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Little Mud child abuse case sent to the grand jury

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County deputy sheriff testified Tuesday that he noted bruising and cigarette burns on a 2-year-old child during a preliminary hearing for Benjamin Ray Kidd. Judge Johnny Ray Harris stated following the testimony that there was sufficient evidence to remand the case over to a Floyd County grand jury. Kidd, 29, of Little Mud, was arrested last week following a

sheriff's investigation into allegations of child abuse. According to Delmas Johnson, a sergeant with the sheriff's department, "We received a phone call asking for a welfare check. The caller advised that a 3-year-old was bleeding from the ear." Johnson testified that the two children in question had been picked up from a birthday party by a Rosalind Hamilton. Johnson said Hamilton decided to give the children a bath once she got home, at which time she noticed several bruises on the

children. According to Johnson, the youngest child had what appeared to be a relatively fresh cigarette burn and another mark that looked like an older burn. Johnson told the court that Rosalind Hamilton informed him that, when she questioned the children about the bruises, the youngest said, "Ben did it." Johnson said when he went to talk to Cynthia Bowman, the mother, she said she left the children with Kidd to go to the grocery and returned to find them bruised. Bowman said Kidd told

her he had left the children inside and that they had begun fighting. Cynthia Bowman, 25, of Printer, and Kidd, 29, were arrested after Bowman's children were taken to the hospital for injuries. A police report filed last week states, "Cynthia is the mother of two children, (names redacted), both children sustained injuries from a possible assault ... the mother neglected to take the children for medical attention." While at the hospital, medical personnel advised investigators

that one of the children had "an old skull fracture that was previously (unintelligible)." Cynthia Bowman was charged with two counts of endangering the welfare of a minor. Kidd has been charged with two counts of second-degree criminal abuse and two counts of endangering the welfare of a minor. Kidd's bond was initially set at \$50,000 cash before being amended to \$25,000. He is currently free on bond. Bowman is scheduled to have a hearing in October.



Charles and Margie Wilson led the Wheelwright Baptist Center for 26 years. After retiring last month, the couple has moved to their native Georgia.

Baptist Center changing hands

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

WHEELWRIGHT — With the retirement of its directors, the Wheelwright Baptist Center is changing hands, but one of the new directors should be a familiar face to residents of the area. Charles and Margie Wilson, who operated the center for 26 years, as part of 32 years of mission work for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, stepped down from their director roles Aug. 31. The couple left the area to return to their native Georgia. With the Wilsons' retirement, KBC decided to sell the center to someone else. The organization formed a committee to consider proposals from interested parties, and ultimately chose to hand the center over to someone who says the Wilsons changed his life. Wheelwright native David Boyd, who is known as "Dabo" to his friends, will return to



David and Stephanie Boyd, with sons Carter and Stephen, are the new directors of the center, which was until recently owned by the Kentucky Baptist Convention. David Boyd is a native of Wheelwright who said Charles Wilson changed his life and became his "spiritual mentor." Wheelwright to operate the center, with his wife, Stephanie. "From the start, we wanted to see the ministry at Wheelwright

sustained," said Paul Chitwood, KBC executive director. "The fact that the Wilsons themselves know the Boyds and have confidence in their ability to continue the work there gives me confidence that we made the right decision." Boyd said he first encountered the center while serving on the Wheelwright city commission 17 years ago. At the time, Boyd was not a Christian and did not view churches favorably. Charles Wilson said. Back then, the city and the center were working together to find accommodations for 150 volunteers from World Servants, who were coming to the area to build and repair homes for needy families. Working alongside the volunteers changed Boyd, Charles Wilson said. "A few months after that, he gave his life to Christ," Wilson said.

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McDowell to hold first Fall Festival

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

McDOWELL — There will be singers and crafts, hot dogs and desserts, when McDowell hosts its first annual Fall Festival this year. The event is set to take place Oct. 13, from 3 to 7 p.m., at the McDowell First Baptist Church Life Center and Yard. The event will be completely free and is completely sponsored by the community and local churches. "This year will have a stage where gospel singers will be performing, followed by a headlining performance by JoLeigh and several preachers from different denominations. Also in the yard, community groups will host the Redneck Olympics and other games and events for children, including two

greasy pigs, pony rides, and hayrides. The Fall Festival will offer free concessions of hot dogs, chips, soft drinks and desserts that will offer both gluten-free and sugar-free choices. The Life Center will provide 30 booths of free games and treat bags at each table. Games are old-fashioned and range from dunking booths to apple bobbing and a duck pond. Also for the children, there will be opportunities for face and pumpkin painting, and a myriad of other activities for young people. For more information about the event visit the festival's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/McDowellCommunityFallFestival.

ABCO hosting free child safety event

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

PRESTONSBURG — A local business is teaming up with a national child safety group to offer parents a little peace of mind. ABCO Security and KlaasKids Foundation will sponsor a "Child Safety Day Print-A-Thon" event Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Families going to ABCO's office, located at 3117 Route 321, in Prestonsburg, will receive a free child-safety kit, including digitized fingerprints, an updated photo, a DNA collection kit developed by the California DNA Laboratory, child safety tips and a nine-point plan on what steps parents can take in

the event a child disappears. The KlaasKids Foundation is a national child safety group created following the 1993 kidnapping and murder of 12-year-old Polly Klaas. The foundation sponsors programs designed to promote awareness and education for parents and children in an effort to protect children from violence. Since 1994, similar "Print-A-Thon" events have fingerprinted and photographed more than 1 million children, at no cost to their families. Marc Klaas, father of Polly Klaas and founder of KlaasKids, will be at ABCO the day of the event.

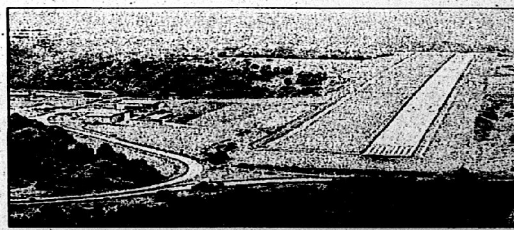
Big Sandy preps for 11th Airport Day

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

DEBORD — Big Sandy Regional Airport is gearing up for its annual Airport Day celebration, offering a variety of activities and plane rides. Airport Day will take place from noon until 6 p.m., Sept. 29, and is designed to promote aviation in the community, airport manager Gary Cox said. Cox said that planes from all over the region would be flying into Big

Sandy. Pilots will be showing off their craft and talking with the public about the joy of flying. As always, those interested in flying in a plane can do so, for a \$15 per person charge. Cox said the airport has a lot to show off this year, following the completion of a remodeling project at the 27-year-old airport. Coal-severance tax funds paid to give the airport a facelift, with a new exterior, furniture, ceiling, lights, floors, doors and bathrooms. "Many people have flown into our

airport and commented about what a nice facility we have," Cox said. "It gives a positive first impression of our communities." The airport was recently awarded federal and state money to rehabilitate its lighting system and runway signage, which Cox said will make it even safer. A car show is planned as part of this year's festivities. Cox said anyone with a vintage car is welcome to enter the show for free. Trophies will be awarded to crowd favorites.



Big Sandy Regional Airport will host its 11th annual Airport Day, Sept. 29.

Obituaries

Alma Ruth Thornsberry

Alma Ruth Thornsberry, 87, of Wheelwright, widow of Sterling Thornsberry, died Sept. 14, 2012, at Hazard ARH.

Born Sept. 14, 1925, to the late Sam and Delia Osborne Moore, she was a homemaker and a member of the Burton Pentecostal Church.

In addition to her parents and husband, Alma was

preceded in death by a son, Tilden Ray Thornsberry; a brother, Archie Moore; two sisters, Hazel Walters and Sadie Hitchcock; and three great grandchildren, Delanie Ward, Craig Posada, and McKinsey Williams.

She is survived by her children, James (Joyce) Thornsberry, of St. Mary's, Ohio, Larry (Sandi) Thornsberry, of Visalia, Calif., Ricky Thornsberry, of Wheelwright, Linda (Coy) Slone, of Hindman, Pauline

(Jim) Slone, of St. Mary's, Ohio, Pam (Bill) Slone, of Hindman, and Carol Thornsberry, of Wheelwright, and a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, Sept. 18, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Buford Hall and Darrell Short officiating. Burial followed in the New-
Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, was in

charge of arrangements. www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Earl Bays

Earl Bays, 63, of Garrett, husband of Verlie Wicker Bays, died Sept. 13, 2012, at the Kings Daughter Medical Center.

Born Jan. 22, 1949, to the late Sammie and Dora Miller Bays Jr., he was a factory worker for Associated Milk Producers, in Indiana. He was preceded in

death by a brother, Frank Bays.

He is survived by a son, Earl W. Bays, of Garrett; two daughters, Tabitha Bays Parsons, of Russellville, Tenn., and Critina G. Bays, of Lexington; three brothers, Carl R. Bays, of Akron, Ind., Keith Bays, of Piercetown, Ind., and Kenneth Bays, of Akron, Ind.; two sisters, Alice Surface, of Akron, Ind., and Karla Lee; and two grandchildren, Alexis LeAnn Par-

sons and Andrew Tyler Parsons.

Services will be held at noon, Wednesday, Sept. 19, at the Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jimmy Brown and Van West officiating. Burial will follow in Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements. www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Center

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Boyd called Wilson his "spiritual mentor" and began working with him to start a Youth Fellowship Center in 1998.

Stephanie Boyd is an area director for World Servants Appalachian Initiative who first went to Wheelwright during a mission trip as a teenager. "I fell in love with the community and the people," Stephanie Boyd said. "I started crying when we were driving away."

As part of the change in ownership, the Appalachian headquarters of World Servants will be located in the Wheelwright Baptist Center.

The Wilsons are expected to relocate to Wheelwright with their two sons, Stephen and Carter, later this month.

Eric Allen, a missions growth team leader with KBC, said during a recent farewell reception for the

Wilsons that the couple would be missed.

"One of these days, when you get to heaven, there will be a lot of people thanking you for what you've done," Allen told the couple. "You have given your lives to the people of Floyd County. You have listened to them and cried with them. You will be missed."

One of the people the Wilsons helped was Jeff Craft, a California native who moved to Wheelwright nine years ago. Craft admits that when he first arrived in Wheelwright, he was willing to get in a fight "at the drop of a hat." Now, he says, he is living a Christian life, thanks to the Wilsons' guidance.

"With their help, I became a more patient person," Craft said. "I have learned to be content, whether rich or poor, hungry or full."

PIKEVILLE - A Michigan doctor and two of his patients, suspected of operating a pill distribution ring to Eastern Kentucky, were arrested by federal Drug Enforcement Administration officials last week.

Dr. Anthony Choe, 45, of Chelsea, Michigan, was arrested at his office Wednesday, September 5, on a federal indictment warning charging him with conspiracy to distribute Oxycodone.

Two of Choe's patients - 47-year-old Clarence D. Bentley and his wife, 46-year-old Kelly Bentley, both from Albion, Michigan - were each arrested at their home Thursday, September 6, on the same charge.

The Bentleys, along with approximately four other individuals who have not been identified by authorities, are believed to have delivered thousands of

Oxycodone pills to dealers in Pike County, Kentucky, over the past two years, according to Dan Smoot, vice president/director of law enforcement for Operation UNITE.

Operation UNITE (Unlawful Narcotics Investigations, Treatment and Education) has worked with the DEA throughout the investigation.

"Dr. Choe was the primary point of distribution for these pills," Smoot noted. "He would write prescriptions for large quantities of Oxycodone. After being filed, the pills were brought to Pike County where they ultimately made their way to the users."

Several of the Kentucky dealers have been arrested over the course of the investigation, which began as street-level cases by Operation UNITE.

A single 30mg Oxycodone pill has a street value of approximately \$50, according to Smoot.

Both Chelsea and Albion are located west of Detroit along I-94.

Sealed indictments for the three individuals were issued by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky on August 23.

Kentucky DEA officials from the London Field Office, along with officers from Operation UNITE, the Albion Department of Public Safety, Michigan DEA and the Internal Revenue Service's Criminal Investigations Division participated in the arrests. Law enforcement officials also executed federal search warrants at Choe's family practice in Chelsea and at his home on Wednesday. Federal authorities confirmed that "records and

drug evidence" were seized as part of their on-going investigation.

Choe has made his initial appearance in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan in Detroit, and the Bentleys have made their initial appearance in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan in Grand Rapids.

All three are currently free on bond and will be required to make further court appearances at U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky in Pikeville.

The Laurel County Sheriff's Office also participated in the investigation.

For more information about Operation UNITE visit their website at www.operationunite.org.

3 charged for running pill distribution ring

Delays possible as paving project begins

JACKSON - Delays will be possible on the Bert C. Corb Mountain Parkway in eastern Powell County and western Wolfe County, beginning Monday, Sept. 10, as a paving project gets underway.

Contractor crews will be resurfacing a short stretch of the

Mountain Parkway on Slade Hill in Powell County, and another short stretch in the area of the "55 mph curve" at the Route 15 underpass near mile marker 38 in Wolfe County.

A high-friction, skid-resistant pavement will be applied to the highway as part of a safety project intended to reduce the number of traffic accidents in

these locations. New warning signage will also be installed in both locations in a further effort to improve safety.

During the work, one lane of the parkway will be closed in each direction. Motorists may encounter traffic slowdowns or delays in this area, and should be alert for workers and flaggers, as well as trucks and equipment

entering and leaving the highway. They should also watch for changing traffic patterns when work shifts from one lane to another.

The project is expected to take approximately one week to complete. Equipment breakdowns or inclement weather may lengthen the construction period.

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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: fctimes@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.

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.

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 shelterhouse, with the ride 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 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.

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.

Revival
Upper Salt Lick United Baptist Church will hold a revival Oct. 12, 13 and 14, at 5 p.m. nightly, with Evangelist Ole Smith. For more information, call (606) 785-2976.

Prestonsburg High School Majorette Alumni
Prestonsburg High School Majorette Alumni meet at 1 p.m., the second Saturday of each month, at the First Unit

ed Methodist Church gymnasium, in Prestonsburg. Please note the following dates and times of meetings/practices in preparation for the upcoming Jenny Wiley Festival Parade:
• Sunday, Sept. 23 at PHS at 3 p.m.
• Tuesdays - Sept. 18 and 25 at PHS at 6:30 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) 226-2565.

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.
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Communities Against Drug Addiction
Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets at noon the third Tuesday of each month, in the third floor conference room of the Floyd County Health Department. Lunch is provided.
For more information, contact Mike Vance at (606) 226-2075, Leslie Howell at (606) 263-4370 or (606) 339-7358, or Carol Jo May at (606) 226-2565.

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 job-based service program designed to help reduce recidivism and promote positive growth by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. M2C is looking for local men who are motivated to make a difference in the life of an individual while having a positive impact on the community.
If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a mentor, contact mentor coordinator Joshua Kinzer, (606) 886-4439, (606) 339-8878, or Jkinzer@MtComp.org.

Veterans service officer
VFW Post 5839 in Lancer will have a service officer available every Wednesday from noon until 4 p.m. Some services offered will be initial claim filing, upgrades, appeals, permanent and total claims and others.
Contact (606) 886-9428 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 Cham, eastkyautismawareness@gmail.com

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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 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.
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Need help with addiction?
Lifetime of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:
Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.
Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.
Mondays, family support group, for families that have been hurt by addiction, McDowell First Baptist Church, 7 p.m.
Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.
Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
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Roger Hancock, 65, of Pocatello, Idaho, formerly of Floyd County, Passed from this life on September 1st, 2012, at his residence in Pocatello Idaho.
Roger was born December 17, 1946. He was the son of the late Oscar and Druvie Hancock, of Printer, Ky. He was the former husband of Joy Hall, of Pocatello, Idaho.
He was preceded in death by one son, Roger Andrew Hancock. He is survived by a son, Robert Hancock (Erin) and on granddaughter, Emma Hancock, of Pocatello, Idaho. He is also survived by 4 brothers and 3 sisters, all of Floyd County. They include Oscar Jr. (Barbara) Hancock, Michael (Rita) Hancock, Larry (Vonetta) Hancock, Ricky (Connie) Hancock, Shirley (Ocie) Wallen, Brenda (John) Meade, and Sherry (Tommy) Shelton. He was also preceded in death by one brother, James Andrew Hancock. Roger also left surviving him a number of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.
Roger was a graduate of Minnie High School and attended Alice Lloyd College. Roger served in the United States Air Force for 10 years. He was a member of the Church of Christ in Pocatello, Idaho.
The family would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to friends and loved ones who helped comfort us during this time of sorrow. A special thanks to the Springfield Church in Printer, Ky., who held the memorial service this past Saturday.

Viewpoint

Worth Repeating...

A liberal is a man who is right most of the time, but he's right too soon.

— Gregory Nunn

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Our View

Coal jobs will not cure region's ills

Despite more jobs after 2020, long-term trends will force mining wages down

Despite a report this week projecting growth in coal mining jobs a decade from now, long-term trends in the coal industry will push miner salaries down and make the need to diversify Appalachia's economy beyond coal greater than ever.

The West Virginia Center on Budget and Policy released a report last week showing that projected declines in productivity will lead to more mining jobs after 2020. However, looking at the big picture, this is not the good news it appears to be at first glance.

First, getting to the point where coal jobs begin to rebound will be difficult. While the report projects 10,000 more mining jobs across Central Appalachia by 2035, it also estimates the industry will first lose 10,000 jobs by 2020. Employment is not expected to return to 2010 levels until sometime after 2025.

Second, we can expect other factors in the coal market to exert downward pressure on mine wages.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration projects Central Appalachian coal production to fall an average of 3.9 percent per year, between 2010 and 2035. Another report by the Center on Budget and Policy says this is due primarily to "exhaustion of thicker, more easy to mine, coal seams."

A report on long-term energy trends by Exxon-Mobil predicts that global demand for coal will peak in 2025 and then begin to fall, "as improved efficiency couples with a shift to less carbon-intensive energies, particularly in electricity generation." The report estimates demand for coal will fall 10 percent by 2040, with natural gas overtaking coal as the number-two energy fuel, behind oil.

It is easy to see what effect these factors will have on wages. With the world requiring less coal, and coal companies requiring more miners to get it, wages will have to go down. "The rate of growth in real compensation rises and falls with the rate [of] productivity growth," Brian W. Cashell, of the Congressional Research Service, wrote in a 2004 report for the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations.

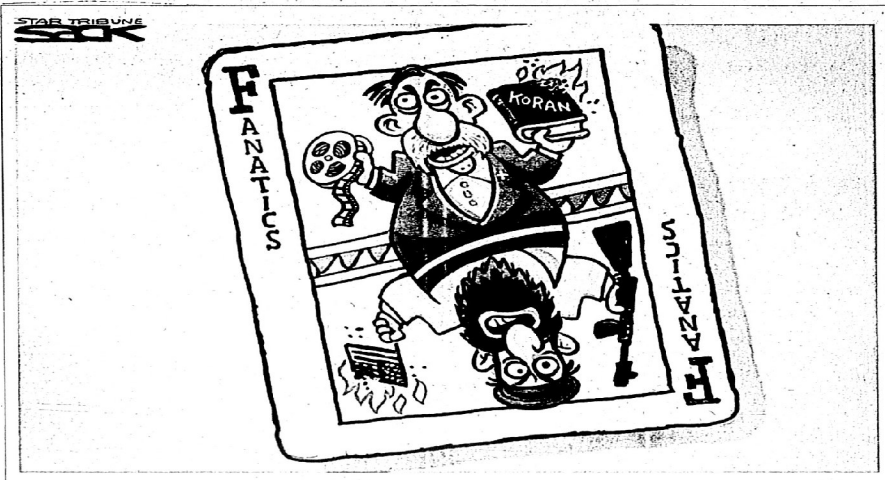
In his report, Cashell writes that economists can expect higher profits from increased worker productivity to go into three areas: to workers, in the form of higher wages; to consumers, in the form of lower prices; and to the companies, in the form of higher profits. However, since the coal industry is anticipating declining productivity, we must assume miner wages will go down, as falling demand forces coal prices to remain low and as companies seek to maintain profitability.

The math of this scenario is not good. If wages were to fall at a rate precisely matching the fall in productivity, a coal miner in 2035 could expect to make \$1 for every \$3 a miner makes today. And that does not take into account the impact falling demand will have on prices.

The message these projections send to Appalachia is clear: The days of relying on coal to fuel the region's economic engine are over. Mine jobs will produce diminishing returns for the region's economy, making new jobs in new industries an immediate need.

Federal, state, county and city leaders all across the Central Appalachian region must take steps now to produce the jobs of tomorrow. That means finishing infrastructural improvements to make the region attractive to new industry, giving entrepreneurs assistance in creating new businesses, and investing in education to equip the next generation with the skills they will need to build post-coal prosperity.

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A Legislative Perspective

Rep. Greg Stumbo
Speaker of the House

For most of us, nearly a generation has passed since the internet began making inroads into our lives.

Like the spread of most utilities, it took time before it began feeling commonplace. In 1995, for example, just 14 percent of adults nationally were online, but since then, the trend has largely flipped. Now, only about a fifth say they don't use email, click on a webpage or post something on social media.

While that may always be the case for some, the truth is that the internet has joined water, sewer, electricity and good roads on the list of basic necessities a community needs to thrive, especially when it comes to education and the economy.

Because of that, there has been a renewed effort in recent years to spread the fast-speed services that people need to fully use all the internet has to offer. Congress gave this broadband initiative a major boost in 2009 by budgeting about \$7 billion.

Kentucky received a larger share than most, but that was in part because there is a considerable amount of need. The U.S. Dept. of Commerce estimates that more than 40 percent of our households do not have broadband access.

This digital divide is making it

tougher for many of our communities to grow. A 2011 survey commissioned by the Commonwealth Office of Broadband Outreach and Development found that two-thirds of Kentuckians said that not having fast-speed internet would have a negative impact on their lives, and more than a fourth said they would likely move if it were unavailable. Our community, of course, has been very forward-thinking in this regard.

As we work to improve these numbers statewide, there is one area online where Kentucky is doing quite well: government transparency.

Earlier this year, Kentucky's state government website tied with Texas for the highest score when measuring the amount of information that can be obtained on the internet. Through Kentucky.gov, citizens can learn more about services available to them or how various agencies do their day-to-day job, and companies can get the information they need from the state through the "one-stop shopping" online portal that the General Assembly authorized last year.

Incidentally, the legislature's website can also be found there, though if you would like to visit it directly, go to www.lrc.ky.gov. It offers such things as the full text of bills during legislative sessions and information on committee meetings throughout the year.

Just as state government puts a considerable amount of public information on the internet, many local governments are doing the same. A legislative study last year found that our 14 largest cities have a presence online, and the figure for those communities with at least 8,000 citizens is more than 90 percent. Meanwhile, about 70 percent of our counties have information online, including all but two that have at least 50,000 people.

In a related area, the state's auditor is working on compiling a comprehensive list of special districts, which cover such quasi-government agencies as utilities, libraries, fire departments and airport boards. No one knows just how many there are, but there are estimated to be between 1,300 and 1,800. Combined they collect as much as \$1.5 billion in taxes and fees each year, which underscores the need to get a clearer picture of all that they do. We'll know more when the auditor's office publishes its findings later this year.

For those of us who remember life before the internet, it can still be a little bit amazing to think about how much information is now available at our fingertips. As far as we have come since the early 1990s, one can only imagine what the next decade or two will bring.

House Week In Review

Rep. Hubert Collins

A decrease in the state's coal severance tax revenues this fiscal year will likely require prioritization of severance projects funded in the 2013-2014 state budget, a state legislative committee heard early this month.

The state's single county coal project fund will feel the biggest impact, according to DLG Commissioner Tony Wilder whose agency administers coal severance project funds for Kentucky's single and multi county coal projects. Wilder said 27 of the 35 coal counties eligible for coal severance project funding will be short the money needed to fund single county coal projects approved for their county in the current state budget.

"It's going to be an exercise in prioritizing," Wilder told the committee.

Projected coal severance tax revenues for fiscal year 2013 are expected to be reduced by \$88.3 million due to a slowdown in Kentucky's coal markets, state budget

and other officials told the Interim Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Environment. That will impact resources available for single and multi county coal projects. "Severance projects valued at \$20.7 million and \$10.3 million respectively," said Deputy State Budget Director John Hicks.

While the total amount of approved single county coal projects for fiscal year 2013 is \$64.3 million, state officials said funding available to the projects would be affected by new fiscal projections indicating resources will be \$20.7 million less than the \$79.3 million in single county resources enacted by the 2012 Kentucky General Assembly.

As for multi-county project funds, Hicks said there is an estimated \$23.1 million available in fiscal year 2013 for those projects and around \$22 million obligated. "So we'll watch that very closely," he told lawmakers.

Lawmakers expressed concern about the difference between funding that was allocated for the projects and the new projections.

Some asked state budget officials to explain why the official revenue estimates on which the 2013-2014 biennial budget was based were inaccurate.

"We want to answer the big question: How were the numbers so wrong?" said committee co-chair Sen. Brandon Smith, R-Hazard. "We thought we had this money coming in, and we didn't."

Greg Harkenrider with the State Budget Office said four of the past five years have logged "all-time records" for coal severance tax revenue in Kentucky. But the revenue forecast logged in Dec. 2011 by the state's revenue forecasting panel, the Consensus Forecasting Group, for coal severance tax receipts did not hold after a strong first half of fiscal year 2012, he said.

Harkenrider said while state officials knew the revenue trend "had to flatten," they are hoping that coal prices inch up soon.

I will have more to share with you next week. Enjoy this beautiful fall weather.

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Zombie 5K scheduled Roadway Fall Sweep in action

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PAINTSVILLE — The creeps come out in Johnson County this October, when the Salvation Army hosts the Zombie 5k run/walk at Paintsville Lake. This is one race where your legs giving out are the least of your problems. "Run For Your Lives" is a first-of-its-kind event — one part 5K and one part escape the clutches of zombies.

The race will be held Oct. 13, at Paintsville Lake State Park, on the Kiwanis Trail and at the Mountain Homeplace "In the Pines" Amphitheater.

At the end of the adventure race, registrants will celebrate their survival (or zombie transformation) at the "Post-Apocalyptic" Party with live music, food and more.

Registration begins at 3 p.m. and the race will start at 4 p.m. Registration is \$25

per runner or \$15 per walking dead. Admission to the after-party is included in the registration fee. Awards will be given at the end of the race. After Oct. 1, registration will be an additional \$5.

Those wanting to skip the race and make their way to the after party can get a party pass for \$5 per person.

All proceeds from this event benefit the Salvation Army of Johnson County.

FRANKFORT — Volunteers will be out in force this week to "fall sweep" Kentucky highways.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has designated Sept. 16-22 as Adopt-a-Highway Fall Sweep Week.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet appreciates the efforts of our Adopt-a-Highway volunteers, who help keep our highways and communities beautiful and litter-free," Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock said.

More than 800 groups now participate in Kentucky's Adopt-a-Highway program, which the cabinet established in 1988. Volunteers clean approximately 5,100 miles of roadside annually, setting an example of responsible environmental stewardship.

By reducing litter, the Adopt-a-Highway program promotes public environmental awareness and makes it easier to promote tourism. The program also creates a partnership between citizens, community and government, and establishes a sense of pride in our Bluegrass State. The Transportation Cabinet salutes all participants and thanks them for their tireless efforts.

How can you contribute to your community, make a difference, send a message and educate others — all while having fun with friends and family? Join Kentucky's Adopt-a-Highway Program. By taking personal responsibility for one of our area roadways, you will be setting an example for your community.

The environment is everyone's responsibility. Adopt-a-Highway provides the opportunity to be a part of the solution. Each year, the KYTC spends about \$5 million and 200,000 worker hours to remove 96,000 bags of litter from Kentucky roadways. As an Adopt-a-Highway volunteer, you will save thousands in taxpayer dollars and demonstrate to others that a clean environment is important.

Any permanently established business, association, community or public organization, or government entity can adopt a stretch of highway. A wide range of groups throughout Kentucky now participate, including home-maker clubs, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, high school organizations, service clubs, veterans, college fraternities and sororities, sports teams and church groups, among others.

Volunteers adopt two-mile

sections of highway under a two-year, renewable contract with the Transportation Cabinet.

Adopt-a-Highway coordinators can explain the fundamentals of the program to volunteer groups, work with group members in locating an available highway, and keep them notified of news and upcoming events.

Litter pickups are held at least four times per year or as many times as necessary to keep the area reasonably litter-free. The Cabinet coordinates three annual clean-up efforts throughout the year.

Groups interested in becoming members of the Adopt-a-Highway Program can find details and district coordinator information

at <http://adopt-a-highway.ky.gov/>. Safety guidelines are provided to volunteers and should be reviewed prior to each cleanup.

Your Adopt-a-Highway coordinator will help you get in touch with your county's maintenance crew superintendent to arrange warning sign placement on the date of your pickup. Trash bags and safety vests can be obtained at each state maintenance facility, and litter-bag removal is provided by the state highway crews.

For more information, visit <http://adopt-a-highway.ky.gov/>. For questions or comments, contact Miranda Thacker, 502-564-3419, or e-mail Miranda.Thacker@ky.gov.

Homecoming planned for PCC, Mayo and BSCTC

PRESTONSBURG — Since 2010, when Big Sandy Community and Technical College began developing its alumni association, the college has hosted two homecomings on its Prestonsburg campus.

These alumni gatherings give past employees and former students of Prestonsburg Community College, Mayo, and BSCTC an opportunity to gather on the Prestonsburg campus to "catch up" on what has been happening in their personal and professional lives as well as to reminisce about "days gone by."

The college is encouraging all alumni of

any of the three colleges to participate in the third annual homecoming, Sept. 21, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on BSCTC's Prestonsburg campus, near the Gazebo.

Not an alumni member yet? If you completed a minimum of three credit hours at Prestonsburg Community College, Mayo or BSCTC, you can sign up today.

For additional information about the homecoming and/or membership, please call (606) 885-7391 or (606) 889-4729, email BigSandyAlumni@kctcs.edu or visit our "Alumni" page on the BSCTC website: <http://www.bigsandy.kctcs.edu>.

Hindman Settlement School names new executive director

HINDMAN — The board of directors of Hindman Settlement School has announced the selection of Brent D. Hutchinson as the school's new executive director. He succeeds the late Mike Mullins, who served in that capacity for 34 years. Hutchinson will formally begin his duties in mid-October.

"We are honored that Brent was drawn to serve and to continue to build on the legacy that is Hindman Settlement School. We believe he has the vision, passion, integrity and skill to lead us forward as we start a new chapter for our school," says Glenn D. Leverage, chair of Hindman Settlement School's board of directors.

For the past seven years, Hutchinson has served as Lead Pastor for Ministry Leadership at Rolling Hills Community Church in Franklin, Tennessee. Prior to that, he served as an events coordinator for LifeWay Christian Resources, which included curriculum development and training as well as designing and coordinating programs. Hutchinson's professional life has been devoted to helping people develop to their full potential through educational, institutional and community settings. He has worked primarily in the nonprofit sector and has strong administrative skills, as well as experience leading and developing staffs, executing strategic vision, and building networks.



Brent D. Hutchinson

Hutchinson grew up in Lawrence County, where his family has lived for generations. His wife of 17 years, Gwen, has family deeply rooted in southern Floyd County. They have two boys, Adam (9) and Miles (4). Hutchinson has an MS in Family Studies from the University of Kentucky and a BA in Social Science from Morehead State University. He is currently pursuing a PhD in Leadership Studies at Dallas Baptist University, with an emphasis on servant, public and cultural leadership. As a volunteer, he has worked with the Living Hope Community Center in Cape Town South Africa to lead aid teams in working with families suffering from poverty, lack of education, unemployment and HIV.

"I am excited and inspired by the vital role that Hindman Settlement School plays in bringing together people and orga-

nizations to address educational needs and to honor the rich cultural heritage of Eastern Kentucky and the Appalachian region. There has never been a more important time to exercise our collective creativity to ensure that Eastern Kentuckians have the opportunity to determine their own destiny," says Hutchinson.

Hindman Settlement School recently celebrated its 110th year. Its mission is to provide education and service opportunities for people of the mountains, while keeping them mindful of their heritage. The Settlement School offers education and service programs that address critical needs of the region's youth and adults, promote cultural awareness and build upon Appalachia's rich cultural heritage. For more information, visit www.HindmanSettlement.org.

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Pet of the Week

This week's celebrity is Ina Lawson, a shelter intern who is planning on becoming a vet in Floyd county. She is currently a student at Prestonsburg High School. Ina is posing with "BILLY", a female Jack Russell mix who is approximately one year old.

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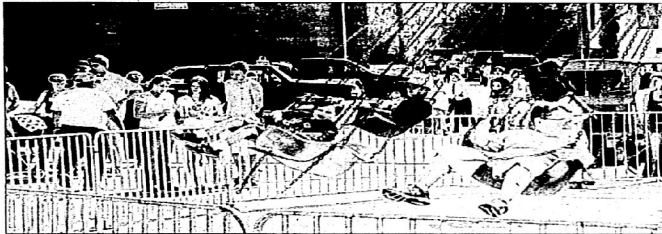
Scenes from the Red, White and Blue Festival



Sunny skies and mild temperatures brought out a large crowd for the parade. Photos by Ralph B. Davis | Floyd County Times



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Grace Note performed a selection of gospel songs after the parade.

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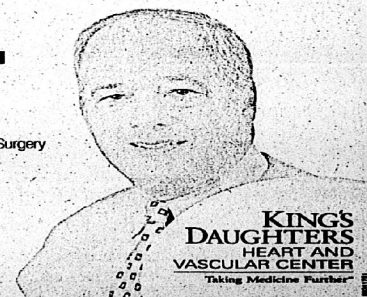
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Jarrell, Williams set state records in P'burg's win

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg sophomore Jarrell Jarrell and senior Bryson Williams carved their names into the Kentucky high school football record books Friday night in the first of two home games this season versus Pike County Central. Jarrell, a first-year starter at quarterback, completed 18-of-27 passes for 676 yards and nine touchdowns. Jarrell's aerial effort made him the state's single-game leader for passing yardage. Williams hauled in eight receptions for 357 receiving yards and five touchdowns, becoming the

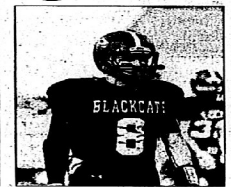
state's single-game receiving leader as the Blackcats defeated Pike County Central 83-49 at Josh Francis Field/Blackcat Stadium. Jarrell's nine touchdown passes set a new Prestonsburg record and tied the state record. The Prestonsburg quarterback had passed for over 950 yards in his first four games. Junior Grant Anderson grabbed five catches for 206 yards and four touchdowns in Prestonsburg's record-filled victory. The Blackcats had 850 yards of total offense. Prestonsburg kicker Jon

Stidham was 11-for-11 on extra points, tying for second most in a game in state history. Prestonsburg led Pike County Central 28-13 at the end of the opening quarter and carried a 49-35 lead into halftime. Host Prestonsburg (3-2) extended its lead in the third quarter, adding two more touchdowns to lead 63-35 heading into the final period. The non-district high school football game was a shootout. Pike County Central quarterback Mac Justice completed 26-of-35 passes for 492 yards. Brad Elkins led Pike Cen-

tral in receiving. Elkins reeled in six receptions for 189 yards and one touchdown. Wes Pugh pulled in six catches for 136 yards and one touchdown for Pike Central in the setback. Jarrell broke a newly-established state record. Nelson County senior quarterback Dylan Beasley became the state's single-game passing leader on Aug. 31 when he completed 40-of-43 passes for 652 yards and eight touchdowns in a game versus Marion County. Williams became the state's leading single-game receiver, moving ahead of Patrick West of Franklin-



Jarrell Jarrell



Bryson Williams

Simpson who had 325 yards receiving in a game against Allen County-Scottsville in 2002.

Prestonsburg will host Pike Central in a regular-season finale on Oct. 26 at Josh Francis Field/Blackcat Stadium.

Bobcats blank Knott County Central

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

HINDMAN — Betsy Layne registered its third straight win Friday night, defeating host Knott County Central 33-0 in a game that featured a record-setting performance from a Bobcat defender.

Betsy Layne moved to 3-1 after posting the win. Knott County Central remained winless, slipping to 0-4.

Junior quarterback Dylan Hamilton led the balanced Betsy Layne offense. Hamilton completed 11-of-25 passes for 184 yards and two touchdowns.

Peyton Case was Hamilton's go-to receiver, reeling in seven catches for 156 yards and one touchdown.

Blake Spencer added two receptions for 28 yards and one touchdown in the winning effort.

Houston Hall led Betsy Layne on the ground, rushing 14 times for 61 yards. Josh Salisbury followed, adding 58 yards via 12 carries.

Tony Dirico and Preston Thacker rushed for one touchdown apiece in Betsy Layne's shutout win.

Durtin Rogers led the Betsy Layne defense. Rogers recorded four interceptions, setting a new school record. The productive Rogers returned the four picks for 160 yards and two touchdowns.

Spencer ranked as Betsy Layne's leading tackler, totaling 16 tackles. Hall added 15 tackles for the Bobcats.

Blake Boudle registered nine tackles and Dirico contributed eight stops for Betsy Layne in the victory.

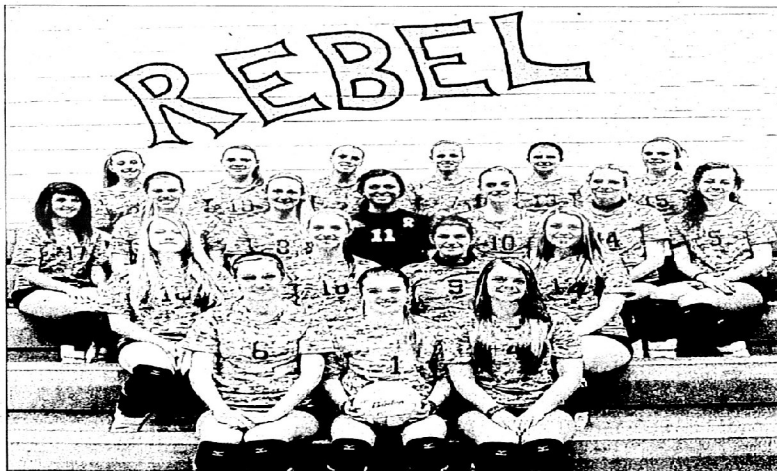
The Bobcats, who haven't lost since falling to Bracken County in a season-opener, limited the Knott County Central offense throughout the game.

Betsy Layne will visit Prestonsburg later in the week for its first Class 2A, District 8 game. Prestonsburg defeated non-district foe Pike County Central 83-49 Friday night.

High School Football Scoreboard
Results from Friday, Sept. 14

- Bath County 49, Estill County 28
- Belfry 48, Pikeville 0
- Betsy Layne 33, Knott County Central 0
- Bourbon County 51, Harrison County 8
- Breathitt County 24, Somerset 13
- Corbin 35, South Laurel 14
- Danville 31, Southwestern 7
- Fairview 69, Casey County 29
- Fleming County 35, East Carter 14
- Harlan 53, Lynn Camp 7
- Harlan County 36, Lee, Va. 6
- Hurley, Va. 22, East Ridge 14
- Ironton, Ohio 27, Ashland Blazer 17

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Allen Central hosted South Floyd in a Wounded Warrior Support Match on Thursday evening at J.E. Campbell Arena.

Rebels defeat South Floyd in Wounded Warrior support match

Steve Lemaster
Sports Editor

EASTERN — The Allen Central volleyball team swept visiting South Floyd 3-0 (25-21, 25-15, 25-11) on Thursday to win the Wounded Warrior Support Match and remain undefeated in the Floyd County Conference and 58th District. Allen

Central, fresh off an appearance in the All "A" Classic, improved to 20-3 overall. Ciara Jones led the Rebels with 15 kills on .667 hitting. Katie Kendrick had 10 kills on .538 hitting and eight blocks. Courtney Hodge dished out 33 assists to complement her three put-downs and four service aces in Allen Central's vic-

tory. Laken Tackett chipped in six kills and three blocks for the Rebels. Libero DeShea Elliott led an outstanding Rebel defensive effort with a career-high 27 digs. She also displayed some offensive prowess, earning four service aces and registering a kill. Kendrick earned 11 digs and Hodge registered nine scoops.

Hodge named MaxPreps Player of the Week

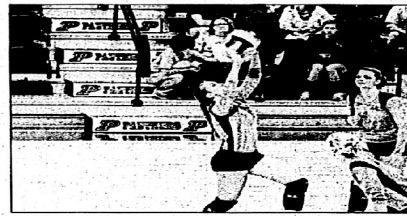
Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

EASTERN — Allen Central senior setter/right side Courtney Hodge has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Kentucky High School Player of the Week for the week of Sept. 10-16. Hodge delivered 42 assists for Allen Central during the week. The senior averaged 10.5 assists per match.

Hodge helped Allen Central to wins over Piatt School, South Floyd and Trimble County during the award-winning week.

Allen Central competed in the All "A" Classic on Saturday. The Rebels notched a win over Trimble County during the small-school state tournament.

Last week, South Floyd standout Joslyn Isaac claimed the MaxPreps Kentucky weekly award.



Courtney Hodge, pictured delivering a set, claimed the MaxPreps Kentucky Player of the Week award for the week of Sept. 10-16.

Kristany Setser is a member of UK dance team

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

LEXINGTON — Prestonsburg High School graduate Kristany Setser (Class of 2012) is a member of the University of Kentucky dance team. The former Prestonsburg Dance Cat has already performed at multiple UK football home games.

Setser, 18, was a member of the PHS Dance Cats for four years. She performed with Dance Etc. for 14 years. The Floyd County product danced for Deedra Brown as a member of the Dance Cats.

At Dance Etc., Setser studied and performed under the guidance of Jody Shepherd. Setser is the daughter of Pee Wee and Mary Setser of East Point.



Prestonsburg High School graduate Kristany Setser is a member of the University of Kentucky Dance Team.

Bears turn back U.Va.-Wise, ends losing streak

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE — The University of Pikeville ended a six-game losing streak against the U.Va.-Wise with a 38-20 win on Saturday night at the W.C. Hambley Athletics Complex.

UPIKE 3-1, 1-0 in the Mid-South Conference East Division) hadn't beat its closest geographic rival since a 27-31-20 win during the 2005 season. They forced six U.Va.-Wise turnovers and, after giving up 22 fourth-quarter points in a loss last Saturday, outscored their guests 14-0 in the final period.

U.Va.-Wise (1-3, 0-1) lost its third straight game. Pikeville got two scoring runs and a fumble recovery from senior tailback Zeke White, while senior quarterback Trevor Hoskins was 15-of-24 for 276 yards with two scores and a pick.

The first touchdown of the game was set up when White fell on a fumble at the Wise 10, and on the first play of the drive freshman Chris Perry went off tackle for the score. Sophomore Grayson Quick booted the PAT with 11 minutes to play in the opening frame.

Senior Trevor Hoskins hit junior Jordan Amis from 20 yards out to make it 14-0 with 6:23 to play in the first. The Cavaliers got on the scoreboard with 12:13 to play in the half when freshman Conner Swift finished a seven-play, 30-yard drive from four yards out. Junior Paul Mclshen's PAT cut the lead to 14-7.

Pikeville put 10 points on the scoreboard to finish the half. White called a seven-play, 73-yard drive with a four-yard run with 6:09 to play, and Quick nailed a 25-yard field goal with 2:16 left to make it 24-7 at the break.

Wise dominated the third period to make a game of it. Senior Ryan Boudin hauled in a 54-yard pass from backup quarterback Cullen LaVoi, and then when junior Kevin Whitmer scored on a one-yard run with 4:14 left in the third, a missed PAT kept the Bears on top 24-20.

After the teams traded turnovers, Pikeville settled down and used an eight-play, 74-yard drive to move back to a double-digit lead. It ended when White scored from the two with 9:10 left.

Hoskins then hit Shawntez Johnson on a 51-yard touchdown pass with 3:09 to play to end it.

For Johnson, it was the fifth straight game during which he has caught a touchdown pass. Next week at Cumberland, he will try to tie the school record of six straight games with a scoring catch.

Junior Hunter Adams led the Bears with 45 yards on 11 carries. The team finished with 103 yards but averaged on 2.6 yards per carry.

Hoskins hit six different See BEARS | B2

Morgan County routs Raiders

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

HI HAT — South Floyd faced the tough task of competing against much-improved Morgan County Friday night at Raider Field. Determined Morgan County made the trip to southern Floyd County worth its while, blanking the Raiders 46-0 in a non-district contest.

The Morgan County defense managed to keep South Floyd out of the end zone, forcing the Raiders to punt three times.

Little limited through-

out the game. Little entered the game as one of the state's leading rushers.

Junior running back Kody Thornsberry paced Morgan County, rushing 11 times for 246 yards and four touchdowns.

Morgan County moved out in front early and gradually pulled away for the non-district win. The Cougars set the tone early, outscoring South Floyd 24-0 in the opening quarter. Morgan County carried a commanding 38-0 lead into halftime.

With the win, undefeated Morgan County moved to 4-0.

South Floyd dropped to 2-2 after suffering the loss.

Morgan County has dominated multiple opponents this season. The Cougars have outscored

opposing teams 228-42.

South Floyd will be back in action at home on Friday night, hosting non-district foe Shelby Valley. Kickoff for the South Floyd-Shelby Valley game is set for 7:30 p.m.

Morgan County 46,

South Floyd 0
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Thornsberry 94 run (run failed); MC-Whitt 3 run (Collins run).
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 8 South Floyd.....0 0
 0 Records: Morgan County 4-0, South Floyd 2-2

Bears

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receivers, with four getting at least three receptions. Sophomore Tanner Napier caught four passes for 76 yards. Amis (87 yards), Johnson (82) and junior Brent Slusher (18) caught three passes apiece.

Swift led all rushers with 66 yards on 16 carries, accounting for all but 10 of Wise's rushing yards. LaVoi was 14-of-32 for 181 with a score and three interceptions after relieving sophomore Tye Marshall, who was 4-of-5 for 20 yards before leaving with an injury.

Junior Michel Steele had six catches for 67 yards, while Bouldin had six for 65.

Freshman lineman Desmond Davis had seven tackles, six of them solos, to lead the Bear defensive effort. Sophomore John Ducey Hilton had six solos, a sack, two tackles for loss, a forced fumble and an interception in the win.

Wise was led defensively by senior linebacker Derek Comer, who had six tackles and a fumble recovery, while junior Shaheim Harris had six tackles as well.

Eikeville and the University of the Cumberlands, the only 1-0 teams in the East, will meet next Saturday at 1:30 in Williamsburg for the early division lead, while Wise hosts Cumberland University at 6 p.m. in a crossover contest.

Bobcats

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- Jackson County 18, Trimble County 0
- Johnson Central 46, Logan, W.Va. 12
- Knox Central 27, Clinton, Tenn. 14
- Leslie County 43, McGraw Central 6
- Letcher County Central 46, Lawrence County 23
- Lexington Christian 27, Hazard 20
- Madison Southern 71, Powell County 21
- Montcalm, W.Va. 42, Phelps 28
- Morgan County 46, South Floyd 0
- Oncida, Tenn. 23, Williamsburg 20

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 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, as their interest in the subject property, for the 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2008 taxes plus 12% interest per annum from January 23, 2010 totaling \$1,127.00, for a total of \$4,398.13, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 21st day of September, 2012 at 9 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:

Located and lying in Garret, Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

This property is subject to a road right of way through the tract as mention in a deed to this property from M. M. Collins and his wife, Beatrice, to Tom Nolan.

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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 628, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

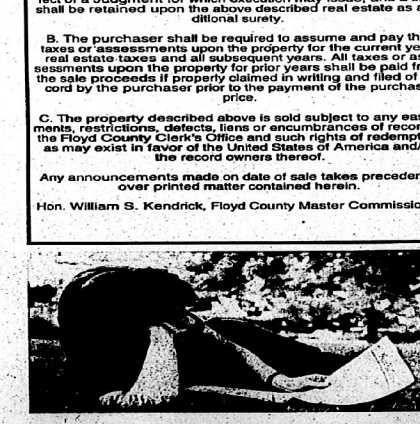
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B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year, real estate taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if property claimed in writing and filed on or before the date of sale.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner



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 COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
 FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
 DIVISION NO. II
 C.A. NO. 11-CI-1260

FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY PLAINTIFF

VS.

DANIEL G. COLLINS and THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DANIEL G. COLLINS DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 18th day of July, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$147,071.91 with interest thereon, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 4th day of October, 2012 at 9:15 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:

Property Address: 100 County Oaks Drive, Banner, Kentucky 41603

Situated in Banner, county of Floyd, Commonwealth of Kentucky:

A tract of land being located on Little Mud creek of Mud creek of the Levisa Fork of the big sandy River and being Lot #6 and a portion of Lot #7 of the Country Oaks Subdivision as shown on plat prepared for Leonard Hall whose mailing address is P. O. Box 219, Harold, Kentucky 41635. Said Plat prepared by Alchemy Engineering Associates, Inc., and dated May 24, 2000. Said Plat is of record in Map File 1055 in the records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

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Being the same property conveyed to Daniel G. Collins, unmarried, by deed dated August 1, 2008, and recorded on November 5, 2008, in Deed Book 552 Page 411, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky.

Permanent Parcel No.: 095-00-00-005.14

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B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year's property taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if property claimed in writing and filed on or before the date of sale.

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Morehead State falls to Saint Francis

Times Staff Report

MOREHEAD — The Saint Francis (Pa.) football team scored 50 unanswered points over the final three quarters to post a 57-23 win over host Morehead State on Saturday afternoon at Jayne Stadium. The Red Flash improves to 2-1 on the season, while the Eagles slip to 1-2 overall. Senior running back Keion Wade led Saint Francis with 27 carries for 243 yards and three touchdowns. Senior quarterback John Kelly added 100 yards and two touchdowns through the air. Kelly hooked up with senior wide receiver A.J. Alexander twice during the SFU scoring spree, while Wade rushed for two touchdowns, sophomore William Ingram scored twice and freshman Khairi Dickson

also found the end zone. The big second half by Saint Francis erased MSU's 17-0 advantage late in the first quarter. Senior kicker Rainer Duzan got things rolling for the Eagles with a 22-yard field goal before senior quarterback Zach Lewis found sophomore slot receiver Brandon Bornhauser and senior wide receiver Donte Sawyer on scoring tosses. The 94-yard connection with Bornhauser was a career long for both players. The 13-yard strike to Sawyer helped MSU's QB tie the school record for career TD passes (55), while MSU's top WR extended his career mark for TD catches (18). Lewis finished 31-of-53 for 364 yards, with two touchdowns and three intercep-

tions. Bornhauser collected 140 yards on six receptions. Sophomore linebacker Jordan Hendrix, who entered the contest first in the Pioneer Football League with 14.0 tackles per game, reached his average. Sophomore defensive back Zach Senvisky chipped in with a career-best 12 stops. Saint Francis posted advantages of 30-21 in first downs and 557-452 in total yards. The Red Flash also possessed the ball 39 out of 60 minutes, while converting 8-of-13 times on third down. Morehead State managed 364 passing yards, while limiting SFU to 100. The Eagles will open PFL play on Saturday, Sept. 22 with a 2 p.m. kickoff at Drake.

MSU Cross Country teams compete in Vanderbilt Commodore Classic

Times Staff Report

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Morehead State University Cross Country teams both finished ahead of Southeastern Conference and Ohio Valley Conference schools at the Vanderbilt Commodore Classic Saturday at Percy Warner Park. The Eagle men, led by a top 20 finish by junior Zachariah Elliott in the 8K race, came in eighth among 24 teams. The Eagles' team score bettered SEC foes Alabama, Vanderbilt and LSU. MSU also finished ahead of OVC rivals Belmont, Jacksonville State, Tennessee Tech, Murray State, UT Martin and Tennessee State.

MSU's women's squad topped Jacksonville State, Tennessee Tech, UT Martin and Tennessee State in the 6K race. Elliott crossed the finish line in 25:08.47, good enough for 17th among the 196 entries. Freshman Jesse Moreno was next with a 36th-place time of 25:40.00. The Eagles had two more runners finish among the top 75. Junior Chase Ratliff recorded a 26:06.05, while sophomore Gary Monroe crossed the tape in 26:18.97. Sophomore Desmond Bell (26:56.00), freshmen Evan Childers (27:06.74), Joe Kirtner (27:35.67), Alex White (28:13.16) and Wes Morris (29:07.33) sophomore Andy Bailey (28:57.99) also ran for MSU.

The women's team was paced by senior Anya Martinez in 69th place with a 23:05.19 official clocking. Senior Holly Mandzak was next with a 23:34.98. Classmate Natalie Norman was just seconds behind, coming across at 23:46.30. MSU's next four racers all finished within four seconds of each other. Freshman Lauren Tarovisky (24:22.66), sophomore Krystal Williams (24:23.96), freshman Erica Parks (24:27.66) and senior Kate Bomar (24:28.58) made up the middle of MSU's contingent. Junior Parker Winters (24:46.60), freshmen Alex Morris (25:05.30) and Jasmyn Andrews (25:34.01) and sophomore Lindsay Marcum (26:24.10) also competed for the Eagles. Both MSU Cross Country teams are set to compete at the Greater Louisville Classic on Sept. 29.

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Johnson County Courthouse
3rd Floor Conference Room • Paintsville, KY 41240
- Magoffin County:** September 27 at 10 a.m.
BSACAP Magoffin County Service Office
131 Church Street • Salyersville, KY 41465
- Martin County:** September 28 at 10 a.m.
Roy E. Collier Community Center
387 East Main Street • Inez, KY 41224
- Pike County:** September 27 at 10 a.m.
BSACAP Pike County Service Office
478 Town Mountain Road • Pikeville, KY 41501

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