "This workshop makes it possible for teachers to investigate contentious environmental issues with their students without bias and to facilitate student inquiry," he said. "The integration of science, math, social studies and language arts throughout the investigation mirrors the real-world mix of disciplines necessary to evaluate complex environmental issues." The Keystone Center is a nonprofit organization founded in 1975 that seeks

to solve society's most challenging environmental, energy and public health problems. The center brings together public, private and civic leaders to confront these issues and arms the next generation with the 21st Century intellectual and social skills required to effectively approach the questions they will face. For more information, visit www.keystone.org. Kentucky Power is an operating unit of American Electric Power and provides electricity to approximately 173,000 customers in all or parts of 20 Eastern Kentucky counties. American Electric Power is one of the largest electric utilities in the United States, delivering electricity to more than 5 million customers in 11 states.

Trails

From Page B3

vides a forecast on the radio at 530 AM on the dial. The river straightens and passes Stone Island before bending to the left with Crump Island in the middle, just past the confluence with Buffalo Creek. The take-out is on the left at Houchins Ferry. The park service also operates a nice camping area at Houchins Ferry. Do not float past Houchins Ferry into Brownsville as the dangerous low-head dam at Lock and Dam No. 6 lies just upstream of the city.

Those who want a remote float may paddle the last 7 miles of Nolin River downstream of Nolin River Lake. The put-in is at the Tailwater Recreation Area off KY 732 via KY 259 from Brownsville, with the take-out at Houchins Ferry. Stunning rock cliffs and other formations await paddlers in this stretch with good fishing for spotted and largemouth bass. The first few miles downstream of the dam offer trout fishing as well. Boaters will likely not encounter another soul on this

float. Paddlers must work back upstream for nearly 2 miles to Houchins Ferry after the Nolin empties into the Green. Visitors may enjoy a day of floating and a day of exploring the wonders of Mammoth Cave for an affordable and relaxing weekend getaway. The Mammoth Cave Hotel offers rooms and rustic cabins for rent as well as a camp store for supplies. Nearby Cave City and Park City offer accommodations as well. Several canoe and kayak liver-

ies operate in the park and offer boats for rent and boat shuttles. The Blue Water Trails series supports Gov. Steve Beshear's Adventure Tourism Initiative. Log on to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's Blue Water Trails webpage at fwky.gov for a detailed map. Author Lee McClellan is an award-winning associate editor for Kentucky Afield magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. He is a life-long hunter and angler, with a passion for smallmouth bass fishing.



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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE PERMIT NO. 898-0771

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The proposed operation is approximately 4.20 miles southwest from Pike 1289's junction with KY Route 1428 and located 1.10 miles south of Island Creek.

The bond now in effect for increment 33 is a letter of credit in the amount of \$23,000. One hundred percent of the original bond amount is included in this application for Phase III release.

The bond now in effect for increment 33 is a letter of credit in the amount of \$145,200. Approximately sixty percent of the original bond amount is included in this application for Phase III release.

Reclamation work performed for increment 32 SE 1/4 CHAPTER V V. V. includes backfilling, grading and seeding. This work was completed in October 2002. Results thus far achieved are establishment of the post-mining land use.

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Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, 4215 Highway 100, Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by September 17, 2012.

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF BOND SCHEDULE PERMIT NUMBER 836-0389

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 16:120, Section 3, notice is hereby given that Matt/CO, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606-886-0511), proposes the following blasting schedule.

An authorized company representative in radio communication with the certified blaster (flagman) will prohibit access to the blasting area by unauthorized persons at least ten minutes prior to each detonation.

Legals

meaning of the blast warning signals

All blasting will be scheduled from Monday through Saturday from sunrise to sunset. In the event that unscheduled blasting is unavoidable, then the audible signals described above will be used to notify all persons within one-half mile of the blasting site.

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PUBLIC NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 11 C.A. NO. 12-CI-00649

21st MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF, vs. LARRY SHIPLEY, ET AL., DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of the Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, dated June 25, 2012, the undersigned was appointed to serve as Warning Order to notify the property in question listed in Floyd County, Kentucky and is described as follows:

Legals

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Being the same property conveyed to Larry Wayne Shipley by deed dated the 11th day of July, 2004 recorded in Deed Book 2041 at Page 371 in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

Notice is hereby given that the UTKINCO SFC/USE OF ARVIN STADIUM is directed to come forward and present any claim or defense to the Complaint recorded in Deed Book 2041 at Page 371 in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

SECTION 108 PUBLIC NOTICE

East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachia Wireless is proposing to construct a telecommunications tower located 0.5 mile east of the intersection of Abbott Creek Rd and Cane Branch Rd in the unincorporated area of Floyd County, KY at Latitude N37-41-36.7" and Longitude W82-53-56.1".

Communications Commission (17 C.F.R. Sections 1.307(4) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (36 C.F.R. Part 800) will be made available to interested persons. All requests for information from the contact below.

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF BOND SCHEDULE PERMIT NUMBER 836-5467 A3

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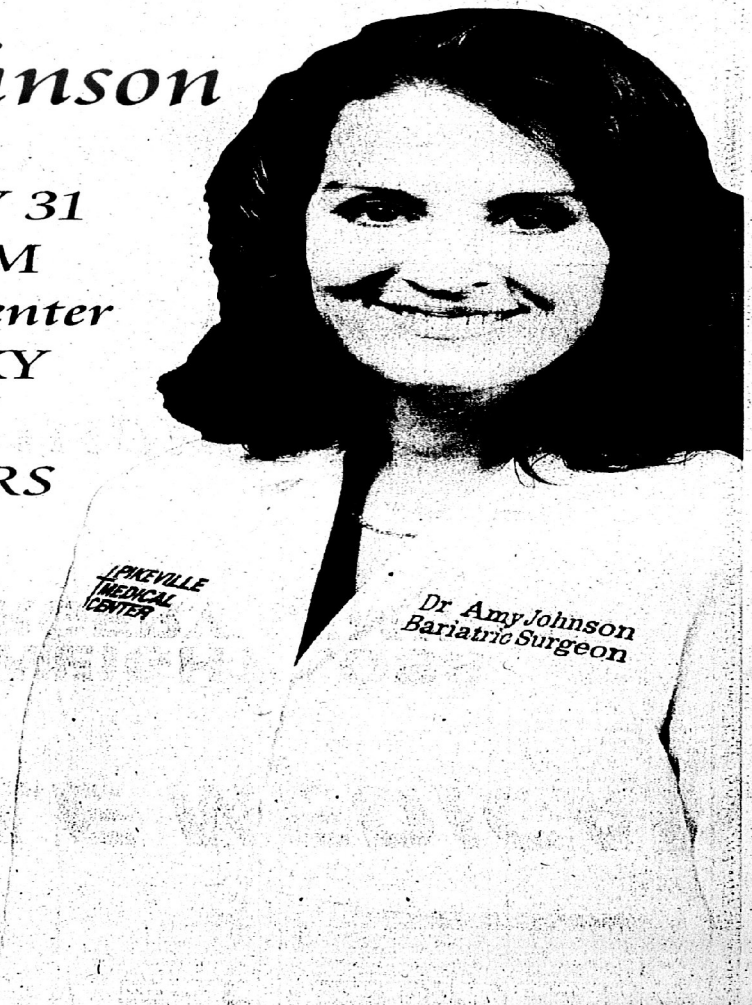
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