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Miller wonders why no charges filed after wreck

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — The family of a woman killed in a horrific car crash earlier this year is looking for answers, as police continue to put together the pieces.
Angela Thornsbury, the mother of Angel Thornsbury Miller, who was killed in June, says she wants to know why charges have not yet been filed against the driver of the other vehicle.

Thornsbury says she received a copy of the police report this week. "They found pills in the vehicle, a cooler full of beer, and a half-gallon of whiskey. Why didn't they do a breathalyzer?" asked Thornsbury, who questions why it is taking so long for charges to be brought against the other driver. "She is still out there driving around free."
According to the collision report provided by Thornsbury, Floyd County Coroner Greg Nelson found a cigarette box in the floorboard Hall's vehicle which

contained two blue pills, a soft blue cooler in the backseat which contained four bottles of 12 ounce beer in ice, and a half gallon of scotch whiskey which had been opened.
On Tuesday June 26, Jodie E. Hall, 44, of Allen, was driving north on U.S. 23, when her 2001 Dodge sport-utility vehicle crossed the center line and ran head-on into a 2004 Jeep Liberty, driven by the 24-year-old Thornsbury. Due to the violent force of the crash, Thornsbury was ejected from the car, and was pro-

nounced dead at the scene.
Hall was transported to the hospital and released without serious injury.
A witness to the accident observed Hall crossing the median into the southbound lane and had to swerve themselves to avoid hitting her. According to the collision report, Hall told an officer on the scene that "she blacked out and didn't know what happened."
Prestonsburg Police Officer George Tussler, who is in charge of the investigation, said he has spoken with Thornsbury, but that

he would not comment on an ongoing investigation.
Miller, a mother of two had only recently graduated from National College as a medical assistant, had several job opportunities, Thornsbury said.
"I just want to keep my daughter's name out there," Hall said of her motivations for speaking out. "I don't want this to fall through the cracks."
An event to remember Angel Thornsbury Miller will be held at Archer Park on Sept. 23, from 2 to 6 p.m.



Organizers and reenactors were busy setting up camp Thursday, one day prior to the start of the annual Battle of Middle Creek festivities.

Battle of Middle Creek marks 150 years

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

MIDDLE CREEK — The Battle of Middle Creek gets started tonight, and organizers say this year's reenactment will be the biggest yet.
The Friends of Middle Creek is observing the 150th anniversary of the battle with over 250 reenactors already registered for the event. As an added bonus, the Kentucky Highland Folk Festival is joining forces with the battle, holding the two-day event in the Middle Creek National Battlefield parking lot. The events run through the weekend, with no admission charge.
"All of our events are free and open to the public," said Patrick Davis, commander of the Friends of Middle Creek. "We encourage everyone to come out, because the more people who show up, the more likely it is we'll be back next year."
School groups will visit the battlefield Friday, but the action gets started Friday night, with a remembrance ceremony and Sept. 11 observation at 9 p.m. That will be followed by a night fire and ghost walk on the battlefield.
On Saturday, there will be a flag ceremony at noon, with national anthems of the confederacy and the republic played by Winds of Appalachia, which will continue performing after the ceremony. Participants

Folk fest joins forces with battle

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

MIDDLE CREEK — The Kentucky Highland Folk Festival kicks off this weekend, this year at joining with the Battle of Middle Creek to put together three days of historic celebration.
This year marks the 49th presentation of the Kentucky Highland Folk Festival, as well as marking the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Middle Creek.
Events begin at 4 p.m., Friday, as the Kentucky Highland Folk Festival Musicians start playing, followed by a Luminary & Remembrance Ceremony at 9 p.m. and Ghost Walk at 10 p.m.
During the luminary, a Tribute to Fallen Soldiers and Sept. 11 will be held, as well as a

Police arrest man for U.S. 23 exposure

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County man was arrested last Thursday, after several complaints of indecent exposure were made by local motorists traveling on U.S. 23.

Jason L. Prater, 29, of Prestonsburg, was arrested Aug. 30 and charged with indecent exposure and careless driving, after police, responding to complaints, caught him with his pants down.
According to the police report, Kentucky State Police Post-9 received a complaint of indecent exposure traveling north in a black Chevy Cobalt on U.S. 23. The complaint stated that the operator, "was nude, masturbating, within the vehicle," and was "clearly visible to the complainant."
When Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officer Tommy Gearheart observed the vehicle and activated his emergency lights, Prater's vehicle began weaving erratically within the right lane. In the police report, Gearheart says he could observe Prater trying to pull his pants up within the vehicle. Prater reportedly had covered his genitals and



Jason L. Prater

was zipping his pants when Gearheart walked up to the vehicle.
Prater initially denied the allegations, though a written statement was obtained from a witness. According to the police report, similar complaints with the same car have been made during the past few weeks.
Prater was lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center before posting bond.
On Thursday, Prater pleaded guilty in Floyd District Court, and was given a 90-day probated sentence and two years probation. Prater will be required to serve one year of Kentucky Alternative Probation, as well as undergo an evaluation by Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.

Man ruled incompetent in judge's stabbing

Cris Ritchie
Heartland News Service

HAZARD — A Perry County man who stabbed Perry District Judge Leigh Anne Stephens two years ago was ruled incompetent to stand trial on Wednesday, the same day his trial was scheduled to begin.
Ronnie Brock, 57, of Bonnyman, was arrested in September 2010 after he was alleged to have assaulted Judge Stephens at the Circle 7 Restaurant in Airport Gardens, stabbing her several times before a bystander intervened and pushed Brock through a window in the front of the restaurant. Stephens was treated for minor injuries following the incident, while Brock was charged



Ronnie Brock

with attempted murder.
Floyd Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner was appointed as the special prosecutor, and said even though Brock was initially found to be competent, Wednesday's ruling was not

Donor offers city \$10K to build skateboard park

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

PRESTONSBURG — An anonymous donor is offering the city of Prestonsburg \$10,000 to build a concrete skateboard and BMX park downtown.
The offer was made to Mayor Jerry Fannin last weekend, when the man approached him during the Hillbilly Arm-Drop Drags.
Fannin said he is interested in exploring the idea and asked the man to provide him with contacts to contractors who build such parks. The mayor said he believes such a park would be a good addition to the community.
"You have a lot of kids who are into skateboarding," Fannin said. "We did

have a wooden one at Archer Park, but the weather ultimately took its toll on it."
The Floyd County Times was able to contact the donor, who said his primary interest is in giving area youth something to do, in an attempt to keep them away from drugs and alcohol.
"I just want to do something positive for the community," the donor said. "It's depressing sitting there with nothing to do."
The donor, a former native who moved away from the area and spends a lot of time traveling around the country, said he thinks a skatepark would be a good addition to the community.
"From what I've seen at skate parks around the country, it's a net positive," the donor said. "It gives the kids some exer-

cise and something to do."
The donor asked Fannin to consider building the park somewhere downtown, so it would be within walking distance for many kids. He said he believes the Trimble Branch park would be an ideal location.
Fannin said Wednesday he is open to that location, but the final decision would have to come from the city council. However, he also suggested that the park could become an addition to a community wellness center the city has plans to build.
The donor estimated a good-sized skatepark could be built for less than \$100,000. Fannin said the city would look into finding grant money to pay for the remainder.

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Obituaries

Leo Bradley
Leo Bradley, 70, of Salyersville, husband of Mary Hurd Bradley, died Sept. 3, 2012, at his residence.
Born May 12, 1942, to the late Henry and Nona Ousley, he was a disabled coal miner.
He was preceded in death by brothers and sisters, Adam Bradley, Mont Bradley, Dennis Bradley, Saybra

Bradley, Aggie Click and Loretta Hurd.
He is survived by a son, Leo Bradley Jr., of Magoffin County; a daughter, Aggie Spradlin, of Magoffin County; a brother, Travis Lee Bradley; four sisters, Biddy Effert, Renis Baldridge, Arvilla Slone and Mimma Howard; grandchildren, Curtis, Nathan Cody, Tiffany, Ellie, Teddy and Abigail;

and one great grandchild, Cody Axel.
Services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, Sept. 7, at Licking River Baptist Church, in Royallion, with Manuel Minix officiating. Burial will be in the Bradley Cemetery, in Salyersville.
Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.
www.nelsonfrazierfuner-

home.com
Rex Raymond Ross
Rex Raymond Ross, 80, of East Point, husband of Ida Thornsbury Ross, died Sept. 4, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.
Born June 4, 1932, to the late Clay Wade Ross and Laura Hunt Ross Akers, he was a welder for General Motors in Michigan.

He is survived by three daughters, Renee Keathley and Susan Ross, both of Betsy Layne, and Cheryl Brown, of Prestonsburg; four grandchildren, Angie (Dennis) Watson, Jordan Scott Gilliam, Michael Brooke Gilliam and Jimmy (Regina) Brown; and four great grandchildren, Mackenzie Paige, Camron, Ethan, Kaylee and Kaitlyn

Services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, Sept. 7, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Dave Garrett officiating. Burial will follow in Getsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.
Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.
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For the Record

MARRIAGE LICENSES
John William Bryant, of Prestonsburg, to Robin Ray-Prather, of Prestonsburg
Enola Miller, of Harold,

to Jerry Allen, of Harold
Michael Blevins Jr., of Prestonsburg, to Martha Craft, of Prestonsburg
Marsha Dove, of Pikeville, to Larry Dove, of Pikeville

Shelby Cook, of Minnie, to Landon Hall, of Minnie
Rachel Ramey, of McDowell, to Gregory Tackett, of McDowell
Erenda Ousley, of Drift, to McArthur Bolen, of Garrett
Phyllis Hall, of Eastern, to Owen Sheppard, of Eastern

Marquita Rister, first-degree criminal mischief
Kyle Crum, first-degree burglary
Kenneth Hayden, first-degree wanton endangerment, failure to wear seatbelts, no/expired plates, no/expired registration, drug paraphernalia
Richard Mullins, first-degree sexual abuse, second-degree persistent felony offender

Herbert Griffith, of Martin, public intoxication, third-degree possession of controlled substance (two counts), controlled substance prescription not in original container (two counts)
Frank Reffitt, no/expired plates, no/expired registration, no tall lamps, failure to maintain insurance, failure to wear seatbelt, third-degree possession of controlled substance, controlled substance prescription not in original container, operation of a motor

vehicle under the influence
Joseph Hatfield, of Ransom, alcohol intoxication
James Castle of Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault (no visible injury), theft
Courtney Anderson, of Prestonsburg, second-degree wanton endangerment
Rozetta Smith, giving officer false name or address
Oley Hall Jr., of Beaver, third-degree terrorististic threatening
Helena Hall, of Beaver, harassment (no physical contact)
Chad Reed, of Prestonsburg, receiving stolen property
Jamie Branham, public intoxication, theft, third-degree criminal trespassing
Jason Prater, of Prestonsburg, second-degree indecent exposure, careless driving

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Judge

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a surprise as Brock's mental state was an issue early on in the case.
"What the exact issue was that without proper medication, he is not competent," Turner

remarked. "There is no question about that; everyone that evaluated him said that."

There were additional issues in the case, Turner said, because Brock would not voluntarily take the medication. That led to questions as to whether or not he could be compelled to take medication just to stand trial, and even if he was ultimately competent for the purposes of a trial, Kentucky law still requires a defendant to also be competent at the time the crime was committed.

There were serious questions in that regard as well, Turner added.

"We knew going into today that the trial wasn't going to go," he continued, "because Mr. Brock's mental state really had deteriorated even since the last time he was there. Everyone understood that the trial was not going to go."

Though the criminal case will not proceed based upon Wednesday's ruling, Brock will likely undergo further mental evaluation. "We are seeking to have him hospital-

ized, and we'll be alleging in our court filing that he is a danger to himself and others based on his mental illness," Turner said, adding that he expects to file the necessary documents on Thursday.

There will not be a set time that Brock will have to undergo treatment if the judge rules in favor of Turner's request, and any time frame would depend on the opinion of those administering the treatment. In the meantime, Brock will remain in custody.

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retiring of the colors by Boy Scout Troop #802.
The list of events taking place Saturday and Sunday are as follows:

Saturday
9 a.m. - Camp Opens.

12:45 p.m. - Raising of the Flags
1:15 p.m. - Winds of Appalachia Summer Band
2 p.m. - Battle of Ivy Mountain
3 p.m. - Kentucky Highland Folk Festival Musicians
7 p.m. - Square Dance

10 p.m. - Night Fire and Ghost Walk
11 p.m. - Taps

Sunday

9 a.m. - Camp Opens
10 a.m. Church Services
1 p.m. Battle of Middle Creek

Creek

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will reenact the Battle of Ivy Mountain at 2 p.m. That evening, at 7 p.m., there will be a barn dance on the battlefield, followed by a firing of the cannons at 9 p.m.

Church services will be observed at 10 a.m., Sunday, and then the Battle of Middle Creek will be reenacted at 1 p.m.

The Battle of Middle Creek is staged by the

Friends of Middle Creek, with support from Prestonsburg Tourism, the City of Prestonsburg, Floyd County Fiscal Court and the Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department.

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Calendar items will be printed as space permits. Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email to: 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.

Buckeye School Reunion

Saturday, Sept. 22, beginning at 11 a.m., at the Archer Park Shelter area near the tennis courts. All people who have attended or taught at the two-room Buckeye School, which was located at Blue River, are invited to attend. There is no cost. Bring a side dish to share at lunch and old school pictures if you have them. For more information, contact Maxine Prater Skeans by phone at 502 868-9019 or Kathy Prater Tussey by email at dtussey135@aol.com.

Compton family reunion

The descendants of Layne Compton, Jr. and Sallee Blackburn Compton will hold a reunion, Sunday, Sept. 9, at Archer Park, in Prestonsburg. Family and friends welcome. Bring a covered dish of your choice.

Veterans assistance

A veterans benefits field representative will be at the Floyd County Public Library, in Prestonsburg, Wednesday, Sept. 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for federal and state veterans benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For more information, call (866) 647-2926 to speak with a veterans benefits field representative.

Gingerbread Festival trap shoot

The Carr Creek Fish & Game Club will hold an open trap shoot at 500 Wildlife Trail, at Brinkley. Large, personalized first- and second-place trophies will be awarded. Entry fee is \$15 for 50 rounds, bring your own shells. There will also be a youth shoot for contestants 16 and younger, with an \$8 entry fee. For more information, contact Fairley Mullins at (606) 438-4014, Roger Tuttle at (606) 785-4539, Homer Sawyer at (606) 785-3329 or Rodney Hall at (606) 438-8443.

Joyous Junk Sale

The Auxier Center will hold a "Joyous Junk Sale" at the center, Thursday, Sept. 6, to Saturday, Sept. 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Items will include furniture, clothing, appliances, baby

items and more. All proceeds will benefit the home repair fund.

Revival

Upper Salt Lick United Baptist Church will hold a revival Sept. 21, 22 and 23, at 5 p.m. nightly, with Evangelist Olie Smith. For more information, call (606) 785-2976.

New hours

Worship services for Upper Salt Lick United Baptist Church will now be held at 5 p.m., on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, beginning Sept. 9. For more information, call (606) 785-2976.

1940s PHS reunion

Those who graduated from Prestonsburg High School in the 1940s will have a reunion Sept. 8, at May Lodge, in Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The reunion will begin at 10 a.m. in the Lakeview Room. For more information, contact Garnett Fairchild, at (606) 886-2601.

Appalachian Bike Tour

The 19th annual Appalachian Bike Tour will take place Sept. 29, at Yatesville Lake. Registration begins at 8 a.m., at the marina shelter-house. The ride begins beginning at 9 a.m. Entry fees are \$15 in advance, \$20 the day of the tour. Rain or shine.

Appalachia Day Crafter and Musician Registration

The annual Appalachia Day Homecoming will be held Oct. 13 on the campus of Alice Lloyd College, located in Pippa Passes. If you are interested in bringing your handmade crafts to this festival or if your band is interested in playing, please register today. For more information, contact Tiffany Owens at (606) 368-6055.

Floyd County Retired Teachers

The Floyd County Retired Teachers will meet at 11 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 6, at May Lodge, in Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Floyd County Job Club

The Floyd County Job Club meets every Thursday, from 11 a.m. until noon, at the Kentucky Career Center, Office of Employment and Training, 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 one hour early for a new member orientation. Call (606) 886-2948, for more information.

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

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.

Please note the following dates and times of meetings/practices in preparation for the upcoming Jenny Wiley Festival Parade:

- Sundays - Sept. 9 and 23 at PHS at 3 p.m.
- Tuesdays - Sept. 4, 11, 18, and 25 at PHS at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday - Sept. 8 at First United Methodist Church, Prestonsburg at 1 p.m.

Bring your baton if you plan to perform, but plan to attend even if you don't. For more information, contact Carol Jo May at (606) 226-2665.

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.

Communities Against Drug Addiction

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

For more information, contact Mike Vance at (606) 226-2075, Leslie Howell at (606) 263-4370 or (606) 339-7358, or Carol Jo May at (606) 226-2665.

Allen VFD membership drive

Allen Volunteer Fire Department is now holding a membership drive. Meetings are held every Monday night, at 6:30 p.m., at the station. Please stop and help your volunteer fire department or call Asst. Chief Bill Jarvis at (606) 791-6601.

Volunteer mentors wanted

Mentoring for a Second Chance is a jail-based service program designed to help reduce recidivism and promote positive growth, by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. M2C is looking

for local men who are motivated to make a difference in the life of an individual while having a positive impact on the community.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a mentor, contact mentor coordinator Joshua Kinzer, (606) 886-4439, (606) 339-8878, or Jkinzer@MTCComp.org.

Veterans service officer

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

Autism Awareness & Support Group

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

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

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

Non-profit agency need 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.benchmarkfamilyservices.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.

FCMD 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.

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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.)

Floyd County Animal Shelter
Pet of the Week

This week's celebrity is world famous educator and acclaimed veteran, Tom Bormes, who is pictured with "DAVIE". Davie is a one year old female Siamese mix who is meowing for a new home.

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The Viewpoint

Worth Repeating...

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— Gregory Nunn

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Guest View

You can take steps against bullying

Jack Conway
Attorney General

Online threats and harassment made 17-year-old Rachel Neblett's life unbearable. On Oct. 9, 2006, the Mount Washington cheerleader took her own life. It was only after Rachel's suicide that her father, Mark Neblett, learned the extent of the cyberbullying.

Rachel is one of approximately two dozen teens each year in this country who turn to suicide after being bullied at school or online. Each day, 160,000 students will miss school for fear of being bullied or harassed.

The anonymity and immediacy of computers and mobile devices have made cyberbullying the most prevalent type of bullying between teens. The National Crime Prevention Association says more than 50 percent of all American teens have been a victim of cyberbullying. Most instances of bullying go unreported.

With school back in session, I've joined with the Kentucky Center for School Safety and the Kentucky Suicide Prevention Group to urge students, parents and educators to help us fight cyberbullying and cyberharassment.

According to the Kentucky Department of Education, there were more than 6,000 incidents of bullying, felony stalking, harassment or verbal abuse during the 2011-12 school year that resulted in an expulsion, out-of-school suspension or corporal punishment. Research has shown that both victims and perpetrators of bullying, including physical violence, injury and cyberbullying, are at a higher risk for depression and suicide than their peers. The long term effects of bullying of any kind can last well into adulthood.

Online bullying and harassment is an issue my office takes very seriously. After hearing from concerned parents, like Mark Neblett, school officials and community leaders across Kentucky, I crafted cybercrimes legislation to bring our laws up to date with changes in technology. It also created the crime of cyberstalking.

In 2010, I led a nationwide effort to address abusive, harassing and inappropriate comments on the Internet message board website Topix.com. Today, all reports of abuse on Topix are reviewed and removed free of charge and priority is given to abusive comments that involve children.

We continue to work with Topix to ensure that Kentuckians, particularly our kids, are not harmed by harassing and abusive posts. Inappropriate posts that aren't removed from Topix in a timely manner can be reported to topixcomplaints@ag.ky.gov.

To help us fight cyberbullying, please follow these tips.

For Students

- Tell a trusted adult if you have been bullied, cyberbullied or harassed.
- Don't open messages from people you don't know.
- Don't react to the bully or respond to harassing e-mails or posts.

Block the bully from sending you e-mail or posting to your social networking account.

- If you are threatened, inform the police.
- Don't email when you are angry and never post "questionable" pictures of others.

For Parents

- Strongly encourage your child not to respond to cyberbullying.
- Try to identify the individual doing the cyberbullying and do not erase messages and pictures.

Contact your child's school if the cyberbullying is occurring through school.

- Contact police if cyberbullying involves threats of violence, extortion, obscene or harassing phone calls, harassment, stalking or hate crimes.

Monitor your child's online activities and discuss what is appropriate to post online.

- Seek help if your child's grades decline, they lose interest in socializing or show aggression or violence toward others.

For Educators

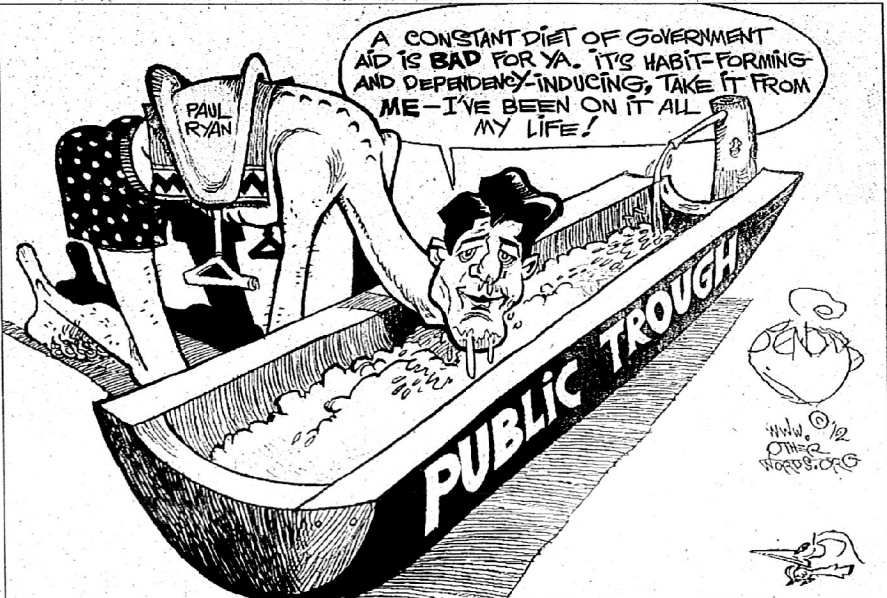
- Educate your students, teachers and staff about cyberbullying and its dangers.
- Make sure your schools' anti-bullying rules and policies address cyberbullying.
- Investigate reports of cyberbullying immediately.
- Monitor students' use of computers at school.
- Notify the police if the known or suspected cyberbullying involves a threat.

For more information on bullying and cyberbullying, please visit the following websites:

- <http://ag.ky.gov/cyberbullying>
- <https://www.kyca.org/cyberbullying.php>
- <http://www.kentuckysuicideprevention.org/>

Although there are often no visible signs of abuse, the wounds associated with cyberbullying and harassment run deep. It has become a life or death issue. But there is a cure.

By recognizing the signs of bullying of any type and taking action, we can stop this insidious problem. Working together, we can ensure a brighter future for all Kentuckians.



Fall a fun time in East Kentucky

With fall quickly approaching, that can only mean one thing in Eastern Kentucky.

It's time for some fun! We imagine we're going to be run ragged over the next few weeks, getting to all of the goings-on. But that's OK, because we're certain we'll be swept up in some of the merriment.

This weekend, the Battle of Middle Creek brings the Civil War back to Eastern Kentucky. And this year, they are combining efforts with the

Kentucky Highland Folk Festival, making the Middle Creek National Battlefield a one-stop-shopping spot for all sorts of entertainment.

But if that's not your cup of tea, you might head over to the Mountain Arts Center this weekend, with the Kentucky Apple Festival in Paintsville the first week, followed by the Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival in Prestonsburg the following week, and finally the annual Second Sunday event the day after that festival draws to a close.

The following weekend brings the annual Red, White and Blue Festival back to Martin, and this year's entertainment line-up promises to make the event an improvement over recent years.

And then we get into October, with the Kentucky Apple Festival in Paintsville the first week, followed by the Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival in Prestonsburg the following week, and finally the annual Second Sunday event the day after that festival draws to a close.

In short, if you can't find something to do over the next month, you're not even trying.

We are fortunate in Floyd County to have so much to offer, both to ourselves and out-of-town guests. And none of it would be possible without the tireless dedication of hundreds of volunteers.

This year, resolve to attend any or all of these events, and show your support for their efforts.

— The Floyd County Times

The Usual Eccentric

Barking up the wrong tree, again

I wish Hallmark made a card that read, "Dear neighbor, my deepest condolences and sincerest apologies for my tree falling and nearly taking out your house — again." No such card exists, sadly.

They do make cards that express, "Dear little brother, I'm terribly sorry for breaking your arm. It was an accident, honest it was." I know that because I've needed to buy a card like that before. Even ones with the sentiment of, "Dear mother, I overfed all the fish in your expensive aquarium and now the toilet is clogged." But they don't manufacture cards regarding situations involving large trees nearly falling on small homesteads, much less one that apologizes for when it happens a second time.

I would kindly recommend that if card makers are interested in the idea — I can attest there is a market for such cards — I would be willing to hand over the rights. On the front it could read, "If a tree falls from my yard into your yard and nobody is around to hear it, does it make a sound?"

Then on the inside, "Unfortunately it does, neighbor, and it's the sound of your insurance deductible slowly rising."

But as I implied, this isn't the first time a tree in my yard decided to uproot itself and commit horticultural suicide, nor is it the first time a tree nearly toppled through my neighbor's abode. The first time occurred during the March primary election in 2008, which is a tad foreboding if you ask me.

Back then one of my large maple trees buckled under the pressure of freezing rain and missed my neighbor's house by only a few feet. Instead, the rotund trunk and large limbs crashed onto my neighbor's driveway, but thankfully she wasn't home at the time so her automobile wasn't as fortunate.

The only bad part was when Mother Nature yelled "Timber!" a few of the limbs snagged my neighbor's power lines and yanked her power supply plum out of her house. I kid you not, this was exactly what happened the second time around, too, when another one of my trees fell into her yard last month. The only silver lining to the storm clouds that caused this mess was the tree spared my neighbor's house and even her small patch of tomato plants.

As terrible as all of this seems, the worst part was I couldn't remember my neighbor's name. I was 87 percent sure her name was Melissa. However when you plan on apologizing to someone all proper like I find it's important to address them by their correct name, and not Marissa, Larissa or Clarissa.

I don't converse well with my neighbor. I have only had one conversation with her before, which transpired the first time one of my rogue trees nearly squashed her home.

According to my insurance company, which ironically is located directly behind my house, I didn't need to file a claim. This particu-

lar instance is something insurance companies conveniently consider an act of God, and as such she would need to file a claim instead of me.

Thank God for acts of God I guess.

By the time Melissa finally got home I ran outside like a lunatic to perform some much-needed damage control. Marissa stared at me like my eyeballs rolled out of my head and my body comically started chasing after them.

Imagine how horrifying that must have been for Larissa. She finally gets home from a romantic weekend with her boyfriend (no clue what his name is) only to find another tree of mine rotting in her yard.

To make matters substantially worse, her crazy-eyed neighbor with a Charlie Manson smile is incoherently babbling nonsense and using a plethora of fancy insurance words like shutting property, acts of God, liability and deductible.

Melissa, which turns out to be her actual name, had every reason to think I was just attempting to con her like a fast-talking swindler, which is usually the case with most people. But I stressed the importance that it was an act of God, and not an act of Will.

Hoping to lighten the mood after a long period of awkward silence I decided to end our second conversation of all time by saying, "Well, I'm going to make like a tree and leave."

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SPORTS



Little leads Raiders past Jenkins 50-36

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

HI HAT — Host South Floyd prevented non-district foe Jenkins from winning its third straight game and remaining undefeated Friday night. The Raiders defeated Jenkins in a shootout, winning 50-36.

South Floyd, which fell to Betsy Layne in a season-opener, evened its record to 1-1. Visiting Jenkins fell to 2-1 after suffering the loss.

As a team, South Floyd rushed for

396 yards. Senior Weston Little led South Floyd on the ground. Little rushed 21 times for 273 yards and five touchdowns, nearly outscoring Jenkins himself.

Blake Dye aided the South Floyd rushing effort, gaining 122 yards and scoring one touchdown via 22 rush attempts.

Jacob Crager completed both of his pass attempts for 30 yards.

Jimmy Helton led South Floyd in receiving, reeling in two catches for 30 yards.

Little, Dye and Helton each had a

two-point conversion for the Raiders. South Floyd rolled early. The Raiders led 44-14 at halftime.

Defensively, Dye returned an interception 69 yards for a South Floyd touchdown.

Blaine Little added a fumble recovery for the South Floyd defensive unit.

South Floyd will remain at home this week, hosting Knott County Central in another non-district game.

Kickoff for the South Floyd-Knott County Central game is set for 7:30 p.m.



Weston Little rushed for 273 yards and five touchdowns Friday night as South Floyd defeated visiting Jenkins.

Piarist upends Jenkins, Knott

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

MARTIN — The Piarist School volleyball team has won back-to-back matches, defeating a pair of squads from the neighboring 14th Region. More on Piarist's back-to-back wins follows.

Piarist 2, Jenkins 1 (16-25, 25-22, 25-11): Piarist upended host Jenkins on Thursday (Aug. 30), edging the Lady Cavaliers 2-1.

Jenkins started strong, pulling away to win the first set 25-16. Piarist won the last two sets 25-22, 25-11, claiming the match in the process.

Tyra Nairn paced Piarist with a match-high 21 kills.

Blair Johnson delivered 32 assists for the Lady Knights.

Piarist 3, Knott County Central 1 (25-20, 20-25, 25-16, 26-24): Visiting Piarist notched its second straight win on Tuesday, besting host Knott County Central 3-1.

Piarist won the first set 25-20. Host Knott County Central fought back to win the second set 25-20. After rolling to a 25-16 victory in the third set, Piarist pulled out a hard-fought win. The Lady Knights edged Knott County Central 26-24 in the final set.

Blair Johnson led Piarist with 32 assists, nine kills and three aces.

Katie Gould added two assists; 13 kills and five aces for the Lady Knights.

Tyra Nairn (one assist, eight kills, three aces), Kelli Akers (five assists, six kills, seven aces), Lexi Peterson (two assists, five kills, two aces) and Lauren Wright (three kills, seven aces) also contributed for Piarist in the winning effort.



Prestonsburg Coach John DeRossett talked with his team during a timeout in the season-opener versus Perry County Central.

Blackcats set to visit rival Belfry

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

BELFRY — Prestonsburg and Belfry both suffered an early-season loss last week. The two long-time football rivals will renew their football series Friday night as Prestonsburg pays a visit to Belfry at CAM Stadium.

The Blackcats are set to play on the road for the second straight week. Prestonsburg is 2-1 following a heart-breaking loss to Lawrence County last week. Lawrence County edged the Blackcats 42-41, scoring on the final play in regulation and adding a successful two-point conversion to clinch the win.

Prestonsburg won each of its first two games in come-from-behind fashion, battling back to beat Perry County Central and Sheldon

Clark at Josh Francis Field/Blackcat Stadium.

First-year quarterback Jarred Jarrell is on pace to pass for 1,000 yards midway through the season. Jarrell has completed 44 of 78 passes for 784 yards and six touchdowns. The Prestonsburg signal-caller has been intercepted only four times in nearly 80 pass attempts.

Jarrell also leads Prestonsburg in rushing. The sophomore has rushed 39 times for 240 yards and seven touchdowns. Prestonsburg junior Grant Anderson has hauled in 19 receptions for 347 yards and two touchdowns. Anderson leads the Blackcats in receiving.

Seniors Bryson Williams and Alex Griffith and freshman Dalton Frasura have also emerged as key

skill players for the Prestonsburg offense.

Defensively, Griffith leads Prestonsburg with a team-best 36 tackles.

Belfry is 1-1 following a loss at home to Henry Clay last week. Henry Clay defeated the Pirates 40-20.

Belfry won its opener on Aug. 24, besting Harrison County 46-14 in the Pike County Bowl.

Running back Trenty Carr and quarterback Sani Warren lead the Belfry offense. Belfry enjoyed an open date in Week 0.

The Pirates pulled away to beat Prestonsburg last season, prevailing 48-30 over the Blackcats.

Kickoff for the latest Prestonsburg-Belfry game is set for 7:30 p.m.

P'burg soccer teams fall to Pikeville

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

PIKEVILLE — The Prestonsburg girls' soccer team had a three-game winning streak halted Tuesday evening as host Pikeville pulled away to win 8-1-0.

With the win, Pikeville improved to 6-3-0. The Lady Panthers won for the third time in four outings.

Prestonsburg slipped to 5-3 after suffering the loss. Jackie Kidd scored Prestonsburg's lone goal. Katie Porter provided the assist on Kidd's goal.

Pikeville held Prestonsburg to a season-low two goals.

Prestonsburg was hosting Lawrence County at press time Thursday evening. The Prestonsburg-Lawrence County contest ended too late to make this edition.

Prestonsburg's remaining regular-season schedule shapes up as follows: Sept. 8 - Sheldon Clark, 2 p.m.; Sept. 11 - at Hazard, 6 p.m.; Sept. 13 - Johnson Central, 6 p.m.; Sept. 17 - at Sheldon Clark, 7 p.m.; Sept. 18 - Paintsville, 6 p.m.; Sept. 20 - Belfry, 8 p.m.; Sept. 25 - at Lawrence County, 6 p.m.; Sept. 27 - Shelby Valley, 8 p.m.; Sept. 29 - Menifee County, 11 a.m.; Oct. 1 - at Belfry, 8 p.m.; Oct. 4 - Hazard, 6 p.m.

Boys' Soccer: Pikeville 8, Prestonsburg 0: In the boys' soccer game, played as part of a doubleheader, Pikeville blanked Prestonsburg 8-0.

With the win, Pikeville improved to 4-1-1.

Prestonsburg dropped to 2-5-0 after sustaining the loss.

15th Region Girls' Soccer Records: Lawrence County (6-0-1), Pikeville (6-3-0), Prestonsburg (5-3-0), Paintsville (4-3-0), Belfry (3-6-0), Johnson Central (2-4-0), Shelby Valley (1-3-0), Sheldon Clark (0-4-0), Pike County Central (0-5-0).

15th Region Boys' Soccer Records: Paintsville (5-1-0), Pikeville (4-1-1), Prestonsburg (2-5-0), Shelby Valley (1-2-0), Belfry (1-3-0), Johnson Central (0-7-0).

Rebels notch conference wins over South Floyd, Betsy Layne

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

EASTERN — After claiming the 15th Region All-A' Championship last week, Allen Central returned to regular-season competition this week, posting a pair of conference wins over familiar foes.

On Tuesday, Allen Central visited South Floyd. The Rebels prevailed, pulling away to win 3-0 (25-19, 25-18, 25-14) inside Raider Arena. Allen Central earned its second conference win of the season.

For Allen Central, Katie Kendrick and Rachel Moore knocked in 12 kills each. Courtney Hodge set up 33 and added eight kills for the Rebels.

Clara Jones and Laken Tackett

added nine and six kills, respectively.

Sarah Grindrod chipped in four kills for the Rebels.

DeShea Elliott led the Allen Central back row defensively, turning in 14 digs. Hodge dug up 12 and added a block-assist. Kendrick added 10 scoops and six blocks for the Rebels.

Allen Central 3, Betsy Layne 1 (25-9, 25-28, 25-20, 26-24) in a nail-biter at Betsy Layne on Wednesday, Allen Central pulled out a hard-fought 3-1 win inside the Dome.

In a blowout first set, Allen Central won 25-9. Betsy Layne, however, bounced back to claim the second set, prevailing 28-26. Allen Central battled back to win 25-20 in the third set. The Rebels hung

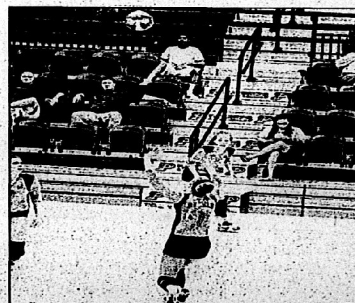
on to win 26-24 in the final set.

Courtney Hodge directed a very balanced Allen Central offense, recording a season-high 37 assists.

Katie Kendrick pounded in 13 kills, Rachel Moore smacked in 12 and Clara Jones added 11 for the Rebels. Kendrick had four service aces and Moore added three for the Allen Central volleyball team.

DeShea Elliott played her best defensive game to date, delivering a season-high 29 digs. Hodge added 16 digs and Moore dug up 15 for the Rebels.

Kendrick earned eight blocks and one block-assist for Allen Central in the victory. Laken Tackett stopped five and Sarah Grindrod knocked down three for the Rebels.



Courtney Hodge (pictured) helped to lead Allen Central to Floyd County Conference/15th District wins over South Floyd and Betsy Layne.

NFHS opposes US Soccer's new 10-month season

Robert B. Gardner
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NFHS

INDIANAPOLIS - Since the High School Athletics Participation Survey was started by the NFHS in 1971, soccer has been the runaway leader on the growth charts. That first survey indicated 78,000 boys and 700 girls played soccer at the high school level. Today, there are about 400,000 boys and 360,000 girls playing the sport at approximately 11,000 high schools.

Forty years ago, soccer was the 10th-most popular high school sport for boys. Today, having passed wrestling, cross country, golf, swimming and tennis, it has moved to No. 5. Only the longstanding entrenched sports of football, track and field, basketball and baseball have a higher

number of participants than soccer.

In addition, there has been an increase in the number of boys participating in high school soccer for 32 consecutive years; however, that streak may come to an end when figures for the 2012-13 season are tabulated because of an unfortunate ruling by U.S. Soccer.

Earlier this year, U.S. Soccer — the sport's governing body in the United States — announced that it was moving to a 10-month season with its U.S. Soccer Development Academy effective with the 2012-13 season. As a result of this action, the approximately 4,000 boys who compete in the 78-team Development Academy will no longer be able to play soccer on their high school teams.

Since 2007 when the Development Academy

was created, boys on these Olympic Development Program (ODP) clubs were able to play on their high school team in the fall — at least in those states that sponsor the sport in the fall — and then join the ODP club after the high school season concluded.

The "club vs. high school" debate has been a longstanding issue with the sport of soccer. The United States is unique among international soccer powers in that the sport has a strong tradition of scholastic participation and exists within an education-based school setting. While we believe this is a positive step, U.S. Soccer is trying to adopt the year-round, sell-yourself-out approach that exists in the majority of countries in the world.

Obviously, we are extremely disappointed with this ruling by U.S. Soccer,

particularly given the fact that our schools have attempted to co-exist. Many NFHS member state associations have enacted specific bylaw provisions to permit ODP participation by high school athletes. There seems to be no spirit of unity or cooperation with this latest move by U.S. Soccer.

In addition, the Amateur Sports Act, which was revised in 1998, imposes on U.S. Soccer and other National Governing Bodies the "duty" to work cooperatively with entities such as state high school associations in order to protect young people and the institutions that serve them.

U.S. Soccer's desire is to prepare players to compete against the best clubs and international teams around the world. It is preposterous, however, to think that having these elite players

for another two to three months is the answer and will close the gap between the United States and soccer powers from other nations.

Jason Pendleton, soccer coach at Blue Valley Southwest High School in Overland Park, Kansas, said it best:

"I understand that the U.S. wants to be the best at everything, but I don't think the reason the national team hasn't flourished is because our kids are playing high school sports. Our best athletes in America still aren't migrating to soccer. ... My concern is that, at the end of the day, it's going to be only about soccer. At the high school level, the focus isn't just on soccer but also the development as a student-athlete and human being."

While the number of boys

involved in these programs is small — approximately 4,000 of 400,000 — it is unfair for these individuals to have to make a choice. But if any of these 4,000 elite players have any hopes or desire to play professional soccer or to be selected for the Olympic team, they are being told that path cannot include playing on their high school team. That is wrong.

This decision affects the other 396,000 boys on high school teams as well. They are made to feel separate and unequal, which seems to be at odds with U.S. Soccer's mission of growing the sport.

We will continue our efforts to persuade U.S. Soccer to reverse this decision so that these 4,000 individuals can continue to enjoy the benefits of education-based interscholastic sports.

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National champions to get rings

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE — The 2012 national champion University of Pikeville women's bowling team will receive their rings in a ceremony at halftime of this weekend's football game.

The Bears will take on Lindsey Wilson College on Saturday at 1:30 at the W.C. Hambley Athletics Complex. The ring ceremony will be held on the field at intermission.

The Bears won the NAlA championship on April 1. Coach Ron Dammron's team won the crown in only the season year the NAlA has held a championship tournament, knocking off Webber International University in the finals.

The championship was the third for the women's bowling program since it was founded in 2001. The first came in 2004 followed by the 2008 title, both won under the aus-



Members of the University of Pikeville women's bowling team that captured a national championship will receive their title rings on Saturday.

pices of the USBC.

With the 2012 title, every bowler who has been a member of the program for four years has won a national championship.

The Bears were led by two-time NAlA women's bowler of the year Kim Yioulos, who was a senior. Then-junior Brandy Hensley was also named first-team All-American.

Later in April, Yioulos

was a first-team All-American selection by the USBC while Hensley was an honorable mention All-American. Dammron was named the national coach of the year for the third time.

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New Big Sandy Singers announced

PRESTONSBURG — Big Sandy Community and Technical College has named the 2012-13 Big Sandy Singers and announced their upcoming performances.

The Big Sandy Singers is the elite, student singing group who are all students at one of the four BSCTC campuses (Pikeville, Prestonsburg, Paintsville, Hager Hill) or on the Morehead Extended Campus at BSCTC. These students are chosen through an extensive audition process and receive scholarships to attend college. The new Singers for the 12-13 year are listed below their photo.

The Singers were founded in the Fall of 2004 by Director Laun Ford Hall and BSCTC President Dr. George Edwards, with help from Provost Dr. Nancy Johnson. Since their inception, the Singers have performed over 500 shows and have brought a "go to college" and "drug free" message to 18,000 elementary and high school students across the eastern Kentucky region with their school shows and Big Sandy Idol programs. They have opened for exciting acts such as The Issacs gospel group, Gold City gospel quartet, Rebecca Lynn Howard, Naomi



The Big Sandy Singers include, front row, from left, Ashley Taylor (Floyd County), Kandoyce Hannah (Johnson County), Cassie Callahan (Johnson County), Rachael Hayes (Floyd County), and Director Laura Ford Hall (Pike County); middle row, Summer Pugh (Pike County) and Sarah Adams (Floyd County); back row, standing, Austin Music (Floyd County), Ryan Shepherd (Magoffin County), Landon Hale (Floyd County) and Charles Mims (Pike County). Not pictured are Assistant Director Clayton Case (Floyd County) and Technical Director and Producer Timothy C. Cooley (Floyd County).

Judd, and more. "I am very excited about this year's group of Singers," said Hall. "We have many new

group members this year, and it is definitely one of, if not 'the' most talented group I have worked with. More than

anything, I am so proud that all of these excellent singers are from right here at home. You will not find better talent

anywhere than what you will find in eastern Kentucky." In addition to Hall, the group is served by Technical Director Timothy Cooley of Prestonsburg and Assistant Director Clayton Case of Betsy Layne.

The group is sponsored by Premiere Sponsor Gearheart Communications. "We are so thankful for the Gearheart family and their company," Hall said. "We are able to grow our program because of their generosity and heartfelt giving." Gearheart Communications is in its 2nd year of Premiere Sponsorship. Hall also thanked Gold Sponsor Jennifer Reynolds State Farm Insurance, who supported the program for the past four years. "We are glad Jennifer Reynolds State Farm decided to continue to help us grow." Please visit our Premiere Sponsor, Gearheart Communications, at gearheart.com and Reynolds State Farm at (606) 432-5230 or jenniferreynoldsinsurance.com.

The Big Sandy Singers sing all over Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Martin, and Magoffin Counties for college, civic, church, and business functions as well as perform at elementary schools and

in the local high schools as they host the Big Sandy Idol shows. The new Singers are already booked for several shows. "We are very excited about our show at The Breaks Park Amphitheater on Oct. 20 at 6:30 p.m. Hall said. "And, our album release is tentatively set for Oct. 25 at the BSCTC Prestonsburg Campus." The Big Sandy Singers will also be having their exciting Halloween Block Party on Cedar Creek in Pikeville on the night of Pikeville City's Trick or Treat. Everyone is invited to visit bigsandy.com to learn more about the Singers' tour."

The Big Sandy Singers are now taking bookings for the 2012-2013 year and are available to sing at business events, community functions, family gatherings or private parties. In addition to their variety show of pop country, and gospel music, the Singers have a Halloween Show, a Dance Show, and a Gospel Show. The Singers also perform for a love-offering to churches and non-profit organizations. To book the Big Sandy Singers, call Hall at (606) 424-2498 or email laura.hall@kctcs.edu.

Movies from the Black Lagoon

Tom Doty
Times Columnist

A family vacation turns into a horror movie, when the clan clashes with a gang of brutal thieves trying to regain the cash they stole from an armored car.

Heist scenes are the coolest way to open a thriller, and this one doesn't disappoint. The film starts with four thieves knocking over the impregnable vehicle. They pull off this nifty feat by having an ace in the hole (actually a fifth thief who is on the company payroll). Turns out they aren't very loyal gang, which they prove by killing their own guy after he helps them get the money.

The robbery doesn't go quietly and the group must hide the money to get out of the state. This they accomplish by hiding their ill-gotten gains amongst the luggage of a family going camping. They pull the switch at a rest stop. That scene should teach families to listen to Dad when he says, "No stops."

The family in question is one in pieces. Dad has just gotten out of jail for a real estate swindle and is desperate to win back everyone's trust. Unfortunately, his older son is halfway through being a teen, so it is an uphill battle before they even get started. It doesn't help matters that the film takes place in the swamps of Louisiana, so everything is drenched in humidity.

The crooks try to run the family off the road to collect their dough. Dad tries to outrun them and winds up getting a ticket that turns into an

arrest when he gets too close to the officer. Seeing as he is on parole, this is a violation. Dad winds up in jail and the family checks into a seedy motel. Mom wakes up to find the gang breaking into her room and barely escapes.

The police get the report and opt to release Dad. That is the last good news the family gets, as the gang soon catches up with them. Luckily, the bad guys are also coming apart at the seams. Half of the group thinks stashing the money with a family was a stupid idea, and the other half are a couple who always vote together.

It all comes down to a battle for survival, as the thieves soon learn that nobody messes with a family that isn't enjoying their vacation. It is a fierce finale that finds Mom picking up an M-16, while Dad gets down and dirty with the gang's leader in a fight so violent a steel cage couldn't contain it.

This film represents a new wave for action flicks. Blockbusters on a budget. Instead of an expensive lead, like Bruce Willis, you get a talented thespian, Jim Caviezel ("Last Temptation of Christ"), who brings his A-game to every scene.

Suspense comes from cool twists instead of overblown action set pieces (no planes blow up or even show up here). It works because of a taut screenplay that allows you to get to know the family along the way and feel connected to their struggles. It is a bold mood that respects the audience for having an atten-

tion span that doesn't need something blowing up every 10 minutes to stay interested.

It all comes courtesy of the "After Dark" film company. They started out by bankrolling low-budget horror flicks but have branched out into action with this movie and four others they put out in July (featuring action icons like Dolph

Lundgren and Jean Claude Van-Damme). If the other films are anything like this one, then we may have new outlet for action flicks and a great place for talented thespians to get a shot at becoming the next action hero. Best line: "Your soccer coach dad stole the money from us." That's adorable. 2012, rated R.

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The Mid-Atlantic Nostalgia Convention featured something for all sorts of fans of yesteryear, including horror buffs.

MANC a step back in time with show stars

Tom Doty
Times Columnist

This year, the Mid-Atlantic Nostalgia Convention, or MANC, celebrated its seventh year with a three-day event at the Hunt Valley Marriott Hotel, outside of Baltimore.

Marylanders who attended the event felt like they were zapped back to the year 1966, when science fiction shows were in vogue with the premieres of Irwin Allen's "The Time Tunnel" and "Tarzan."

Guests were treated to all manner of 1960s fare, with opportunities to pose with the original "Bat-Mobile" or take in films featuring guests of the convention. Guests included stars like Shirley Jones of "North (TV's "Dennis the Menace") and William Sanderson ("Deadwood" and "Blade Runner"). There were also vendors on hand selling DVDs, film posters, books, photos and all manner of curios based on vintage films, television and radio programs.

This year, I got to attend the convention thanks to its coordinator, Martin Grams Jr. Turns out the moderator who was supposed to handle a discussion with the stars of "The Time Tunnel" had to cancel. The panel included guests from the program, James Darren and Robert Colbert, and it couldn't have gone more smoothly than we released it. This was all due to the camaraderie shared by these gentlemen, who became friends when they worked on the show over 40 years ago.

The evening flew by, thanks to insightful questions from the audience which allowed the men to cover a variety of subjects. Colbert proved to be an excellent storyteller with a taste for ribald humor. He recalled many highlights of his career with a wink and a smile, as he made fun of the preposterous plot developments he endured on "The Young and the Restless." He recalled suggesting they put him in a dress when the producers of television's "Maverick" suggested he wear Mr. Garner's wig, while filling in for the actor during a contract dispute.

James Darren also proved



"Gidget" and "The Time Tunnel" star James Darren took time to pose with columnist Tom Doty.

to be a very funny fellow, as he fielded questions about his work on the show and his film career. He had several audience members on the brink of tears as he described why Sandra Dee made for the ideal "Gidget" because of her poise and beauty. His humor also caused some eyes to fill as audience members guffawed over his story about how he got cast as a futuristic lounge lizard on "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine." Apparently, it was all in the designer shoes he purchased for the character. He remarked that the footwear was designed by an eminent Italian stylist who made a mint off his designs, and then confessed that the shoes were hideous but totally worked for the character.

Afterward, Mr. Grams was very kind when he said that my interviewing skills were well liked by several audience members. That just shows you how nice the attendees were. I was nothing but a designated pointer. I simply let people know when they could ask their query by saying, "You, in the red shirt," or "The young lady in the front row has a question." That was basically all I did, and please, please, please, thank you to Mr. Grams, because I can't wait to do it again next year.

This is definitely the event

for people who don't even like conventions. Everyone makes you feel welcome from the moment you arrive and the celebrities are happy to be there. Colbert said it best at the end of our panel, when he turned to the audience and thanked them for still caring about the work they had done so long ago.

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Rental Central

Tom Doty
Times Columnist

A little bit of everything for renters this week, including a cheesy blast from the past that was long overdue on DVD.

"The Five Year Engagement" — The makers of "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" are back with another relationship comedy that is equal parts vulgar and poignant. Jason Segel and Emily Blunt star as a couple who are ready to tie the knot, but not ready for all of the hoop-ah that involves. The best bit involves a multimedia presentation on the old girlfriends of the groom that is shown at the engagement party. There's plenty to laugh at here.

"The Good Wife Season 3" — NBC's hit drama continues to get even better with this season. The story follows a woman who goes back to work as a lawyer after she separates from her cheating husband, who just so happens to be in the public eye. Great writing and lots of subplots make this the best season yet, as Julianna Margulies' character separates from her husband and pursues an affair with the boss of her firm, while her estranged husband (the excellent Chris Noth) went back to work as the State's Attorney while mulling over a chance to run for governor.

"Safe" — Jason Statham brings the pain in his role here as a cage fighter. He finds himself duking the Russian mob when he refuses to lose a match, and that spells tragedy for his personal life as the goons target his lady. Statham responds by rescuing a 10-year-old girl with a gift for numbers, who the mob wants to exploit. Protecting the child gives him a reason to live again, as well as an excuse to pound guys with funny accents into so much jelly.

"Megaforce" — The 1980s rule with this retro action flick that never got a home video release. Hal Needham ("Can-Can" and "Rollercoaster") directs the heck out of this and proves that ex-stuntmen are the go-to guys for authentic action films. The story follows the titular guys who roam the earth beating on bad guys who threaten liberty. They are led by Barry Bostwick (crooking a blonde doo and beard that makes him look like a Bee Gee). The bad guy is Henry Silva (of Koolhaa and the lady is Persis Khambata (that bald lady from "Star Trek: The Motion Picture"). Great fun and so cheesy you should watch it on cracker.

Next week brings a new take on an old fairy tale with "Snow White and the Huntsman."

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Pursuant to Application Number 850-0409 NW In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that, Blackhawk Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 1200, Robinson Creek, Kentucky 41560 has applied for a permit for a surface/auger coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.75 miles South of Printer and is situated in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 440.53 surface acres will underlie 282.47 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 723.00 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.06 miles west from the junction of KY Rt. 122 and Akers Branch Road and located in the vicinity of Akers Branch.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin U. S. G. S. T. D. road and the range map. The operation will use the contour, area and auger methods of surface mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Floyd County Fiscal Court, Buckingham Holdings, LLC, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, David Carl Webb, Claude & Janet Webb, William Dean Bates, Maxie Bates, et al.

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The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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GEORGIA A. ROBINSON,
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Keep those bright Bull's eyes focused on the project at hand. Avoid distractions. There'll be lots of time for fun and games later. Expect to get welcome news this weekend.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You soon might have to decide about mov-

ing a relationship from its current status to another level. Don't let anyone influence your decision. It must be yours and yours alone.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You finally can get off that emotional roller coaster and get back to focusing on your goals without interruptions through the rest of the week. A nice change is due by the weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Trying to make an impression on some people runs into a bit of a snag at first, but it all works out. An old and almost forgotten personal matter once again needs attention.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A rise in your energy level helps you finish an especially demanding task. Take some time now to spend with family and friends before starting a new project.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This is a good time to re-establish contact with trusted former associates who might be able to offer good advice regarding that career change you've been contemplating.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your resourcefulness combined with a calm, cool approach help you work your way out of a knotty situation and avoid a potentially serious misunderstanding.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A calm, quiet period allows you to recharge your energies. But you'll soon be ready to saddle up and gallop off in pursuit of your goals.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Family matters need your attention. Check things out carefully. There still might be unresolved tensions that could hinder your efforts to repair damaged relationships.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a good time to take a stand and show as much passion on your own behalf as you do when arguing for the rights of others. You might be happily surprised by the reaction.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You bring sense and sensitivity to a confusing situation. Things soon settle down, leaving you free to enjoy a weekend of fun and relaxation with friends and family.

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CINEMA 1
2010 OCEANIC AFRICA (PG)
"HOLD OVER"
Mon-Fri (4:30) 7:00, 9:00
Sat-Sun (2:00, 4:00) 7:00, 9:00

CINEMA 2
HOPE SPRINGS (PG-13)
"HOLD OVER"
Mon-Fri (4:30) 7:00, 9:20
Sat-Sun (2:00, 4:20) 7:00, 9:20

CINEMA 3
THE ODD LIFE OF TIMOTHY GREEN (PG)
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Mon-Fri (4:30) 7:00, 9:00
Sat-Sun (2:15, 4:30) 7:00, 9:00

CINEMA 4
THE WORDS (PG-13)
"STARTS FRI. 9/7"
Mon-Fri (4:25) 7:10, 9:25
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CINEMA 5
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY 3 (PG)
"HOLD OVER"
Mon-Fri (4:30) 7:00
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CINEMA 6
THE GAMBLER (R)
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LAWLESS (R)
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CINEMA 9
THE EXPENDABLES 2 (R)
"HOLD OVER"
Mon-Fri (4:30) 7:15, 9:30
Sat-Sun (2:15, 4:30) 7:15, 9:30

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WHERE: Middle Creek National Battlefield, Prestonsburg, KY
WHEN: September 7-9, 2012

FEATURED ACTIVITIES:

Friday:

- 9:00 am - 2:00 pm - School Day
- 4:00 pm - Kentucky Highland Folk Festival Music
- 9:00 pm - Luminary & Remembrance
- 9:15 pm - Cannon Night Fire

Saturday:

- 9:00 am - Camp open to Public
- 12:45 pm - Changing of the Flags
- 1:15 pm - Winds of Appalachia Summer Band
- 2:00 pm - Battle Re-enactment
- 3:00 pm - Kentucky Highland Folk Festival Music
- 7:00 pm - Square Dance
- 9:00 pm - Cannon Night Fire & Ghostwalk

Sunday:

- 9:00 am - Camp open to Public
- 10:00 am - Church Services (Chaplain William McKliven)
- 1:00 pm - Battle Re-enactment

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