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Church must handle controversy in-house

Jack Staff Writer

The Southern Baptist Association of Southern Baptist Churches says the embattled pastor of Jack's Creek Baptist Church refuses to resign. Church members Ozark Stone, Burman Newman, Freddy Johnson and Mary Hall sent a letter to Southern Baptist Convention President Fred Luter, complaining that Pastor Paul Grainger had used racial slurs "racial slurs not once, not twice, but at least three times this year, in-

cluding using the N-word, while preaching in Sunday school class, and while preaching from the pulpit."

Rev. Thomas Biddle says he met with complaining members of Jack's Creek Baptist Church on October 16 and then met with Grainger on Oct. 17.

"He stated that he would not be resigning," Biddle said. Biddle says he met with the church members again the following week to lay out their options.

"Leave the church, wait and see what happens, or call for a vote for the pastor's job."

Biddle says the letter the four

complainants sent to the Southern Baptist Convention gave the impression that he had been unwilling to help them.

"Other than meeting and counseling with them, that's all we could do because we don't have the authority to remove a pastor," Biddle said. "I in no way support that kind of language."

Biddle says he knows all of the people involved well, and he has himself pastored before at Jack's Creek Baptist Church when it did not have a minister. "They have no reason to lie to me."

Hall says the pastor has asked

her and some of her friends to "find another church if they didn't like it at Jack's Creek."

Hall said she was called by God to attend Jack's Creek Baptist Church, that it has been her home church for most of her life, and she doesn't want to leave. Hall says Grainger's anger, his racial insensitive, politicking from the pulpit, and criticizing other denominations have cast a dark cloud over the church's services.

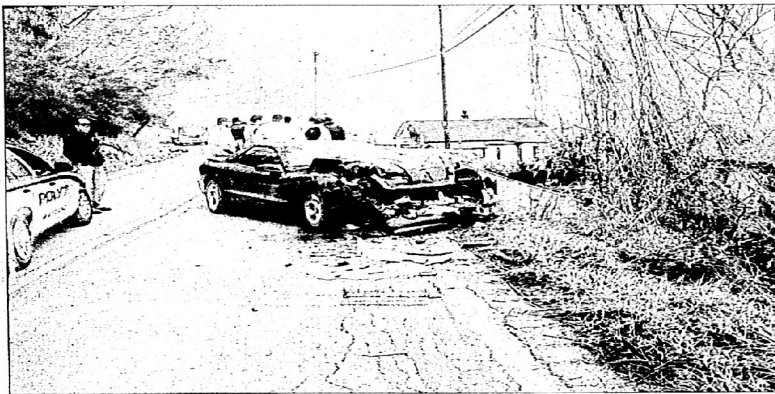
Grainger has pleaded ignorance when asked if he had made the statements, telling The Floyd County Times, "I

don't know. I have no idea."

In a response from the Rev. Fred Luter, the president of the Southern Baptist Association, and the first African American to hold that position, he says he is "blown away by the fact that a pastor continues to use derogatory language even after being confronted by members of his church." But Luter added that SBA cannot remove a pastor from an autonomous church.

Luter suggested that the members call for a special meeting of the congregation to deal with "this very unfortunate matter."

Three-car wreck



Photos by Jack Latta | Floyd County Times

Illegal street racing may have been the cause of a three-car accident which tied up traffic on Route 7 near Wayland Tuesday. Officials at the scene said the two vehicles shown were traveling the same direction on both sides of the road, when one struck another vehicle head-on, and the other left the roadway. The drivers of both cars fled the scene on foot.



Pike mail carrier charged with theft

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

PIKEVILLE — A Pike County mail carrier faces federal criminal charges, after being charged with stealing and destroying mail.

Russell Allen Halsey was indicted Nov. 15 on charges of theft of mail and delay or destruction of mail.

According to the indictment, Halsey "unlawfully secreted, destroyed, detained, delayed or opened mail matter which had been entrusted to him," between Oct. 16, 2010, and Feb. 14. He is also accused of stealing gift cards and boxes of clothes which were addressed to others.

If convicted on both counts, Halsey could face up to five years in prison and up to \$250,000 in fines for each count, as well as restitution to the victims.

Halsey is scheduled to appear Dec. 3 for arraignment in U.S. District Court in Pikeville.

Competency hearing set for man who dragged police officer

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — A competency hearing is scheduled this week for a man accused of dragging a Prestonsburg police officer from his vehicle as he attempted to flee.

Christopher Allen Salyers, 41, of Pikeville, is scheduled to be in Floyd Circuit Court at 11 a.m. Thursday, for a hearing to establish his competency to stand trial.

Salyers was reportedly stopped at a checkpoint July 3 and gave officers a false name. When questioned further, Salyers allegedly grabbed Prestonsburg Police officer Brian Prater's arm and began to drive away. Prater was able to free himself from Salyers' grip before his speed increased.

Police say the event turned into a high-speed pursuit reaching speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour, that led police into Pike County. In Pike County, the suspect allegedly collided with another vehicle. Undeterred, Salyers continued on before a final crash near Pikeville High School ended the chase and sent the man to jail.

Salyers has been indicted on charges of first-degree attempted assault, two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment, first-degree fleeing or evading police, resisting arrest, theft of identity, giving an officer a false name or address, reckless driving, driving on a DUI-suspended license and first-degree disorderly conduct.

Motorcycle club sees drop in Black Friday donations

Ralph B. Davis
Managing Editor

PRESTONSBURG — Members of the Brothers of the Wheel motorcycle club were busy on Black Friday, but instead of shopping, they were trying to catch shoppers on their way to the store, to raise money for children in need.

PRESTONSBURG — As they have each of the past 11 years, members of the Eastern Kentucky Chapter of the Brothers of the Wheel motorcycle club joined Santa hats along with their leather biker jackets and boots, as they stood at the entrance to the Walmart shopping center on Nov. 23, 2012, seeking donations for their annual shoe and toy drive for needy children from Black Friday shoppers.

According to club vice president Ballard Plummer, however, dona-

tions were much slower than in past years.

"About every four or five cars, you might get a dollar," Plummer said. "But every little bit helps. Pennies make dollars."

Plummer said donations were down significantly this year, by perhaps as much as 75 percent. Part of the problem was a matter of the local economy, he said, with many families hit by coal mining layoffs simply unable to afford to give.

Still, Plummer said those who are familiar with the group's shoe and toy drive were giving what they could, especially those who might have relied on help in past years. He said in a lot of cases, it was the people who least afford to give who were among the most faithful donors.

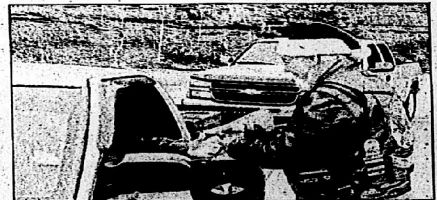
"People who are unemployed or whose car doors won't open, they're

the ones giving the most," Plummer said.

But another reason, he said, is that many retailers moved their biggest sales to Thanksgiving night, rather than the traditional day after. Plummer, who is a founding member of the local chapter and has been collecting donations every Black Friday for the past 12 years, said there simply was not as much traffic on Black Friday this year from which to draw donations.

"Walmart really killed us this year," Plummer said. "People were out here shopping last night, and they're just not here today."

The Eastern Kentucky Chapter of the Brothers of the Wheel is based in Dwale. The club, which has chapters in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia, can be found online at <http://www.botwmc.com>.



Ralph B. Davis | Floyd County Times

Ballard Plummer, vice president of the Eastern Kentucky Chapter of the Brothers of the Wheel motorcycle club, accepts a donation Friday from a motorist, during the club's annual Black Friday roadblock fundraiser. Money from the annual fundraiser, now in its 12th year, is used to buy shoes and toys for needy children.

Obituaries

Alexander Belcher

Alexander Belcher, infant, of Minnie, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

He was the son of Jessica Kooiman and Woodrow Belcher Jr.

He is survived by his brothers, Andrew Edward Belcher, of Minnie, and Kenneth David Burkhardt, of Wisconsin; sister, Diana Grace Belcher, of Minnie; grandparents, Woodrow Belcher, Hannah Fraley, Louie Kooiman and Laurie Ducett Renwick; step-grandmother, Noreen Kooiman; great grandparents, Raymond and Carol Parent; great great grandparents, Majorie Carlson and Henry Parent.

Funeral services will be held at 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 1, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

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

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Georgia Spears Campbell

Georgia Spears Campbell, 83, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at her residence.

She was born Jan. 22,

1929, in Belfry, to the late Tom and Margaret Lurane Crum Spears. She was the wife of the late Earl Campbell, worked as a homemaker, and was a member of the 3rd Avenue Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her brothers and sisters, Tom Spears Jr., Chadwick Spears, Hester Wills, Dorothy Bear Saxon and Luna Elizabeth Rose.

She is survived by a son, Lenvil Campbell, of Prestonsburg; daughters, Sheila Howell, of Point Pleasant, W.Va., and Rita Eppenbaugh, of Prestonsburg; sisters, Marsha June McConnell, of Seabrine, Fla., and Ruth Miracle, of Reese, Mich.; five grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Nov. 27, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Bill Collins and Bill Campbell officiating. Burial followed the service in the Campbell Cemetery, at Campbell's Branch, Water Gap.

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

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Kathy Hamilton

Kathy Hamilton, 52, of Ivel, died Friday, Nov. 23, 2012, at her residence.

She was born Jan. 22,

1960, to Vivian Stratton Conn and the late Rex Hamilton. Her stepfather was Donald Conn. Kathy worked as a secretary for Waste Management.

She is survived by two sisters, Debbie Akers, of Jamestown, Ind., and Jeanie Newsome, of Stanville; four nieces, Alexis Hope Newsome, April Newsome, Allyson Newsome and Heather Akers; and a nephew, Doug Akers.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 26, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Barry Clark officiating. Burial followed the service in Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

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

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Teddy Eugene Gene Stumbo

Teddy Eugene "Gene" Stumbo, 68, of Martin, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at St. Joseph Martin Hospital.

He was born Aug. 11, 1944, at Hite, to the late Halter and Rebecca "Goody" Compton Spurlock.

He worked as a forklift operator for Threaded Rod, in Indianapolis, Ind., and was a member of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, at McDowell.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Hubert Spurlock, William Griffith, John Foley and Herbert Spurlock, and a sister, Bonnie Branham Bottomly.

He is survived by two daughters, Melinda McClure, of Warsaw, Ind., and Shannon Price, of Millford, Ind.; two brothers, Ken Spurlock, of Garrett, and Hubert Spurlock, of Martin; two sisters, Linda Bailey, of Martin, and Brenda Francis, of Garrett; four grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services were

held Sunday, Nov. 25, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with James Swiger officiating.

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

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Jackie Branham Campbell

Jackie Branham Campbell, 92, of Prestonsburg, widow of Les Campbell, died Nov. 20, 2012, at Kings Daughter's Medical Center, in Ashland.

Born June 15, 1920, in Prestonsburg, to the late Dick and Julia Waller Branham, she was a homemaker and a member of Spurlock Old Regular Baptist Church.

She is survived by a son, Wes, (Polly) Campbell Jr., of Prestonsburg; two daughters-in-law, Ellen Campbell, of Shelbyville, and Polly Campbell, of Ind.; a foster daughter, Dawn Fraley, of Michigan; nine grandchildren, Dwayne, Joey, Tina, Kim, Rich, Chuck, Chris, Denise and Julie; two special grandchildren, Beth Shortridge and Craig Meade; 16 great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Ruth Campbell; two sons, Keith Campbell and Mitchell Dickie Campbell; a brother, Taulbee Branham; and a grandson, Richard.

Funeral services for Jackie Branham Campbell were held Saturday, Nov. 24, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating. Burial followed in the Branham-Campbell Cemetery, at Town Branch, in Prestonsburg.

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

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Townsel Allen 'T.A.' Combs

Townsel Allen "T.A." Combs, age 96, of Langley, husband of Dora Francis Verich Combs, died Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born Aug. 16, 1918, at Eastern, a son of the late Townsel and Octavia Allen Combs. T.A. was a retired civil engineer, land surveyor and a former student of forestry at Oregon State University.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three sons, Paul Townsel Combs, of Langley, Shawn Woodward Combs, of Harold, and William Spencer Constantine Demetrius Combs, of Harold; two daughters, Angela Combs Baseman, of Jenkintown, Pa., and Andrea Malina Montouri Combs, of Wilmington, N.C.; a brother, Carl Lawton Combs, of Lexington; 12 grandchildren, Jessica Combs, Michael Combs, Chad Combs, Dylan Spencer Combs, Matthew Alexander Combs, Landon Grant Combs, Alexis Paige Lewis, Julian Spencer Baseman, Rosalie Eleanor Baseman, Austin Charles

Townsel Montouri, Corbin John Peter Montouri and Marianna Sofia Octavia Montouri.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Thomas Spencer Combs and Gene Norman Combs.

Funeral services for Townsel Allen "T.A." Combs were conducted Sunday, Nov. 25, at the St. Martha Catholic Church, of Prestonsburg, with Father Bob Danvon conducting. Burial followed in the Allen Cemetery, at Eastern.

Phillip Martin Dingus

Phillip Martin Dingus, age 61, of Whitley County, Ind., passed away Friday, Nov. 23, 2012, at 2:20 p.m., in Farview Regional Medical Center, in Fort Wayne, Ind.

He was born Nov. 28, 1950, at Hite, to Lacey and Pauline (Shepherd) Dingus. He had lived in Whitley County since 1963. He previously worked for Lawwill Products as a wirecutter.

Phillip is survived by four sisters, Nancy Woods, of South Whitley, Ind., and Patricia, of South Whitley, Ind.; two sons, Willa Ray Dingus and Hester Dingus, all of Piercetown, Ind.; two brothers, Denny (and spouse, Karen) Dingus, of Ohio, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and a sister.

A graveside service is scheduled for 2 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 29, at Boonville Cemetery, in Whitley County, with Pastor Carl Hiernstra officiating. No calling is planned.

McLinton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, in Piercetown, is handling the arrangements.

To send condolences or sign a guestbook, go to www.mclintonsadlerfuneralchapel.com.

Farris Onis Lawson

Farris Onis Lawson, 88, husband of Dora Francis Verich Lawson, died Nov. 22, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born March 3, 1944, at Betsy Layne, to the late Robert and Myrtle Kidd Lawson. He was a disabled coal miner and a preacher in the Church of Christ.

He is survived by three sons, Farris Lawson Jr. and his wife, Sarah, David Lawson and his wife, Judy, and Roger Lawson and his wife, Melissa, all of Betsy Layne; seven grandchildren, Amanda Maynard, Chris Lawson, Michael Lawson, Mitchell Lawson, Megan Lawson, Harley Lawson and Jesse Lason; seven great grandchildren, Zachary, James, Lance, Xavier, Paxton, Braxton and Layden; and three brothers, Arnold Lawson, of Pikeville, and Hershel Lawson and Bobby Dean Lawson, both of Michigan.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by 13 siblings.

Funeral services for Far-

ris Onis Lawson were held Monday, Nov. 26, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, with Jr. Kidd and Chris Kidd officiating. Burial followed at the Lawson Cemetery, at Betsy Layne.

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

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

Ruth Stone Martin

Ruth Stone Martin, age 81 of Eastern, wife of Theodore Wallace "Pete" Martin, passed away Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at her residence.

She was born May 5, 1931, at Alpharetta, the daughter of the late Emory and Julia Bailey Stone. She was a homemaker, a member of the Graceway United Methodist Church and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

In addition to her husband, Ruth is survived by a son, Thomas Alan (Pam) Martin, of Eastern; two brothers, Glenn Stone, of Martin, and Jack Stone, of Martin; two sisters, Ruby Halbert, of Langley, and Emogene Patton, of Huesville; two grandchildren, Crystal, of Huesville (Charles) Baker and Joshua Alan (Alesia) Martin; and one great grandchild Matthew Alan Johnson.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Clarence Stone; and a sister Molly Murray.

Funeral services for Ruth Stone Martin were held Tuesday, Nov. 27, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Roy Harlow officiating. Burial followed in the Pete Martin Cemetery, at Eastern.

Fronie McKinney

Fronie McKinney, age 66, of McDowell, widow of Bernard Phillip McKinney, passed away Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at the Kings Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

She was born July 25, 1946, at McDowell, a daughter of the late Clifford and Maxie Osborne Tackett.

She is survived by two sons, Phillip Dale McKinney and Marvin McKinney, both of McDowell; two grandchildren, two granddaughters and three sisters, Joyce (Gene) Shelton, of Drift, Vannan Braswell, of McDowell, and Terri Lett Guire, of Paintsville; three nieces, Carol Moore, Nichole Lewis and Brandy Tussey; a special sister-in-law, Anna Mae Perkins, of Webbville; three brothers-in-law, Kenneth McKinney, Willard McKinney and Jeff Bentley; and a host of nieces, nephews and sisters-in-law.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

Funeral service were conducted at a home, Nov. 27, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Jimmy Dye officiating. Burial followed in the Greenberry Hall Cemetery, at McDowell.

Nancy Pitts

Nancy Pitts, 87, of Sidney, Ind., passed away in Miller's Merry Manor, in Warsaw, Ind., on Nov. 26, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

She was born to Willie and Annie (Strickland) Burchet, a Lancer, on Sept. 11, 1925. She was a Sidney resident since 1953. She was united in marriage to Mexico Pitts, in Prestonsburg, Aug. 7, 1944. He preceded her in 2003.

She did not have children of her own, but she raised her husband's niece and grand-niece. In addition, she "took care" of many of the children in Sidney as they were growing up.

She was preceded in death by five sisters, Hazel, Edith, Thama, Josephine and Edna Mae, and a brother, James Lee.

Visitation hours are scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 28, in McLinton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, in Piercetown, Ind.

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Obits

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Margaret Louise Dobos Music
Margaret Louise Dobos Music, a native of Leechburg, Pa., passed away peacefully at her home, surrounded by her family, on Nov. 18, 2012. She was preceded in death by her parents, Peter and Alice Dobos; a son Frank Music Jr.; a brother, John Dobos, of Andover, Ohio, and a sister Dor-

othy Dobos, of West Palm Beach, Fla. She leaves behind her husband of 58 years, Frank Music; a daughter, Lisa, of Hollywood, Fla.; two sons, Paul, of Jensen Beach, Fla., and Mark, of Port Saint Lucie, Fla.; four grandchildren; and two great granddaughters. She was a graduate of Hastings Pennsylvania High School class of 1942. She was also a Registered Professional Nurse and

served in the Army Nurse Corps as a first lieutenant with assignments in both the USA and Europe. She was a graduate of the Gallinger Hospital Nursing School in Washington, DC, Class of 1945. She had assignments at the VA hospital in Aspinwall, PA and then received her commission as a First Lieutenant in the US Army Nurse Corps. It was at her assignment at Beaumont Army Hospi-

tal in El Paso, Texas that she met and married her husband Lt. Frank Music of Estill. The two of them were assigned to different posts in Germany, but were close enough to maintain contact throughout their European assignments. She leaves behind a group of military personnel, son Paul Music a USAF Academy graduate, class of 1977, a grandson Eric Music a USAF Academy graduate class of 2002,

a grandson Stephen Music a USAF graduate class of 2007 and his wife Libby Music a graduate of the USAF Academy class of 2006. Her son Paul is a pilot for US Airways. Her daughter, Lisa, is registered professional nurse and Trauma Specialist working in Hollywood, FL. Her son Mark is an Environmental Scientist and a Professor of Biology at Indian River State College in Florida.

All we can say is God Bless you. You will be missed by all that knew you and congratulations for a job extraordinarily well done. You always knew how to make people HAPPY, with that beautiful smile of yours. A Memorial Mass will be held in her honor on Nov. 28, at Holy Family Catholic Church, Mariposa Avenue, Port Saint Lucie, Fla., at 11 a.m.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits
Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 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: features@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-served basis as space permits.

Veterans representative
A veterans benefits field representative will be at the Floyd County Public Library, in Prestonsburg, on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 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 further information, call (866) 647-2926 to speak with a veterans benefits field representative.

Advent readings and prayer
An hour of advent readings and quiet prayer will be held Wednesdays at 7 p.m., during Advent, St. James Episcopal Church.

Kudzu seeking submissions
Do you have a poem or a story to share? ICTC's literary magazine, Kudzu, is seeking submissions for its Spring 2013 issue. Send your original poetry, short stories, flash fiction, and creative nonfiction. Submissions must be in either Word or as an RTF and uploaded as attached documents at <https://kudzu.submittable.com/submit>. Please upload each poem, story, or essay separately. No snail mail submissions will be accepted. Please contact Instructor Savannah Stipple at ssipple0001@kctcs.edu or at 487-3547, for more detailed submission guidelines. Deadline is Jan. 15, 2013.

AARP driving class
There will be an AARP driving class Nov. 29, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Floyd County Extension Office, in Prestonsburg (across from Mann Toyota). Cost is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-

members, and free for veterans and wives or widows of veterans. Call Dottie at 886-2658 to register.

Floyd County Job Club
The Floyd County Job Club meets every Tuesday, 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 ahead. 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.

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) 226-2565.

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 jail-based service program designed to help reduce recidivism and

promote positive growth, by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. We're 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 Lancaster 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, Calvary 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 Chil-

dren will meet the first Thursday of every month at the Haven of Rest, 1601 Airport Road, Lancer. Call 606-298-0520 for information.

Non-profit agency fosters parents
Non-profit agency in need of foster parents in your area. Financial compensation/ bonuses, free foster parent trainings, mileage reimbursement, and 24-7 support are available. All foster children get a medical card, free school lunches, and clothing vouchers/other reimbursements. Call for more information, at 606-886-0163 or visit our website at www.benchmarkfamily-services.org/

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

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

Become a volunteer with Victim Services Program
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— Gregory Nunn

Amendment I

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Our View Schools must continue to maintain textbooks, for now

Being in the publishing business, perched between the online and paper worlds, we probably understand a little better than most that the industry is in the midst of unprecedented change. So, we are somewhat sympathetic to the Floyd County Board of Education's desire to move instruction beyond textbooks and into the digital future.

At the same time, we cannot help but be troubled by some of the things we learned last week, when we decided to look into complaints about textbooks at Prestonsburg High School.

Utilizing the endless number of resources available online makes perfect sense. Seeking to upgrade the electronic infrastructure at our county's school does, too. For that matter, so does looking ahead and envisioning a day when students' textbooks are carried on their laptops and tablets.

But maintaining a supply disintegrating textbooks, some outdated, does not. Neither does implementing a policy of forbidding students from taking their books home for further study.

One day, probably very soon, there will not be a need for those heavy, clunky textbooks that students have lugged around for generations. Instead, students will be able to store all of those books in electronic form on any number of devices. We imagine that change will provide many benefits, such as allowing biology students to watch videos of dissections before they lay hands on a scapel, or allowing foreign language students to hear an authentic pronunciation of their vocabulary words.

But that day is not here, yet.

Yes, many of those same benefits are available during class time, and enterprising students can scour the Internet to avail themselves of those same tools.

But not all students have Internet access at home, and not all who do are enterprising enough to seek out such tools, with so much else occupying our teens' lives.

We can support the efforts of schools and the board of education to upgrade the resources upon which students rely. We understand that change will not occur overnight, nor will it be inexpensive.

That is why it remains important for schools to continue investing in textbooks in the interim. Regardless of how far we want future students to go, we cannot sacrifice the few years before them by providing them with substandard educational resources or restricting their access to those resources to school hours.

— The Floyd County Times



A legislative perspective

Rep. Greg Stumbo
Speaker of the House

Each fall, not long before Thanksgiving, the General Assembly's administrative staff offers an in-depth look at some of the issues it believes could be debated during the legislative session that begins each January.

The report comes from the 15 main committees that vote on legislation, and while no one can predict what ultimately will become law, this analysis gives us a better idea of what may need to be addressed.

In general, the report doesn't cover perennial topics, such as the budget, or those that may be highly visible but are being studied separately, which this year includes task forces focused on our tax code and public pension systems.

Even so, this year's report touches on some high-profile matters. Of those, perhaps the most prominent centers on the state auditor's recent findings regarding the special districts that dot the commonwealth.

There are more than 1,200 of them altogether, and they oversee everything from libraries, volunteer fire departments and utilities to health departments and airports. As estimated \$2.7 billion flow through them annually, or about the same the state spends on elementary and secondary education.

There is a growing consensus that more transparency and accountability are needed for these districts, so that we have a better idea of how the public's money is being spent. There also is a need to streamline the law governing these districts as well, since the auditor found that there are more than 1,000 state statutes affecting them.

Two other high-profile issue papers in the legislative report center on children. One discusses the need to update our juvenile code so that we have a better system in place for such things as

status offenses, which are violations like truancy that would not be an issue if committed by an adult. Too often, these adolescents are locked up when other alternatives may be a better fit. The legislature could also decide whether to draw a brighter line when it comes to young children who commit a felony crime. Though no age of criminal responsibility has been set in Kentucky, there is a growing push to have those 10 and younger handled through social services rather than the criminal justice system.

Another legal matter involving children is whether the state can do more to lower the number who die due to abuse or neglect. Kentucky is unfortunately a leader in this area, with the state rate significantly higher than the national average. The total in Kentucky has hovered around 30 a year since 2008.

This week, the governor's Child Fatality and Near Fatality Review Panel will hold its first-ever meeting, and it plans to meet four times a year. We in the House of Representatives have pushed to make this type of panel permanent, because we need a clear-headed, independent review of each case that will hopefully help bring our numbers as close to zero as possible.

Although there is not enough space in this column to highlight all of the legislative reports, which are posted online at http://www.lrc.ky.gov/lrcpubs/info_bulletins.htm — there are several other issues worth mentioning. Those include:

• **Truancy:** Whether the state should allow relevant military experience to count for licensure requirements in occupations like plumbing, heating & cooling and emergency medical services. If we have recruited the needed skills, this could make it easier for them to secure employment.

• **Whether the state should add incentives to convert more vehicles to**

natural gas and to boost the number of fueling stations. Natural gas production has increased by a fourth nationally since 2005, while prices are down 75 percent since 2009. In July, it was estimated that drivers could save as much as \$1.75 per gallon when compared to gasoline if they make the switch. A drawback is that conversion kits are expensive, ranging from \$4,000 to \$14,000.

• **Whether the state should expand tax incentives to encourage more investment in research and development.** While Kentucky offers a five percent credit for the construction of research facilities, it doesn't provide anything else in this area. Arkansas and North Carolina, meanwhile, have tax credits as high as 35 percent on research expenses. Opponents of having Kentucky do more note that we are seeing faster job growth than many of our peer states and that we have a broader range of tax incentives for high-tech firms that may negate the need to do more specifically for research and development.

While the legislative committee process is slowing down as we move through the holidays, our session will pick back up when the 2013 Regular Session begins on January 8th. Since it will be an odd-numbered year, my colleagues and I will be meeting for our legislative days, though the first four of those will be dedicated entirely to electing House and Senate leaders and establishing committee memberships for the next two years.

That leaves a little more than two dozen days to cover a lot of ground. Your input in this process is critical, so I encourage you to let me know your thoughts about any issue affecting the state. You can always leave a message for me or for any legislator at 800-372-7181. For those with a hearing impairment, the number is 800-896-0305. I hope to hear from you soon.

Letters to the Editor

Growth, not taxes, brings prosperity

In response to John Arensmeyer's piece from Nov. 23, it is important to provide economic and mathematical context to the suggestion that tax rate increases for high earners, as endorsed by the small business owners in his polling, would solve the national debt.

The argument has been erroneously distilled to something like this: Issue rates through the tax code to pre-Reagan levels and the problem solves itself and revenues will stream in. In addition, we stick it to the oligarchy and we get a strong middle class in return.

However, and here is where statistics are indeed vital, despite economic cycles, individual income tax has consistently raised roughly 8 percent of GDP, regardless of 91 percent or 28 percent tax rates. As Alan Reynolds points out, "Revenues from the individual income tax averaged only 7.7 percent of GDP from 1951 to 1963 with tax rates of 20 percent to 91 percent, but rose to 0.81 percent from 1968 to 1990 with tax rates of 15 percent to 28 percent."

Why? Because when individual tax rates drop, high earners earn and report

more income when marginal tax rates come down. When Kennedy slashed rates by 22 percent in 1964, the economy grew 6 percent per year through 1964. The same phenomena took place in the early 1980s, when Reagan slashed rates.

Moreover, increasing rates on high-income earners does not put more money in the hands of the middle class, as Arensmeyer's respondents suggest. Simply centralizes this capital at the federal level.

With respect to job creation, I would suggest that Arensmeyer review William M. Gentry and R. Glenn Hubbard's 2004 piece on the effects of tax rates on entrepreneurship. Contrary to Arensmeyer's survey, Gentry and Glenn found that the 1993 increase in the top tax rate to 33.6 percent reduces the probability of entry into self-employment for upper middle income households as much as 20 percent. Donald Bruce and Tami Guraly reached similar conclusions in their 2005 study.

Thus, two conclusions are clear: Soaking the "rich" does not reduce the deficit, and tax rates do influence entrepreneurial decisions. I realize that in difficult times storming the Bastille seems an appropriate course of action, but the only going that gets a country going again is real

growth in GDP, not taxation.

*Brian D. Reed, PhD
Orford, N.H.
(Originally from Hippo)*

No room for racial bias in church

Webster's dictionary describes a church as being "a place of Christian worship," and people go to church for a myriad of reasons. Some go to worship the Lord through song and through prayer, to seek His guidance through scripture and to learn more about the stories in the Bible and how they relate to their daily lives. Still others go to fellowship with other members of the congregation, to lift others up in prayer and to socialize.

My husband went to Jack's Creek Baptist Church for all these reasons, until the use of racial slurs and the mishandling of other situations made it impossible for him to attend.

My husband does not lie, nor does he acquire selective amnesia when asked about what was said or what took place. And I am extremely proud of my husband for standing up for what is right! He, like the other church members named in that article, are loving and honest people, who did not undertake this matter brahshly. They go to go about things in the correct way, to

no avail, before making this situation public, and they have no reason to apologize to anyone for their actions. Christians are directed not to judge others, but to discern what is right and what is wrong, as well as to whom they should listen. God's judgment begins at the pulpit. There should be no place in a true man of God or in the Lord's house for greed, racial bias, or the thirst for power. Nor should there be judging of other religions.

A true man of God is not manipulative, and does not run a church as a dictatorship. His life should be an open book, and he should have no reason to tell the congregation that they are not to investigate his past. Nor does he seek to do things illegally as long as it benefits him.

I would like to thank Jack Latta and The Floyd County Times for publishing the article. I sincerely hope and pray that bringing this situation to light does not tear apart Jack's Creek Baptist Church, but that perhaps other members will have their eyes opened and will take steps to remedy the wrongs done against again seek to be a church that is a true family united in Christ's love, a blessing to the community and favorable in the eyes of God!

*Kim Stone
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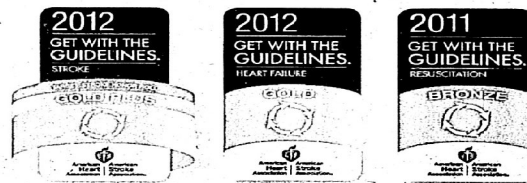
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News from coal sector a mixed bag this week

Southern calling back workers; Summit closing office

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

There were mixed signals on the state of the coal economy this week, as one mining company announced massive callbacks and rehires this week, as another company that services the coal industry announced it is closing an office.

Southern Coal Corporation announced this week it would begin massive callbacks and rehiring of miners in southwest Virginia, southern West Virginia, and Eastern Kentucky. Company officials say they have worked hard over the last month with several customers to help secure coal orders in order to

save jobs as well as reopen mines closed earlier this year.

The impetus behind the rehiring comes with Southern Coal's new multi-year agreement with American Electric Power, one of the nation's largest utility providers.

"AEP is pleased to play a role in supporting economic development in southwest Virginia, southern West Virginia, and Eastern Kentucky," said Nicholas K. Akins, President and CEO of American Electric Power. "We believe that it is important to maintain a diversified fuel mix for power generation, and that coal needs to continue to be part of that mix. This project will not only

provide a secure source of reasonably priced fuel for our power plants, but it also will help fuel economic growth throughout Southwest Virginia, Southern West Virginia, and Eastern Kentucky."

Gov. Steve Beshear was quick to laud the news. "Today's announcement is a victory for the hard-working men and women and their families in the coal counties of Kentucky, West Virginia and Virginia. The number of jobs saved and created by this multi-year agreement will benefit our region for generations to come."

"I'm proud to have worked with all the parties involved who stepped up and made this project a reality for so many. We wouldn't be here today without the commitment of American Electric Power and its ongoing support of the coal industry and economic development growth," said Beshear. "The same holds true for the diligent and ac-

tive role Southern Coal Corporation and owners Jim and Jay Justice have shown throughout this process. The coal industry is important to us all, which is why I applaud this partnership and its economic impact to Kentucky and our neighboring states."

The news comes just as other coal-related enterprises are closing their doors. Kentucky engineering firm Summit Engineering Inc., of Pikeville, announced Monday it would be closing its office in Wise, Va.

Summit has over 125 employees in total, including those at the Wise office who are expected to be relocated to other offices where there is opportunity.

Based in Roanoke, Va., Southern Coal will employ more than 1,700 people directly, and is expected to produce 9 million tons in 2013 from mines in Virginia, Kentucky, West Virginia, Tennessee and Alabama.

Task force presents public pension recommendations

FRANKFORT — Kentucky needs a new plan to provide a secure retirement to its workers, lawmakers agreed last week at the final meeting of the Kentucky Public Pension Task Force.

The task force approved 11-1 an eight-point proposal Tuesday, aimed at paying down pension debt and creating a new pension plan for future employees.

The proposal's first recommendation is that the Commonwealth pay more into the pension system.

Currently, the state is paying only a portion of the actuarially required contribution (ARC). Legislation passed in 2008 increased the ARC payment incrementally over time. The proposal is calling for a full ARC payment by fiscal year 2015.

Each time the full ARC is not paid, additional unfunded liabilities and higher costs are incurred by the state, committee Co-chair Rep. Mike Cherry, D-Princeton, said.

To provide immediate short-term relief to city and county budgets, the proposal suggests resetting the amortization period for payment of the unfunded liability from 26 years to 30 years.

Other recommendations included in the proposal would repeal the current cost-of-living adjustments provided to retirees and would prohibit public employees from being reemployed with the state for up to two years after retirement.

Under the proposed plan, pension benefits for new hires would be calculated in a hybrid cash balance plan. New employees would be guaranteed a four percent annual return on contributions.

According to David Draine, Senior Researcher of public sector retirement systems with the Pew Center on the States, the hybrid cash balance plan is more predictable and sustainable than the current plan.

Overall, the proposal is a result of bipartisan compromise, Cherry said. "What we [ended] up with is... something we all can agree on," he said.

Committee Co-chair Sen. Damon Thayer, R-Georgetown, said he and Cherry plan to prefile a bill for the 2013 legislative session that includes the recommendations set forth in the task force's final report.

"It really is one step along the way of what I hope will be significant, serious and substantive reforms that really affect all 4.3 million Kentuckians more than just about any legislation that we will consider in the next session of the General Assembly," Thayer said.

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SPORTS



Jarrell named Class 2A, District 8 Player of the Year

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg sophomore quarterback Jarred Jarrell is being rewarded for an outstanding 2012 season. The Kentucky Football Coaches Association has named Jarrell the Class 2A, District 8 Player of the Year.

Jarrell, the state's all-time single-game passing leader,

completed 163-of-267 passes for 3,151 yards and 32 touchdowns.

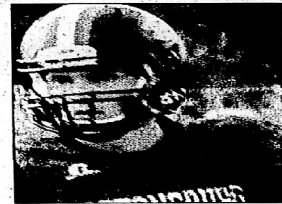
Prestonsburg junior Grant Anderson and senior Bryson Williams each had over 1,000 yards receiving. Anderson hauled in 67 receptions for 1,257 yards and 12 touchdowns. Williams, the state's all-time single-game receiving leader, hauled in 46 catches for 1,028 yards and 13 touchdowns.

Jarrell, a first-year starter at quarterback, excelled on defense for Prestonsburg during his freshman season. The talented athlete also helped Prestonsburg defensively during his sophomore season, registering 37 tackles, four interceptions and three fumble recoveries.

Jarrell etched his name into the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KH-SAA) record books on Sept.

14 in a win over Pike County Central. Jarrell completed 18-of-27 passes for 676 yards and nine touchdowns, setting numerous records as the Blackcats defeated familiar foe Pike County Central 83-49.

Jarrell is currently preparing for the 2012-13 Prestonsburg boys' basketball season. He led the Prestonsburg boys' basketball team in scoring as a freshman, averaging 12.8 points per game.



Jarred Jarrell is the Kentucky Football Coaches Association's 2012 Class 2A, District 8 Player of the Year.

Alice Lloyd ladies upend Pittsburgh foes

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

PITTSBURGH — The Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team beat a pair of Pittsburgh opponents last week, defeating Carlow and Point Park during a pre-Thanksgiving trip.

A look back at each game follows. Alice Lloyd 67, Carlow 63: Visiting Alice Lloyd took a hard-fought 34-31 lead into halftime and then eventually pulled away for a 67-63 win over Carlow Tuesday night (Nov. 20).

Alice Lloyd improved to 5-3 overall and 1-0 in the KIAC after posting the win.

Reigning KIAC Women's Basketball Player of the Week, Ariel Nickell led Alice Lloyd with 19 points and eight rebounds. Hayley Smith followed, adding 15 points for the Lady Eagles.

Carla Booth, a sophomore guard in her first season with Alice Lloyd College after transferring from Eastern Kentucky University, added 13 points.

Booth hit multiple clutch free throws. She was nine-of-12 from the foul line.

JJ Hickson dealt out a team-high five assists and claimed seven rebounds for the Lady Eagles.

Alice Lloyd 71, Point Park 64: Ariel Nickell scored a game-high 24 points and grabbed 13 rebounds to lead Alice Lloyd past Point Park 71-64 on Wednesday afternoon.

Hayley Smith chipped in 13 points for the Lady Eagles. Joining Nickell and Smith in double figures, Courtney Crowder contributed 10 points for the Lady Eagles.

Crowder also handed out five assists.

Carla Booth dished out a game-high seven assists for Alice Lloyd win the win.

Emily Schartner paced Point Park (4-2 overall, 0-1 in the KIAC) with a team-high 19 points.

With the win, Alice Lloyd improved to 6-3 overall and 2-0 in the KIAC.



Hayley Smith



Wesley Christian cheerleading squad claims first at RBC

Times Staff Report

EASTERN — The Wesley Christian Middle School A-Team cheerleading squad

earned the first-place trophy during the Right Beaver Classic held at Allen Central. The Right Beaver Classic is an annual invitational youth basket-

ball tournament. The Circuit Rider cheerleading team is under the direction of coaches Dannelte James and Leslie Nelson.

Little honored as top player in Class A, District 8

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

HI HAT — South Floyd running back Weston Little excelled throughout his senior season - especially on the ground. One of the state's top high school running backs, Little has been named the Class A, District 8 Player of the Year by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association.

During his senior season, Little rushed 260 times for 2,315 yards and 31 touchdowns.

Little led South Floyd in both rushing and receiving. The South Floyd senior hauled in 13 catches for a team-high 219 yards and two touchdowns.

Little also led South Floyd in interceptions (two) and registered 35 tackles.

South Floyd, under the tutelage of veteran head coach Donnie Daniels, finished the 2012 season 5-6 following a loss to Nicholas County in the opening round of the Class A State Playoffs. The Raiders ended the regular-season as the runner-up behind Pikeville in Class A, District 8.

Pikeville head coach Chris McNamee has been named the Class A, District 8 Coach of the Year by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association. Pikeville exited the season 7-6 after falling to Fairview in the Region 4 championship game.



Weston Little - Class A, District 8 Player of the Year

Parsons named Class 2A, District 8 Coach of the Year

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

BETSY LAYNE — Betsy Layne head coach Jonathan Parsons has been named the Class 2A, District 8 Coach of the Year by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association.

Under the direction of Parsons, Betsy Layne compiled a 7-4 record in the 2012 season. The Bobcats registered a 7-3 regular-season record, claiming wins over South Floyd, Allen Central, Knott County Central, Paintsville, Hannan (W.Va.), Shelby Valley and Jenkins.

Parsons has guided Betsy Layne to three straight winning seasons. The Bobcats haven't endured a losing campaign since 2009.

In the 2012 season, Betsy Layne outscored opponents 374-269 and rolled up 4,000 yards of total offense. The Bobcats also rushed for 2,583 yards in 11 games.

Junior quarterback Dylan Hamilton led the Betsy Layne offense, completing 104-of-203 passes for 1,778 yards and 20 touchdowns.

Two Betsy Layne running backs flirted with the 1,000 yards rushing plateau. Josh Salisbury led Betsy Layne on the ground, rushing 112 times for 921 yards and seven touchdowns.

Houston Hall wasn't too far behind Hamilton in the rushing column. Hall rushed 105 times for 870 yards and four touchdowns.

Defensively, Betsy Layne held four of 11 opponents to 14 points or less.

Betsy Layne competes in Class 2A, District 8 along with Prestonsburg, Leslie County and Shelby Valley.



Betsy Layne head coach Jonathan Parsons has been named the Class 2A, District 8 Coach of the Year by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association.

Ladycats turn back Paintsville in opener

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

BETSY LAYNE — Christina Crase passed her first test as head coach of the Betsy Layne girls' basketball team Monday night. In her debut as head coach, Crase guided the Ladycats into the win column as host Betsy Layne defeated visiting Paintsville 39-36 at the Dome.

The Ladycats overcame a three-point halftime deficit and survived an early offensive outburst from the Paintsville girls.

"Paintsville came out shooting first quarter hitting three threes - they were hitting a lot," Crase commented. "We had to make some adjustments and make sure to get in the way of shooters after we were down three at halftime. We went into the locker room with only five rebounds. We had to get on the boards offensively and defensively. So, we came out second half with that mindset of rebounding and putting more pressure on the ball. We were able to get a few turnovers and more rebounds second half to make a run late for the win."

Betsy Layne survived a sub-par offensive performance. The Ladycats were 11-of-48 from the field, connecting on only 22.9 percent of their attempts from two- and three-point range combined.

Betsy Layne fared well from three-point range, draining five-of-14 attempts taken beyond the arc.

The Ladycats shot 52.2 percent (12-of-23) from the free throw line.

Timera Thacker led Betsy Layne with 16 points. Brandy Morrow and Paige Watkins followed, adding eight points apiece for the Ladycats.

Chloe Johnson scored four points and Bailey Recznik added three for the Betsy Layne girls' basketball team in the non-district win.

Watkins led Betsy Layne on the boards, claiming six rebounds.

Kelsi Tackett grabbed three rebounds for the Ladycats.

Betsy Layne only committed eight turnovers in the opener. Offensively, Betsy Layne dished out seven assists.

The Ladycats used an impressive defensive effort that included nine steals, two blocks and 13 defensive rebounds.

Betsy Layne will visit Allen Central Friday night for a 68th District/Floyd County Conference game versus the Rebels.

Tip-off for the Betsy Layne-Allen Central girls' basketball game is set for 6 p.m. at J.E. Campbell Arena.

Goodwin named SEC Freshman of the Week

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky standout Archie Goodwin has been named the Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Week as well as Dick Vitale's Diaper Dandy of the Week after averaging 25.0 points 7.5 rebounds and 6.5 assists in wins over Morehead State and LIU Brooklyn.

Goodwin logged a career-high 28 points in a win over Morehead State to begin the week. It is the seventh-most points in a game for a UK freshman in the history of the program and the most by any UK player this season. He then followed that performance by nearly charting the second triple-double in school history. He posted a team-high 22 points to accompany career-highs in assists (9) and rebounds (9) against LIU Brooklyn.

The SEC weekly honor is the first in Goodwin's career and the third for UK this season.

The Wildcats are in action Thursday night in the SEC/Big East challenge in South Bend, Ind., taking on the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. Tipoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. ET and the game will be televised live on ESPN2. UK returns home to Rupp Arena Saturday to take on Baylor in a 12:30 p.m. game that will be televised on CBS.

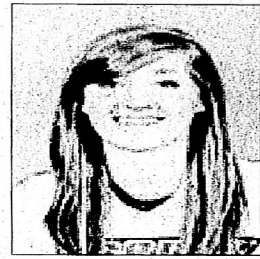
Carroll named KIAC Player of the Week

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

BERRA — Asbury University senior Laura Carroll was named the KIAC Women's Basketball Player of the Week by KIAC officials on Monday. Carroll, a guard out of Paintsville High School, owns the distinction of being one of the top women's basketball players in Asbury University history in Asbury's only contest

last week, Carroll recorded 27 points, four rebounds and three assists in a 107-87 loss to 24th-ranked Union College. The senior guard currently ranks sixth in NAIA Division II in free throw percentage (.93.9) and 17th in points per game (18.857).

Asbury University is currently 6-3 overall. The Eagles will return to action on Wednesday when they host Hiwassee College.



Laura Carroll

Eagles drop road game to Point Park

Steve LeMaster
Sports Editor

PITTSBURGH — Point Park turned back visiting Alice Lloyd in a KIAC men's basketball game on Wednesday, defeating the Eagles 118-83.

Point Park thrived early, leading 15-2 after five minutes. The Pioneers hit seven of 10 field goal attempts, along with a pair of three-pointers. Alice Lloyd struggled offensively, draining only one of 11 attempts.

The Eagles responded with a 15-2 run of their own to tie the score at 17-17 with 10:47 to go in the first half. Point Park, however, outscored Alice 40-20 before halftime to lead 57-37 at the intermission.

The Pioneers scored 61 points in the final 20 minutes and sank 10 of their 15 3-point field goal attempts in the second half to secure the win.

Junior point guard Isaac Wilson paced Alice Lloyd (4-5, 0-1 KIAC) with a team-high 23 points. Senior center Terry Muse added 19 points and 13 rebounds for the Eagles.

Alice Lloyd guards Justin Hobbs, Stuart Stamper and Cody Stumbo chipped in with 11, 10, and 10 points, respectively. Hobbs also dished out four assists for the Eagles.

Matt Noszka led Point Park (5-1, 1-0 KIAC) with a game-high 32 points. Point Park shot 52 percent in the winning effort.

Alice Lloyd shot 47 percent in the setback.



Isaac Wilson

UPIKE earns 'Champions of Character' designation

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE — The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) has selected the University of Pikeville as a 2011-2012 Champions of Character Five-Star Institution.

The goal of the NAIA Champions of Character program is to foster an environment in which NAIA student-athletes, coaches, officials and spectators are committed to the spirit of competition through five tenets: integrity, respect, responsibility, sportsmanship and servant leadership.

"The University of Pikeville is fortunate to have an administration, coaches and community that supports our student-athletes and athletics programs," said UPIKE Athletic Director Reginald Overton, Ed.D. "We strive to create an atmosphere that is conducive to service learning and overall student development. The NAIA's Champions of Character program knows no rival and is one that all organizations should implement."

To earn the Champions of Character distinction, the NAIA measures an institution's commitment to character training, conduct in

competition, academic focus and character recognition and promotion. Schools are scored in each category. Institutions that score 60 out of 100 points earn the Champions of Character designation.

As part of the student-athlete experience at UPIKE, over the past year athletes participated in community projects such as food and clothing drives, hosted free sports clinics for area youth, a local cleanup effort following a devastating tornado, the Reading With the Bears program in grade schools, were involved in Special Olympics and a 5-K run to raise awareness for cancer.

Overton said the athletics department also focuses on the personal enhancement of student-athletes, offering a drug-alcohol seminar with guest speakers from local law enforcement and the legal community, as well as sexual harassment training.

Last year the university invited national speaker Mike Gottfried to campus. A former football coach and college football analyst for ESPN, Gottfried also founded Team Focus, an organization that helps fatherless boys ages nine to 17 by providing them with leadership skills and mentoring.

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Ten MSU football players earn league honors

Times Staff Report

MOREHEAD — Ten student-athletes from the Morehead State football team have picked up 2012 postseason honors from College Sports Madness. The list includes four Eagles who have garnered All-Pioneer Football League First-Team selections.

Senior Dante Sawyer led MSU with a pair of first-team selections, including wide receiver and kick-return honors. The Acworth, Ga., native finished 2012 with 81 receptions for 1,024 yards and eight touchdowns. He also had 680 yards and two touchdowns on 26 kick returns. He led the PFL in receptions per game (7.4) and all-purpose yards (7.4), was second in receiving yards per game (93.1) and kick return average (26.2) and sixth in points per contest (5.5). In four years, Sawyer set school standards for receptions (139), receiving yards (2,555) and receiving touchdowns (24).

Sophomore running back Rees Macshara and senior offensive lineman Joey Clegg picked up first-team offensive selections as well. Macshara, who became the first Eagle since 2000 to post 1,000 rushing yards in a season, finished with 1,013 yards on 173 carries and six touchdowns. He also collected 307 yards and one score on 39 receptions. He was second in the PFL in rushing yards per game (92.1) and third in all-purpose yards (120.0).

Clegg, blocked for an offense that ranked first in the PFL in scoring of offense with 58 touchdowns and 38.4 points per game. The Eagles were also first in total yards (471.5), first in pass offense (305.4) and third in rushing offense (166.2).

Sophomore linebackers Jordan Hendrix and Dillon Blackburn rounded out the first-team honors for the Eagles. Hendrix, who posted

eight performances of double-figure tackles, led the PFL with a school-record 123 total tackles. Blackburn, who reached 10 plus tackles on six occasions, finished second on the team with 118 tackles.

Senior quarterback Zach Lewis was a second-team selection for his efforts in 2012. The Manchester native ranked third in the PFL in passing yards per game (268.6), pass efficiency (143.0) and total offense (274.1). He ran the ball 33 times for 60 yards and completed 266-of-402 attempts for 2,955 yards. Lewis finished the season with 25 throwing touchdowns. He is also MSU's all-time in completions (936), passing yards (10,251) and throwing touchdowns (72).

Senior offensive lineman Eric Matteson was also a second-team selection for the Eagles. Like fellow lineman Clegg, he helped MSU to league-leading stats in scoring, total yards and pass offense.

Senior defensive back Dexter Geohagan, also a second-team selection, was seventh in the PFL in passes defended, with 0.82 per contest. He registered 43 tackles and two interceptions.

Senior kicker Rainer Duzan and junior defensive lineman Aaron Meadows completed the Eagles' selections with third-team accolades. Duzan was 54-of-57 on point-after-attempts and 6-of-8 on field-goal tries. He also registered 35 punts for 1,333 yards and closed out his career with school standards in points for a kicker (258), field goals (36) and extra points (150).

Meadows recorded 43 tackles in 2012, including 12 tackles for loss. He also added six sacks for 51 yards, two forced fumbles and five quarterback hurries.

The Eagles finished the season 4-7 overall and 3-5 in the PFL.

Kentucky volleyball team to host NCAA Tournament

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON — The Kentucky volleyball team earned its eighth-consecutive bid into the NCAA Tournament and claimed the No. 16 national seed it was announced on Sunday afternoon. Kentucky is slated to host the First and Second Rounds of the tournament in Memorial Coliseum on Friday and Saturday.

The Wildcats will host East Tennessee State at 7:30 p.m. with Ohio State and Notre Dame meeting at 5 p.m. prior to UK taking the floor on Friday. The second round matchup is slated for 7 p.m. ET on Saturday for a spot in the West Lafayette Regional, Dec. 7-8.

Kentucky head coach Skinner has directed the Wildcats to the field of 64 in all eight seasons as head coach. UK is one of just 14 teams in the nation to advance to the tournament in each of those eight seasons. Kentucky will play host to the NCAA Tournament for the fourth time in the last five seasons and for the 10th time in program history.

Kentucky's (20-10) opening round matchup will be against the Atlantic Sun Champion East Tennessee State Bucs (23-12). The Bucs earned the league's automatic bid after defeating North Florida in the championship match. It marks the first-ever trip to the NCAA Tournament for ETSU.

Women's basketball: Morehead State struggles versus host Kentucky

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON — Ninth-ranked University of Kentucky held a 63-21 rebounding edge and outscored the visiting Morehead State University women's basketball team 46-12 in the paint Friday as the Wildcats defeated MSU 73-37.

Three players — Samarie Walker (13), Azia Bishop (10) and DeNeSha Stallworth (10) — grabbed double digit boards as UK won its 23rd straight game in Memorial Coliseum.

The Eagles, who were paced by six points each from sophomores Whitney Kyle and Mackenzie Arledge, fell to 1-4. Kentucky improved to 3-1.

The Eagles trailed 6-4 early following an Almesha Jones' layup, but the 'Cats opened up a 14-2

run to distance themselves from the visitors, 20-6. A three-pointer by junior guard Terrice Robinson cut the deficit to 11 (20-9), but that's as close as MSU got in the half.

UK hit just 2-of-15 from the three-point arc in the half, but forced the Eagles into only 24 percent efficiency (6-of-25). UK led 36-13 at the break.

Martinez played a career-best 16 minutes and committed only two miscues.

The host team ran out to a 48-15 advantage at the 15:38 mark of the final half, but the Eagles outdueled the 'Cats 10-4 over the next four minutes. A 50-25 UK advantage was as close as MSU got, however, as Kentucky led by as much as 42 late.

Walker completed a double-double with a team-high 15 points for UK, while Stallworth (10 points) also had a double-double. Adia Mathies scored 11, and Bria Goss tossed in 10 tallies.

The Eagles hit seven three-pointers and forced 18 Kentucky mistakes. MSU had 24 turnovers, and UK blocked 10 Eagle shots. Morehead State finished the contest with a 29 percent (15-of-52) efficiency from the field, while UK hit just 38 percent (30-of-80). Freshman guard Kailee Howe dished off a career-best four assists for the Eagles.

Morehead State will return to action on Wednesday at Cincinnati. Tip-off for the Morehead State-Cincinnati game is set for 7 p.m.

Walker signs with UK women's golf team

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky women's golf program has added three golfers to its 2013 class, head coach Golda Johnson-Borst announced on Wednesday. Megan Kinney (Frankfort) Haley Mills (Tyler, Texas) and Alessandra Walker (Paintsville) all inked national letters of intent during the early November signing period.

"I am extremely excited about our signings from the class of 2013," Borst

said. "These young ladies will all bring something different to our program, but they all bring a great deal of passion, determination and a strong work ethic to our program. We can't wait for this class to join us next year and I know that they will have an immediate impact and help us compete for championships. We couldn't be prouder to have Ale, Haley and Megan join our Wildcat family next year."

Walker attends Paintsville High School where she collected numerous accolades during her junior

golf career. Earlier in the 2012-13 school year, Walker was the regional and All-A State champion, while also claiming the AJGA Greenbrier qualifier. She was named the All-Area Player of the Year, regional runner-up and Madisonville Invitational individual champion in 2011. Walker is a five-time State Tournament qualifier, All-A regional champion (2010-12), voted on the All-Area Team (2009-11) and was the first woman to compete in the 2012 Paintsville Invitational, placing third.

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Late run lifts Morehead State over Norfolk State

Times Staff Report

MOREHEAD — A 25-footer by junior Jarrett Stokes sparked a 7-0 run and the Morehead State University basketball team went on to post a 73-67 win over Norfolk State University on Monday night at Johnson Arena.

The Eagles improved to 4-2 on the season with the victory, while the Spartans, who played in last year's NCAA Tournament, slipped to 2-5 overall with their fourth consecutive setback.

"Tonight was a tough game against a quality opponent," Associate Head Coach Dylan Howard said. "We are certainly happy with the win, but know that we have to play better in the future."

Senior Milton Chavis led Morehead State for the sixth straight contest with 19 points on 8-of-15 from the field. He also yanked down a game-high 10 rebounds and handed out two assists.

Junior Maurice Lewis-Briggs finished with 12 points for MSU, while Stokes and senior Kahil Owens posted 11 apiece. Lewis-Briggs (9) and Owens (7) also combined for 16 rebounds.

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836-0363 NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.005, notice is hereby given that PIA Company, Inc., P.O. Box 1590, Martin, KY 41649 has applied for Phase I bond release on Increment No. 1 and 2 of Permit No. 836-0363, which was last issued on June 11, 2007. Increment No. 1 and 2 cover an area of approximately 27.06 and 10.32 acres respectively and are located 0.50 miles east of Minnie in Floyd County, Kentucky. The surface area is owned by Robin Yabroff.

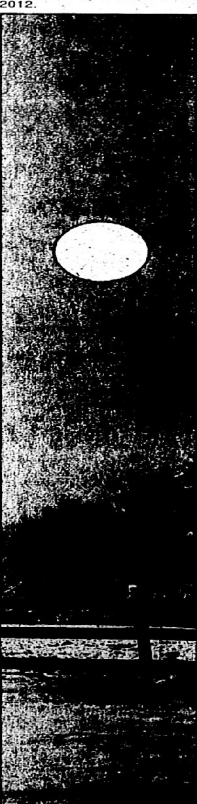
The operation is located on Simpson Branch approximately 0.40 miles southeast of Simpson Branch County Road's junction with KY RT 1101, and 0.6 miles south of Duff in Floyd County, Kentucky.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00), and a Bond Pool bond in the amount of Sixty eight thousand dollars (\$68,000.00). The bond now in effect for Increment No. 2 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of five thousand and five hundred dollars (\$5,500.00), and a Bond Pool bond in the amount of Twenty eight thousand and six hundred dollars (\$28,600.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount for Increment 1 being \$49,200.00 and for Increment 2 being \$20,400.00 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching. This work was completed for Increment 1 in October 2009 and for Increment 2 March 2009.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Holloway, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by December 18, 2012.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for December 19, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. Or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's, Pineburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive Suite 8, Pineburg, Kentucky 41653. This hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by December 18, 2012.



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COUNTY OF FLOYD

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, Do Hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All person indebted to an Estate should settle with the Fiduciary within six(6) months from the date of appointment.

DATE OF APPOINTMENT	CASE NUMBER	ESTATE OF:	FIDUCIARY	ATTORNEY
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11-02-12	12-P-408	Rachel L. Adams	Herman Adams	
11-02-12	12-P-412	Glen Ramey	Glen Ramey, Jr.	
11-07-12	12-P-415	Eve Mae Little	Clinton Gene Little	
11-07-12	12-P-416	Ruby Jean Keathley	Elmer Keathley	David B. Mour
11-08-12	12-P-419	Miranda Newsome	Peggy Carroll	
11-09-12	12-P-420	Delmer Kiser	Eloise Starks	Anthony Craig Davis
11-13-12	12-P-421	Paul V. Gunnell	Sandra Gunnell	
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11-19-12	12-P-437	June Hutchinson	Michael White	
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Of Final Settlement

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
COUNTY OF FLOYD...SCT

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, Do Hereby certify that the following Settlements of Estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said Settlements must do son on or before December 28th, 2012, at 10:00 am.

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Final	10-P-261	Jennifer Marie Meade	Rick Meade	10-29-12
Final	12-P-47	James F. Goines	Patty L. Goines	10-29-12
Final	12-P-162	Maxine G. Hall	Deborah Hall	10-29-12
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Final	12-P-169	Vernie Prater, Jr.	Judith C. Prater	11-1-12
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I have been appointed Waring Order Attorney by the Circuit Court Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky to notify certain individuals that a Verified Petition for Sale of the Oil and Gas Estate Pertaining to Jointly Owned Properties was filed in Civil Action Number 12-CV-0121 now pending in the Floyd Circuit Court, Division 1, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. Kinshag Development Company, LLC v. Allen Robert Leslie; Rosalie Loreto; Alice Lloyd College; Robert Keith Leslie; Larry M. Leslie; Randall H. Leslie; Edward D. Leslie; Darwin Douglas Roberts; William L. Roberts and Cecilia Roberts; his wife; Mildred Lewis and Milton Lewis, Jr., her husband; Maude Elizabeth Gressel and Charles E. Gressel, her husband; Martha May Leslie Shelton and Byron Shelton, her husband; David Richard Leslie; Gerald Graham Leslie, Jr., and Wilma Leslie; his wife; Alice Leslie Phillips and Frank Phillips, her husband; Mammon G. Leslie; David B. Leslie, Jr. and Lisa/Elizabeth Leslie, his wife; Rodney Erickson; Eugene L. Samsel, Jr. and Margaret B. Samsel; Julia Pamela Collins and James Collins; Kate Holmes and Curtis Holmes, her husband; Betty Wellman; James E. Wellman; Martha Alice Hanson; Greg R. Herrington; Jerry Fanning; William Pierce Runnels, III and Cathy Runnels, his wife; Vicki Lynn Bryan; Tyler Wayne Runnels and Unknown Defendants, being the Unknown Heirs at law, if any, of Martha J. Leslie, Victoria Burchett, Lula Bevins, David (D.B.) Leslie, Minnie L. Martin, Kate Harris, W.P. Leslie, Annie Leslie Hall and L.C. Leslie, and the Unknown Heirs at law, if any, of the aforementioned named Defendants herein, and the unknown grantees, devisees, Successors or Assigns, if any, of the individuals named or of the Defendants herein or their spouses, and also being such persons, if any, entitled to or claiming an interest in or to the property herein described under or through any of the aforementioned known individuals or otherwise.

I have been appointed to notify all non-residents of the State of Kentucky, all known addresses and unknown Defendants, including Allen Robert Leslie, Rosalie Loreto; Edward D. Leslie; Darwin Douglas Roberts; William L. Roberts and Cecilia Roberts, his wife; Mildred Lewis and Milton Lewis, Jr., her husband; Martha May Leslie Shelton and Byron Shelton, her husband; Mary Alice Leslie Phillips and Frank Phillips, her husband; Mammon G. Leslie; David B. Leslie, Jr. and Lisa/Elizabeth Leslie, his wife; Rodney Erickson; Eugene L. Samsel, Jr. and Margaret B. Samsel; Julia Pamela Collins and James Collins; Kate Holmes and Curtis Holmes, her husband; Betty Wellman; James E. Wellman; Martha Alice Hanson/Henson; William Pierce Runnels, III and Cathy Runnels, his wife; Vicki Lynn Bryan; Unknown Defendants, being the Unknown heirs at law, if any, of Martha J. Leslie, Victoria Burchett, Lula Bevins, David (D.B.) Leslie, Minnie L. Martin, Kate Harris, W.P. Leslie, Annie Leslie Hall and L.C. Leslie, and the Unknown Spouse, if any, of the aforementioned and of the named defendants herein, and the unknown grantees, devisees, Successors or Assigns, if any, of the individuals named or of the Defendants herein or their spouses, and also being such persons, if any, entitled to or claiming an interest in or to the property herein described under or through any of the aforementioned known or unknown individuals or otherwise.

All parties mentioned above who have not been heretofore notified of the Verified Petition for Sale of the Oil and Gas Estate, are hereby notified and notified that they have thirty (30) days from and after October 29, 2012 in which to file an answer to the complaint filed against them. Failure to do so may result in the relief requested in the verified Petition for the sale of the Oil and Gas Estate. This may be a matter for which you want to consult an Attorney at Law.

Wolodymyr Cybriwsky Waring Order Attorney 214 South Central Avenue Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (800) 686-8369

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-8088, Amendment 7 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FODCO, Inc., P.O. Box 1200, Robinson Creek, Kentucky 41560 has applied for an amendment to a permit for a coal processing facility, refuse disposal, underground contour and auger mining operation located 1.9 miles Southeast of Printer in Floyd County. The amendment will add 1.51 surface acres making a total of 695.81 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.4 miles south of KY State Route 122's junction with KY State Route 2030 and located 0.6 miles northeast of Spurlock Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 1:25,000 quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour, auger, and area methods of mining. The surface area to be disturbed is approximately 1.4 miles and is owned by Black Diamond Land Company, LLC.

The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road KY State Route 2030. The operation will not involve reclamation or closure of the public road.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 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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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5422, Amendment No. 4 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Mat/Co, Inc. 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.0 mile north of Dana in Floyd County. The amendment will add 0.0 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 83.09 acres making a total of 969.90 acres within the amended permit boundary.

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Legals

The proposed amendment is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7172 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will underlie land owned by Sidney Lee & Myrtle Boyd, John & Rebecca Boyd, Appalachian Land Co., Joann & Vaughn Watson, Steve Watson, and Gail Betty Reynolds.

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Local care facilities find adventure at the beach

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Elders and staff from Signature homes in Kentucky, Tennessee and Florida boarded charter buses early Monday and arrived that evening. The group left early Thursday with plenty of stories and even some first-time experiences, helicopter rides and parasailing among them. Other adventures included a sightseeing boat tour (no alligator sightings), a trip to Pirates Voy-

age dinner show, dinner and balloon animals at Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville restaurant, and plenty of sun and sand at the beach.

Philmon Mitchell and Billy Collier from Prestonsburg Health Care, and Francis Branham and Willie Shepherd from Riverview Health Care were among those who participated in the trip.

Mr. Mitchell had come to Prestonsburg Health Care for Physical Therapy, but liked it so much that he decided to stay. He had been to Myrtle Beach before, but it had been many years ago. He stated, "I Loved the beach and dancing with all the women!" Mr. Collier also came to the facility for

rehabilitation. He had never been to Myrtle Beach and stated, "I enjoyed watching the mermaids at the Pirate Voyage Show."

Lynn Watts, Administrator at Prestonsburg Health Care Center, who travelled with the group stated, "Our elders had a wonderful time. We hope these types of programs and trips will help everyone see that they can still live life to the fullest!"

Francis Branham has been at Riverview Health Care for over a year and is always ready for fun. She had been to Myrtle Beach many years ago and enjoyed the entire trip, and was quick to note that it was really funny when they got locked out of the room! Willie Shepherd came to Riverview for rehab. He stated he had travelled quite a bit as he is a musician, but had never been to the Beach and was excited to see what it was all about. Mr. Shepherd added he really enjoyed the dinner show and the beach.

"Quality of life for our elders is critically important," stated Missy Allen, Administrator at Riverview Health Care, further adding, "Programming for both of our homes stresses the importance of staying connected to our community and helping and encourage everyone that they can continue to have a life worth living!"

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