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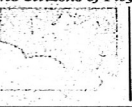
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## Former circuit clerk DeRossett dies

Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

**PRESTONSBURG** — Frank DeRossett Sr., who was a fixture in Floyd County politics for over three decades, died Monday.  
DeRossett, 90, served as circuit clerk for 30 years, winning his first race in 1963 in photofinish fashion, beating out David Herford by five votes. He stepped down in 1993, as his son, Frank Derossett Jr., ran un-

posed to take his place. "When I came into office in 1999, following Frank Jr., both Frank and Frank Jr. were very helpful to me," Circuit Clerk Douglas Ray Hall said Tuesday. Hall said DeRossett was widely known, not just in Floyd County, but across the state. He said last week he had dealt with some people from across the state, and they had asked how the former clerk was doing. "He was influential, not only to me, but across the

state and in our circuit clerks' association," Hall said. DeRossett's influence did not just apply to the circuit clerk's office. County Clerk Chris Waugh said he patterns the way he runs his office after lessons he learned from DeRossett.



"He was a mentor of mine," Waugh said. "A lot of the things I do now, I learned from Frank, like being a friend, talking to people and giving them a cup of coffee. Those are all things Frank did in his office," Waugh said. DeRossett

still brought him tomatoes from his garden up until the last few years.  
County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall praised DeRossett's contributions to Floyd County government. "I am deeply saddened that we have lost one of our great past elected officials, who served this county professionally and superbly, during his tenure as circuit clerk," Marshall said. "He made this county a better place to live."  
DeRossett was also an

active member in the Kentucky Circuit Clerks' Association and the Shriners. Funeral services for Frank DeRossett Sr. will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, August 9, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clifford Austin and Jody Spencer officiating. Burial will follow in the Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg. Visitation will be held from 6 to 9 p.m., today, at the funeral home.  
A full obituary can be found on page A2.



Tom Nelson, pastor of Town Branch Christian Victory Fellowship, and wife, Earlene, oversaw the distribution of 500 bags of school supplies, along with clothes, shoes and countless other items, to local children getting ready for school, such as Nathanael and Channa Nichols, of Town Branch.

## School Days: Class is back in session

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer  
and Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

School is back in session in Floyd County this week, with youngsters returning to their seats Tuesday, and teachers beginning the day before.  
Elementary schools start classes at 8 a.m. and dismiss at 2:45 p.m. Middle and high school start and end 15 minutes later.  
Prior to the start of school, several area groups helped families get ready. At Town Branch Christian Victory Fellowship, Pastor Tom Nelson and wife Earlene oversaw the distribution Saturday of 500 bags of school supplies, as well as shoes, clothes, toiletries and other items. On the same day, Lindsay Wilson College had a back-to-school festival on the campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College, complete with a backpack giveaway, inflatables, games and a draw for prizes, such as bicycles.  
The Mountain Arts Center played host Monday to more than 1,000 Floyd County School employees and board members with a back to school celebration for the 2012-13



Traffic was backed up along Route 114 nearly a mile and a half Tuesday as parents and students descended upon Prestonsburg Elementary for the first day of school.

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## State seeks to drop David School suit

Official want to permanently bar Greene from contact with school

Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

**PRESTONSBURG** — Citing a new direction for the David School, the state Attorney General's Office is seeking to drop its lawsuit against the school, in exchange for a permanent injunction barring the school's founder from ever having anything to do with the school again.  
The state filed suit against the school two months ago, seeking to liquidate and involuntarily dissolve the nonprofit corporation that owns the school, based on allegations of financial mismanagement.  
The complaint alleges that school founder and director Danny Greene has presided over worsening conditions at the school, even as his own personal fortunes have risen.  
The complaint noted that this year Greene ended the school lunch program and cancelled employee's health insurance plans without informing them he was doing so. However, over the past 11 years, the school has contributed \$18,000 a year, in addition to an initial lump-sum payment of \$54,000, to Greene's retirement account, as well as \$14,000 for a \$300,000 life insurance policy on Greene.  
The document also alleged the David School Board of Directors — which the AG maintains has at most two members, including Greene — has not met regularly since 2009 and "has failed to provide oversight of the David School's finances."  
"Upon information and belief, since February 2009, funds have been expended without oversight and ac-

counting safeguards by the Board of Directors," the complaint says.  
In particular, the complaint alleged Greene was paid twice during two pay periods and that he negotiated a sale of property "in which there was a conflict of interest ... and the transactions were grossly unfair to the David School."  
The result of the spending and lax oversight, the complaint maintains, has been disastrous for the David School's finances.  
"Plaintiff believes that defendant the David School is not able to pay its debts as they become due in the usual course of affairs," the complaint says. "Plaintiff believes that such financial problems are a direct and proximate result of Mr. Greene's unauthorized, self-dealing actions."  
Now, however, the state is seeking to drop the suit, saying that a newly-appointed board of directors "has established adequate accounting practices and oversight of the David School finances and is oversee the continued operations of the David School."  
But in exchange for dropping the suit, the state is asking for a permanent ban on Greene and former director Emma Kriz "from interfering with the business affairs of the David School Inc.," and from being present in, on the grounds of, or otherwise in contact with the David School facility.  
The motion will be considered Monday morning by Circuit Judge Johnny Ray Harris.

## New school year brings new faces

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer

Students arriving at two Floyd County schools will find new principals waiting to greet them this week.  
Superintendent Henry Webb announced the appointment of two new principals, Greta Thornsberry and Wesley Halbert, who have been selected as principals at May Valley Elementary and Allen Central Middle School, respectively.

"Ms. Thornsberry has been part of the administrative staff at May Valley Elementary for years and has been an integral part of the success they have experienced, being the number-one elementary in the state for five consecutive years," said Webb. "We expect Ms. Thornsberry to show continued success in her new role."  
Webb also welcomed Wesley Halbert back to Floyd County Schools. "Mr.

Halbert brings administrative experience in another district as he returns to Floyd County Schools, and we look forward to working with him in this role."  
Webb also announced this week that Bonita Compton has been selected as Director of Transportation. "We are confident that Ms. Compton will bring the same passion and enthusiasm to the transportation department as she has shown in the area of

attendance and we look forward to working with her in transportation."  
Thornsberry, former assistant principal of May Valley Elementary, has worked in education for over 20 years as a teacher, counselor, assistant principal and a principal.  
Halbert, former principal of Hindman Elementary, has been an educator for over 15 years, with part of his career in Floyd County.  
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Julia Roberts Goad  
Heartland News Service

**PIKEVILLE** — In split decision, the Pike County Fiscal Court has agreed to support a request to use multi-county coal severance funds to fund efforts to bring commercial air service to the Pikeville/Pike County Airport.  
In a meeting filled to near capacity with people involved in the debate, the court approved the

resolution 5-2.  
Judge Executive Wayne T. Rutherford reversed his previous position and voted to support appropriating \$1 million in multi-county coal severance tax funds to the city of Pikeville, to support the initial profitability and long-term sustainability of an airline.  
The proposal is currently pending before the Kentucky Department for Local Government.

# Obituaries



**Frank DeRossett Sr.**

Frank DeRossett Sr., age 90, of Prestonsburg, husband of Dordena S. Williams DeRossett, passed away Monday, August 6, 2012, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Frank was born December 31, 1921, in Prestonsburg, the son of the late John and Anna Calhoun DeRossett. He was a retired Circuit Court Clerk, member of the Retired Circuit Clerk Association and the Shriners. He attended the Tom Moore Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg.

In addition to his wife, Dordena, Frank is survived by one son, Frank DeRossett Jr., of Auxier; two step-daughters, Kim (Gary) Meade, of Paintsville, and Ann (Chris) Frary, of Allega, Tenn.; three grandchildren, James Douglas (Kim) DeRossett, Stephanie (Steve)

Cherry and Kyle (Aleisha) Meade; one step-grandson, Wes Frary; and six great grandchildren, Mia DeRossett, Gigi DeRossett, Emily DeRossett, Demetrius Cherry, Kylie Meade and Kameron Meade.

He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers, Robert, Calvin, Oscar, Taylor and Jimmy DeRossett; and three sisters, Lack LaFerty, Lula LaFerty and Rebecca Skeans.

Funeral services for Frank DeRossett Sr. will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, August 9, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clifford Austin and Judy Spencer officiating. Burial will follow in the Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg. Visitation will be held from 6 to 9 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral home.

**Carlos Hall Jr.**

Carlos Hall Jr., 49, of Grethel, died Sunday, August 5, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.

Born Dec. 23, 1962, in Floyd County to Ruth Tackett Hall and the late Carlos Hall, he was a disabled coal miner.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by a daughter, Carla Hall, of Grethel; a brother, Michael Hall, of Grethel; and two sisters, Carolyn Hall, of Pikeville, and Barbara Mature, of

Michigan.

Funeral services for Carlos Hall Jr. will be held at noon, Thursday, Aug. 9, at Pilgrims Home Old Regular Baptist Church, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating. Burial will follow in the Hall Family Cemetery, at Grethel.

Visitation will take place all day Wednesday, at the church.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements. [www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)



**Ted Nelson Jr.**

Ted Nelson Jr., age 65, of Harrodsburg, died Friday, Aug. 3, 2012, at the James B. Haggin Hospital Extended Care Unit, in Harrodsburg.

Born July 26, 1947, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Rev. Ted Nelson Sr. and Helena Warrick

Sullivan. He was a retired HVAC specialist at Shaker-ton and a member of the Burgin Christian Church Disciples of Christ.

Survivors include his fiancée, Ann Voris, of Harrodsburg; five daughters, Elizabeth Pettit, of Lebanon, Maine, Melissa (Brian) Samons, of Prestonsburg, and Monica Nelson, Rachel Christian and Jennifer (Nick) Faust, of Lexington; a daughter-in-law, Taylor Nelson, of Lexington; a brother, Tom (Earlene) Nelson, of Prestonsburg; two sisters, Karen (Jimmy) Marcum and Mary McDonald, both of Prestonsburg; eight grandchildren, Shandra, Courtney, Thomas, Caleb, Jonah, Trevor, Alexis and Jordynn; and three great-grandchildren, Aiden, Chloe and Ava.

He was preceded in death by a son, Joshua Allen Nelson, a grandson, Jacob Michael Nelson, and a brother, Ed Arnold Nelson.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Aug. 5, at Sims Funeral Services, by Josh Snyder and Tanya Tyler. Burial was in the Springhill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Rice Lear, Guy Harris, Tom VanArsdall, Jeff Montgomery, Lynn Roseman, Sam Qualls, Cassidy Cavanaugh, Travis Oldham, Greg Sutton and Howard

Memorial contributions may be made to the Burgin Christian Church Handicap Fund, 300 West Main Street, Burgin, KY 40310. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at [www.simsfuneralservices.com](http://www.simsfuneralservices.com)

**Charles Johnson**

Charles Johnson, 71, of Eastern, husband of Peggy Ousley Johnson, died Sunday, Aug. 5, 2012, at Saint Joseph Hospital, in Martin.

Born May 15, 1941, in Floyd County, to the late Jim Johnson and Pearlie Stone Johnson, he was a disabled coal miner and a believer in the Baptist faith.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Charles Edward Johnson, of Eastern; three daughters, Charlotte (Phillip) Allen, of Eastern, Tammy Bragg, of McDowell, and Chrissy Jacob, of Eastern; nine grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and brothers and sisters, Will Johnson, Allen Johnson, Ermitt Jr. Johnson, Beatrice Dubler, Daisy Clemons, Virginia McKisset and Marie Arnett.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Teresa Ann Johnson; four brothers, Churnb Johnson, Eli Johnson, Henry Johnson and James Johnson; and two sisters, Liza Ousley

and Rebecca Ann Brown. Funeral services for Charles Johnson will be held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 8, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jerry Manns officiating. Burial will follow in the Johnson Cemetery, at Cloverfield Branch, Caney.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements. [www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

**Elizabeth Newsome**

Elizabeth Newsome, 62, daughter of the late Darwin and Mary Francis Spradlin, died July 28, 2012.

Born June 13, 1955, she is survived by a daughter, Michelle Kidd; six brothers, Theodore Ellis Spradlin, James Robert Spradlin, Phillip Ray Spradlin, Bobby Spradlin, Jeffery Spradlin and Elzie Edward Spradlin; three sisters, Christine Ousley, Lois Dean Cornette and Leetha Diana LaFerty; and three grandchildren, Kennedy Danielle Kidd, Shelby Madison Grace Kidd and Ronnie Michael Lee Kidd.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, John Thomas Spradlin.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, was in charge of arrangements. [www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

## Kentucky Arts Council seeks schools to participate in national Poetry Out Loud

FRANKFORT — Applications are open for schools that want to be a part of Poetry Out Loud, the national poetry recitation competition funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Poetry Foundation and the Kentucky Arts Council. Schools may apply online at the arts council website.

Last year, 21 Kentucky schools participated in Poetry Out Loud, which begins at the classroom level. Winners advance to school-wide competition, then to the state competition and ultimately to the national finals. Last year, more than 300,000 students participated in the Poetry Out Loud program in 50 states, five D.C. territories and the District of Columbia.

"Poetry Out Loud provides teachers with lesson plans tied to national standards along with an artist residency," said Lori Meadows, arts council executive director. "The program helps students gain con-

fidence and learn skills to aid in memorization and recitation of poetry that have long-lasting benefits."

The winner of the Kentucky state finals, slated for March 2013 in Frankfort, will receive \$200 and an all-expenses-paid trip with an adult chaperone to Washington, D.C., to compete for the national championship. The state winner's school will receive a \$500 stipend for the purchase of poetry books. The first runner-up will receive \$100, with \$200 going to his or her school library. A total of \$50,000 in awards and school stipends will be awarded at the national finals.

Participating classrooms receive a hands-on workshop with an arts council teaching artist, suggestions for memorization as well as interpretation of the poetic structure, free multimedia curriculum materials including a teacher's guide, poetry anthologies, audio guides and posters.

For additional information

about Poetry Out Loud in Kentucky, contact Rachel Allen at [rachel.allen@nea.gov](mailto:rachel.allen@nea.gov) or 602-564-2727, ext. 486. For a general overview of the Poetry Out Loud National Recitation Contest, go to [www.poetryoutloud.org](http://www.poetryoutloud.org)

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

The National Endowment for Congress in 1965 as an independent agency of the federal government. To date, the NEA has awarded more than \$4 billion to support artistic excellence, creativity, and innovation for the benefit of individuals and communities. The NEA extends its work through partnerships with state arts agencies, local leaders, other federal agencies and the philanthropic sector. To join the discussion on how art works, visit the NEA at [arts.gov](http://arts.gov).

## Wildcat Legend and fan takes to the airwaves



Wildcat legend and the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad's biggest fan (literally), Kenny "Sky" Walker, took to the airwaves last week to help the squad with its 47th annual radio auction.

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**School**  
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school year.  
Floyd County Superintendent Henry Webb, who was in attendance, said he was pleased with the showing by staff and sup-

port personnel. "We had a great Opening Day at the MAC for our team. We celebrated some successes, shared some information, honored our retirees and enjoyed listening to Mike Rayburn, a motivational speaker who focused on helping us to always think "what if.""

Webb said Floyd County school staffers are excited about the new school year and "look forward to it being the best year yet for the kids of Floyd County."

Webb thanked the staff of the Mountain Arts Center for helping to make the event successful, and the Prestonsburg Police Department for their assistance with traffic. "They are truly an asset to our community."

## Faces

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Schools.  
Compton, former Director of Pupil Personnel, has worked in administration for several years and has been in education almost 30 years.  
"The board team and I welcome these team members and look forward to working with these individuals," said Webb.

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"Buddy" Adkins

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**Card of Thanks**

The family of Charles "Red" Horn would like to express their appreciation for those who helped to comfort them during their time of grief. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers or just said a prayer. A special thanks to Nelson Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance with traffic control.

His children, Charles Horn Jr., Michelle Horn, Terry Horn, Pam Hall & the rest of the family

# Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits.

**Editor's note:** To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 265 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.

### Final Dwale Homecoming

Saturday, Sept. 1, the annual Dwale Homecoming Reunion will take place at the Dwale shelter, beginning at 10 a.m. This will be the last Dwale Homecoming. Memorial service starts at noon. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m. There will be no Friday night events. All food will be provided by the Dwale Homecoming Committee.

### Prestonsburg High School Majorette Alumni

There will be a very important meeting and rehearsal, Saturday, August 11, from 1 to 3 p.m., at Prestonsburg First United Methodist Church gymnasium. If you plan to participate in the upcoming reunion, October 12-13, during the Penny Willey Festival, please plan to attend. Prestonsburg High School Majorette Alumni meet at 1 p.m., the second Saturday of each month at the First United Methodist Church gymnasium, in Prestonsburg. For more information, contact Carol Jo May at (606) 226-2565.

### UPIke registration

University of Pikeville fall registration will take place Aug. 16 and 17, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Record Memorial Building, Level 5, Call (606) 218-5251 to enroll. Classes begin Aug. 20. Call (606) 218-5251 to enroll.

### ABC workshop

The Alzheimer's Association will present ABC Workshop, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Wednesday, August 22, at the Pikeville Public Library, 119 College Street, Room 124. This program is for those who have a friend or family member who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia. This two-hour workshop is designed to educate new caregivers on dementia and safety issues. Registration is required; e-mail info@alz.org or call 1-800-272-3900.

### Late stage caregiver connection symposium

This Alzheimer's Association will present information about the later stages of Alzheimer's disease and caregiving. It will also offer an opportunity to reflect and gain a new perspective on your caregiving issues. The symposium will take place on Wednesday, August 22, from 1 to 5 p.m., at the Pikeville Public Library, 119 College Street, Room 124. Registration is required; call 1-800-272-3900 or e-mail info@alz.org.

### Back to school on a budget

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program will host a Back to School on a Budget workshop on Thursday, Aug. 9, at 1:30 p.m., at 60 Court Street, Allen (the BSACAP Floyd County office). The first 25 workshop participants will receive free school supplies. Contact the Big Sandy

Area Community Action Program at 874-3595 for more information.

**Free underground mine foreman class**  
FCTC 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 Haulshoe to register at 606-487-3292.

### 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.

### 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 Slone 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, Landon Building. 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 is a Second Chance is a jail-based service program designed to help reduce recidivism and promote positive growth, by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. M2C is looking for local men who are motivated to make a difference in the life of an individual while having a positive impact on the community. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming

ing a mentor, contact mentor coordinator Joshua Kinzer, (606) 886-4439, (606) 339-8878, or Jkinzer@MtComp.org.

### Veterans service offices

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

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 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.benchmark-familyservices.org/

### Auxier Learning Center offers home repair aid

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

### FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes

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

### Become a volunteer with Victim Services Program

You are more likely to be hurt by someone whom you know rather than be assaulted on Kentucky's streets by a total stranger. Learn to assist victims of sexual assault, child abuse and domestic violence by becoming a Volunteer with Victim Services Program.

Call today to receive an application for our free training program.

Call the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-4323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

### OutPatient Drug Treatment Program and Education

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

Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208  
www.drugsno.com

### Auxier Community Center

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

### Free Bible Lessons

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

### Need help with addiction?

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

Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.  
Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.

Tuesdays, 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 Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help! We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you, or someone you know, are low income and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by 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. 25 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 free-

dom 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 its "Senior Training Program." 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 889-8250 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 432-2775; 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.

### US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group

For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at

6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

### Community Weight Loss Support Group

Meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend! Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

### Domestic Violence Hotline

24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

### Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living.

For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

### A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky)

Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

### PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc.

to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

### East Kentucky Home-Schoolers

Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

### Narcotics Anonymous (NA)

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# Viewpoint

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— Gregory Nunn

## Amendment I

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

## Our View Be alert as students go back to class

As the little ones head back to class this week, it's not a bad idea for adults to hone up on a few lessons themselves, particularly when it comes to driving.

As school resumes, morning and afternoon drivers should expect to see children by the side of the road and slower traffic. One of the best ways other drivers can prepare for the school rush is to plan to leave earlier. That way, when they don't feel rushed by new delays, they will be less apt to make a deadly mistake.

AAA has also released some additional tips for motorists. They include:

- Follow the speed limit. School zone speed limits are purposefully set low. Children are unpredictable and may have difficulty gauging the distance and speed of an approaching car.

- Look for AAA School Safety Patrolters. With more than half a million AAA School Safety Patrolters at 30,000 schools across the country, they're a sure sign you're approaching a school zone.
- Come to a complete stop at intersections with stop signs. Research shows that more than one third of drivers roll through stop signs in school zones or neighborhoods.
- Always stop for loading or unloading school buses. It may be tempting to drive around stopped school buses, but not only is it dangerous, it's against the law.
- Plan Ahead. Leave early for your destination and build in extra time for congestion. Modify your route to avoid school zones and traffic.

— The Floyd County Times



## A legislative perspective

Rep. Greg Stumbo  
Speaker of the House

It has been a little more than 15 years since the General Assembly revamped Kentucky's postsecondary system and set a series of far-reaching goals to reach by the year 2020.

If that seemed a long time down the road in 1997, it doesn't seem so far now. The good news is that, in many ways, we're well within reach of what we had hoped to achieve. We got the latest update last month, when the Council on Postsecondary Education presented a comprehensive snapshot of our progress in recent years.

In some areas, we're doing quite well. The number of adults getting their GED jumped 10 percent from 2010 to 2011, for example, and we're having a lot of success in the number of students getting two-year associate degrees as well as master's degrees. The use of online courses is growing at a healthy clip too.

We are also seeing positive gains in the number of students transferring from the Kentucky Community and Technical College System to four-year colleges, and there has also been a sizeable jump in the number of degrees awarded in the fields of science, technology, engineering, math and health, all of which are critical for our economy.

As for the challenges, we have to do more to get graduating high school seniors ready for college; increase the number of doctoral students in research; secure more outside money for research and development; and help more students get the financial assistance they need to continue their education. We're also seeing academic gaps widen between lower-income and moderate-to-high income students, which may have roots in the economy's downturn in recent years.

One of the biggest boosts to postsecondary reform came just a few years after it was enacted, and there are strong signs

that this move — the General Assembly's decision to use the state's lottery proceeds to help students attend college — has paid off.

Since 1999, when this initiative first began, \$1.74 billion has been given to the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship, known as KEES; and the College Access Program and the Kentucky Tuition Grants Program, both of which provide need-based financial assistance for those attending our public and private colleges and universities.

Recently, the legislature's Office of Education Accountability (OEA) took a closer look at KEES, which high school students earn with good grades and then use to help pay for college. It found that nearly 90 percent of high school students earn at least some money, and that the average award for qualified students is about \$1,200 annually. On the downside, about 40 percent lose their KEES money in their first year of college by not maintaining the needed GPA, though some get part of the money back when their grades improve.

The OEA report indicates that KEES has played a major role in getting more students to attend college. There was a slow but steady climb in enrollment between 1970 and 2000, but with KEES' help, the rate has jumped considerably since then. That trend applies as well to the number of bachelors, associate and advanced degrees earned.

As the economy continues to improve, the hope is that the numbers of those attending college — and getting a degree — will grow even faster. That is one reason why I believe strongly that the University of Pikeville should be part of the state postsecondary system, because no other single move could do more to help us achieve that goal.

## Letter To The Editor

### Pray for our schools

As soon as I saw him I knew what I would have to do. My stomach churned at the thought. It had been on my mind so much and I'd even talked about it earlier that day. (Sometimes I talk big, but then turn into a chicken.) He was on the mound, pitching to our church's softball team. My mouth gaped when I realized who it was. This was the day I knew was coming.

Several weeks ago, the Lord convinced me to the bone about something horrible I'd been doing. There's a school in the area that has been riddled with problems. Stories abound. I don't have kids in school anymore, so if I've heard it, everybody's heard about it. For months during the last school year, I shook my head as I passed it, remembering some of the tales. Not one time... not one single, solitary time did I EER pull over or into the parking lot and pray. I didn't pray for the principal. I didn't pray for the teachers. I didn't pray for the students. I didn't pray for the bus drivers or other employees... I just kept driving. How proud God must have been. His daughter, who knows what the power of prayer can do, who knows that He still works miracles, just went right on her merry way without even trying to make a difference. I'm so ashamed.

I knew I would have to make it right. I would have to write a letter to the principal. I would apologize for not praying for him, the teachers, students and employees and would make a commitment to pray faithfully for all of them this coming school year. (I'm better on paper, anyway.) I would also let him know that I planned to rally other prayer supporters for them and instead of complaining, we would actually DO something to make a good difference.

For the last two weeks, an idea has been turning over in my mind. I couldn't quit thinking about praying for the schools. I had contacted that principal (yet, but would). Now, I hoped to get our whole church involved. I had brainstormed in my mind about "teams" for each

school. People could choose what school they wanted to impact. If parents had children at schools, they would automatically be on that team, if they wanted. Before school starts, or at least soon after, the teams could meet in the parking lot of their school and pray. And then, during the school year, we could encourage everyone there. (Don't you think it would give them all a much needed boost?)

I tried to think of a catchy name, something that we would remember, like: "Don't just complain ... PRAY SOMETHING" or "p4s" (Pray 4 our Schools). I wondered about an acronym using the letters "CPR" and other stuff.

I began to wonder... what if we invited all of the other churches to get involved? What if parents, grandparents and friends all over the place committed to pray, encourage, and trust that God could do something awesome in every single school? (That's "P.E.T.," by the way.)

I had been thinking about our prayer campaign and that local troubled school all day. Now suddenly, I realized its principal was standing on the pitcher's mound right in front of me. I asked someone if it was really him. Sure enough, today was the day to make things right. It was my time. I hate face-to-face serious stuff. I would have to put on my big girl panties!

My friend, Nikki, was with me. Her husband is a teacher at an alternative school in the county. Both of them are helping to get our ducks in a row on this before school starts. She helped me watch for an opportunity to talk to the principal. I waited until the softball game was over and prayed for the Lord to give me the right words to say.

I rushed over, hoping not to sound stupid, I called, "Mr. ... I could I talk to you for just a minute?"

He turned and nodded. He had met but I re-introduced myself. I told him I needed to apologize to him and would try not to cry. I had his full attention.

As tears formed in my eyes, I confessed that I

had passed his school last year, shaking my head but never praying. I told him I was sorry for letting him down and promised that it wouldn't happen again. I wanted him to know that I was making a commitment to pray for him an every-one there this next year, and I was going to rally others to do the same. (He was soaking in every word.) I said the "commitment to pray" part and ended with "I won't let you down again". That's when I realized I was pointing at him. I can only imagine what the others at the game thought. Holy smokes! Who points a finger right at a principal in public?

He told me they were going to be making some changes this year. He also encouraged me to stop by the school sometime. I assured him I would.

I walked back to my seat very relieved. I had sealed the deal.

Now it's time to get busy...I'm inviting you and your church to get involved. Feel free to think of a catchy slogan but it's not required. I've started asking school teachers and employees how we can pray for them this year. You can do the same. (So far, teachers have asked for prayers for wisdom and compassion. Do us up in teams. Call yourselves the school's mascot, if you want. The main thing is to pray. Pray especially for the student! So many kids have very difficult lives. School is their safe place.)

I've always heard, "Don't complain if you didn't vote." Now, I'm saying, "Don't complain if you haven't prayed."

I was on a Get-Well card I received after my hip surgery last year. "No ocean can hold it back. No river can overtake it. No whirlwind can go faster. No army can defeat it. No law can stop it. No distance can slow it. No disease can cripple it. No force on Earth is more powerful or effective than the power of prayer."

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## KSP asks public's help finding woman

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BELFRY — Kentucky State Police is asking for the public's help in locating the whereabouts of a woman last seen a month ago.

The family of Sherry "Sissy" Gauze Dillon contacted KSP July 16 to report her missing. She was last seen at her residence the morning of July 7.

Dillon, 44, is described as having white/blonde hair and brown eyes, wearing eyeglasses and weighing 125 lbs. with a slim build.



Anyone with information on Dillon's whereabouts is asked to contact KSP Post 9, in Pikeville, at (606) 222-5555 or (606) 433-7711.

## Van Lear goes wild over Turtleman

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer

The town of Van Lear was overrun this last weekend with Turtlemania, as the small town celebrated its Centennial Town Celebration.

On Saturday, crowds of people descended on the small Johnson County community of Van Lear which has grown famous over the years as the childhood home of Crystal Gayle and Loretta Lynn, and as the setting for Lynn's famous ballad "Coal Miner's Daughter."

People routinely make the pilgrimage to Butcher Hollow ("Hollar") to

see Lynn's brother, Herman Webb, give tours of the old homoplace.

But early estimates of this year's crowd paint the 2012 celebration as one of the most successful, when Kentucky celebrity Ernie Lee Brown Jr., perhaps better known as "The Turtleman," brought his own brand of "live action" to the mountains for the celebration.

Brown is the star of the current Animal Planet hit show "Call of the Wildman" that showcases Brown's unique ability to wrangle wild animals from tight spots. Brown served as one of the Grand Marshals of the event, alongside "Banjo Neal" James, Squir-

rel Brady and Jake Ison. Visitors lined up for hours in the rain to see "The Turtleman," who posed for photos and signed autographs.

"People waited between 8 to 10 hours in sometimes torrential rain just to get an autograph. Some people drove as far as 1,200 miles just to meet this Animal Planet star," said Jason Collins. "It took everyone by surprise that he and his crew treated everyone like they were his biggest fan. He posed for photos, signed autographs and did whatever anyone wanted."

The Van Lear Celebration is an annual event produced in part by the Van Lear Historical Society.

## Lawmakers receive update on permitting of coal mine operations

FRANKFORT — A July 31 federal court ruling that favored states' rights in a legal dispute between the federal EPA and some coal mining states, including Kentucky, will have little effect on how the Commonwealth handles water quality permitting of its mining operations, state officials said last week.

On Thursday, Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection Commissioner Bruce Scott told the Interim Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Environment that the ruling—which Scott said the courts basically affirmed "as a violation of the federal Administrative Procedures Act"—will not affect how Kentucky approaches wastewater discharge permitting of coal mine operations

under the Clean Water Act 402 permitting program.

"It has always been our determination that the existing rules have never changed," said Scott.

The ruling vacated the EPA's "guidance" or policy recommendations regarding water quality permitting of coal mining operations. The guidance, issued in 2010, set recommended levels for salinity in streams located below coal discharges. Kentucky and other states filed suit against the EPA in reaction to the guidance, citing due process concerns.

"The legal genesis (behind the lawsuit) is... the guidance was being used as if it were a regulation without having gone through the regulatory adoption process," said Scott.

The July 31 ruling also makes it clear that the states, not the EPA, are responsible for water quality standards "as a first resort," said Scott, effectively rebalancing the federal-state relationship in implementing the wastewater discharge permits under the 402 program. Scott said it is likely that the EPA will appeal those parts of the ruling to the U.S. District Court of Appeals.

In Kentucky, Scott said there are currently 36 individual water quality permits pending for coal mine operations that are held up due to objections by the federal EPA. Scott said it is unknown how those permit objections will be handled in light of the court ruling.

Committee Co-Chair Rep. Jim Gooch, D-Providence, noted that the 36 permits objected

to by the EPA were never denied by the agency. The EPA objected to the permits being issued at all, he stated.

"If they were turned down at least they could make... a lawsuit or whatever but it doesn't seem in this day and time, in this country, that it's right to deny someone the ability to work and also deny them their due process. They (the EPA) are just holding these things," said Gooch.

"Due to changes made decades ago under the federal Clean Water Act, Scott said the EPA is not under a legal obligation to respond to its objection to the 36 permits.

Scott said he has advocated for years that the federal EPA follow a timeline for making final action.

## Lawns likely to recover from drought

This summer's drought has not only been tough on agricultural producers, but it has taken a toll on many homeowner's lawns. While timely rains in July helped grasses in central and eastern areas of the state rebound, a lack of rain in Western Kentucky is keeping lawns parched.

Recovery will depend on the type of grass that is planted in a lawn, said Gregg Munshaw, extension turf specialist with the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture. One of the most common grasses seeded in lawns across the state is tall fescue, a cool-season grass.

"Because of its deep root system, tall fescue will remain green and grow longer into a drought than Kentucky bluegrass, which goes dormant during hot and dry periods," Munshaw said. "But tall fescue is not as drought tolerant as many warm-season grasses. It can only take so much and will struggle once all the moisture in the soil is gone."

Homeowners can do a simple test to determine if their grass is going to survive the drought, he said. Individuals can take a sample of their grass and its root system from their lawns and put it in an area, such as a garage, where the plant isn't in direct sunlight and give it water. If the grass is still alive, individuals should start to see green shoots returning within a week.

"Assuming the lawn's not dead, timely rains and cooler temperatures this fall will cause the lawns to rebound," he said.

Those who have dead lawns will want to reseed their grass. Usually mid-

August through mid-October is the best time to do so with a cool-season grass. If their lawn hasn't had a soil test in several years, individuals should have their soils tested to make sure they aren't lacking in any minerals needed for adequate stand establishment. Soil samples can be taken to the local office of the UK Cooperative Extension Service. When seeding, homeowners should till their lawns to make sure they have good seed-to-soil contact. Adequate moisture is also imperative to successful grass establishment.

Additionally, homeowners across the state may be noticing more warm-season annual grassy weeds, such as goosegrass and crabgrass, out-competing their cool-season lawns as a result of the drought. "These annual weeds will die this fall but will set seeds that can germinate next spring," Munshaw said. "Homeowners should not spray herbicides on their drought-stressed lawns now because they are already stressed. Those that do have a lot of grassy weeds present now may want to consider putting out a pre-emergent herbicide next spring."

When the state goes through hot, dry summers, homeowners may want to take a proactive step to protecting their lawns from drought next spring by raising their mower height.

"Raising their mower height even a little will make their lawn healthier with a deeper root system to better withstand heat and drought," Munshaw said.

## MSHA's new 'examinations' guidelines for underground coal mines in effect now

ARLINGTON, Va. — The U.S. Department of Labor's Mine Safety and Health Administration's final rule "Examinations of Work Areas in Underground Coal Mines for Violations of Mandatory Health or Safety Standards," which was published April 6, in the Federal Register, became effective Monday.

The rule requires mine operators to identify and correct hazardous conditions and violations of nine health and safety standards that pose the greatest risk to miners, including the kinds of conditions that led to the deadly explosion at the Upper Big Branch Mine in April 2010.

"Effective pre-shift, supplemental, on-shift and weekly examinations are the first line of defense to protect miners working in underground coal mines," said Joseph A. Main, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health.

After analyzing its accident reports and enforcement data for underground coal mines covering a five-year period, MSHA determined that the same types of violations of health or safety standards are found by MSHA inspectors in underground coal mines every year, and that these violations present some of the most unsafe conditions for coal miners.

These repeated violations expose miners to unnecessary safety and health risks that should be found and cor-

rected by mine operators. The final rule, effective today, will increase the identification and correction of unsafe conditions in mines earlier, removing many of the conditions that could lead to danger, and improve protection for miners in underground coal mines," said Main.

The rule requires that, during pre-shift, supplemental, on-shift and weekly examinations, underground coal mine operators, in addition to examining for hazardous conditions as in the existing regulations, examine for violations of the nine specific health and safety standards. The rule also requires operators to record the actions taken to correct hazardous conditions, as in the existing regulations, and violations of the nine standards. Additionally, operators must review with mine examiners, on a quarterly basis, citations and orders issued in areas where pre-shift, supplemental, on-shift and weekly examinations are required.

The nine standards address ventilation, methane, roof control, combustible materials, rock dust, equipment guarding and other safeguards. They are consistent with the standards emphasized in MSHA's Rules to Live

By initiative and the types of violations cited in MSHA's accident investigation report on the Upper Big Branch Mine explosion as contributing to the cause of that deadly accident, MSHA launched Rules to Live by an outreach and enforcement program designed to strengthen efforts

to prevent mining fatalities, in February 2010.

In 2011, MSHA issued approximately 358,000 violations, of which approximately 77,000 were attributable to underground coal mines, even though these mines represent just 4 percent of all mines.



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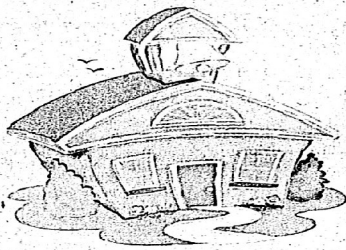
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## KHEAA advises college students to pay attention to interest rates

Whether saving or borrowing money, you need to pay close attention to your interest rate, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

For savings accounts and other investments, look for the highest interest rate possible. But examine closely any opportunities that promise tremen-

dous interest rates. Those may be scams that cause you to lose your money. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Look for investments that can earn you compound interest. That means you earn interest not only on the amount you invest, called the principal, but also on the interest you have already earned on the principal.

Compare the annual percentage rates (APR) on loans and credit cards. The lower the APR, the less you will pay in interest. A low APR is especially important if you carry a balance on your card.

Look carefully at loans that carry a variable or adjustable interest rate. The interest rate on those loans goes up or down

depending on market conditions. You might prefer a fixed interest rate. It may start out higher than a variable rate, but it will not increase as most variable rates do.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES).

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

## Medical requirements for kindergarten and sixth grade

### Requirements for Entering Kindergarten

Children must be 5 years old by October 1.

Medical Examination — A medical examination on the Kentucky Department of Education Initial Entry form dated December 1999 must be performed within 12 months prior to the entry date

into Kindergarten. The exams must be signed by a Physician/APRN/PA/EPSTD Provider (Health Department). Medical examinations older than 12 months prior to the initial entry date into kindergarten cannot be accepted.

Official Copy of Student's Birth Certificate — Applications for an official birth certificate can be obtained at the health department, principal's office or the central office. The cost is \$10. The billfold size is not acceptable. You must present the certified copy you received from Frankfort to your principal; it will have a seal pressed into the paper which verifies that it is a certified copy. Your school will then make a copy to become part of your child's permanent records and the official copy returned to you. If the birth certificate is not available, please contact your principal immediately.

Kentucky Immunization Certificate — All immunizations must be up-to-date by age requirement and listed on the certificate. The certificate is to be signed by a private physician or health department designee along with a completed expiration date. (No photo copies accepted). All students shall have two (2) dose of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine, unless a physician states records that the child has had chickenpox disease. The three (3) dose Hepatitis B series is required for Kindergarten. At least one (1) dose of Hepatitis B is required for entry and the series should be completed on schedule to comply with state regulations.

Students must meet the above requirements to enroll in school.

Kentucky Eye Examination Form for School Entry Dated 8/2000 — The Early Childhood Development Law requires all children entering

public preschool, public school head start or public school for the first time to have evidence of an eye examination by an optometrist or ophthalmologist.

Kentucky Dental Screening/Examination Form for School Entry (OH-12 REVISED 1/25/11) — Kentucky law, KRS 156.160(1) requires proof of a dental screening or examination of a five (5) or six (6) year old who is enrolling in public school. This exam may be performed by a dentist, dental hygienist, physician, registered nurse, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant.

### Requirements for Entering 6th Grade

Medical Examination — Sixth-Grade KDE approved, dated December

1999 performed within one year prior to entry into 6th grade.

Current Kentucky Immunization Certificate (EPID-230, 230a, 230b, 230c Rev. 8/2010) KDE approved. One (1) dose of Tdap is required for enrollment into 6th grade for students 11-12 years of age or older. Td is an option for those students who cannot receive pertussis.

Requires one dose of meningococcal (meningitis) vaccine for 6th grade entry for students 11-12 years of age or older.

Requires second dose of varicella (chicken pox) vaccine for 6th grade entry.

If your child has not completed the required immunizations, a medical examination and the forms filed at school, your child will not be permitted to begin or enroll in school for the 2012-13 school year.

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## Easy ways to handle the back-to-school grind

Pretty soon all kids will be back in the normal routine of school buses, lunches and homework five days a week. As you're wondering how another summer has flown by, USA.gov can help you be prepared with everything you and your kids can be doing to ensure a successful year at school.

While your older kids think they can handle everything college throws at them, it's important they remember not only to take their studies seriously, but to take care of their health while they're at school, too. The Food and Drug Administration offers free publications on a range of health issues for college age students, including understanding the dangers of tanning, and getting help with the allergies and sleep disorders that can affect their studies.

For upperclassmen in high school, there is a lot to consider when thinking about college as the next step. The U.S. Department of Education provides information on how you can go to college, as well as ways to pay for it once you've chosen where you want to go. While financing col-

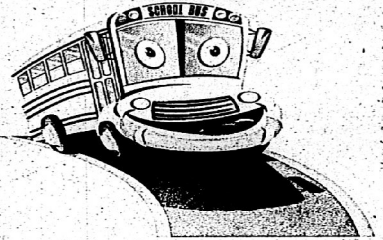
lege can be difficult, there are many ways for students to receive the education they want if they are well prepared.

Although it takes some time for the younger kids, to get back into the swing of things and finally sit down and do their homework, once they do, there are many free resources on Kids.gov to help them — and you — with their homework and projects. The Smithsonian Education site allows kids to explore, discover and learn through all varieties of topics including science, art and culture. The Environmental Protection Agency also offers a Homework Zone to help kids understand ecosystems, climate change, recycling and many other science related subjects.

In addition to a great place to find homework help, Kids.gov also offers a safe and fun place for kids to play online games and explore their favorite subjects. Your kids can study, watch videos and review topics all while you know they are doing it in a safe and secure environment with no ads or spam.



# School



## Back-to-school health and safety tips

Reading, writing and arithmetic aren't the only things that children need to help them prepare for back to school in the fall. There are several health and safety tips that will get their year off to a great start.

**Playground Safety, Backpack Safety, Immunizations, Sleep, Germs, and Concussions**

**Playground Safety**  
Playground accidents are one of the leading causes of injury to children in elementary school. Each year, in the United States, more than 200,000 children receive emergency department care for injuries that occur on playground equipment. Approximately 1 out of every 2 playground accidents occurs on public playgrounds, including school facilities, as opposed to backyard play equipment.

The leading cause of deaths related to playgrounds and playground equipment is strangulation. Approximately, 15 children per year die from playground-related injuries such as strangulation when a piece of loose clothing or jewelry gets caught on equipment or the child's head gets stuck between climbing bars. Fractures from falls are also common.

Adults should actively supervise children on playgrounds at all times.

The ground should be covered 12 inches deep with shredded rubber, hardwood fiber mulch or fine sand, extending at least six feet in all directions around the equipment.

Even with proper surfacing, teachers and playground monitors need to keep kids in sight and in reach on the playground. Simply being in the same place as the children isn't necessarily supervising kids on a playground need an adult's undivided attention.

For outdoor play, children's clothing and footwear should be free of drawstrings and should fit snugly to minimize the risk of getting stuck in a piece of equipment. Do not allow kids to wear jewelry, necklaces, purses or scarves on the playground or engage in any pushing, shoving or crowding around playground equipment.

Before your child goes back to school, you might want to take a look at the school playground and, if necessary, discuss the Consumer Product Safety Commission guidelines with school authorities.

**Backpack Safety**  
Help your child avoid lower back pain by following these simple backpack safety tips:

- When fully loaded, your child's backpack should weigh less than 15 percent of his body weight. To help your child know what this weight feels like, use your bathroom scale to measure the right backpack load.

- Buy a backpack with two wide, padded straps that go over the shoulders and make sure your child uses both straps at all times.

- Choose a backpack with a padded waist or chest belt. This distributes weight more evenly across the body. Multiple compartments also help distribute the weight.

- Your child's backpack should not be wider than his body.

- Consider a backpack with a metal frame (like hik-

ers use) or on wheels (like a flight attendant's bag). Check with your child's school first to see if these types of bags are allowed.

- Make sure your child isn't taking unnecessary items. Laptops, CD players and video games can add a lot of pounds to a backpack.

- Heavier items should be placed closer to the back of the backpack, next to the body.

- Picking up the backpack properly is important. As with any heavy object, your child should bend at the knees and grab the pack with both hands when lifting it to his shoulders.

- Encourage your child to develop stronger lower back and abdominal muscles — this will help avoid back injury. Weight training and yoga are two activities that can help strengthen these core muscles.

**Immunization**

Immunization is important to help protect your child from common infections. If a child is not vaccinated and is exposed to a disease germ, the child's body may not be strong enough to fight the disease. Before vaccines, many children died from diseases that vaccines now prevent, such as whooping cough, measles, and polio. Those same germs exist today, but babies are now protected by vaccines, so we do not see these diseases as often. In most states, it is required that children who attend childcare or school be protected from certain diseases.

So be sure to make—and keep—those appointments during your child's early years and even in the teen years.

Check to see if your child or teen is up-to-date on his vaccines at each visit. If he gets behind, ask your doctor to help him catch up. Bring your child's immunization record with you and have it updated at each visit.

**Sleep**

For many children and teens, summer vacation is synonymous with staying up late and sleeping in. Returning to an early morning sleep schedule can be challenging, but it is vital to the health and successful school performance of America's youth. The National Sleep Foundation (NSF) is calling on parents and students to start adjusting their sleep schedules now, in order to be well-rested and alert for the start of the school year.

According to the National Sleep Foundation's 2004 and 2006 Sleep in America polls, children and teens overall do not get enough sleep. School-aged children get an average of 1.5 hours less than the recommended 10 to 11 hours of sleep per night. School nights, and only 20 percent of adolescents get the recommended 9 hours of sleep per night on school nights. In fact, nearly half of all adolescents sleep less than eight hours on school nights.

Here are some tips for getting your child's sleep schedule back on track:

- Several weeks to month before the start of school, set a limit for the latest bedtime and wake up time. Then gradually move these times earlier (about 15 minutes every other day, time permitting) as the school year starts to approach.

- Soak in summer's last days with early mornings rather than late nights. Em-



phasize activity and bright light in the morning; go outside and take a walk or play with friends; don't sit indoors or in front of the television.

- Maintain a regular bedtime — keeping the same sleep schedule makes it easier to fall asleep at night and wake up in the morning.

- Establish a sleep routine — avoid exercising or doing anything too intellectually stimulating in the last couple of hours before going to bed.

- Create a good sleep environment — cool, dark, quiet and comfortable.

- Limit caffeine, especially after lunchtime.

- Turn off the TV. Flickering light and distributing content can prevent good sleep. And, adolescents with four or more such items in their bedrooms were more likely than their peers to get an insufficient amount of sleep at night and almost twice as likely to fall asleep in school and while doing homework.

**Germs**  
Although they are small and tiny exposure to germs can be a huge problem as children go back to school. Germs are found all over the world, in all kinds of places. There are four major types of germs: bacteria, viruses, fungi, and protozoa.

Addressing the spread of germs in schools is essential to the health of our youth, our schools, and our nation. Nearly 22 million school days are lost annually due to the common cold alone.

Tell your children to wash their hands for as long as it takes them to sing their ABCs: "Row, Row, Row Your Boat" or the "Happy Birthday" song. Use an antibacterial soap with warm water for best results.

Restrain from allowing your children to share drinks with their friends. Besides passing along many simple illnesses, sharing can lead to a very serious disease called meningitis, which is a bacterial or viral infection that causes headache, high fever, vomiting, and a stiff neck. Meningitis can be fatal in some cases. Also abstain from sharing personal hygiene products such as your hairbrush.

Back to school also means back to sports for many kids. Because a child's brain is still developing, a head injury can be more serious than you think. A concussion can happen anytime, anywhere—on the field, on the playground, at home or at school.

Your child does not have to lose consciousness (pass out) to have a concussion. There are many signs associated with a concussion and your child may not show any symptoms until a few days

after the head injury. Your child may have a headache after the head injury. For other symptoms click here.

- Normal activities like watching television, texting, playing video games and using a computer may worsen concussion symptoms. Reading and studying can be equally as stressful to the brain; therefore, school schedules may need to be modified.

These tips are provided courtesy of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

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# Mars landing could spur interest in exploration

**Cris Ritchie**  
Editor

Weighing in at one ton and nearly the size of a car, NASA's newest Mars rover, dubbed Curiosity, beamed out its first photograph from another planet early Monday morning, much to the relief of a team of anxiously awaiting, Earth-based mission controllers. With a price tag of \$2.5 billion, Curiosity's mission is to determine whether or not Mars once had the ability to sustain life. A bevy of instrumentation, including a spectral analyzer and other sophisticated devices, are among the tools in Curiosity's belt.

One person here in Hazard who is excitedly watching the rover's mission unfold is Tom Cravens, director of the Challenger Learning Center of Kentucky located on the campus of Hazard Community and Technical College.

"I think I'm like most Americans," Cravens said. "I think everybody's excited about it."

The Challenger Center is the only such center of its kind in Eastern Kentucky, and serves as an avenue for young children to get a feel for what space exploration may be like. One of the center's programs actually focuses on Mars and explores the similarities between coal mining and space science. It is an interesting program, Cravens said, as it geared toward fourth graders, who when they reach adulthood will be of the age when manned space

flights to Mars could very well be a reality.

But for now, mankind is making its presence known on Mars via a remote-controlled robotic rover. Even so, it's an exciting time considering the ingenuity it took to land the large rover on our celestial neighbor, intact and operational.

"When you look at how many moving parts there were to that thing, and how many things could go wrong, it is truly an engineering feat that they were able to make that work," Cravens said.

Curiosity's landing was like something straight out of a science fiction novel. Encased in a capsule for its eight-month journey to Mars, the rover penetrated the Martian atmosphere at a blistering 13,000 miles per hour before a parachute deployed to slow the capsule's descent and allow a sky crane — held aloft by a rocket booster — to further slow the capsule enough for Curiosity to be lowered on cables to the planet's surface.

Curiosity's journey to Mars covered more than 300 million miles. The rover is expected to explore the planet's surface for two years, though if it holds out like its predecessors, Spirit and Opportunity, it could go well beyond that life expectancy. Spirit and Opportunity landed on Mars in 2004, and were only expected to last for a few months. Opportunity is still beaming back data for scientists to analyze.

Mission controllers will

be hoping to build on the successes of the earlier rovers. That mission resulted in the discovery of evidence that Mars was once the warmer planet with flowing liquid on its surface, both of which are thought to be necessary components for the formation of life.

Curiosity touched down at 10:32 p.m. Sunday night, sparking a media frenzy as the rover's first black-and-white photographs were released to the public showing its shadow cast upon the red planet's surface. Cravens said the rover's successful landing could serve to bring interest back to an agency that has fallen uncertain times as the nation continues to navigate through a tough economy. NASA's shuttle program was recently scrapped, and according to news reports the agency's Mars exploration budget is also slated for cuts next year.

A lot of people have remained serious about exploring Mars, and the opportunities the planet could represent, Cravens added, but some serious thought will also be needed as the program moves forward.

"The people that would need to get serious about it are the decision makers in Washington that put an emphasis on it, kind of like JFK put an emphasis on going to the moon," he said.

And while Cravens expects the new rover to find further evidence that Mars was once a warmer planet, he noted that he isn't willing just yet to make any kind of predictions of how successful Curiosity will be in finding actual signs of life. He is, however, hopeful that the mission will spur excitement about space exploration.

"I think this has maybe got a lot of people excited about it."

# Arts education grant available to Kentucky's K-12 teachers

**FRANKFORT** — Opportunities are available for teachers to collaborate with professional artists to provide unique arts education experiences for students through the Kentucky Arts Council's Teaching Art Together grant.

The Teaching Art Together grant allows teachers to work with professional artists listed in the arts council's Teaching Artists Directory to design and implement innovative five- to 20-day residencies.

"Teaching Art Together grant residencies give teachers the tools to further implement arts across the curriculum once the project ends," said Lori Meadows, arts council executive director. The grant also provides Kentucky school children with valuable, hands-on arts experiences with professional teaching artists. It's a wonderful opportunity that provides long-lasting benefits to all participants — teachers, artists and students.

Any teacher or group of teachers in a public or private school that supports

grades preschool to 12 may apply. Grant applications will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. EDT Oct. 15.

The focus of artist residencies can vary widely, depending on the goals of the teacher and expertise of the artist hired for the residency. Artists selected for the Teaching Artists Directory work in a wide variety of disciplines including dance, folk arts, literary arts, media, video, music, storytelling, theater and visual arts.

The Teaching Art Together grant guidelines and application can be found at the arts council website. For more information about applying, contact Rachel Allen, arts education director at 502-564-8110, ext. 486, or via e-mail at rachel.allen@ky.gov.

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

# UNITE Service Corps to receive tutor funding

**Ralph B. Davis**  
Managing Editor

**PRESTONSBURG** — A Floyd County-based drug-prevention organization will receive nearly \$400,000 to provide math tutoring and drug abuse prevention education for at-risk students.

UNITE Service Corps, based in Prestonsburg, is one of 10 AmeriCorps affiliates statewide receiving the funding, as part of an annual grant competition by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), a public-private partnership that engages Americans of all ages in service. CNCS announced the grants in June. The remaining programs are funded through formula grant funds that are awarded based on state population.

UNITE Service Corps, which is an educational arm

of Operation UNITE, will receive \$390,000 to employ 300 full-time drug education coordinators within their service site schools in Eastern Kentucky.

AmeriCorps is a national service program administered by the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service (KCCVS) in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS). Members serve faith-based and nonprofit organizations to meet critical educational, environmental and safety needs.

CHFS Secretary Audrey Tayse Haynes said the funding will improve lives.

"Through these grants, local citizens are addressing local needs," she said. "One hundred percent of this money goes directly to strengthen these community programs."

The Kentucky programs receiving grants include 496 full- and part-time members. Their projects will last nine months to one year, and most begin this fall.

KCCVS Executive Director Eileen Ciekowski said the grants will help program members contribute more to their communities.

"We are thrilled to be selected and eager to start getting things done," she said. "In this time of economic hardship, service and volunteering is more important than ever. These AmeriCorps members and the volunteers they mobilize will help us expand our reach and impact."

On a national level, AmeriCorps engages 80,000 Americans of all ages and backgrounds in service to meet critical needs. Members serve through more than 14,000 organizations in rural and urban communities throughout the nation. Among other accomplishments, AmeriCorps members last year mobilized 3.4 million community volunteers, and tutored, mentored or served more than 3.5 million disadvantaged youth.

AmeriCorps members may serve one or two years. Upon completion of their service, members are eligible for an education award equal to the Pell grant, currently \$5,550 that can be used to pay back student loans or cover tuition costs. Since AmeriCorps began in 1994, more than 7,800

Kentucky residents have served more than 7.2 million hours and have qualified for AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$25 million.

For more information about Kentucky's AmeriCorps programs or AmeriCorps projects, call Program Officer Andrea Siefeloff toll-free (800) 239-7404, ext. 4116, or visit the KCCVS website at [www.volunteerKY.gov](http://www.volunteerKY.gov).

Other groups receiving funding include:

• ATEAM - \$741,782  
Sponsor: Borner County School District (Glasgow/Owensboro)

Members: 56 full-time  
ATEAM Members serve elementary through high school students in partnership with supportive schools and involved communities to provide tutoring and mentoring assistance to aid in the prevention of student dropouts and support post-secondary education and workforce readiness.

• Bunker Corps - \$598,482 (funded by competitive grant)  
Sponsor: Homeless & Housing Coalition of Kentucky (Frankfort)

Members: 45 full-time  
Build Corps is a statewide program in which members impact their communities through homelessness prevention, housing placement services, and low income housing construction and repair. Members also assist homeless and economically disadvantaged Kentuckians prepare for and recover from disasters.

• Economic Empowerment Corps - \$130,000 (funded by competitive grant)

Sponsor: Kentucky Domestic Violence Association (Frankfort)

Members: 10 full-time  
Economic Empowerment Corps is a statewide program in which members serve as economic empowerment specialists, volunteer and community outreach specialists and youth programming specialists serving those who are survivors of domestic violence.

• KYSC Corps - \$445,970 (funded by competitive grant)  
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# Transportation Cabinet eager to 'Adopt' your student's ideas

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet today announced the beginning of the 2012 Adopt-a-Highway Poster Contest. Students from across the Commonwealth are invited to submit creative works for use in the Adopt-a-Highway calendar for 2013. The contest is open to all Kentucky students of elementary, middle and high school age.

Exposure to the contest and to the Adopt-a-Highway program provides young people with a sense of ownership in Kentucky's highways and stresses the importance of keeping

Kentucky's highways clean and free of litter. The contest is aimed at educating and encouraging children not to litter and to spread the message to others.

"Through this program the cabinet hopes to increase environmental awareness and stewardship among children and to bring about a change in attitudes and behaviors concerning a growing problem with litter," said Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock.

"With your child's help a change in attitudes could result in a pleasing

change of scenery. We encourage all students to participate in this worthy contest," Hancock said.

Parents, teachers and family members are asked to encourage children to participate in the contest. The entry form with the necessary certificate of authenticity can be obtained by contacting the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Office of Public Affairs.

The form also is available online at <http://adopt-a-highway.ky.gov/>. Click on poster contest.

Entries must be postmarked by Sept. 30, 2012.

# Resource helps reform teacher evaluations

Hope Street Group, a national bipartisan organization whose mission is to convene the best leaders and practitioners across political aisles and collaborate with them to drive economic vitality and widespread prosperity for all Americans, is launching an online resource for states and districts looking to implement sound, reliable, and fair teacher evaluations — the Hope Street Group Teacher Evaluation Playbook.

Building on its previous work around evaluation reforms, including developing game-changing principles that the U.S. Department of Education included in Race to the Top, Hope Street Group created a no-cost best practices guide to assist in reform efforts. This online toolkit contains practical guidance to state and district policymakers on how to design educator evaluation

systems with the input of many stakeholder voices, especially teachers, as well as providing information to policy makers, administrators, union representatives and teachers on evaluation and reform efforts, strategies to get involved, gives engagement checklists, interactive maps, and more.

Adding to their knowledge in the area, Hope Street Group interviewed teachers, policymakers, elected officials, union representatives, and other leaders involved in evaluation reform efforts resulting in over 200 pages of notes to create the Teacher Evaluation Playbook. The interviews provided insight into state reform efforts and serve as a guide for other states that are in earlier stages of evaluation reform. By highlighting some of the challenges in reform states such as Tennessee and Delaware, the first Race to the Top

states, policymakers can gain insight on how best to approach some of the difficult aspects of planning and implementation in advance.

Garnering and incorporating real-time feedback from the field, Hope Street Group highlights 5 recommendations that states and district should consider when reforming their evaluation system. These include details about designing non-tested grades and subjects, communication with various audiences, and engaging with teachers as partners.

"No matter the career path, all employees need regular, ongoing feedback to grow, improve and advance in their professions. Teachers are no different—to be successful in the classroom, educators need to be evaluated fairly and consistently receive the support they need," says Monique Nadeau, CEO and

President of Hope Street Group. "The primary goal of any evaluation should be to help teachers become inspiring, effective, and capable of leading the academic growth of diverse learners. The Teacher Evaluation Playbook can help states accomplish this during their reform efforts."

The Hope Street Group Teacher Evaluation Playbook can be found at <http://playbook.hopestreetwork.org>

Follow the reform discussion on Twitter at @hopestreetwork or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/hopestreetwork](http://www.facebook.com/hopestreetwork)

Teachers and evaluators are asked to join the discussion, anonymously, and answer the question, "How are YOU being impacted by evaluations?" by sharing their story at <http://playbook.hopestreetwork.org/tell-us-your-story>

# Deadline for election filing fast approaching

August 14, 2012, is the deadline for independent, political organization, and political group candidates running for most offices, with the exception of President and Vice President and certain unexpired terms, to file their petitions of nomination and pay the filing fee. The paperwork must be received by the filing official by 4 p.m. prevailing local time.

Secretary of State Allison Lundergan Grimes said, "I encourage all interested individuals to complete their filings as soon as possible to allow time to address any problems with their paperwork."

Independent, political organization and political group candidates for many offices were required to file a statement-of-candidacy form no later than April 2, 2012, to be qualified. That prerequisite does not apply to candidates for federal offices, nonpartisan city

offices of cities of the second to sixth classes. The requirement also is inapplicable to candidates for unexpired terms.

In addition to offices that are scheduled for a regular election this year, several unexpired terms will appear on the ballot on November 6, 2012. Candidates for the following vacant offices that file with the Secretary of State must file their paperwork by August 14:

- District Judge, 57th Judicial District
- Circuit Judge, 27th Judicial Circuit, Division 2
- Circuit Judge, 29th Judicial Circuit
- Circuit Judge, 30th Judicial Circuit, Division 10

Interested individuals should contact their county clerk to determine whether there are any local offices with unexpired terms and the filing deadline for those positions.

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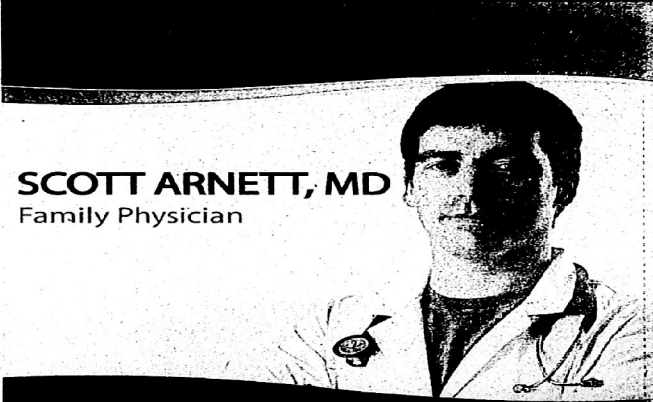
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# EPA identifies substitutes for toxic flame retardant chemical

WASHINGTON — In its quest to identify possible substitutes for a toxic flame retardant chemical known as decabromodiphenyl ether (decaBDE), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released a draft report on alternatives. This comprehensive assessment developed with public participation under EPA's Design for the Environment (DfE) program, profiles the environmental and human health hazards on 30 alternatives to decaBDE, which will be phased out of production by December 2013.

DecaBDE is a common flame retardant used in electronics, vehicles, and building materials. It can cause adverse developmental effects, can persist in the environment and can bioaccumulate in people and animals. This technical assessment can help manufacturers identify alternatives to decaBDE. In addition, EPA will continue to work with manufacturers to investigate both chemical and non-chemical alternatives for flame retardants.

"EPA is using all of its tools to reduce the use of hazardous flame retardant

chemicals like decaBDE and identify safer, functional substitutes to protect people's health and the environment," said Jim Jones, acting assistant administrator for EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSP). "Virtually everyone agrees that EPA needs updated authority under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) to more effectively assess and regulate potentially harmful chemicals like flame retardants. As EPA continues to stress the need for comprehensive legislative reform to TSCA, we are also targeting actions on a broader group of flame retardants to reduce human and environmental risks."

Today's draft report is the latest in a series of actions the agency is taking to address flame retardants made with bromine. Other actions include:

On June 1, 2012, EPA released a TSCA work plan of 18 chemicals which the agency intends to review and use to develop risk assessments in 2013 and 2014, including three flame retardant chemicals. EPA is currently developing a strategy, scheduled for completion

by the end of this year that will address these three and a broader set of flame retardant chemicals. This effort will aid the agency in focusing risk assessments on those flame retardant chemicals that pose the greatest potential concerns. EPA anticipates initiating the risk assessments on this category of chemicals in 2013.

On April 2, 2012, EPA proposed actions under TSCA that will require manufacturers, importers, and processors of polybrominated diphenyl ether (PBDE) flame retardants to submit information to the agency for review before initiating any new uses of PBDEs after Dec 31, 2013. Those who continue to manufacture, import, or process after December 31, 2013, would be subject to a testing requirement under TSCA. EPA is accepting comments on this proposal until July 31, 2012.

In 2009, EPA developed action plans on PBDEs (including pentaBDE, octaBDE, and decaBDE) and hexabromocyclododecane (HBCDD) that summarized available hazard, exposure and use information;

outlined potential risks; and identified the specific steps the agency is pursuing under the TSCA. The alternatives analysis for decaBDE was included in the action plan.

The alternatives to decaBDE characterized in the report are already on the market and will be used increasingly as decaBDE is phased out. The alternatives have differing hazard characteristics and are associated with trade-offs. For example, some alternatives that appear to have a relatively positive human health profile may be more persistent in the environment. Some alternatives appear to be less toxic than decaBDE. Preliminary data suggests that these flame

retardants may have a lower potential for bioaccumulation in people and the environment. It is important to understand that these health and environmental profiles are largely based on computer-model generated estimates, and that the models are limited in their ability to predict concern. Laboratory testing and ongoing environmental monitoring is necessary to fully understand the potential for concern associated with these chemicals.

EPA's Design for the Environment Alternatives Assessment Program helps industries choose safer chemicals and offers a basis for informed decision-making by providing a detailed comparison of the potential

public health and environmental impacts of chemical alternatives. Throughout the partnership, stakeholders, including chemical suppliers, product manufacturers, and non-government organizations have provided valuable information to support the development of these draft reports. EPA is seeking stakeholder and public input on this draft report for 60 days.

More information on the DfE Alternatives Assessment Program and the draft report: <http://www.epa.gov/dfe>

More information on other actions on brominated flame retardants: <http://www.epa.gov/oppt/existingchemicals/pubs/workplans.html#2013>

## Highlands' Pharmacy makes donation

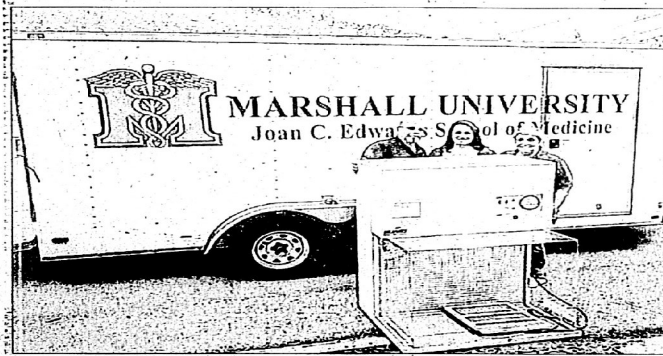
Highlands Regional Medical Center pharmacy made a donation to Marshall University's School of Pharmacy. The donation will benefit the new pharmacy school, slated to open this August. This new institution will offer 76,000 square feet of learning, research, and pharmacy practicing facilities.

Marshall's School of Pharmacy Dean, Kevin W. Yingling, R.Ph., MD, was visiting Highlands when he spotted a piece of equipment that he thought could be of use in their facility. Generously, Highlands Medical Center Pharmacy donated that equipment, the Laminar Airflow Hood, which is used for IV aseptic preparation.

The new pharmacy school is going to use the machine for IV training. This will allow even more preparation and education for pharmacy students and graduates.

"I feel it is necessary to support the growth of the pharmacy profession and supporting pharmacy schools is an excellent way to begin," said Vylinda Howard, PharmD., Director of Pharmacy Services.

If you want to know more about Highlands Medical Center Pharmacy, go to [www.HighlandsHealthSystem.com](http://www.HighlandsHealthSystem.com) or visit one of their two locations — Highlands Regional Medical Center at 5000 KY Rt. 321 in Prestonsburg or Paintsville Medical Office Building at 713 Broadway in Paintsville.



From left to right, Rusty Dobbins, Director of Facilities/Housekeeping/Logistics, Marshall University and Vylinda Howard, PharmD., Director of Pharmacy Services, Highlands Health System.

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## EPA and USDA announce first-ever microbial risk assessment guidance

### Guideline will help better determine health risks from food and water pathogens

WASHINGTON — The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) this week announced the first-ever Microbial Risk Assessment (MRA) Guideline. This new MRA Guideline lays out an overarching approach to conducting meaningful assessments of the risks to Americans posed by pathogens in food and water. Pathogens ingested in food and water can result in acute gastrointestinal-related illnesses; some gastrointestinal-related illnesses can result in long-term and permanent health effects as well as premature death. This new guideline will improve the quality of the data collected by public health scientists charged with protecting Americans from pathogen-related risks in food and water.

"This guidance contributes significantly to improving the quality and consistency of microbial risk assessments, and provides greater transparency to stakeholders and other interested parties in how federal agencies approach and conduct their microbial risk assessments," said Dr. Glenn Paulson, EPA Science Advisor. "Based on the success of this

project, we are seeking further opportunities to combine our technical expertise in our continuing efforts to protect the Americans' health."

"The microbial risk assessment guideline developed by FSIS, the EPA and our other public health partners will help protect consumers by allowing us to uniformly assess and reduce health risks from pathogens," USDA Under Secretary for Food Safety Dr. Elisabeth Hagen said. "We're proud to have worked with our partners on this guideline that will provide our risk assessors with a transparent and scientifically rigorous document to use in protecting public health."

Formal risk assessments for food, water, and environmentally-relevant chemicals have been undertaken for decades. However, an overarching microbial risk assessment guideline has not been available until now. The guideline announced today meets this need by providing comprehensive, yet specific and descriptive information for developing assessments of microbial risk in food and water.

More information on the guideline: <http://www.epa.gov/ra/microbial.htm>

## Fair Guide and Plan your visit replace Daily Schedule

The Kentucky State Fair wants to make this year's visit more personal and convenient than ever by giving patrons the chance to plan their entire visit before arriving at the Kentucky Exposition Center.

In years past, when entering the gate, fairgoers received a Daily Schedule, an 88-page booklet complete with information on shows, acts, events and tents. This year, the bulky Daily Schedule is being replaced by a smaller, easier-to-read Fair Guide. The Fair Guide will include all of the happenings at the Fair

along with their locations compiled in a convenient pamphlet.

In the weeks before the Fair, patrons can utilize a second planning tool—the concise, portable online feature known as "Plan Your Visit." In short, the "Plan Your Visit" is a virtual itinerary. This build-your-own-schedule will allow patrons to decide what events, shows and exhibits they want to attend and at exactly what time.

"Plan Your Visit" can be accessed through the Kentucky State Fair website at [www.kystatefair.org](http://www.kystatefair.org), by select-

ing the "General Info" tab and then the "Plan Your Visit" tab. Patrons can select a day they wish to see a schedule of events, choose the events they would like to see and create their itinerary. Patrons can add multiple days to their itinerary, print, save or email their itinerary. The Plan Your Visit will be accessible on smart phones.

The Kentucky State Fair is Aug. 16-26. For more information visit [www.kystatefair.org](http://www.kystatefair.org), like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter.

## Arts Council awards transportation grants

FRANKFORT — Students in 10 Kentucky schools will attend arts events and performances at venues across the state after being recently awarded Kentucky Arts Council TranspARTation grants.

The grants provide funding to Kentucky classrooms for transportation to and from arts experiences. Grants are based on the mileage from the school building to the arts organization or performance venue and the number of buses necessary. There is a minimum grant amount of \$100.

"The TranspARTation grant is still relatively new, but we know that educators are grateful to add it to their teaching toolbox," said Lori Meadows, executive director of the arts council. "This funding allows some students in Kentucky, who might not otherwise have the chance, to experience the wonder of a live arts event — many for the first time."

TranspARTation grants were awarded to the following schools for events that will occur between July and December:

- Our Lady of the Mountains Elementary, Johnson County, \$702.
- Bryan Station High School, Fayette County, \$1,380.
- Rosenwald Dunbar Elementary,

- Jessamine County, \$100.
- Florence Elementary, Boone County, \$100.
- Girdler Elementary, Knox County, \$1,000.
- Peaks Mill Elementary, Franklin County, \$240.
- Sharpe Elementary, Marshall County, \$232.
- Brodhead Elementary, Rockcastle County, \$1296.
- Danville High School, Boyle County, \$352.
- Carr Creek Elementary, Knott County, \$320.

Any Kentucky public or private school that supports grades pre-K through 12 may apply. Grants are awarded on a quarterly basis. Applications for the next round of funding are due Sept. 1, for field trips occurring from October to December.

Schools that receive TranspARTation grants must attend arts events presented by one of many pre-approved TranspARTation organizations. Groups recently added to the pre-approved list are:

- Paramount Arts Center, Ashland.
- University of Kentucky Art Museum, Lexington.
- Jenny Wiley Theatre, Prestonsburg.

- Kentucky Repertory Theatre, Horse Cave.
- Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft, Louisville.
- Greater Hazard Area Arts Council, Hazard.
- Community Arts Center, Danville.
- Lexington Philharmonic, Lexington.
- Riverpark Center, Owensboro.
- Paducah Symphony Orchestra, Paducah.
- The Louisville Orchestra, Louisville.
- Owensboro Dance Theatre, Owensboro.
- Grand Theatre Frankfort.

The Mountain Arts Center, in Prestonsburg, was already part of the list.

For more information about applying for a TranspARTation grant, visit the TranspARTation web page, or contact Rachel Allen, arts education director, at [rachel.allen@ky.gov](mailto:rachel.allen@ky.gov) or 502-564-3757, ext. 486.

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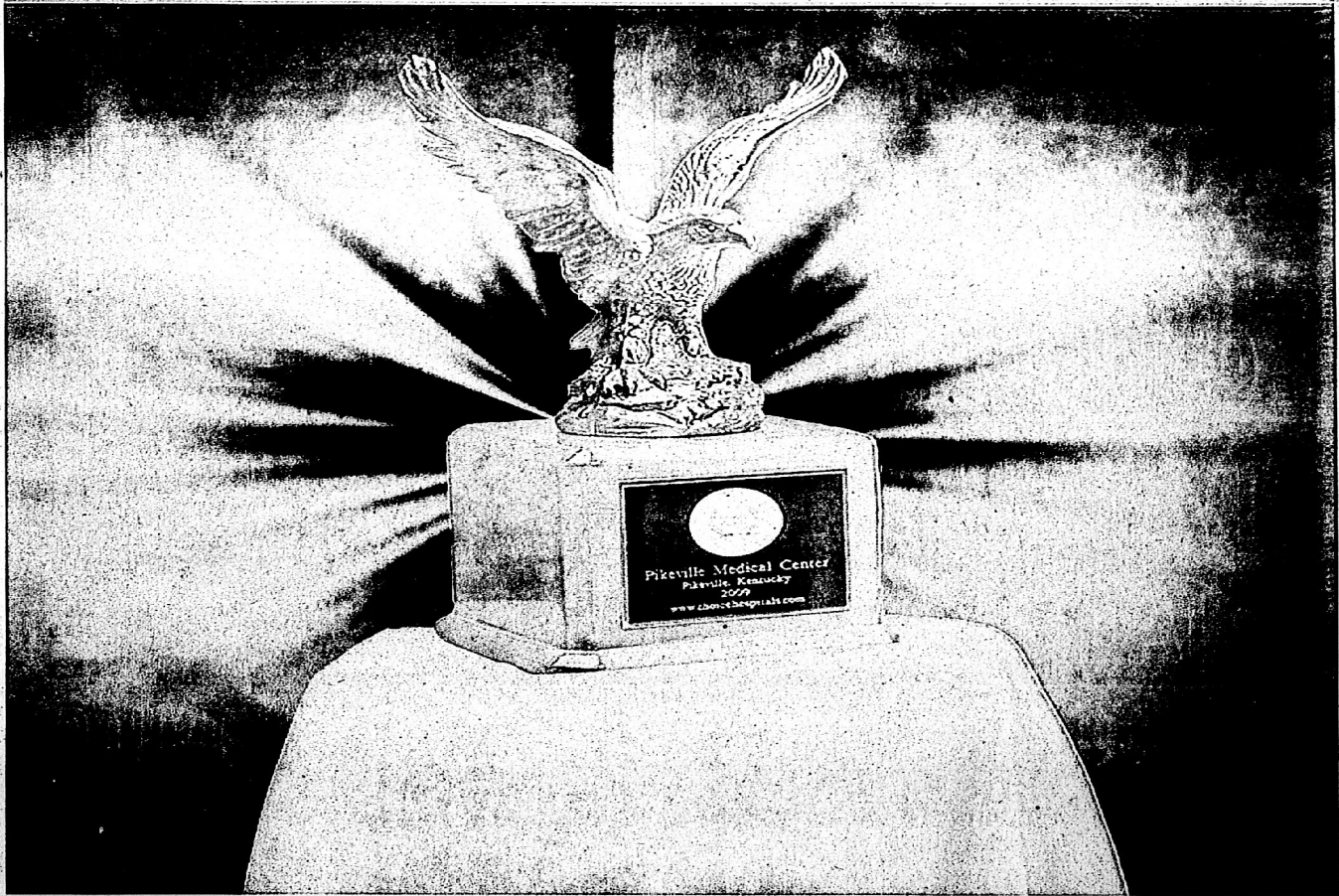
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## Harris wins Late Model feature

Steve LeMaster  
Sports Editor

CAMPTON - Veteran Late Model driver Paul Harris claimed another feature win on Saturday night, outlasting a crowded field to the checkered flag at 191 Speedway. The Wolfe County track hosted 16 Late Model drivers over the weekend.

Harris, a Floyd Countian who has registered hundreds of wins in his racing career, outlasted 13 other

cars to the finish line in his latest outing.

The 191 Speedway Late Model feature final results shaped up as follows: 1. 10-Paul Harris; 2. 13-Jamie Ferguson; 3. 38-Derek Fisher; 4. 81-Brandon Fouts; 5. 111-James Butcher; 6. 113-Henry Lawson; 7. 11-Nicky Pennington; 8. 32-John Mulkey; 9. 15-Brian Pennington; 10. 48-Boone Salmons; 11. 11F-Dustin Pennington; 12. 44-Roger Stacy; 13. 24H-Michael Paul Howard; 14. 56-Chris Sweeney; 15. Mat-

thew Hollins (DNS); 16. 14-Tony Stone (DNS).

Other feature race winners were Jimmy Crabtree (Open Wheel Modified), Colby Taylor (Bomber), Deanna Noble (Modified Four Cylinder), Nathan Martin (Stock Four Cylinder Feature 1) and Leon Hurt (Stock Four Cylinder Feature Two).

Harris will complete the remainder of the 2012 season by competing at multiple tracks.



Floyd County driver Paul Harris won the 191 Speedway Late Model feature Saturday night.

## Record crowd turns out for Blue-White Game

Steve LeMaster  
Sports Editor

BETSY LAYNE - The Betsy Layne High School football program held its Blue-White Game on its new turf field Friday night. A record crowd showed up for the game, despite heavy rain.

"The Blue-White (Game) was awesome," Betsy Layne Coach Jonathan Parsons commented. "It was a record-breaking attendance for us and it rained. It really gave us a chance to put in some game-time situations and the team is coming along really good. It was an overall great night. We are working through some early injuries. As far as looking good, I will have to wait for Friday. Lacking your own team can only bring out so much competition."

The Bobcats will have an opportunity to hit another team later in the week. Betsy Layne will visit Morgan County for a preseason scrimmage this Friday. Morgan County ended the 2011 season 8-3, finishing second behind Breathitt County in Class 3A, District 7. The Cougars return five starters on offense and five starters on defense. Morgan County is picked to finish second behind Breathitt County in Class 3A, District 7. The district also includes Magoffin County (3-8), Jackson County (1-10) and Knott County Central (0-10).

The Betsy Layne-Morgan County game is set to start at 7:30 p.m.



Defending 15th Region champion Allen Central won the Red Division of its preseason invitational tournament. The Rebels defeated Pikeville and Johnson Central.

## Rebels win Red Division of preseason tourney

Steve LeMaster  
Sports Editor

EASTERN - Allen Central won the Red Division of its annual preseason invitational tournament/referee clinic on Saturday. The Rebels defeated Pikeville and Johnson Central to win the division.

Other teams in the preseason high school volleyball tournament include Betsy Layne, Belfry, Pike County Central, Perry County Central, Phelps, Paintsville, Piarist, East Ridge and Sheldon Clark. Allen Central is the

defending 15th Region champion. Longtime powerhouse Allen Central is also the reigning 15th Region All "A" Classic champ.

Allen Central was hosting East Ridge on Tuesday night in a season-opener. The Allen Central-East Ridge match ended too late to make this edition. The Kentucky high school volleyball season opened Monday night. Results from Monday night included Lewis County 2, West Carter 0 (25-8, 25-11, 25-16); Morgan



Rachel Moore and Katie Kendrick quick-hit as Courtney Hodge and Sarah Grindrod came in to cover after the Hodge set.

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## Morehead State opens preseason camp

Times Staff Report

MOREHEAD - Preseason football camp is underway at Morehead State University as newcomers reported to Jayne Stadium on Saturday and returning players arrived Sunday.

More than 100 players are gearing up for the 2012 season. The Eagles will have approximately 30 practices this month in addition to film, conditioning, team and administrative sessions.

"This is a wonderful time of year for football coaches, players and fans," MSU Coach Matt Ballard said. "The newcomers have been dreaming about playing college football all their lives, and our returning players are hungry to improve on the season we had in 2011." MSU returns five individuals who earned Pioneer Football League postseason honors a year ago - Joey Clegg, Rainer Duzan, Zach Lewis, Eric Matteson and Dante Sawyer. All five have received 2012 preseason honors in addition to Dexter Gebagen and Zachary Senvisky.

"We're excited about the starters we have coming back in all three phases of the game," Ballard said. "We also have some starting spots and key back-up roles up for grabs entering camp, so it will be interesting to see who rises to the occa-

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## Martin claims eighth feature win

Steve LeMaster  
Sports Editor

CAMPTON - Young dirt track driver Nathan Martin claimed his eighth feature win of the 2012 season on Saturday night, prevailing in the Stock Four Cylinder Feature 1 at 191 Speedway.

A bad draw forced Martin to start last in a seven-car field in the heat race. Martin worked his way to the front of the field and managed to win his heat race. After the victory in the heat race, Martin started on the pole of the 13-car field and led from the drop of the green flag until the checkered flag dropped.

The remainder of the feature race results were: 2. 26T-Tyler Miller; 3. 7K-Kinsey Patton; 4. 18-Brian Ferguson; 5. 00-Archie Johnson; 6. T45-Tommy Cox; 7. 60-Johnny Butler; 8. 3T-Gary Turner; 9. 52-Eric Little; 10. 1-Darren Hosteler; 11. 11-Shane Yates; 12. 15H-Lee Housnell; 13. 102-Johnathon Couch (DNS).

D's Grocery, East Kentucky Auto World and McKinney's Septic Service sponsor Martin's 3N Four Cylinder. Jamie Hamilton is the car owner.



Nathan Martin captured his eighth feature win in the 2012 season Saturday night at 191 Speedway.

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# Campbellsville ranked No. 25 in preseason poll

## PHS graduate Griffith to enter sophomore season

### Times Staff Report

CAMPBELLVILLE — The Campbellsville University football team will open its 25th anniversary season Sept. 1 ranked No. 25 in the NAAIA Football Coaches' Preseason Top 25 Poll. NAAIA officials released the poll Monday.

Prestonsburg High School graduate Alex Griffith is set to enter his sophomore season with the Campbellsville football team. Griffith contributed to the Tigers throughout his freshman campaign. "It's great to get recognized by your peers as a Top 25 program," Campbellsville Coach Perry Thomas commented. "It wasn't long ago that we were the last ranked team in the nation. Now we have to work to 'Rise Above' that ranking. The MSC is always competitive. This year's preseason rankings continue to support that with six teams being ranked in the Top 27." The Fighting Tigers are one of six Mid-South Conference teams receiving

votes in the poll, led by 2011 national semifinalist Georgetown College at No. 4 with 209 voting points.

Second among MSC teams is Bethel University - the West Division favorite - tied for No. 11 in the poll after picking up 140 voting points. The Wildcats, which CU will host Sept. 15 for its West Division opener, captured the West last season after posting an 8-3 overall record and a 5-1 divisional record.

Preseason No. 2 in the MSC East is NAAIA of the Cumberland, which is No. 19 in the NAAIA poll with 62 voting points. The Patriots move to the East Division this season after ending 2011 with a 7-3 overall record and a 4-2 mark in the West.

Cumberland University, picked second in the MSC West preseason, is tied for No. 22 with 53 voting points.

Lindsey Wilson College is just outside the Top 25 with 10 voting points. The Blue Raiders join Campbellsville in switching from the East



Alex Griffith

to West in MSC play this season.

Leading the NAAIA preseason poll is defending national champion Saint Xavier University with 235 voting points and all 11 first-place votes. National runner-up Carroll College (227 voting points) is second, followed by Marian University with 217 points.

All five MSC teams receiving votes are on the Fighting Tigers' schedule, including four straight weeks in October beginning with home games against Georgetown and Lindsey Wilson Oct. 6 and Oct. 13 before going on the road the next two weeks to Cumberland University and then University of the Cumberlands.

The Mid-South season kicks off on Aug. 25 with three games as Lindsey Wilson travels to Kentucky Christian University, University of Pikeville travels to MSC newcomer Bluefield College and Bethel hosts UVA-Wise.

A complete conference slate begins on Sept. 1, with Campbellsville University hosting University of Pikeville at 6 p.m. for its season opener.

# Emory & Henry ranked fifth in ODAC preseason poll

## Times Staff Report

EMORY, Va. — The Emory & Henry College Football Team has been picked to finish fifth in the 2012 Old Dominion Athletic Conference preseason ODAC poll. ODAC officials announced today. The head football coaches in the league are the voters on the poll.

Recent Prestonsburg High School graduate Alex Garner is headed into his first season with the Emory & Henry football program. Garner signed with Emory & Henry in the spring.

Emory & Henry, led by eighth-year Head Coach Don Montgomery, features standouts on both sides of the ball, led by reigning ODAC Defensive Player of the Year, senior linebacker Devan Sproles (Norton, Va.). A preseason First-Team All-America pick by three different outlets, Sproles led the league in tackles last season with 107 and picked off six passes, including three in the season finale against Guilford.

Also returning on defense are senior defensive backs Anthony Jones (Bristol, Va.) and Daniel Woods (Bristol, Va.) who missed last season due

to an injury. Junior defensive backs Jason Hill (Hickory, N.C.) and Tyler Hook (Galax, Va.) round out the secondary. Joining Sproles at linebacker are senior Ross Ellis (Abingdon, Va.) and junior Paul Forney (Newton, N.C.). The Wasps will have a mixture of youth and experience at the defensive front, with junior Cole Beyeler (Stuarts Draft, Va.) anchoring at nose tackle.

The offense is led by junior signal-caller Kyle Boden (Knoxville, Tenn.) and returns nine starters from a season ago. Boden was 256-of-398 on the year for 2,569 yards and 21 touchdowns. The Karns HS graduate set the school record for pass completions and attempts in a season and is second in passing yards in a season.

Though the offensive line has only one senior projected to start this fall, there is a wealth of experience among the E&H front five. Senior and captain Josh Settemyre (Old Fort, N.C.) will lead the way for the Wasps this year at right guard. Sophomore Joe Vaughn (Gate City, Va.) and senior Zack Santolla (Roanoke, Va.) are set to start at fullback and fullback, respectively.

Emory & Henry will rely on a group of talented receivers this year after changing up their offensive scheme a year ago. Seniors DaVon Ross (Glen Wilton, Va.) and Corey Ware (Buchanan, Va.) bring a wealth of experience to the position while juniors Chad Williams (Elton, Va.) and Ryan Short (Bridgewater, Va.) and sophomore Lucas Kirby (Covington, Va.) will also make an impact for the Wasps.

Hampton-Sydney College is picked first with 46 points and four first-place votes while Randolph-Macon College is close behind with 44 points and three first-place nods. Washington and Lee University was chosen third and received the remaining first-place pick.

Bridgewater College is fourth in the poll while Emory & Henry is fifth and The Catholic University of America stands sixth. Rounding out the order are Guilford College and Shenandoah University, tying for seventh place.

Emory & Henry will begin the 2012 season on Saturday, Sept. 1 when it travels to Ferrum College to take on the Panthers. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m.

# Coaches tab Blue Raiders as MSC men's soccer favorite

## Times Staff Report

LOUISVILLE — The Lindsey Wilson College men's soccer team is projected to win the Mid-South Conference title in 2012, according to the MSC Preseason Coaches' Poll released Friday by conference officials.

Lindsey Wilson received 81 voting points from the conference coaches, including nine of the 10 first-place votes. Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.

Blue Raiders not only captured the MSC regular-season and tournament titles in 2011, but also won the program's ninth NAAIA national title last season.

University of the Rio Grande is second in the poll with 73 voting points and the final first-place vote. The RedStorm ended 2011 with a 19-3 overall record and finished ranked No. 5 in the final national poll last season.

University of the Cumberlands is third in the preseason poll with 64 voting points and Campbellsville University is fourth with 53 voting points. Cumberland University - who begins its first season in the MSC as a full member since 2001 - is fifth in the poll with 48 voting points followed by Shawnee State University with 43 voting points.

Georgetown College is predicted to finish seventh as the Tigers garnered 33 voting points followed by MSC newcomer Bluefield College (24 voting points), St. Catherine College (22) and University of Pikeville (9).

The 2012 MSC men's soccer season begins later this month and concludes with the conference tournament beginning in early November at various campus sites. The tournament's semifinals and finals are scheduled for Nov. 7-8 in Columbia.

# Rebels

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County 3, Boyd County 0 (25-16, 25-17, 25-13); Raeland 3, Lawrence County 0 (25-15, 25-11, 25-18) and Whitley County 3, Bell County (25-19, 25-14, 25-18), 5-11, 25-18).

Allen Central made history in 2011, becoming the first team in 15th Region history to win a match in the state tournament. The Rebels defeated 13th Region champion Corbin in the opening round of the state tournament, North Oldham eliminated Allen Central from the postseason, defeating the Rebels in the second round.

Allen Central, under the direction of veteran head coach Larry Maynard, concluded the 2011 season 30-11.

The Rebels will host Perry County Central on Tuesday, Aug. 14. Allen Central is scheduled to compete in the Bluegrass Invitational at the Kentucky Basketball Academy Aug. 17-18.

# Camp

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sion over these next four weeks."

The Eagles led all 2011 Football Championship Sub-division schools in first downs (25.2), while ranking second in total offense (478.9) and passing yards (358.2) per game. MSU also ranked first in the league with 36.1 points per outing.

MSU set 17 school records a year ago - eight team and



Allen Central's Katie Kendrick and Laken Tackett went up to register a block during a game on Saturday.

nine individual. Lewis led the way by establishing single-season marks for completions (324), attempts (513) and passing yards (3,585).

More than 40 of the 100+ student-athletes are first-year players in the program. Two of the newcomers are transfers, while the remainder of the rookies are true freshmen.

"It's fascinating to watch young men from 14 different states mold into one cohesive

unit," Ballard said. "We will spend a lot of time on conditioning and X's and O's before our first game, but we have also designed some activities to help build the all-important team chemistry."

Ballard's assistant coaches for the 2012 campaign are John Gilliam, Rob Tenyer, Chris Garner, Paul Humphries, Thomas Duffy, Matt McCutchan, Mike Simmons and Brett Rude.

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# MSU men's basketball program adds four signees

Times Staff Report

**MOREHEAD** - The Morehead State University men's basketball program has added Jason Holmes, Maurice Lewis-Briggs, Brent Arrington and Karam Mashour. Holmes and Lewis-Briggs are eligible for the 2012-13 season, while Arrington and Mashour have to sit out a year due to NCAA transfer rules.

"We are excited about the addition of these four young men," Morehead State Head Coach Sean Woods said. "They are all very talented basketball players who have potential to make significant contributions at this level. I know Jason and Brent well from our time together at Mississippi Valley State, and I've been excited about what I've seen from Maurice and Karam to this point."

Holmes, who attended Guerin Prep High School in River Grove, Ill., has one season of eligibility remaining. He comes to MSU after one year at Cochise College

(Ariz.) and three seasons at Mississippi Valley State, but sat out last year as a medical redshirt.

A 6-foot-9 post player, Holmes averaged 8.2 points and 5.6 rebounds while shooting 54 percent from the field as a freshman at Cochise in 2009-10.

Holmes recorded 6.9 points and 6.1 rebounds per game while knocking down 50 percent from the floor as a sophomore at MVSU in 2009-10. He then averaged 5.7 points and 3.0 boards while connecting on 51 percent from the field for the Delta Devils as a junior in 2010-11.

"Jason was the best post player in the Southwestern Athletic Conference heading into last season, but he suffered an injury and missed the entire year," Woods said. "He is a versatile lefty who runs well, stretches the defense and can block shots. Jason has experience in a winning environment and will compete for one of our starting spots."

Lewis-Briggs, who attended

Norristown High School in Pennsylvania, has two seasons of eligibility left. He comes to MSU after one season at Ohlone College (Calif.) and one year at the Community College of Beaver County (Pa.).

A 6-foot-8 post player, Lewis-Briggs averaged 24.2 points and 13.7 rebounds while shooting 62 percent from the field as a sophomore at CCBC in 2011-12.

Lewis-Briggs posted a team-best 29 double-doubles in his year with the Titans. He registered a season-best 37 points, plus 15 rebounds and three steals, against Butler County CC.

"Maurice was a big-time scorer and rebounder last season - and we feel like he will be able to do that at the Division I level," Woods said. "He will be a mismatch for our opponents because of his ability to play three different positions. Maurice is a tough guy who is very talented. He has a knack for the ball and great feel for the game."

Arrington, who attended Lans-

downe High School in Halethorpe, Md., has three years of eligibility beginning with the 2013-14 campaign. He comes to MSU after one year at Mississippi Valley State.

A 6-foot-2 guard, Arrington tallied 6.8 points and 2.7 rebounds per game as a freshman in 2011-12. He registered a game-high and career-best 33 points on 12-of-18 from the floor last season at top-ranked North Carolina.

With Arrington's help, MVSU finished 21-13 overall, 17-1 in the SWAC, won the league tournament and advanced to the school's fifth-ever NCAA Tournament.

"Brent should be an important piece to our puzzle for years to come," Woods said. "He's a big-time player, with a very bright future, who can play three positions. Brent was one of the best freshmen in the SWAC last year. His performance at North Carolina speaks to his potential. He has tough mentality and is one of the better on-ball defenders I've

ever coached."

Mashour, who attended St. Joseph High School in Nizareth, Israel, has two years of eligibility beginning with the 2013-14 campaign. He comes to MSU after two years at the UNLV.

A 6-foot-6 guard/forward, Mashour played in 25 games for the Rebels over the past two seasons. He averaged 2.3 points as a freshman in 2010-11 and 1.5 points as a sophomore in 2011-12.

Mashour tallied 21.6 points and 6.0 rebounds per contest in high school.

"Karam has been a pleasant surprise so far," Woods said. "He is an athletic swingman who is versatile and can shoot it. Karam will learn quite a bit in the season he has to sit out and will have an opportunity to contribute for us in 2013-14 and 2014-15."

Morehead State has played in two of the past four NCAA Tournaments. The Eagles will open their 2012-13 season in November

## Lindsey Wilson picked to win MSC volleyball title

Times Staff Report

**LOUISVILLE** - The Lindsey Wilson College volleyball team is predicted to win the Mid-South Conference title in 2012, according to the MSC Preseason Coaches' Poll released Friday by conference officials.

Lindsey Wilson received 99 voting points from the conference coaches, including nine of the 11 first-place votes. Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.

The Blue Raiders captured the program's first MSC regular-season and tournament titles in 2011 after finishing 31-3 overall and 10-2 in the conference.

Campbellsville University is projected to finish second in the Mid-South after picking up 87 voting points from the conference coaches and one first-place vote. Georgetown College is a close third with 86 voting points and the final first-place vote.

University of the Rio Grande - who won the East Division last season with a 6-5 conference record - is fourth in the preseason poll with 65 voting points. The Mid-South is not using divisions in 2012.

University of the Cumberlands is projected to end up in fifth after garnering 62 voting points followed by Shawnee State University with 50 voting points. MSC newcomer Cumberland University (48 voting points) is seventh. St. Catharine College (44) is eighth and UVA-Wise (27) is ninth in the preseason poll.

Bluefield College - also playing in its first season in the MSC - is 10th with 25 voting points and University of Pikeville is 11th with 12 voting points in the preseason poll.

The 2012 MSC volleyball season will begin later this month and concludes with the conference tournament Nov. 9-10 at the Frankfort Convention Center in Frankfort.

## Lindsey Wilson favored to win MSC women's soccer title

Times Staff Report

**LOUISVILLE** - The Lindsey Wilson College women's soccer team is picked to win the Mid-South Conference title in 2012, according to the MSC Preseason Coaches' Poll released today by conference officials.

Lindsey Wilson - who has captured at least a share of the conference regular season title each of the last 12 seasons - received 81 voting points from the conference coaches, including nine of the 10 first-place votes.

Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.

The Blue Raiders finished 19-12 overall and 7-0 in the MSC last season.

Georgetown College is second in the preseason poll with 68 voting points and the final first-place vote.

Cumberland University - who begins its first season in the MSC as a full member since 2001 - is third in the poll with 58 voting points followed by Campbellsville University in fourth with 56 voting points.

University of the Cumberlands (50 voting points) is fifth in the poll followed by Shawnee State University (44) and University of Rio

Grande (34) in sixth and seventh place respectively.

University of Pikeville (25), St. Catharine College (24) and Bluefield College (10) - who enters its first season in the MSC in 2012 - rounds out the coaches' poll.

The 2012 MSC women's soccer season begins later this month and concludes with the conference tournament beginning in early-November at various campus sites. The tournament's semifinals and finals are scheduled for Nov. 7-8 in Columbia.

## Shawnee State favored to win MSC men's, women's cross country titles

Times Staff Report

**LOUISVILLE** - Two-time defending Mid-South Conference men's and women's cross country champions Shawnee State University are once again the favorite in 2012, according to the MSC Preseason Coaches' Poll released Friday by conference officials.

The Bears received 100 voting points from the conference coaches, including picking up 10 of the 11 first-place votes. Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.

Shawnee State dominated the conference in 2011, finishing ninth at the national championships.

University of the Cumberlands is second in the preseason poll with 83 voting points and the final first-place vote. Georgetown College is third in the poll with 72 voting points followed by Campbellsville University (69 voting points) and University of Rio Grande (60) in fourth and fifth respectively.

The preseason poll continues with UVA-Wise (50) in sixth and Lindsey Wilson College (49) in seventh. The poll concludes with Cumberland University (40), Univer-

sity of Pikeville (30), St. Catharine College (29) and Bluefield College (23).

MSC Women's Cross Country: The Shawnee State University women's Cross Country team is the favorite to capture the MSC championship in 2012, according to the MSC Preseason Coaches' Poll released Friday by conference officials.

The Bears received 97 voting points and eight of the 11 first-place votes from the conference coaches. Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.

Shawnee State is the reigning two-time defending MSC champions.

University of the Cumberlands finished second in the poll with 91 voting points and a pair of first-place votes while Georgetown College is

third in the poll with 79 voting points and the final first-place vote.

University of Rio Grande is fourth in the preseason poll and Campbellsville University is fifth with 67 and 62 voting points, respectively.

Lindsey Wilson College (58 voting points) is sixth in the poll followed by UVA-Wise (43) seventh and Cumberland University (39) in eighth. University of Pikeville (25), St. Catharine College (23) and Bluefield College (21) complete the preseason poll.

The 2012 MSC Championships are scheduled for Nov. 3 at the University of Rio Grande Athletic Fields in Rio Grande, Ohio.

## EKU announces 2012 Athletics Hall of Fame class

Times Staff Report

**RICHMOND** - The Eastern Kentucky University Athletics Hall of Fame 2012 induction class features eight distinguished individuals. The class will be enshrined in the historic Keen Johnson Building on Friday, Oct. 26.

The 2012 induction class includes: Charmaine Byer (women's track & field, 1984-88), Alex Dominguez (football, 1979-82), Clay Elswick (baseball, 1983-86), Kevin Greve (football, 1978-81), Chris Isaac (football, 1978-81), Teresa McNair (women's basketball, 1999-2003), Dave Quick (baseball, 1961-64) and Garfield Smith

(men's basketball, 1964-68).

Friday's activities begin with a 5:30 p.m. reception in Walnut Hall, followed by a 6:30 p.m. dinner in the Keen Johnson ballroom. The ceremony is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. The group will also be recognized just prior to the Colonels' football

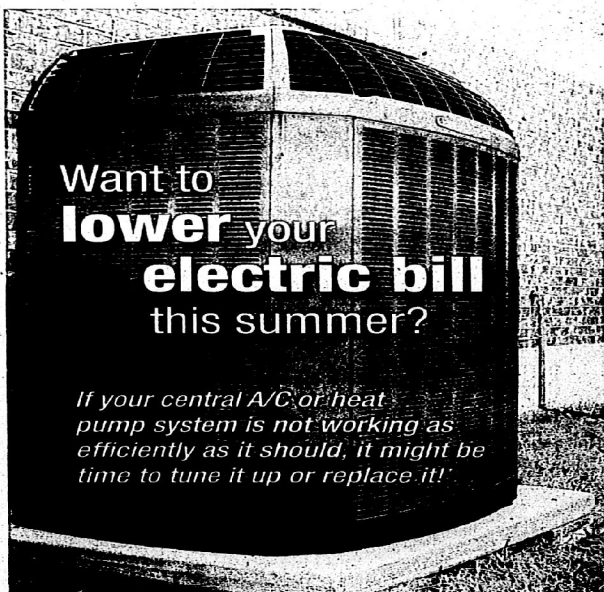
game against Eastern Illinois on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Tickets for the dinner and ceremony are \$25 and can be purchased by calling the Colonel Club office, 859-6224-2046. The deadline for registration is Friday, Oct. 19. Tickets will not be sold at the event.

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## MSU sends four cheerleaders to London

Times Staff Report

**MOREHEAD** — Morehead State University will be well-represented at the 2012 Summer Olympics in London. Four current or alumni members of the co-ed cheer squad have been selected to cheer for Team USA Basketball during the semifinals and finals of the summer games.

Ronnie Patrick, Josh McCurdy, David Clemens and Brandon Garvey will be part of the elite 16-member squad to cheer on Team USA. The cheer squad, which is being sponsored by Varsity, will focus heavily on entertaining the crowds and television audiences with their stunts and tumbling abilities. They will also perform during halftime of each game provided that Team USA advances.

"As the coach at Morehead State, I am honored and excited to have current and

alumni MSU cheerleaders representing our program. We all wish them the best," said MSU Head Cheer Coach Bill Mayo.

McCurdy, an MSU alum, is the director of curriculum for Universal Cheerleading Association, one of the Varsity training branches.

"Being asked to perform at the Olympics is a dream come true for all of us," he said. "We have worked with teams all over the world, and are proud to showcase the talent of our American athletes on such a large, global stage."

The MSU cheer program has brought the University into the national spotlight. The program recently won another co-ed division national championship. With the latest title, it brings the program to 21 co-ed championships and 32 overall championships.

## Social Security goes for the gold

Michael W. Grochowski  
Social Security Regional Commissioner in Atlanta

Millions of Americans are following the 2012 Summer Olympic Games in London.

The last time swimmer Michael Phelps competed, he brought home more gold medals at one time than anyone in the history of the Olympics. Will he do it again?

If there was an Olympics for customer services available online, the services at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) would be the Michael Phelps of that competition. Over the years, Social Security's online services have been rated the best in government and the best in all industries.

When it comes to independent customer satisfaction scores, Social Security's online services consistently bring home the gold, silver, and bronze. The American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI) tracks customer satisfaction and rates websites for their performance.

Out of all online services provided by 101 federal agencies in the running, Social Security took all of the top three spots again in the latest survey.

In third place, the application for Extra Help with Medicare Part D prescription drug costs is rated 89. Bringing home the silver, in second place, the Retirement Estimator scored a 91. And the top-rated online service in government

is the online application for Social Security benefits, with a satisfaction score of 92!

It's worth noting that even our newest online service is already scoring high praise. Since being launched in May, the online Social Security Statement is rated 88, giving this new service one of the highest ratings in government.

Whether you want to plan for or apply for your retirement, look into other benefits available, or learn about the history of the program, you can do it all at Social Security's website. When you're taking a break from the Summer Olympics, visit the Olympic of online services at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

## Mentor-youth dove hunt signups begin Aug. 13

Times Staff Report

**FRANKFORT** - Registration for Kentucky's mentor-youth dove hunts begin Monday, Aug. 13.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources conducts special hunts for adults wishing to introduce dove hunting to youth. These hunts are held on the first Saturday of dove season each September. The department limits the number of participants to avoid overcrowding.

Hunters interested in reserving a space for these hunts must register by calling the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources at 1-800-858-1549 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern time. Hunting reservations will not be accepted prior to Aug. 13.

Limited spaces are allotted on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is open through Aug. 27, or whenever all the slots are filled. Most mentor-youth hunts will be held this year on Sept. 1; opening day of dove season statewide. Clarks River National Wildlife Refuge will conduct four mentor-youth hunts on Sept. 1, 2, 8, and 9.

The mentor-youth dove hunts offer adults a path to introduce youth aged

15 years and under into the enjoyment of an early season dove hunt. Each adult may take one or two youths. Hunter education and licensing requirements apply to those participating in these hunts.

Hunting hours run from 2 to 7 p.m. (local time) on Sept. 1. Hunters must be out of the field by 7:30 p.m. Hunting groups must check in prior to hunting and check out prior to leaving the field with Kentucky Fish and Wildlife staff members.

Hunters are open to general hunting on Labor Day, Sept. 3. These fields then close to all hunting on Sept. 4. Reservations to general hunting Sept. 8 through Oct. 24.

Mentor-youth fields located on wildlife management areas (WMA) are open to general hunting Sept. 2 through Oct. 24.

For more information on the mentor-youth dove hunt consult the 2012 Kentucky Hunting Guide for Dove, Wood Duck, Teal, Woodcock, Snipe and Crow. This guide is available on the Internet at [fwky.gov](http://fwky.gov) and also soon available in booklet form wherever hunting licenses are sold.

This year's mentor-youth dove fields include:

- Union County, Higgin-

son-Henry WMA:  
Directions: Hwy. 56, about 7 miles southeast of Morganfield.  
Grant County, Curtis Gates Lloyd WMA:  
Directions: Take Crittenden exit off I-75 and follow U.S. 25 south to KY 491, turn left across railroad tracks, then right on Wildlife Road.  
Green County, private field:  
Directions: Take U.S. 68/70 south from Greensburg for 5.9 miles. Turn right on KY 218 for nearly 2 miles, then left onto Roy Bagby Road. The field is located at the end of the road, on the right.  
Washington County, private field:  
Directions: From U.S. 150 at Fredericktown, take Short Creek Road to Burg Hill Road.  
McCracken County, Clark's River National Wildlife Refuge:  
Mentor/Youth Hunts on Sept. 1, 2, 8, and 9, opens to public hunting on Sept. 10.  
Directions: From Symsonia, take KY 131 north for a little over 2 miles to fields on left marked by signs. U.S.F.W.S. approved nontoxic shot required for all dove hunting on this area.

## EKU student-athletes excel in the classroom

Times Staff Report

**RICHMOND** - The 2011-12 academic year was one of the most successful for Eastern Kentucky University student-athletes in recent memory. Fourteen of the 17 Colonial Athletic teams finished the spring semester with a cumulative grade point average above 3.0.

Many of the EKU athletic teams were honored for their academic performances. The men's tennis squad was one of 18 Ohio Valley Conference teams to receive a coveted NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate (APR) Public Recognition Award in June. Meanwhile, the football and men's track & field teams were recipients of the OVC Team Academic Achievement Award, which is presented annually in each conference-sponsored sport to the member institution's team with the greatest percentage of its eligible student-athletes who achieved a 3.25 GPA or higher.

On the women's side, the

soccer team was awarded a Team Academic Award by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) while the cross country squad was named a Division I All-Academic Team by the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA). Both men's and women's track & field teams came away with USTFCCCA All-Academic accolades.

There were also several individual standouts in the classroom this past school year. In November, football player Emory Attig was one of just six student-athletes in the OVC selected to receive the prestigious Ohio Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete Award. The award is the highest individual honor that can be earned by OVC student-athletes, and is given annually to three men and three women of junior or senior status for their accomplishments in the classroom and athletic arena, and because of their leadership qualities.

In golf, Brian Fister was chosen as a Cleveland Golf/Srixon All-America Scholar by the Golf Coaches Association of America for the second straight year. Six women's golfers were a part of the National Golf Coaches Association (NGCA) 2011-12 All-American Scholar team. No other NCAA-Division I school had more selections than EKU. Katie Wiedman, who was a part of the NGCA All-American Scholar team, also received the 2011-12 S.J. Garner Student Excellence Award at the PGA Golf Management spring awards banquet.

At the annual Student-Athlete Academic Awards Honors Breakfast in April, women's basketball player Raechelle Gray was the recipient of the Athletic Director's Leadership Award, bestowed upon a student-athlete who exemplifies achievement in the sport and in the classroom, as well as leadership.

Finally, Lydia Kosgei, the 2011-12 OVC Female Athlete of the Year, was the only OVC runner named to the 2011 USTFCCCA All-Academic Cross Country Team. Kosgei, as well as Picoty Leitch, Ben Cheruyot and Peter Sigilai, earned USTFCCCA All-Academic honors for the 2011-12 track season.

In all, 52 student-athletes earned their collegiate diplomas from Eastern Kentucky University in 2011-12. The final spring GPA for all student-athletes was a 3.004.

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# Lifestyles

## JBS begins 30th school year

**PIPPA PASSES** — The June Buchanan School, a private institution serving grades K-12 located on the campus of Alice Lloyd College, began its 2012 fall semester on Wednesday, August 1.

The June Buchanan School is pleased to announce that the following people have joined the JBS family:

- Casey Dalton, currently a senior at Alice Lloyd College, will be completing his student teaching this year under the direction of Mrs. Cindy Hall. Mr. Dalton will be working with various middle grades Social Studies classes.

- Natalie Gibson will be teaching High School English, as well as a variety of technology classes. Ms. Gibson graduated from both The June Buchanan School and Alice Lloyd College. She obtained her Master's from Morehead State University and is currently taking additional graduate coursework through The University of the Cumberlands. Ms. Gibson serves as co-coach of the Elementary, Middle School, and High School Academic Teams.

- Gary Hammonds comes to JBS after an outstanding career in the public school system, where he spent most of his years teaching and coaching baseball in Knott County. In addition to coaching the JBS Crusaders baseball team,

Mr. Hammonds will teach a variety of health, PE, and social studies classes.

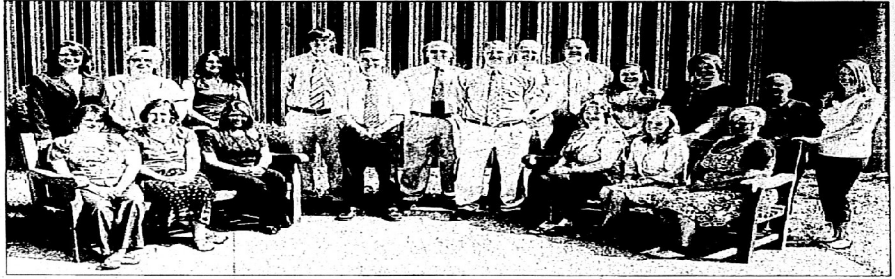
- Brandon Hayes, a native of Breathitt County, is the new K-8 physical education instructor at JBS. Additionally, Mr. Hayes will be teaching classes various Social Studies classes and working with the boys' basketball team. He is a 2012 graduate of Alice Lloyd College, and had a successful basketball career with the ALC Eagles.

- Shirley Martin will be teaching 2nd grade and will be coaching the cheerleaders. Ms. Martin is a native of Knott County and a 2012 graduate of Alice Lloyd College.

- Jerry Manns, a native of Floyd County, has joined the Crusaders as the head boys' basketball coach.

- Maylynn Sparkman has graciously taken the position of part-time 3rd grade instructor for JBS. Mrs. Sparkman has numerous years of experience teaching in the county school system, and she is very excited to be part of the Crusader family.

Amanda Clark, dean of The June Buchanan School, said, "We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful school here in the mountains. Not only are the academics stronger than ever, but the environment is one that is built on a strong Christian background. We strive to provide our stu-



dents with a variety of enrichment classes in Spanish, Physical Education, Art, Music, and Technology because we feel as though all students need to be introduced to more areas than just those of the traditional

contained classroom." In addition to standard classroom instruction, JBS offers students a wide variety of enrichment classes, including Spanish, art, technology, choir, and physical education. Additionally,

students in grades 8-12 are given the opportunity to be part of the Arts and Cultural Enrichment (ACE) Club. This club allows students with exceptionally high GPAs to travel to various enrichment activities (in-

cluding art museum, Broadway shows, and musical performances) to enhance their educational experience. For more information on The June Buchanan School, call (606) 368-6108.

## Everybody's Science

### When Mamie was wilting

**Sandy Miller Hays**  
Agricultural Research Service

As my much-missed late friend, the vaudeville veteran "Professor Meszarouski," used to say in his nightclub act (which he continued well into his 90s), "I am now about to astonish you with my incredible psychic powers."

Here goes: If you are reading this in the United States, wherever you are, it's probably hot.

True, it didn't take much in the way of psychic powers to come up with that one, did it? As I write this, we are in the worst drought since Mamie Eisenhower was clipping coupons in the White House. In fact, recent news stories reported that June was the third-driest month in the United States for the past 118 years.

But if you think you're uncomfortable now, get ready:

The worst pain could be still to come.

In the 18 states that produce the majority of the U.S. corn crop, the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported in mid-July that only 31 percent of the crops were rated good or excellent. During the same time period in 2011, 66 percent of the corn crops were rated good or excellent. As for soybeans, only 34 percent were rated as being in good or excellent condition, compared to 64 percent with that rating a year earlier.

These losses are going to have a ripple effect at the supermarket, probably starting at the meat counter. That's because if there's no corn to feed the cows, pigs and chickens, the meat market is likely to be hit first, and the impact could be the longest.

Feed costs are an inescapable fact of life in livestock

production. But there are other production costs, too, such as control of pests and diseases, and that's where the scientists of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) are "doing their bit."

Take poultry, for example. A major disease of chickens is coccidiosis, caused by intestinal parasites from the genus *Eimeria*. Birds infected with those parasites aren't able to absorb that precious feed or gain weight, and that winds up costing the U.S.

poultry industry more than \$60 million annually.

But the ARS scientists have come up with an intriguing way to protect baby chicks against the parasites, using the yolks of eggs produced by hens that have been "hyperimmunized"—that is to say, those hens have a greater-than-normal immunity to the parasites due to their abundance of antibodies

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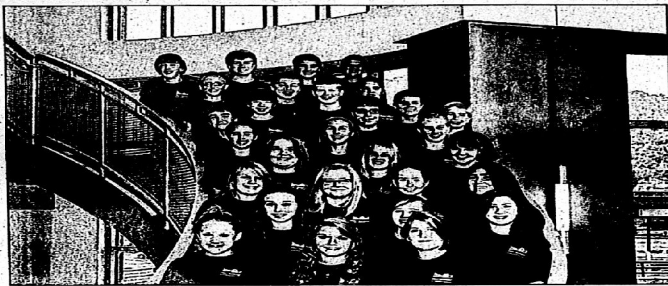
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Twenty-nine rising ninth-grade students from across Southern and Eastern Kentucky graduated from the 2012 Rogers Explorers youth leadership program held July 22-24 on the campus of Morehead State University (MSU) in Morehead. Graduates included Porsche Maness, Bath County; Shy Trent, Brady Salisbury, and Ally Spencer, Breathitt County; Mary Mansfield, Estill County; Tate Greene, Tyra Nairn, and Jordan Paek, Floyd County; Matthew Daniel, Kirkland Fletcher, Grant Wheeler, and Brooke Griffith, Johnson County; Clay Sprinkles, Knox County; Kelsy Matney and Daniel Poston, Laurel County; Ariel C. Emberton, Monroe County; Graham Lewis and Chase Wagers, Morgan County; Hannah Melton, Perry County; Brynlee Bigelow, Jordan LaFavers, Anna Rogers, John Lewis, Bailey Shackelford, and John Wilson, Pulaski County; Garrett Little and Emily Moore, Rowan County; Rachel Bertram, Wayne County; and Vanessa Veary, Wolfe County.

## Floyd County students graduate from Rogers Explorers

**MOREHEAD** — Three Floyd County students have graduated from The Center for Rural Development's 2012 Rogers Explorers summer youth leadership program.

Tate Greene, a student at Inez Middle School; Tyra Nairn, a student at Piarist; and Jordan Paek, a student at Allen Central Middle School, attended the final summer session of Rogers Explorers July 22-24 on the campus of Morehead State University (MSU) in Morehead.

They were among 29 students from Southern and Eastern Kentucky to participate and graduate from this session of Rogers Explorers and start building their leadership skills and future in some of the nation's top careers in math, science, and technology.

"These students are the region's future business and entrepreneurial leaders," said Lonnie Lawson, president and CEO of The Center. "The Rogers Explorers program gives students hands-on experience in a college environment and lets them see the value of higher education while preparing them for success."

Rogers Explorers spend three days and two nights on a leading college campus where they work with experts to further de-

velop their math, science, and technology skills.

The program provides leadership opportunities and unique learning experiences for middle school graduates about to begin their freshman year in high school.

"It is encouraging to see these students in the Rogers Explorers program have their eyes on the future," said Delaney Stephens, youth programs coordinator and community liaison for The Center. "By participating in this program, they have the unique opportunity to receive hands-on instruction in today's high-demand math and science careers."

The Rogers Explorers program is presented by The Center, a nonprofit organization in Somerset, to rising ninth-grade students within its 42-county primary service area in partnership with the University of the Cumberlands, Lindsey Wilson College, Eastern Kentucky University, and Morehead State University.

For more information about Rogers Explorers or other youth program opportunities, contact Delaney Stephens, youth programs coordinator and community liaison, at 606-677-6000 or email youth@center-tech.com.

## Job Corps students back in school, back in the community

It didn't take long for Carl D. Perkins Job Corps students returning from their summer break to again start helping their community. Immediately upon returning from summer break students were helping with various community activities and the Kentucky State Little League tournament.

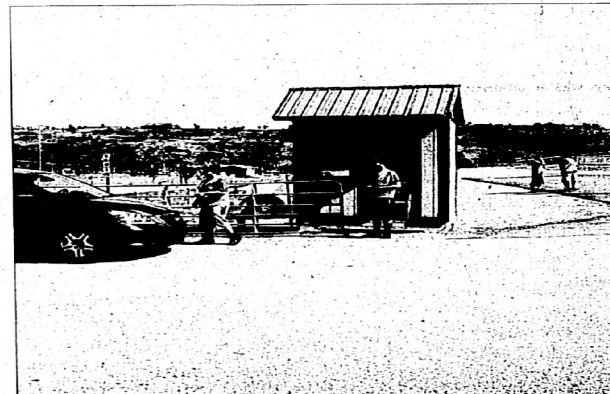
On Thursday, July 26, just hours after returning from summer break, students from various career technical training programs helped the National Business College of Pikeville, set up for its annual Healthy Fun Fair. Andrew Clark,

Nathalie Avero, Jennifer Gregory, Matthew Anderson and Terry Johnson got on the road early Thursday morning, to help set up tents, games and classrooms and to help with other tasks that needed to be completed. However,

Then it was on to other events, including the Kentucky State Little League tournament at the Stonecrest baseball facilities, where Security and Protective Services students provided assistance with event parking on Thursday and Friday.



Student Andrew Clark took a minute to pose beside the Med Flight that landed for the mock ATV wreck training exercise.



Perkins students assisted with parking and security during the Little League state tournament, at Stonecrest.

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against the disease. The scientists extract those antibodies from the egg yolks, spray-dry the yolks and mix them with the feed given to the chicks right after hatching.

Does it work? In tests, one-day-old broiler chicks were fed a standard diet containing a commercially available egg yolk powder from hens hyperimmunized with multiple species of Eimeria parasites. The chicks were then exposed to live parasites, after which their body weight gains and presence of parasites in their feces were analyzed.

The chicks that ate 0.5 percent or less of the hyper-

immune egg yolk antibodies had significant increases in body weight gain, didn't shed as many parasites, and had fewer gut lesions than chicks that didn't eat the egg yolks. Yes, it's a simple solution—but it works!

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Yes, adding the oxygen is a bit more complicated and expensive, but it shortens treatment time and improves results sufficiently to more than compensate for the extra trouble.

It's true that the drought is going to make a dent in our wallets because of higher feed costs, but there are other ways we can cut production costs and reduce losses. To quote the old Dutch proverb, "When a door closes, a window opens!"

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# National College holds Healthy Fun Fair

The Pikeville Campus of National College held its fifth annual Healthy Fun Fair Thursday, July 26, and organizers are saying it was the best ever, with more than 1,000 in attendance at the event.

A wide variety of state and local government agencies, and community groups, partnered with the campus to provide free medical services and screenings, useful information and other services, as well as food, drinks, and a variety of games and fun activities for all ages.

"The Healthy Fun Fair is a special day about community and partnership," said Campus Director Tammy Riley. "National College students, alongside the professional medical community, partner to provide a fun environment that promotes health education and delivers free medical services."

Beginning at 10 a.m., area residents arrived at the campus and could make their way through a variety of information booths and treatment rooms. Among others, the "D.O.'s on the Go" from the Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine conducted a variety of diagnostic services; National College nursing students calculated BMI (body mass index) and took blood pressure readings; Highlands Regional Hospital provided blood laboratory screenings for lipids and blood sugar/A1C (with blood draws performed by National College nursing, medical assisting, and phlebotomy students); Big Sandy Health Care offered a mobile dental clinic; and the YMCA conducted Zumba classes on site. Many more organizations provided information and services, all free of charge.

One of the highlights of the day was a simulated ATV accident — an all-too-common occurrence in rural Kentucky. Local first responders demonstrated first aid and transport techniques, while two medical evacuation helicopters, one each from Questcare and Transtar, landed at the campus in a display of their advanced capabilities for rushing patients to area trauma centers and hospitals in the event of dire need.

Medical assisting student Kristen Daniels was one of many student volunteers. "I had so much fun!" she exclaimed afterwards. "I know every person who walked away from me that day...some were relieved, and others knew that they needed to make an appointment with their family doctor."

While many of the youngsters in attendance might not have understood the value of the various medical services, they definitely enjoyed the games, inflatables, water slide, and dunking booth. Even a youth-oriented class conducted by the U.S. Army was a big hit, with kids following along closely as Sergeant Landon Huffman, Army recruiter and National College student, talked about the problem of bullying and what kids could do about it.

"This year our participation focused on reaching both parents and children of the dangers and signs of bullying," said the U.S. Army's Sergeant First Class David Helling, one of several National College alumni who returned to the campus to help with the event. "It was a great opportunity for us to reach out to the public and show the Army cares." SFC Helling continued. "Hot button issues in our communities certainly affect our Army, and any opportunity we have to help with these issues, we certainly will."

Months of hard work and preparation by our many sponsors and vendors, as well as National College students, faculty, and staff, produced a memorable event that positively affected the lives



Medical assisting student Kristen Daniels is pictured as she draws blood from a fair participant.



Army recruiter and National student Landon Huffman talks with kids about bullying.



Campus Director Tammy Riley, right, and nursing students got a close-up look at a medevac helicopter.

of many members of our community. National College nursing student Misty Gallion perhaps summed it up best: "I had great day to educate the community on the importance of staying healthy!"

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## Students earn certification



Students in the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Centers Culinary Arts Class, led by chef Terry Marrs, are now "ServSafe Certified." Student Amber Jones, Clint Gardner, Austin Smith and Heather Lida, front row, and Brittany Fraley, Matthew Love, Anthony Maynard, Ruben Rawlins, William Simmons and Daniel Tarrage, back row, spent the last four weeks in training for the ServSafe exam. The ServSafe Food Handler Program delivers consistent food safety training to employees. The program covers five key areas — personal hygiene, cross-contamination and allergens, time and temperature, and cleaning and sanitation. All culinary students are required to complete the training, and pass the exam, before they will be able to do actual cooking within the class.

## Preparations for Golf Classic begin

PRESTONSBURG — Highlands Regional Medical Center is preparing for its 15th annual Golf Classic. The tournament is the hospital's premier golfing event, benefiting the Highlands Center for Autism Scholarship Fund. Participation in the Classic helps provide a positive change in the life of a child with autism, as there are over 100 students on the waiting list to get into the Center. The Classic is a two-day

event held on August 29 and 30 at Stonecrest Golf Course, in Prestonsburg. The tournament format is a four-man team scramble, with a limit of 40 teams per day. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. both days, and includes breakfast. Tee off is at 9:30 a.m. and lunch will be served during play. Finally, after play is over, dinner will be served and awards will be presented. All participants will receive a prize for their participation.

"This is a great event to support our Autism Center," said Kathy Rubado, director of the Highlands Foundation. "Plus, it is an excellent opportunity to meet people from the community that care about such an important cause. We look forward to this event every year."

Spots in the tournament are still available. To enter a team or donate, contact the Highlands Foundation at (606) 889-6721.



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## Dr. Harris joins Paul B. Hall

PAINTSVILLE — Dr. Andrew M. Harris joined the urology department at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Aug. 1.

Dr. Harris specializes in minimally invasive approaches to complex urological problems and will be the first and only daVinci® trained urologist in the area. This high-tech, minimally invasive technique can mean less pain, a shorter hospital stay and a faster return to daily activities for patients facing urologic surgery.

"We are committed to recruiting the best and brightest at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, and Dr. Andrew Harris was the right choice. The expertise and vast knowledge he brings will help us achieve our ever-reaching goal of providing the best quality care for our patients in the Big Sandy area," said Deborah Trimble, CEO of Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center.

Dr. Harris is a skilled laparoscopic surgeon that has performed over 4,000 surgical cases. Dr. Harris graduated Summa Cum Laude from Georgetown University with a B.S. in Biology and Chemistry. He graduated with a #1 rank from the University of Kentucky, School of Medicine. Dr. Harris completed his General Surgery and Urological Surgery Residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in which he served as Chief Resident in his final year. The University



Dr. Andrew M. Harris

of Pennsylvania's Urological Surgery Residency is considered one of the top training programs in the country.

He serves as Chairman of the Department of Urology at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. During which, Dr. Harris will establish the hospital's urological protocol for the daVinci® Robotic Surgical System to perform robotic assisted laparoscopic surgery.

During his medical career, Dr. Harris has several publications, reviews, presentations and received numerous awards. He is married to Paintsville native, Whitney Castle Harris, and has two daughters.

For more information or to schedule an appointment with Dr. Andrew Harris, please call 606-789-3511 or Paintsville Urology Center at 606-789-7950.

## Helping the hungry



The Pikeville Kiwanis Club recently gathered food pantry items and provided much needed food supplies to Harvest Child Care Ministries, located in Duffield, Virginia. Harvest Child Care Ministries has cared for over 1,400 needy boys and girls since 1993. They provide a family-style environment for ages 5 to 17. Churches, individuals and civic groups have made it possible for this ministry to care for hurting children. Pikeville Kiwanis Club would like to thank everyone for their support of this special project. If you are interested in helping the Pikeville Kiwanis Club in changing the world, one child and one community at a time, please visit our website at [www.pikevillekiwanis.org](http://www.pikevillekiwanis.org).

## 'Operation Hire Patriots' job fair to be held at National College Pikeville

PIKEVILLE — An "Operation Hire Patriots" veterans job fair will be held at the National College Pikeville Campus on Thursday, August 16.

The job fair will be open exclusively to veterans beginning at 10 a.m. and will be open to the general pub-

lic from noon until 2 p.m.

The event will include representatives from a variety of resource agencies who will be available to answer veterans' questions regarding military benefits, disabilities, financial solutions, counseling, family services and more.

"The Operation Hire Patriot event is another opportunity for National College to partner with the community to support our veterans," said Campus Director Tammy Riley. "We are excited to be assisting veterans with career opportunities on the Pikeville

Campus on August 16th."

Limited booth space remains available free of charge to employers. For more information contact Kelly Raupach, Pikeville Campus Career Center Director, at (606) 478-7200 or at [keraupach@national-college.edu](mailto:keraupach@national-college.edu).

## Cole joins Columbia Gas of Kentucky as Operations Center Manager

LEXINGTON — Kimra H. Cole has joined Columbia Gas of Kentucky (CKY) as Operations Center Manager.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky provides natural gas service to approximately 140,000 customers in 30 Kentucky counties and Iron-

ton, Ohio. Cole previously worked at Columbia Gas in a variety of leadership roles in Marketing, Engineering, and Operations from 1987 through

2002. Since that time, she has served as Commissioner of General Services for the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government and, most recently, as Director of the Engineering Division of the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

Cole holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering and a Master of Business Administration degree, both from the University of Kentucky.

## Federal snack program up for debate

With students and teachers returning, school food-service directors are working to implement the new federal school lunch regulations that take effect this year. This would be a good story for local news media, since it affects almost every student.

As school resumes, another school food program is up for debate. Congress is deciding whether frozen, canned and dried produce should be included in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program. House Republicans say yes, to save money and make a wider range of options available year round. But the Senate is pushing to keep the

program limited to fresh fruit and vegetables only. The argument — or food fight, as Dina ElBoghday of The Washington Post calls it — has trade and other groups weighing in.

"If the goal is to expand and improve upon childhood nutrition, it doesn't make sense to limit the kinds of fruit and vegetables that schools serve," said Corey Henry, a spokesman for the American Frozen Food Institute. "Let the schools decide." But Sandi Kaur, acting director of nutrition services at the California Department of Education, disagrees, saying "it's the fresh that makes this program unique."

More than 50,000 students in 125 Kentucky elementary schools benefit from the program, run by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. To see which schools participate, click here. The program allows schools to distribute fresh fruit and vegetables as snacks to students and has "raised consumption in participating schools by a quarter-cup per day, or 15 percent," ElBoghday reports. "The increase did not contribute to weight gain, suggesting that the fruit and vegetables replaced other foods." Last year, USDA spent \$150 million to pay for the snacks for 3 million children.

## 'Clinch River Justice' offers suspense in Appalachian setting

RICHMOND — Author Alfred Patrick, in his newly published book *Clinch River Justice*, tells a tale about a boy who matures into manhood, falls in love, and begins to find his way in life. Set against the backdrop of the Appalachian Mountains of Southwest Virginia,

this intriguing novel then follows how the man, as a young deputy, makes his way toward bringing justice to his townspeople.

Readers are introduced to Charley Scott, an inexperienced but idealistic deputy sheriff. He faces a rash of deaths in a normally idyllic,

peaceful Appalachian community in the early 1940s. These deaths of neighbors and a beloved family member result when greed, passion, jealousy, hopelessness, or utter disdain for the life or welfare of another human overcomes some residents' sense of fidelity and of right and wrong. In the young deputy's endeavors to apprehend killers and in his quest for justice, he learns how difficult that simple concept is to achieve.

Packed in 31 chapters, "Climch River Justice" is a pulse-pounding tale that will leave fans of mystery-murder stories hooked from the first page to the last.

Alfred Patrick grew up in the Appalachian Mountains of Southwest Virginia. He

earned degrees at Bluefield College, Virginia Tech, and the University of Tennessee. After teaching at high school and collegiate levels in Virginia and Louisiana, he served as professor, department chair, and dean in the College of Business at Eastern Kentucky University, where he retired.

Patrick enjoys reading, writing, traveling, gardening, crossword puzzles, and backpacking. He has completed the Appalachian Trail, the John Muir Trail in California, and trails in other states. He and his wife, Peggy, live in Richmond, Kentucky.

For more information on this book, interested parties may log on to [www.Xlibris.com](http://www.Xlibris.com).

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# OUR WESTERN PAIS

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

20 years ago  
(August 12 and August 14, 1992)

Johnson County residents Wanda Couch, breathes a welcome sigh of relief, Saturday, as voters in McDowell's John Ant No. 22 precinct declared by a narrow eight-vote margin that the sale of alcoholic beverages will continue to be permitted. Fewer than half of the precinct's 546 registered voters cast their ballots in Saturday's election, keeping the precinct wet by a vote of 130-122.

Quick thinking and quicker action narrowly averted tragedy, Tuesday afternoon, as a prisoner in the Floyd County Jail hanged himself in his cell. Deputy Jailer Duran Jarrell said, Tuesday, that John Fletcher, 27, attempted to take his own life by tying a sheet around the top bar in his cell, and the other around his neck.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 10, for Barbara Allen Heinze, 64, former business manager, editor and publisher of the Floyd County Times. Mrs. Heinze was born February 3, 1928, in Prestonsburg, nearly a year after her father, the late Norman Allen, founded the Times. She became editor and publisher of the state's most widely circulated non-daily newspaper upon her father's death in 1990.

Prestonsburg firefighters for hours battled a blaze in West Prestonsburg that threatened neighboring homes early Thursday morning. Members of the Prestonsburg Fire Department quickly responded to an emergency call alerting them to the fire, shortly after midnight Thursday, but the fire had apparently begun much earlier. By the time they arrived at the scene, the uninhabited structure was nearly engulfed in flames.

Nerves of steel are always a plus when trying to get a driver's license, but a Floyd County man and his license examiner found the going extra difficult, Wednesday, when a snake delayed the start of their road test. Chris Johnson of Weeksbury, and license examiner Ethel Sammons, were startled by a two-foot snake striking at the sidewalk before they got in the car.

Eight people were involved in a two-car collision on new U.S. 23, Wednesday afternoon, four of whom, were rushed to Highlands Regional Medical Center for emergency treatment. The accident occurred at approximately 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, at the entrance to Stephens Branch, when a 1983 Dodge, driven by a Lexington woman, collided with a 1988 Oldsmobile, driven by a McDowell man.

There died, Zetta Gibson Johnson, 70, of Martin, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center;

Billy Jay Hall, 57, of Beaver, Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Henry Chaffins Jr., 68, of Floyd County, Wednesday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Georgia Young Little, 71, of Lowmansville, formerly of Huntington, West Virginia, Monday, at Mary's Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia; Haley Hamilton, 101, of Betsy Layne, Monday, at Salyersville, Care Center; Walter C. Spears, 79, of Leander, Saturday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg; Barbara Allen Heinze, 64, of Spruce Pine, North Carolina, formerly of Prestonsburg, Friday, at Spruce Pine Community Hospital; Edgar Adams, 76, of Gaffney, South Carolina, Saturday, at Carolina Medical Center, Charlotte, North Carolina; Ralph Mullett, 39, of Wittensville, and a native of Floyd County, Monday, from injuries received in an automobile accident on Route 23 in Paintsville; Lola Thornsbary, 67, of Mousie, Sunday, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington; Franklin Delano Salsbury, 60, of Hunter, Sunday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, Crawfordsville; Cline Jr., 73, of Blaine, Sunday, at Humana Hospital, Louisiana; James Lee (Lee Bug) Boyd II, 4, son of Lee Boyd, and Randy Gail Crider Boyd, both of Prestonsburg, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; formerly of West Prestonsburg, Thursday, July 30, from injuries suffered in a mining accident; John Younce Jr., 68, of Offutt, formerly of West Prestonsburg, July 15, at his home; Burnis Newsome, 55, of Craynor, Wednesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Willie Allen, 96, of Prestonsburg, August 4; Major Richard Castle, 63, of El Paso, Texas, native of Floyd County, Tuesday, at El Paso; Mill Hunt, 76, of Betsy Layne, Monday, at his residence; Randy Lee Crawford, 9, of Warsaw, Indiana, Saturday; Howard Ray Osborn, 71, former resident of Floyd County, Monday, at Humana Hospital in Florida; O.C. Howell, 65, of Alben, August 11, at his residence; Icie Prater Hampton, 63, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, at her residence; Lulu "Dottie" Cornett Holbrook, 68, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at her home; Arlit Little, 78, of Weeksbury, Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Hospital; Bertha McKinney, 80, of Litt Carr, Thursday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

30 years ago  
(August 18, 1982)

A grade school student may be levied as much as \$12.65 for classroom supplies this year. A high school freshman may be required to pay \$40 or \$50 or more, depending on the subjects taken. With about a quarter of

the work completed, and the materials on hand to finish the job, a project designed to extend water lines on Spurlock, Bucks Branch, and the left fork of Middle Creek has become bogged down in a dispute over who should pay for it.

A U.S. District Court judge, last week, set a \$75,000 surety bond for Sterling Hamilton, who was indicted, recently, on as charge of transporting stolen property, and fixed a September 27 trial date.

Following an agreement between prosecutor and defense council in the case, Eddie Slone Jr., recently found guilty of slaying Paul Douglas Stanley and Terry P. Johnson at the Boardman, Ky. case, was sentenced, Friday, to two 20-year pen terms, to be served concurrently.

There died: Lillian C. Osborne, 80, of Langley, last Wednesday at Mountain Manor Nursing Home of Pikeville; Haskel Frye Sr., former mayor of Martin, last Wednesday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Ethie Bates, 62, of Wayland, August 6, at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Carl Jarrell, 78, of Tram, Tuesday, August 10, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Martha Virginia Hopkins, 89, of New Haven, West Virginia, formerly of Estill, August 4, in New Haven.

40 years ago  
(August 16, 1972)

Total crime in Floyd County rose last year, above the number of offenses recorded in 1970, Kentucky as a whole, according to the Department of Public Safety's recently released "Crime in Kentucky."

George D. Barker became manager of Jenny Wiley State Park last Wednesday.

Bobby Watson, who repairs automobiles here during working hours, and races them for sport, cash and fame, last Saturday, took over second place in the 1972 Automobile Racing Club of America standings with his victory at the Fairgrounds Motor Speedway's 100-mile event in Louisville.

Working alone, State Trooper Gary Rose, last Thursday morning, confiscated one of the heaviest loads of intoxicants to be overtaken on their way to Floyd consumers, when he arrested two men and captured 450 cases of whiskey, on KY 122 at Minnie.

Barkley Sturgill, former Floyd County Attorney and a member of the state Public Service Commission, will be honored at the seventh annual South-eastern Kentucky Homecoming, to be held at Booneville, Sunday, September 17.

Miss Pamela Spradlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Spradlin, of Prestonsburg, and Mr. John Paul Leslie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leslie, of Emma, were united in marriage in a double-ring

ceremony performed August 5, at the Community United Methodist Church here.

An injunction issued, last Thursday, by Fayette Circuit Judge L. T. Grant prohibits Dare To Be Great, a Florida-based self-improvement program, from further activities in Kentucky at this time.

Joint funeral rites were held, Saturday, for a Middletown, O. couple who were found dead, August 8, of bullet wounds. The victims were Oscar Mills, 59, formerly of Auxier, and his wife, 56-year-old Jewell Mills.

There died: Mrs. Bertha Thornsby, 54, of Melvin, in an automobile accident, Sunday, in Lewisburg; Orlan Jesse Elliott, 69, of Betsy Layne, who pioneered school band instruction in this county, last Wednesday, at a Pikeville hospital; Mrs. Rhoda T. Hamilton, 49, of Teaberry, last Tuesday, in a Pikeville nursing home; Mrs. Kathryn M. Grabner, 44, of Monroeville, Ind., formerly of Eastern, August 3, in Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Liberty Hayes, 80, of Columbus, Ind., formerly of Martin; Mrs. J. C. Martin, 69, in an Oklahoma hospital; Fred Music, 72, of East Point, last Sunday; Jarvey Caulfield, 71, of Lackey, last Monday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; William Paul Wilson, 45, of Las Vegas, Nev., formerly of Huntington, Friday; Mrs. Lillie H. Sweet, 47, of Albion, Mich., formerly of Teaberry, Saturday, in Waverly, O.; Mrs. Elizabeth White, 75, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Ellis Thornsby, of Topmost, formerly of Wheelwright, August 5, at the McDowell Hospital; Elijah Hall, 72, of Galveston, last Wednesday, at his home; Fred Pelfrey, 63, of Huntington, W. Va., Wednesday night at his home; Fred Pelfrey, 63, of Huntington, W. Va., Wednesday night, at his home; Fred Pelfrey, 59, of Hellier, native of this county, Sunday, in a Huntington Hospital; Saul Maggard, 89, August 4, at his home in Salyersville.

50 years ago  
(August 16, 1962)

What was once a bill-

side, dotted with substantial frame houses, at Martin, is being converted into a parking area and city beautification development through the community's cooperation with the Urban Renewal Administration.

Two temporary elementary classrooms will be opened, Monday, and several changes in the pupil transportation schedule have been found necessary as a result of the recent collapse of the Knott Hollow bridge and the state of disrepair of the Town Branch bridge here. One of the most popular new features of Jenny Wiley State Park is the shelter house erected in the Stratton Branch recreation area, and it is possible that two others will be built to meet the demand for such structures there.

Floyd County's population, which has been skidding consistently since the 1950 Census, is down to 38,900 persons as of July 1 this year, according to a recent study. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kedrick Blevins, of Maytown, a son, Christopher O'Neal, July 28, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hewlett, of Maytown, a son, Mark Linus, Aug. 8, at Pikeville Memorial Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Scott Layne, of Banner, a son, Richard Eugene, Aug. 9, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gorrood, of Aughton, Susan Renee, Aug. 9, at the Paintsville Hospital.

There died: Charles E. Shepherd, 39, of Martin, Friday, in the mines of the Stephens Elkhorn Coal Company; Mrs. Mary R. Reffett, 54, of Hueysville, last Wednesday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Tom Bell, 78, of Allen, Tuesday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Melvin Kidd, 69, of Harold, Sunday, at Pikeville Memorial Hospital; Malcolm Ager, 75, of East Point, Friday, at Ashland; Farley Akers, 76, Tuesday, at his home at Dana.

60 years ago  
(August 14, 1952)

The county purgation board estimated it will clear 3,500 names from the voter registration

lists; says that in one precinct, Prestonsburg No. 1, names of 18 persons who are dead remain on the list.

The number of Floyd polio cases has risen to 12 within the week. Two men arrested in Charleston, West Virginia, have confessed breaks into the Harold and Betsy Layne businesses of Magistrate Edgar Howell, Bill Hall and John Hall.

Ed Hicks, 44, Martin store owner, was shot and critically wounded, Tuesday evening. The draft board here has called for the induction of 13 men.

There died: Oscar Pitts, 62, formerly of Middle Creek, Tuesday, at his farm near Kensington, Ohio; Mrs. Annie McKenzie, 48, of West Prestonsburg, August 6, at the hospital here; Sarah Bentley, 68, of Topmost, Tuesday, at a Martin hospital; Will Webb, 59, of Langley, Tuesday, at a Martin hospital.

70 years ago  
(August 13, 1942)

Four-year-old Johnny Murphy was saved from drowning in swollen Right Beaver Creek at Glo last Friday, by his "big" brother, Don, 8.

Federal mine inspections were underway in the county last week. Dr. Orris Gearheart, first week, became the first Floyd County physician to be sworn into the army during the present emergency.

The Rev. Campbell Jeffries resigned, last Wednesday evening, the pastorate of Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church.

There died: William H. Herald, 56, of West Prestonsburg, August 10; Fannie Florence, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harris, August 6, at a Huntington hospital; Napoleon Jacobs, 42, at Lackey, of injuries suffered in a slatfall; Mrs. Maggie Bentley, 63, at her Dwale home, August 5.

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Copies of this invitation to bid may be obtained in the Finance Department, at the above address, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, prior to the time and date specified for bid opening.

**PERIOD OF CONTRACT:**

The period of contract will be from September 1, 2012 or the date of Board approval (whichever is sooner) through June 30, 2012 with the option to renew annually in one year increments.

**TIME AND LOCATION OF BID OPENING:**

Bids will be accepted until 1:00 p.m. August 20, 2012 Eastern Time, and will be opened at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time, the same date at the

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Central Office located at the contact address listed above. All bids must be received by the time designated in the invitation and none will be considered thereafter. The Board of Education cannot assume the responsibility for any delay as a result of failure of the mails to deliver the bids on time. Bids will be opened and read at the time and location specified above. You are invited to be present at the bid opening.

**BID AWARD:**

Contract(s) may be awarded to the lowest and/or best evaluated bidder(s) meeting all specifications and conditions, and subject to all other provisions of this invitation to bid, on a per item basis, on a group basis, or on a total basis, whichever is deemed to be in the best interest of the Board of Education. Bids are scheduled to be awarded at the board meeting on August 27th, 2012 at 8:30 PM, W.D. Osborne Elementary School, 43 Osborne Branch, Bevinville, KY 41606.

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107 S. Arnold Avenue
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
(606) 886-9337

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. 1
C.A. NO. 11-CI-404

JERRY THOMAS and DONNA THOMAS PLAINTIFFS
VS.
BAXTER WICKER and CARY WICKER and FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS
RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 10th day of May, 2012, in the above cause, and in the interest of the subject property, for the years 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2008 taxes plus 12% interest per annum from January 25, 2011, totaling \$1,003.80 plus pre and post litigation attorney's fees in the amount of \$2,367.90, warning order attorney's fees plus Plaintiff's in the amount of \$811.49 and filing fees in the amount of \$3.00, for a total of \$4,398.19, please be advised that I will proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse, Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction on the 16th day of August, 2012 at 10:15 a.m., upon the terms and conditions following the description, the following described property, to-wit: Located and lying in Garrett, Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

This property is subject to a tract right of way through the road as mentioned in a deed to this property, owned by M. Collins and his wife, Beatrice, to Tom Nolan.
This is the same property containing twenty (20) acres on the upper side of an elm tree, thence a straight line across the bottom to a fence opposite the tree marked; thence from the place of beginning a straight line to the center of Beaver Creek; this line fence to the center of the creek is two hundred and eighty-five (85) feet; thence running down the creek a distance of fifty-two and one-half (52 1/2) feet; thence a straight line to the head of the creek, continuing a straight line across the bottom, back to the fence named above, a distance of two hundred and seventy-six (276) feet, this line joins the line of Mrs. M. Collins. Porters lot, thence a southward course with the fence named a distance of fifty-two and one-half (52 1/2) feet to the first line named which runs west from the Elm tree and back to Beaver Creek, this line fence to the south side adjoins Baxter Wallens line of lot which he owns at this place, containing one third (1/3) acre, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Baxter Wicker and Cary J. Wicker, his wife, by deed dated February 2, 2001 and of record in Deed Book 455, Page 104, the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety in the amount of the purchase price. If the successful bidder is the Plaintiff, then the 10% down payment is waived. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security.

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

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years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.
C. The property described above is sold subject to any assessments, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.
Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.
Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master, Commissioner.

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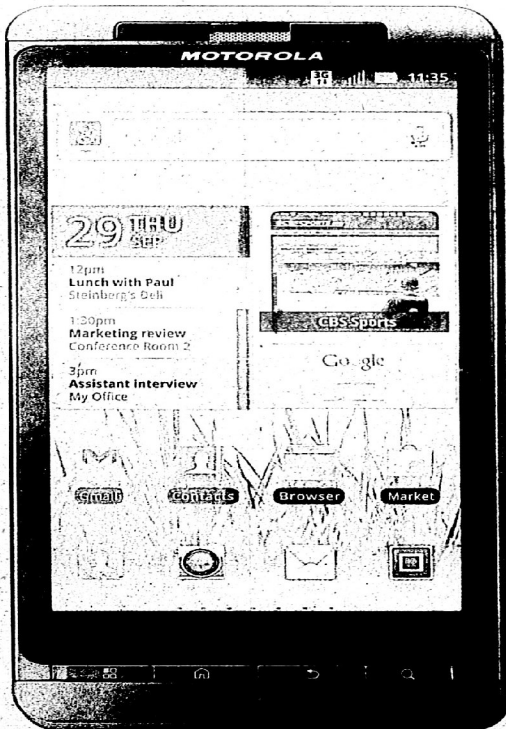
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