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Activist, exec, priest resurrect local board

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A long-time educator, a local businessman and an Episcopal priest have been named to three vacancies on the Floyd County Board of Education in an apparent attempt to resurrect the bankrupt system.

On Monday, state Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody appointed former teacher Carol Stumbo; Worldwide Equipment president Terry Dotson; and state environmental investigator and priest Johnnie Ross to board seats.

Dotson

Ross

Stumbo

Kentucky's State School Board has been conducting the local board's business since November when board member Eddie Patton resigned, leaving the board without a quorum.

The two remaining board members, Jody Mullins and B.J. Newsome, are facing ouster charges by Cody and removal hearings are scheduled in Frankfort next week.

Also, the three new members will be sworn in today (Wednesday) at 5:30 p.m. prior to a special board meeting, the first meeting for the local board since November, 1997.

The three new members said they were interested in serving on the board to improve the education of Floyd County children.

Stumbo, director of the Education Department's Region 8 Service Center, the recipient of the nation's first Christa McAuliffe Educator Award by the National Education Association and a past president of the Floyd County Education Association, said she's in it for the children.

"I don't think anybody wants to do it, but does it need to be done?" Stumbo asked Tuesday. "I want the schools to be good for children. We need to be putting the focus on the children."

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New board to meet at 5:30 today

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

For the first time in two months, a Floyd County Board of Education meeting will be held in the county and presided over by local board members.

A special meeting has been called for today (Wednesday) at 5:30 p.m. at Adams Middle School.

Three newly-appointed board members, Carol Stumbo, Johnnie Ross and Terry Dotson will take the oath of office prior to the meeting.

Agenda items include consideration of approval for a state takeover of the school system by the Kentucky Department of Education.

State officials have recommended to the Kentucky Board of Education a three-year takeover of the system after a scathing management audit of the district last year.

In response to an erroneous media report on Tuesday that the Floyd County system is already under state management, Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody issued a statement clarifying the issue.

"The Floyd County school district is not under state management at this time," Cody's letter said. "A hearing to determine that issue is expected to be scheduled before the Kentucky Board of Education. . .If the Kentucky Board of Education determines that state management is warranted in Floyd County or any other district, the local board will continue to exercise its full powers within the

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Welcome home
Johnnie and Virgie Porter greeted Thomas G. Fern, director of the Rural Development agency; Russ Thomason, Rural Housing specialist; Tom Keeth, Community Development manager; Donald Profitt, executive director of HOMES Inc.; and Nelson Hopkins, Home coordinator of HOMES Inc. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Temporary home is a lasting treasure

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

In early November, Virgie and Johnnie Porter and their two sons were homeless. The house they rented was sold, and the family planned to spend the cold winter nights sleeping in their vehicle.

The Porters were used to the cold, though. The house they rented did not have insulation, and the only source of heat was a kerosene heater. They closed off a portion of the house in the winter, and they turned off the kerosene heater at night.

"It took money to buy kerosene. We were afraid of a kerosene heater, anyway," Virgie Porter said Tuesday as she welcomed state and county housing officials into their transitional home on Dry Branch of Abbott.

Three months ago, the Porters moved into a three-bedroom house owned by the US government and leased to Housing Oriented Ministries Established For Service, Inc. (HOMES).

The house, which was considered unmarketable, was leased to HOMES for ten years for $1.00 by the Rural Development agency for the purpose of providing temporary shelter for homeless families, Thomas G. Fern, state director of the Rural Development agency, told the Porters as he toured their home Tuesday.

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Judge, attorney at odds over road foreman's job

Jarrell's contract expired, but he'll keep the position until a replacement is named

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Floyd Judge-Executive Ben Hale admitted Tuesday that the county attorney properly advised the fiscal court Monday about the legal consequences of removing the county road foreman from his job even though his contract expired.

At a special meeting of the fiscal court Monday, Hale declared that county road foreman Mike Jarrell's contract expires Tuesday and Hale would assume the responsibility of the vacant position himself.

After a heated discussion between Hale and Bartley during the meeting, and the service of a court order for a temporary injunction, Hale said Tuesday morning that he did not say he would perform the road foreman's duties and that he only informed the court about Jarrell's contract.

Prestonsburg attorney Jerry Patton filed a motion for a temporary injunction in Floyd Circuit Court Tuesday to prevent Hale from discontinuing Jarrell's employment.

A hearing on that matter is scheduled for 11 a.m. Wednesday (today).

"It was nothing major," Hale said Tuesday. "I kept saying the contract expires...I told Keith I wasn't firing anybody."

Hale added he decided Jarrell would continue to be the county's road foreman until he was reappointed to the position or a replacement was approved by the fiscal court.

The judge-executive said he reconsidered the matter after Bartley gave him the specific laws, which he refused to look at during the meeting.

Bartley noted Tuesday that he also attempted to give Hale the laws after the meeting, but Hale would not accept them.

Hale said he changed his mind on the issue after Bartley "showed me the laws afterwards...That's what he's there for. He advises us."

The judge-executive's statement about the county attorney was an apparent about-face from his comments about Bartley during the special meeting.

Hale apparently construed Bartley's advice to the fiscal court Monday as a personal matter and asked the county attorney if he was representing the court or an individual in the matter.

"Quite obviously I feel there is a conflict here," Hale said Monday. "I just question what's going on here...I think there are some conflicts here and I think you know where I'm coming from."

Bartley admitted he and Jarrell

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Police arrest man for allowing teens to drink

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man was sentenced to 20 days in the county jail Tuesday after he pleaded guilty to allowing two area teenagers to drink alcohol during a party at Super 8 Motel.

Keith R. Gayheart, 22, of McDowell, was arrested early Tuesday morning by Prestonsburg patrolman Darrell Preston after he apparently permitted 19-year-old Jody S. Hall and a juvenile "to drink alcohol to the point of intoxication."

Gayheart's arrest followed a complaint made by the hotel's management.

According to court records, the incident occurred Monday night or early Tuesday during a party at Super 8 Motel. The records indicate the hotel room was registered to Gayheart.

Gayheart was charged with alcohol intoxication, possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia and two counts of endangering the welfare of a minor.

Officers also found three partially-smoked marijuana joints on the hotel's night stand and Gayheart had rolling papers in his pocket, records say.

Gayheart pleaded guilty to the charges Monday in Floyd District Court, and assistant county attorney Lance Daniels recommended a $25 fine for the alcohol intoxication charge and the jail sentence for the remaining charges.

During Gayheart's arraignment, Daniels noted that the jail time was because of the endangering the welfare of a minor charges.

Hall was also arrested Tuesday morning, and he was charged with

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Sheriff ends speculation, files for judge

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson ended any speculation concerning his political aspirations on Monday when he filed as a Democratic candidate for county judge-executive.

Thompson, who was instrumental in getting Judge-Executive Ben Hale appointed to the post in 1995, is sure to face Hale in the May primary election.

Other filings, which are all Democrat candidates, include:

Sheriff- Denver Spurlock of Prestonsburg; Lloyd G. Powers of Auxier; Arthur Kilburn Jr. of Martin; and John K. Blackburn of Prestonsburg

Commissioner District One- Avery Lowe of Prestonsburg; Roger Rowe of Prestonsburg; and incumbent Magistrate Gerald DeRossett of Prestonsburg.

District Two Commissioner- incumbent Magistrate Jackie Edford Owens of Hueysville; Larry Foster Stumbo of McDowell; Arnold Dean Daniels of Hippo; Doug Allen of Wayland; Ralph O'Quinn of Garrett; Jimmy "Gabe" Turner of Drift; and Brad Martin of Langley.

District Three Commissioner- Russell Johnson of Wheelwright; Lennix (Cola Ray) Akers of Harold; and incumbent Magistrate Ermal Tackett.

Justice of the Peace, District One- William R. Callihan of East Point; and E. Bucky Collins of Prestonsburg.

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Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson and KSP detective Bobby Johnson escorted Tony Kidd to a police cruiser after he barracaded himself in his home Monday and threatened to committ suicide. Kidd threatened to kill himself after officers attempted to serve him with an EPO. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Man's standoff ends with his surrender

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

An intense two-hour standoff with a Floyd County man threatening to commit suicide came to a peaceful end Monday when KSP Detective Bobby Johnson convinced the man to surrender.

When the Floyd County Sheriff's Department attempted to serve a Little Mud Creek resident with an emergency protective order (EPO), it quickly escalated to a potentially dangerous situation.

Floyd detective Homer D. Neeley, Lt. Ricky Thornsberry and deputy Rick Newsome attempted to serve Tony Kidd with the EPO Monday, but the officers found themselves in an unexpected situation when Kidd threatened to commit suicide if they served him with the court documents.

A few hours later, with a hostage negotiator on his way to the scene, the standoff ended when Det. Johnson convinced Kidd to give himself up and to bring the detective a soft drink when he came out of the house.

"We had to talk for a while to get (Kidd) to talk to us," Lt. Thornsberry said, recalling the events.

The lieutenant said Kidd started talking about his problems and saying he was upset because his children were not at home.

"He said 'you know when you hand me that, it's my death,'" Thornsberry said. "I asked him what did he mean and he said 'I'm going to kill myself.'"

Thornsberry said he and the other officers did not know if Kidd

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City to study takeover of teen center

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

The Prestonsburg City Council is considering ways to assist a local business which provides the area's youth with a safe alternative to hanging out on city streets and parking lots.

Prestonsburg resident Sharon Neeley asked the council Monday night during a regular meeting if it would consider taking over the Christian Skate Center.

Neeley said Shaun Cole, who opened the facility about three months ago, has worked very hard to keep it open and "he has discovered it wasn't as easy as he had thought."

Neeley said the center may be forced to close down if assistance is not given.

"I hung out there enough myself to feel like nothing was going on that shouldn't be going on," she said. "If it's closed, (the kids) are going to be back on the streets...I'd like to see our city move ahead some and take into consideration our teenagers."

Cole explained to the council that he wanted to give the kids a

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Resurrect

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Dotson had similar views and said it's time for people to become involved in the school system. "I feel like it's time we people in business jump in and do something," Dotson said. "We in the community sat on the sidelines for too long. If we can build a $6.5 million arts center to play music, we can help straighten out the mess the Floyd County board is in. It's absolutely unforgivable what's going on in the school system."

Ross said he hopes to make a positive impact on the school system.

"I think for so long that the people who really thought they could make a difference, didn't," Ross said. "I really hope I can make a difference in how to educate children; how to spend the money and respond to the needs of the people of the county."

All three agree that one of the first steps to be taken is to find a qualified superintendent to lead the district.

"Absolutely one of the first things we need to do is hire a superintendent," Dotson said. "We need to use the most of our resources to get the best candidates. We need to search nationwide and bring a superintendent in here that can run this school system."

Ross also favors a national search and said the issue must be addressed immediately.

"Our immediate attention must focus on the search for a superintendent," Ross said. "(Interim) superintendent Dr. (Martin) Carr is employed for 100 days and he has used 40 days of that."

Stumbo, who participated in the district's first superintendent search process under Kentucky's Education Reform Act, said hiring a qualified superintendent will help students.

"We need to get good leadership in place and begin the process to get a good superintendent," Stumbo said. "It all impacts students."

Cody pledged his support to the board in its superintendent search in a statement released Tuesday.

"One of the first priorities of the Floyd County Board of Education will be to appoint a permanent superintendent," Cody said. "The department and I will support the board in this decision, which is a major step toward unifying and strengthening the district."

The three new board members were asked what three issues in the system need immediate attention and they agreed that getting a quality superintendent was a priority, but they differed somewhat on other issues.

Ross said other issues are influencing children and addressing the district's projected year-end deficit.

"I would hope that we can have some sort of positive influence on where the kids are, in the classroom," Ross said. "For the kids and the faculty because it's been my experience that morale is really low.

"We obviously need to attack the deficit problem," Ross continued. "Currently, there could be at least a $700,000-plus deficit this year. That's a real problem for us. We can't effectively educate children and provide what they need to be provided with. That's going to be difficult."

Dotson said the board needs to look at the number of school buildings in the district and make tough decisions to determine if some need to be closed. Another area of concern is staffing, he said.

"Some hard decisions about some schools are going to have to be addressed," Dotson said. "We may have some schools that need to be closed and we possibly have too many schools in the school system. It's just like a business. If you have too many facilities you close some and make sure you have the proper number of people to run the business. We're in the business of educating children.

"We have to get the staffing levels in line with the students in the district," Dotson added. "With the input I have, based on talking with people in the community, you have to have an administration in place."

Stumbo said trust must be restored between the board and the community, and the board must function as a whole.

"We have to restore credibility to the local board," Stumbo said. "And, getting the board together so that it can function is a priority. Things have been so chaotic, people don't have any trust in the board."

The three will be administered the oath of office by Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Janet Stumbo at 5:30 p.m. today (Wednesday) at Adams Middle School.

Ross, representing District One; Stumbo, taking the District Three seat; and Dotson, filling the District Two vacancy, will serve until the November general election.

State education department spokesman Jim Parks said Tuesday that the department plans to recommend to the state legislature this session that appointed board members serve the unexpired term of the seat vacated.

Board

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law. The Department of Education will honor and respect those rights of the Floyd County school board members and cooperate fully with them as they carry out their duties."

Hearings are scheduled next week in Frankfort to hear evidence from state officials on charges of misconduct, non-feasance and willful neglect of duty against board members Jody Mullins and B.J. Newsome. The two were charged in December by Cody.

State officials have also scheduled a hearing to hear evidence on the proposed takeover of the system.

Other agenda items for Tuesday's Floyd board meeting are:

- approval of the beginning of a search to select the district's next superintendent of schools;
- the reading of interim superintendent Martin Carr's contract; and
- employment of a board attorney because board attorney Jerry Patton's contract expired December 31.

Standoff

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had a gun in his hand, which was being shielded by the door. "That changes the whole ballgame," he said.

Kidd closed the door and refused to talk to the officers, Thornsberry said.

"We backed off and had some of his family members talk to him, but at times he didn't want to talk to anybody," the lieutenant said.

Thornsberry noted that he heard Kidd "screaming in anger" while he was in the house alone.

Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson was contacted about the situation, and he also responded to the scene.

After numerous attempts were made to communicate with Kidd, the sheriff's office requested the KSP send a hostage negotiator to speak with Kidd.

Detective Johnson said Tuesday he was at post when the call came in and he decided to go to the scene because he was familiar with a lot of people in the area.

With the hostage negotiator on his way to the scene, Det. Johnson talked to Kidd on the phone and gained his confidence.

"He just wanted to see his kids," the detective said, adding that Kidd was afraid he would not be able to see his kids if he was served with the court papers.

Det. Johnson said he spoke with Kidd for about 30 minutes and convinced him to give himself up.

"I had legitimate concerns for him," Johnson said, noting that Kidd never made any suicide threats to him on the phone.

Thornsberry said the detective did "an outstanding job" of bringing the situation to a peaceful end.

The lieutenant said Kidd was very cooperative with the officers after he gave himself up.

"(Kidd) admitted that he had three weapons at the scene and he gave me the keys and told me where they were," Thornsberry said.

Kidd was transported to Mountain Comprehensive Care and later taken to Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital for an evaluation.

Filings

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District One Constable- Homer D. Neeley of Prestonsburg; and Gary Wolfe of Prestonsburg.

District Two Constable- Bob Hackworth of Martin.

District Three Constable- Robert Caudill of McDowell.

District Four Constable- Arnold Bob McKinney of Harold.

District Judge- James R. Allen of Prestonsburg.

There have been no filings for justice of the peace in districts two, three and four.

Incumbent Democrat office holders Lovel Hall, Property Valuation Administrator; County Attorney Keith Bartley; County Clerk Carla "Robinson" Boyd and Jailer Roger Webb have filed to retain their offices.

Prospective candidates have until 4:00 p.m. January 29 to file with the county clerk's office.

Arrest

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alcohol intoxication and possession of alcohol by a minor. He posted a cash bond and was not arraigned on the charges Tuesday morning.

Courts records say Hall was "extremely intoxicated" when officers arrived at the hotel room and he admitted to drinking seven or eight beers.

Court records do not indicate if the juvenile is facing any charges because of the incident.

Arrest made in June '97 robbery case

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A joint investigation between the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and the state police led to the arrest of an area woman who allegedly robbed an Allen residence last summer.

Anna Lucille Brown, 45, of Drift, was arrested Monday by KSP detective Lee Weddington and Floyd detective Jim Rederick. She was charged with first degree robbery.

According to court records, Brown entered the home of Lola Hamilton armed with a knife on June 15, 1997 and stole property from the Allen residence.

Det. Rederick said Tuesday that Brown was only one of the alleged perpetrators who stole jewelry, clothes and checks from Mrs.

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Treasure

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"Our definition of homeless is a family without a home, not a house. It's certainly obvious that you have made this a nice, comfy, cozy home for your family," Fern said.

He questioned the Porters about their previous dwelling and why they had to move.

"It was real cold. The floors were unlevel, but we painted it and kept it clean. The kitchen, family room, bedroom and bath we kept open. We had fireplaces, but we couldn't use them. When you live in somebody else's house, you can't do all that work. The air was cold coming in through the cracks," Virgie said.

When the Porters received a letter from their landlord saying he had sold the property and they needed to move within 30 days, they were at the end of their rope.

"I was walking the floor. I didn't know where to turn," Virgie Porter said. "We were getting ready to lock the stuff up and sleep in the car."

They looked at rental property but, too often, the rent was more than their income.

"We couldn't get no home, we couldn't pay no rent...believe me we looked everywhere. Our income was too low through SSI (both Virgie and Johnnie are on disability). The people (landlords) said they'd never run us off, but they sent us a letter in November. Houses we looked at rented for $300 or $400 a month," Virgie said.

Those houses, which rented for just about what the Porters' monthly income equalled, had holes in the floor.

"The floors were rotted out so bad you could see the ground," Johnnie Porter told Fern.

"I was telling (Johnnie) last night that God had a lot to do (with providing the home)," Virgie Porter said. "This is really the nicest house I've had since I've been married, and I've been married 25 years."

"It's good to go to bed now, and it's good to get up," she added.

Virgie said that things began going downhill for her family since her husband became disabled and lost his construction job in 1982.

"When we got married, we bought a new trailer and lived in it for ten years. After that, we started going downhill. Johnnie lost his job. After that, we could live in what we could afford. No wonder I'm sick after what we went through," Virgie said.

Virgie Porter found out about the Rural Development program and HOMES house on Dry Branch because it was located about two miles from where she lived. Her son had often visited there. She found out it was empty and called Tom Keeth, community development manager with the agency's Prestonsburg office. He put her in touch with Donald Profit, director of HOMES, and the family moved in.

The Rural Development program has five such homes in Kentucky, but the Dry Branch site is the only Floyd County location. The homes are leased to nonprofit groups, who agree to provide maintenance and maintain insurance. They must make the home "safe, decent, and sanitary," Fern said. The occupants pay "whatever they afford," Fern said.

"They (the nonprofit organization) look at the couple's budget and take into consideration the utilities, the grocery bill," he added.

There is no set time on the couple's stay in the home. HOMES representatives will work with the family and help them be able to move into more permanent housing, Fern said.

Families who occupy the transitional homes must also agree to help maintain the property, and the Porters have already made a tremendous difference on their home.

"I think you've done a marvelous job. I knew it was in pretty poor condition at the time. We know it's more than a house to you, it's a home," Fern said.

Profitt concurred.

"I almost fell over (when I saw the improvements made by the Porters)," Profitt said. "We all supplied the house, but they made it a home."

Profitt added that he has been working with homeless families for many years and he wished more of these homes could be made available to lease to the homeless.

The project is part of an initiative by President Bill Clinton and Vice-President Al Gore to help rural Americans improve the quality of their lives.

The Rural Development has several programs available to help needy families with housing improvements. For more information about those programs, contact Tom Keeth at 886-9545.

In addition to Keeth, Profitt, and Fern, others touring the Porter's home were Russ Thomason, Rural Housing specialist; Priscilla Williams, public information coordinator; and Nelson Hopkins, HOMES coordinator.

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Center

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place to hang out and have a good time without being influenced by older kids.

"What I wanted to do is just pull the kids away from the (city) parking lot because I've seen older kids (there) and some kids are easily influenced," Cole said. "...It just gets them away. People don't realize how close drugs are to our kids."

Cole said the center, one of two indoor facilities in the state, is also an economic asset for the area with people coming here from as far away as Lexington.

"It's just really cool," Cole said. "They come in here, they spend their money here, they like the place and they keep coming back."

Cole told the council that the problem with the facility is that it is "a money-making project, but it's not a profit project. It's enough to break even."

When Cole told the kids that he may have to close down the center he said their reactions prompted him to try everything he can to keep it open.

"I got it started and I really think you guys can help us keep it going," Cole said. "We're this close (to) making it, but we're just going to need some help from somewhere...I want it to succeed. I don't want to see it fail."

Prestonsburg councilman Gorman Collins said his children have been going to the center and Cole does take care of them while they are there.

Other councilmen questioned Cole about the cost of running the facility and prices he charges for kids to skate.

Prestonsburg attorney David Neeley told the council that the skating center was not a "break-even situation" and Cole cannot afford to advertise it like it should be.

Gorman Collins offered to give Cole free advertising on his radio station in Prestonsburg.

"I think everyone here...is all for this," councilman Hansel Cooley said. "The direction we need to go in, I think, is what needs to be determined and if we can arrange a meeting with our attorney to see how to best work this out and see what the solution may be that would be a win-win situation for the kids."

Councilman Estill Lee Carter told Cole that the city's finance committee would meet Tuesday and asked if he could provide the committee with a handle on the situation.

The committee is supposed to report back to the city council with a recommendation about how to approach the situation.

In other business Monday, Mayor Jerry Fannin told the council that a new business was interested in establishing an extended care center in Prestonsburg for the elderly.

The council approved the first reading of an ordinance to annex property, owned by Carl Scutchfield, on Water Gap Road for the new company, Fannin said Monday.

Fannin also told the council that the city received a $569,646 grant for the Cow Creek water system project.

In other action Monday, the council:

• appointed Ted Nairn, Randy Burchett, Paul Burchett, Tom Blackburn and Eugene Prater to the local appeals board for new construction;

• appointed Vickie Ewing, with Jenny Wiley State Park, and Dana Spurlock, manager of the Super 8 Motel, to the tourism board; and

• authorized Mayor Jerry Fannin to sign an agreement with the state, Transportation Cabinet and the Department of Highways for a $157,000 check for improvements on the city streets and sidewalks.

Councilmen Bill Collins and Ralph Davis were not present at Monday's meeting.

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Notice of Public Meeting
Buffalo Creek Water Line Extension Project

The city of Prestonsburg will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, January 27th, 1998, at 3 p.m., at the Prestonsburg Municipal Building at 90 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, for the purpose of providing general information to the public regarding the proposed Buffalo Creek Water Line Extension Project.

The public is invited to attend and comment on such issues as economic and environmental impacts, service area, alternatives to the project, or any other pertinent issues.

Jerry Fannin, Mayor
City of Prestonsburg

Public Notification for Informing the Public of Possible Impact to an Important Land Resource

City of Prestonsburg

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Development is considering a pre-application for financial assistance sponsored by the City of Prestonsburg.

The proposed project consists of approximately 11.0 miles of water lines, an estimated 200,000 gallon water storage tank and one booster pumping station. The primary beneficiaries will be approximately 120 households in the Buffalo Creek Area. If contingency funds allow, water service could also be considered to residents of close proximity.

If implemented, the proposed action may impact important farmland and designated flood plain within the corridors and/or sites of the proposed improvements. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of this possible result and to request comments concerning (1) the impacts of the proposed location of farmland and flood plain; (2) alternative sites or actions that would avoid these impacts; and (3) methods that could be used to reduce these impacts.

The proposed action is available for review at the following Rural Development office:

Rural Development Office
220 West First Street
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Any persons interested in commenting on the proposed action may do so by sending such comments within 30 days following the date of this publication to: Joseph C. Frazier, USDA-RD 220 West First Street, Morehead, KY 40351.

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Floodplains and Wetlands Notice
Early Public Notice

The City of Prestonsburg is considering extending water service into the Buffalo Creek community of Floyd County. The proposed project consists of approximately 11.0 miles of water lines, an estimated 200,000 gallon water storage tank and one booster pumping station. The primary beneficiaries will be approximately 120 households in the Buffalo Creek Area.

Portions of this project are located in the 100-year flood plain and project activities, by virtue of their type and scope, must be conducted in the 100-year flood plain. Project maps are available for review by contacting Sandra Saad at the Big Sandy Area Development District, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; telephone (606) 886-2374.

The city is interested in discussing alternatives to the project and securing public perceptions of possible adverse impacts that could result from the project and possible minimization measures. Please send written comments to Mayor Jerry Fannin at the Prestonsburg Municipal Building at 90 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Comments will be received until close of business Thursday, January 29, 1998.

Signed: Mayor Jerry Fannin, Certifying Officer.

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—First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

"There is one difference between the tax collector and the taxidermist—the taxidermist leaves the hide."

—Mortimer Caplan

Editorial

These aren't your 'usual suspects'

by Scott Perry

We couldn't have picked three more suitable, if not likely suspects for the Floyd County Board of Education line-up if we had an FBI I-dent-a-kit and three sets of fingerprints.

There is absolutely no doubt that the three people chosen Monday to fill vacancies on the board are each in their own right perfect matches for a leadership void that has plagued the school system for decades.

First, we have Terry Dotson, CEO of Worldwide Equipment and chairman of Pikeville College's Board of Trustees.

Dotson brings his corporate business acumen to a system that has, too often, used its $40 million budget as a poor substitute for Wheel of Fortune, with every other segment of the wheel marked "bankrupt." As an influential member of the Pikeville College board, he should also be keenly aware of the gap that exists between secondary and college educational programs, and more than capable of helping to bridge that gap.

Next, we have Carol Stumbo, a former teacher and long-time activist whose current job with the Region Eight Service Center is finding ways to help area school districts do better jobs. Stumbo knows the system inside and out, with particular emphasis on the instructional side. She is an educator who knows the business of educating.

Last, but certainly not least, we have Johnnie Ross, a state environmental investigator by trade and an Episcopal priest by choice.

It certainly could not hurt to have a direct line to a higher authority on issues of educational concern, but Ross' qualities go beyond the theological.

Ross is a Boy Scout...literally... whose motto is to "be prepared" and whose creed is to "do his best to do his duty."

A businessman, a teacher and a priest.

A nice mix of economics, education and faith.

If we can't fix what ails our school system with that, it can't be fixed.

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Letters to the Editor

Dwale resident sets record straight

Editor:

I am speaking of and for Burns Goble.

I wish that some people would keep their nose out of my business. This is my property and I will do as I please. If you have a problem with me, come to my face and don't be a coward.

And, if you can't find your own business, you had better stay away! Thank you.

Oh, by the way, the store got a 97 percent rating. It is posted if you want to stop by and see.

Burns Goble
Dwale

Kudos to May Valley's Resource Center

Editor:

May Valley faculty and staff would like to give a special thanks to our Family Resource Center for sponsoring many educational and entertaining presentations to our students, as well as initiating and assisting in various school projects. They are faithful and willing to lend a helping hand in the school and community.

Thank you Donna Samons and Karen Goble!

Carole Combs, Principal
Barrie Johnson, Public Relations

Don't forget to thank school board members

Editor:

In a recent study for the Partnership for Kentucky Schools and the Kentucky School Board's Association, Kentuckians were asked to describe the job of a local board of education member. Most responses included terms such as thankless, challenging, difficult... and essential. The significance of solid community leadership for our school system is one reason the Partnership supports the January observation of National School Board's Recognition Month.

The statewide theme of this year's event is "Kentucky's School Boards—Choosing to Serve, Challenged to Lead." With the multi-million dollar budgets of almost every school system, boards of education are the equivalent of boards of directors of major corporations. Because of their choice to serve, school board members are challenged to meet high expectations by officials of our state as well as by the families and taxpaying citizens of their home communities.

Our research found that most school board members ran for office because citizens asked them to serve their community, not because of some personal agenda. Yet, once elected, too many board members say they seldom hear from those who urged them to serve, especially when the local board is called upon to make a tough decision that cannot please everybody.

Kentucky's school board members aren't asking for a pat on the back, but it's time we offered one. Public service demands a price of those who serve. A little gratitude, public or private, is a small return for leadership we value so strongly.

David A. Jones
Chairman
Partnership for Kentucky Schools

Woodford man expresses concern over proposed highway

Editor:

You want a road? We'll give you ours!

The Highway Department is currently planning to build an 11.5 million dollar bypass from KY 33 to US 62 around Versailles in Woodford County. This road is vigorously opposed by a number of citizens' groups and neighborhood associations because of unwanted commercial, residential, and industrial growth that will occur along it in the county's prime agricultural land. Unfortunately, our political leaders are more responsive to the desires of powerful development interest, and the Governor and Transportation Cabinet are more responsive to local officials than private citizens.

The result is the planned expenditure of $11.5 million dollars of scarce state highway funds for an unwanted road in the county with the highest (per capita) income and lowest unemployment in the state! Does this make sense? We don't think so. Wouldn't it be far more responsible to spend this money on a project in a county that has a genuine need for highway improvements, and a legitimate desire for public investment in its infrastructure and economic development?

I would urge the citizens of the Commonwealth to let their elected officials know that this shameful waste of taxpayer's money is unacceptable. Demand that these scarce resources be applied where they will do the most good, and where they are wanted and needed.

Woodford County neither wants, nor needs, this road. It should never be built.

Evan Miller
Versailles

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Letters to the editor policy

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times.

In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author.

The Times reserves the right to reject or edit any letter deemed slanderous, libelous or otherwise objectionable. Letters should be no longer than two type-written pages, and may be edited for length or clarity.

Opinions expressed in letters are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the newspaper. Send letters to: The Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

Have to agree with State Representative Greg Stumbo on this one...

Stumbo says Governor Patton's plan to spend about $80 million of the budget surplus to upgrade the technical capabilities of state government should be less a priority than upgrading the technical capabilities of Kentucky school children.

Sounds like one of those which-came-first, the chicken or the egg, situations.

Would Kentucky gain more by modernizing its governmental bureaucracies or by "empowering" its technologically deprived education system?

Can't really answer that question without considering that the funds available for either are identified as a "one-time" surplus which may never be available again.

If that is the case, then we say spend the money on the needs of the many.

Government exists for the sake of its people.

When there is extra money to spend, government should stand last in line.

Now, what about this "rainy-day" fund?

Last time we looked out the window, it was raining here.

Still, state leaders want to take a big chunk of a projected $222 million surplus and salt it away for use during hard times, when the going gets rough in Frankfort.

Yoo-hoo, anybody home?

Just what qualifies as a "rainy-day," anyhow?

We don't want to sound selfish, but our region has been covered by dark economic clouds for about as long as anyone can remember. We're up to our necks in rainy days while the sun shines bright elsewhere in Kentucky.

Wouldn't this be an ideal time to spend a little of that stash here, on some economic weather-proofing?

When things are going good, Eastern Kentucky is the last to benefit.

When things turn sour, we're the first to suffer.

State leaders have an unprecedented opportunity to break that cycle by investing in our region's future.

The dividends will be much greater than those accumulated by a rainy-day savings account.

Take a chance. We've got very little left to lose.

Governor Patton, though, appears to have quite a bit to lose...if you put any stock in polls.

A survey of the Governor's home county suggested that, if the election were held today, Pike Countians would not vote to re-elect Paul Patton, their native son.

Amazing.

Seems that Patton's vow to be governor of all Kentucky has caused some problems back home, where his support last time around was all but taken for granted.

So now, the first governor from Eastern Kentucky in a long while, who is also the first governor who can succeed himself in a long while, is facing the loss of support from the voters he must have to win a second term.

On the flip side, the voters of Eastern Kentucky, who expected great things for their region from their own, will probably have to wait for round two to realize their dreams.

Is that a Catch-22 situation, or what?

We're not inclined to panic just yet, for a couple of reasons.

Patton has shown he has the ability to get his way when he wants it, and the accuracy of polls can be summed up in two words...

Wallace Wilkinson.

One thing is for certain. Patton cannot take Eastern Kentucky voters for granted in his re-election campaign.

He may have to earn his way next time.

State Senator Gex (that's pronounced Jay) Williams has two major obstacles to overcome if his proposal to toss out KIRIS tests this year will get anywhere in the General Assembly.

First, he's a Republican, and members of that particular party don't usually get a lot of attention in Frankfort.

Secondly, there are about 35 million reasons for the state's most powerful lobby...the Kentucky Education Association...to oppose his plan.

While Williams may be able to overcome his minority party status (Democrats just hold a two-seat majority in the Kentucky Senate), he'll be hard-pressed to outgun the KEA.

His plan is to suspend the controversial KIRIS testing this year, while the legislature investigates the validity of the process, but that would also mean the cancellation of some $35 million budgeted for rewards to successful KIRIS schools. Those funds go directly to state teachers, and we shouldn't expect them to give them up without a fight.

Money talks.

Let's see how loudly.

Officials say 911 to be on line 'soon'

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County E-911 officials said Friday that the emergency service system is expected to be operational "soon."

At the E-911 board meeting Friday, Magistrate Gerald DeRossett pressed 911 coordinators for a projected time line for the service to be up and running.

County coordinator Bill Dotson and Prestonsburg coordinator Gary Dotson declined to give a specific date for the service, but said it will be in the near future.

Judge-executive Ben Hale told DeRossett "we're very close" to implementing the service and everything is "clicking along."

Hale reluctantly said he expects the service to be operating in a matter of months and that the current board has only been working to get the E-911 system on line for about a year.

"We've only officially been at it for a year," Hale told the board. "We can't change what's gone on in the past, we have to look to the future."

Hale added that since the county will share the cost of the service with Pike County residents, it could result in a reduction of the 89-cent per month surcharge for the service.

The cost to operate the system, coupled with the reserve funds the county has on hand, will have to be looked at to determine what the future cost of the system for telephone customers will be, Hale explained.

Deputy judge-executive Chris Waugh reported that equipment for the service is to be installed this week at the state police post in Pikeville, the agency which will handle the dispatching services.

Also Friday, after the board meeting, Bill Dotson said that the E-911 advisory board meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Big Sandy ADD building at Cliff and E-911 board meetings are on the second Friday of the month at 10 a.m. in the courthouse annex.

Deborah Schmedemann (left), Paula Preece, and Pam Weiner (right) combined their brainpower and won a Spellabration held recently at Prestonsburg Community College. They represented Appalred. Schmedemann has taken a year off from her job as a professor of law in Minnesota to volunteer at Appalred. Preece is a work study student at PCC; and Weiner works with Big Sandy Area Development District.

Robbery—

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Hamilton.

The detective did not indicate how many other suspects are believed to be involved in the robbery, but said additional arrests are expected.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen entered a not-guilty plea to Brown's felony charge during arraignments Tuesday morning.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. January 21 to determine if there is probable cause to refer Brown's case to a grand jury.

Judge Allen ordered that Brown be held at the Floyd County Adult Detention Center in lieu of a $10,000 cash bond.

Letters

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Thank you B.J. Newsome

Editor:

On behalf of all students, parents and faculty at Betsy Layne Elementary, Harold Elementary and Betsy Layne High School, we would like to say, "Thank you B.J. for getting our gym roof repaired!"

We have had a long struggle for many years with parents, such as Lance Blackburn and Dan Hall, pleading to the board of education to fix our leaking roof. Finally, our children will be able to play in the gym and participate in gym classes without having to dodge buckets!

Again, thank you B.J. Newsome for fighting for us and putting our children first.

Karen Allen, principal
Betsy Layne Elementary
Coy Sammons, principal
Betsy Layne High School
Ernie Tackett, principal
Harold Elementary

Methodist Church says thanks

Editor:

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Betty Slone
Della Stapleton
Mary Meade

Hopkins-family member wants to find others

Editor:

I am searching for the information and photos of the George W. Hopkins family; his wife, Jane (Adams) Hopkins, lived in the Bonanza area of Abbott Creek, 1867-1912. His son was William Wiley Hopkins, 1869-1958. He served as Kentucky State Representative for Floyd, Knox, and Letcher counties, elected in 1909.

Please send information to William Hopkins, Box 735, Powell, Ohio 43065.

William Hopkins
Powell, Ohio

Credit given to Hale, others responsible for senior's program

Editor:

I recently attended a Christmas celebration at the Mountain Arts Center.

The event was for all the Senior Citizens Centers in Floyd County. The Seniors enjoyed a wonderful dinner, cooked by Food City, (paid for by Judge Ben Hale).

And, after the wonderful dinner, the seniors were entertained by two Blue Grass gospel bands, which we would like to thank very much, Steve Hall and his band, and part of the Boys from Middle Creek.

Mr. Editor you sent a reporter there that stayed about 15 minutes, didn't interview any senior citizen, and didn't interview Judge Hale about the event.

They instead took a picture of Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson's Dare Program. I realize that the DARE program is a great benefit for Floyd County. But, I don't think it made much difference to our Senior Citizens.

So Mr. Editor, I think you should at least give credit where credit is due. Not one mention of who sponsored the program for the Seniors Citizens and not one picture was taken of the people that the program was for, being our dear Senior Citizens.

Mr. Editor, if your reporters care more about the DARE program than our senior citizens, why waste your time sending a reporter out to cover such an important event for a group of wonderful people—our Senior Citizens of Floyd County?

Vickie Sizemore
Prestonsburg

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Breast augmentation is a cosmetic procedure to enhance the size and shape of breasts.

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Foreman

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were friends, but warned Hale and the fiscal court that they could be sued if the judge-executive discontinued Jarrell's employment.

"I assure you you'll suffer the consequences and the court will too," Bartley told Hale.

On Tuesday, Bartley noted that he was also friends with everybody at the table, except the judge-executive.

"I'm not going to sit there and lie to a table full of friends to help (Hale)," Bartley said. "That may be his style, but it's not mine."

Bartley repeatedly warned the judge-executive Monday that he could not take over Jarrell's duties until a replacement or a temporary foreman was approved by the fiscal court.

"I think I can," Hale said.

"I think you should read that a little closer," the county attorney advised Hale. "...(The statute) doesn't even apply to that."

The county attorney said Hale could submit a name to the fiscal court, but if it did not approve Hale's appointment, Jarrell would continue in his capacity as road foreman until the court filled the position.

Bartley prompted Hale to submit a candidate to the fiscal court for it to consider, but the judge-executive declined to offer a person for the position.

Hale said he would seek additional applications for the job. He also told Jarrell that he could submit an application.

Jarrell told a reporter after the meeting that he had already reapplied for the position.

"He came in and threw something down, but that's not really an application," Hale said Tuesday.

Hale and the fiscal court discussed former judge-executive John M. Stumbo, who apparently performed the duties of the county road foreman for approximately two years before Jarrell was hired in October 1995.

"Just because it happened in the past doesn't make it right today," Bartley said.

Magistrate Elmer Ray Johnson said that the fiscal court had not been presented with a recommendation from the judge-executive to fill Jarrell's position.

"He took it upon himself," Johnson said about Hale's discussion at the meeting. "He didn't bring it before the fiscal court."

Magistrate Jackie Owens agreed with Johnson after the meeting. "Nobody's name has been submitted and the issue has not been voted on," he said.

In another matter, the fiscal court discussed purchasing property adjacent to the courthouse annex for the construction of a new parking lot.

Magistrate Johnson told the court he was in favor of anything that would provide additional parking spaces for area residents and urged the court to do anything to speed up the process to get it done.

Magistrate Ermal Tackett was not present at Monday's special meeting.

Ginther sentenced to 20 years in prison

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man who pleaded guilty to the armed robbery of Winn-Dixie and of kidnapping a man at gunpoint last January was sentenced to 20 years in prison Friday.

Ervin Ginther, 35, of Auxier, was given a sentence of over 100 years in prison, but those sentences were to run concurrent with the 20-year jail term.

Ginther pleaded guilty last year to the armed robbery of the Prestonsburg Winn-Dixie and to holding John R. Garrett of Allen at gunpoint and taking Garrett's vehicle.

According to police reports, Ginther fled to the Super 8 Motel where he was later apprehended by Prestonsburg police officer Patrick Conley.

Ginther was indicted on two charges of first degree robbery; kidnapping; possession of a handgun by a convicted felon; theft by unlawful taking; carrying a concealed weapon; three counts of first degree wanton endangerment; and being a persistent felony offender.

Ginther also pleaded guilty last year to robbing the LakeView Mart at Lancer.

Ginther, who is currently lodged in the Floyd County Jail is to be transferred to a state penitentiary.

Students at MSU pass auditions

Ten Morehead State University students, including two Floyd Countians, successfully passed the state screening auditions at the Kentucky Theatre Association Conference (KTAC), November 8 and 9, at Northern Kentucky University. The students participate in MSU's theatre program.

The Floyd students who passed the auditions are Samantha Martin, Printer freshman and Shawn Slone, Prestonsburg senior.

The students who passed the state auditions will be admitted to the Southeastern Theatre Conference (SETC) regional auditions which will be held March 11-15 in Birmingham, Alabama, according to Dr. Travis Lockhart, MSU director of theatre.

"MSU students have been very successful in past years in securing theatre jobs through SETC all over the country and abroad," Dr. Lockhart said.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

Open registration

Mountain Christian Academy will be having open registration for kindergarten classes beginning February 1. Enrollment is limited. Call 285-5141 for more information.

Chicken and Dumplin' dinner

South Floyd High School Band will be having a chicken and dumplin' dinner on January 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Price is $4, delivery is free. Call 452-9600, 377-0815 or 377-6640 for details.

MMS meeting rescheduled

The Martin Middle School Youth Service Center advisory council meeting January 14, has been cancelled and rescheduled for January 16, at 1:30.

PES council special meet

The Prestonsburg Elementary SBDM council will hold a special meeting January 16, at 3 p.m. in the school auditorium. Public is welcome to attend.

Conservation district meeting

The Floyd County Conservation District will meet Thursday, January 15, at 1:30 p.m. in the district office at 26 South Central Ave.

Learn to stop smoking

Find out how to stop smoking using nicotine patches or gum during the free Panda program on January 15, at 6 p.m. at Pikeville Methodist Hospital Lifestyles Center. Call 437-3563.

Pregnancy class

The "So, You're Going to Have a Baby" class for women who just found out they are pregnant will meet February 3. It is open to new mothers and a support person. It will cover the importance of exercise during pregnancy, good body mechanics and the discomforts. Call 437-3938 to register.

CPR Class offered at OLW

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will offer a Basic CPR class for the public on Friday, January 16, at the Seton Complex in Martin. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration required by Friday, January 9. Call (606) 285-5181, ext 301 or 342.

Swing dances offered

The East Coast Swing, West Coast, and the Shag are some of the swing dances offered at the Paintsville Community Center Tuesday evenings. Beginner's class is 6:30-7:30; advanced from 7:30-9 p.m. Call the center at 789-2612 or Greg Hamilton at 265-4178 for information and cost.

UK calendars for sale

The county extension service has a limited number of 1998 UK calendars left. They cost $6 each and may be picked up at the Floyd County Extension Office, 670 South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg.

Free Lifeskills workshop

A free lifeskills workshop will be held at Warco Housing Complex in Martin, January 12-16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Various topics. Call Paula Bailey and Cecila Howell at (606) 886-3871 or Warco Housing office at 285-3833 for more information.

South Floyd Youth Services Center activities

• Adult Learning Center is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8 a.m. to noon. This service is free and open to the public.

• Clothing bank open by appointment on Wednesdays and Fridays.

• Student activity held from 3-4 p.m. on school days.

The center is open 8-4 on Monday-Friday. Call Keith Smallwood or Mable C. Hall at 452-9600 for information.

Epidural anesthesia class

A free epidural anesthesia class for pregnant women wanting to know about the use of epidural anesthesia will be held January 20 and 22, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Call 437-3938 to register.

Sibling class

Boys and girls who are expecting a new baby in their family are invited to attend a sibling class at 10 a.m., January 17, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Call 433-0065 to register or 433-3938 for more information.

Country line dancing

Country Line Dancing is coming back to Prestonsburg Community College starting January 8, and will be offered every Thursday evening from 7-9 p.m. in Room 151 of the Johnson Building. Call 886-3863, ext. 258, to register or for more information.

Drivers training classes

Drivers training classes will be offered in Prestonsburg and Pikeville on Monday-Thursday evenings and Saturday morning and evenings. The class is for anyone interested in safe driving skills, state approved driving instruction and lower car insurance rates. Call 886-3863, ext. 258, to register or for more information.

Transition training course

All current EMTs must complete a transition training course to upgrade training before June 30, 1999. Prestonsburg Community College will offer the course beginning February 17, from 6-8:30 p.m. Call 886-3863, ext. 258, to register or for more information.

Clark council to meet

The SBDM council at Clark Elementary School will hold its regular meeting on January 14, at 6 p.m. in the school library. Everyone is welcome.

Duff P.T.S.A.

The Duff Elementary P.T.S.A. will have a meeting on January 14, at 6 p.m. in the library. Fundraisers and purchases for classrooms will be discussed. A door prize will be given if turnout exceeds 12 people.

Alzheimers Support Group

The Alzheimers Support Group will be meeting at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center. For more info, call Dana at 886-0265.

Apples for Students Plus

May Valley Elementary is participating in the Apples for Students Plus program and is asking community members and parents to save their Food City receipts and drop them off at Downtown Drug, Sassy Jo's and Martin Post Office. Call Karen Goble at 285-0883, ext. 211 for more information.

MMS advisory council to meet

Martin Middle School Youth Service Center will be having an advisory council meeting on January 14, at 1:30 p.m. in the center. The meeting is open to the public.

Historical society will meet

The Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society will meet Monday night January 19 at 7 p.m. at the Floyd County Library Conference Room.

Charge for Verifications of Birth

Effective January 1, 1998, there will be a $5 charge to issue a verification of birth at the Floyd County Health Department.

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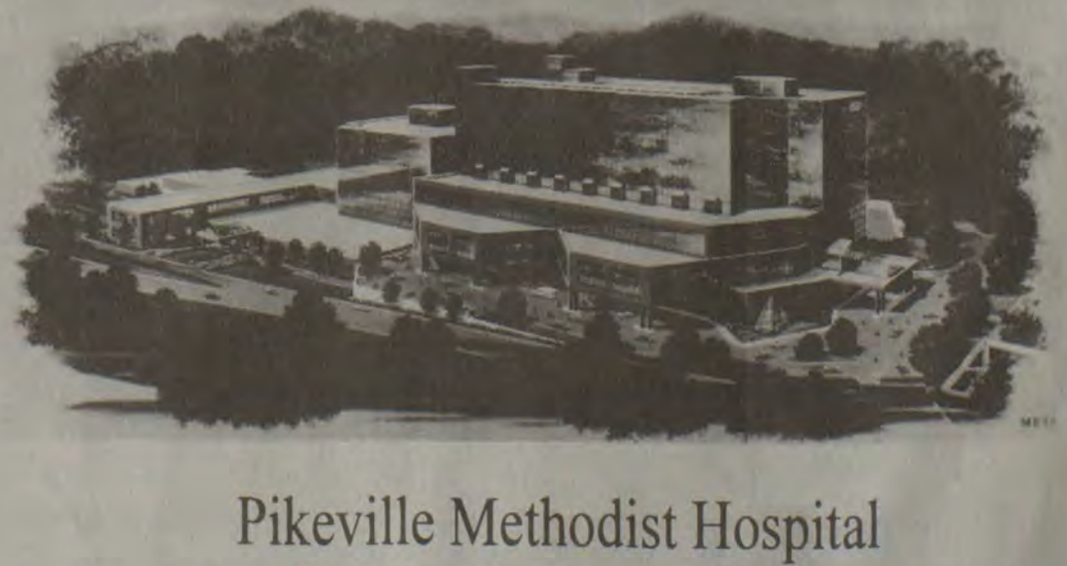
The first doorway is to be used as the main hospital entrance for patients, visitors and employees. The second doorway is to be used by patients who are walking into the hospital to be seen in the Emergency Room, Pediatric Urgent Care and the Adult Urgent Care Center. The third doorway is to be used by ambulance personnel only.

In addition to serving as the main entrance to Pikeville Methodist Hospital, the new portion of the hospital houses the Hospital Pharmacy Outlet, a new Gift Shop, Information Desk and Emergency Care Triage area.

The new hospital entrances will make traffic flow smoother and is the first step in an exciting process that will be a brand new facility.



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OBITUARIES

Clara Bell Burton Williams

Clara Bell Burton Williams, 83, of Pikeville, died Friday, January 9, 1998, at Mt. Manor Nursing Home.

Born May 6, 1914 in Johnson County, she was the daughter of the late Mary Helen Ward Burton and Thomas Burton. She was a retired dietitian at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, and was the last living charter member of the Boldman Freewill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ed Williams, on July 16, 1993.

Survivors include two sons, Ed Larry Williams of Cape Coral, Florida, and Jimmy Donald Williams of Harold; two daughters, Peggy Lovern of Hurricane Road and Barbara Matthews of Lexington; 18 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 12, at 11 a.m., at the Boldman Freewill Baptist Church, with Arnold B. Johnson officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Marguerite Preston Jones

Marguerite Preston Jones, 85, of Louisville, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, January 11, 1998, at her residence, following an extended illness.

Born July 30, 1912 at Emma, she was the daughter of the late Forrest B. and Alice Leslie Preston. She was a retired elementary teacher. She retired in Jefferson County. She formerly taught in the Floyd County School System. She was a member of the Edenside Christian Church at Louisville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Granville F. Jones.

Survivors include one brother, Ralph B. Preston of Paintsville.

Funeral services will be Thursday, January 15, at noon, at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial will be in the Mayo Cemetery in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

Visitation will begin Thursday at 10 a.m. until time of service.

Contributions suggested to donor's favorite charity.

Randell Jr. Hall

Randell Jr. Hall, 36, of Lexington, formerly of Floyd County, died suddenly Friday, January 2, 1998, on Virginia Avenue in Lexington.

Born October 24, 1961 in Pikeville, he was the son of Palmer Hall of Betsy Layne and the late Shirley Justice Trimble. He was a carpenter.

In addition to his father, he is survived by his maternal grandmother, Velvia Hamilton Kidd of Harold; stepfather, James Trimble of Ivel; two daughters, Frankie Jo Hall and Katherine Lynn Hall, both of Niles, Illinois; one brother, Adam Trimble of Ivel; and two sisters, Jennifer Hall of Ivel and Saundra Lawson of Betsy Layne.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 16, at 1 p.m., at the First Baptist Church at Harold, with ministers of the First Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Justice Family Cemetery at Harold, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Johnnie Banks

Johnnie Banks, 78, of Raven, died Monday, January 12, 1998, at his residence, following an extended illness.

Born February 25, 1919 in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Harvey and Mary Hicks Banks. He was a retired construction worker. He was a member of the Rockfork Old Regular Baptist Church at Garrett.

Survivors include his wife, Francis M. Pigman Banks; two daughters, Darlene Pigman of Deane and Julia Banks of Raven; one sister, Maggie Huff of St. Marys, Ohio; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, January 15, at 11 a.m., at the Rock Fork Old Regular Baptist Church at Garrett, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Pigman Slone Cemetery at Raven, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Brenda Lee Crouch

Brenda Lee Crouch, 36, of Maytown, formerly of Sharpsburg, died Thursday, January 8, 1998, at her residence.

Born December 28, 1961 in Bath County, she was the daughter of Beulah Manley Crouch and Omer Crouch of Sharpsburg.

She was an artist and her work was displayed at various exhibits in the county. She was a founding member and manager of the former Mountain Heritage Arts and Crafts in Prestonsburg. She was an employee of The Floyd County Times for several years. She was a member of the Grace Gospel Tabernacle.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by one sister, Sandra Kay Crump of Ashland.

Funeral services were Monday, January 12, at 2 p.m., at the Eastin-Taul Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Robert Putt and Rev. Claude L. Goodpaster officiating.

Burial was in the Crown Hill Cemetery, under the direction of Eastin-Taul Funeral Home in Mt. Sterling.

Serving as pallbearers were Bobby Tackett, Ewell Goodpaster, Earl Bennett, Palmer Crouch, David Vice and Lee Harvey.

Lessley "B.O." Scott

Lessley "B.O." Scott, 77, of Garrett, died Saturday, January 10, 1998, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin, following a sudden illness.

Born July 4, 1920 at Garrett, he was the son of the late Roby and Sarah Moore Scott Lafferty. He was retired from Armco Steel Corporation.

Survivors include his wife, Freda Conley Scott; one son, Charles David Martin of Homer, Michigan; one brother, Edgel Scott of Topmost; one sister, Effie Whitt of Nashville, Tennessee; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, January 13, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Donnie Hackworth and Jerry Manns officiating.

Burial was in the Scott Cemetery at Stone Coal, Garrett, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were Leslie Handshoe, Greg Howard, Charles Martin, Rodney Robinson, Darrell Conley, Millard Conley and Chad Rocco.

Arnold L. Collins

Arnold L. Collins, 65, of Stanville, died Saturday, January 10, 1998, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington, following a short illness.

Born October 9, 1932 at Betsy Layne, he was the son of the late Walter and Georgia Burchett Collins.

He retired from South Central Bell Telephone Company and was a member and deacon of the Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist Church. He was a U.S. Navy, Korean War veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Lola Stratton Collins of Stanville; two sons, Greg Collins and Joey Collins, both of Stanville; one daughter, Kathy Clark of Stanville; five brothers, Hassell Collins of Stanville, Howard Collins of Frankfort, Darvin Collins of Cardington, Ohio, Denver Collins of West Palm Beach, Florida, and Pete Collins of Marion, Ohio; one sister, Pauline Hunt of Cardington, Ohio; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 12, at 11 a.m., at the Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist Church at Ivel, with Chuck Ferguson and Willis Adkins officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Pallbearers listed for Avil Hall

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Avil Hall were Rob Bean, Eric Hall, Ron Hall, Derek Hall, Chad Keathley, and Aaron Covington.

Honorary pallbearers were Nathaneal Covington, Noah Hall, Cory Keathley, Joel Hall, Jason Hall, Mike Wheeler, Quinton Price, Jennifer Hall, Kyle Votroubek, Randy Keathley, Brian Wheeler and Jett Hall.

Avil had 36 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Mildred Couch

Mildred Couch, 59, of Carrie, died Sunday, January 11, 1998, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born March 15, 1938 in Hazard, she was the daughter of Steven and Wrenia White. She was a member of the Vest United Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harrison Couch.

Survivors include four sons, Ronald Couch and Sherman Couch, both of Hindman, and Willie Couch and Jeffrey Couch, both of Carrie; two daughters, Wrenia Campbell of Viper and Alma Couch of Hindman; ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, January 14, at 11 a.m., at the Vest United Baptist Church in Knott County, with the United Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Johnson Cemetery at Chavies, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Timothy A. Slone

Timothy A. Slone, 36, of Bevinsville, died Thursday, January 8, 1998, at the residence of Glen and Vonda Moore of Bevinsville, following a brief illness.

Born January 14, 1961 at McDowell, he was the son of Hazel Slone of Bevinsville and the late Ellis Little. He was a disabled coal miner.

Survivors in addition to his mother, include one son, Timothy Joe Slone of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Heather Maranda Tackett of Melvin and Helen Renee Slone of Prestonsburg; three brothers, Michael Slone, Vernon Slone and David Slone, all of Bevinsville; and one sister, Vonda Jo Moore of Bevinsville.

Funeral services were Sunday, January 11, at noon, at the Little Rock Old Regular Baptist Church at Bevinsville, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Buckingham Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Edgar "Pee Wee" Click

Edgar "Pee Wee" Click, 62, of Manton, died Monday, January 12, 1998, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville.

Born August 8, 1935 in Martin, he was the son of the late Robert "Bob" Click and Delila Hale Click. He was a retired welder, formerly employed by the Chrysler Corporation and a U.S. Marine veteran.

Survivors include one daughter, Bonita Lynn Lawson of Cincinnati, Ohio; three brothers, Ezra F. "Jug" Click of Lexington, Bobby Joe Click of Manton, Edgel "Bide" Click of Martin; four sisters, Pauline Conley of Garrett, Madelene Deaton of Canoynsville, Oregon, Parthena Martin of Martin, and Marcella Howard of Volga; and one grandson.

Funeral services will be Thursday, January 15, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with clergyman Jerry Manns officiating.

Burial will be in the Click Family Cemetery at Manton, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers will be Robbie Click, Randy Conley, Bobby Click Jr., Graydon Allen, Demp Allen, Charles Doug Dingus, Kevin Meade, Henry Harvey, James Hoover, Arthur Dingus and Chris Click.

Honorary pallbearers will be Pat Isaac, Katherine "Katbird" Isaac, Teddy Click, Jackie Click, Solomon Caudill Sr., Sandy Isaac, Bess Wohlford, Gary Slone, Less Howard, Charles David Click, Sharon Haden, Alan Wright and Kevin Stumbo.

Pallbearers listed for Dave Harvey

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Dave Harvey were his grandsons, Matthew Douglas Harvey, Dustin Shawn Brown, Michael Christopher Childers, Kevin Ryan Brown, Brendon Ross Childers, Barry Thomas Thornsberry, James Miles Thornsberry and Brett Alexander Patton.

Willis Watkins

Willis Watkins, 46, of Coldwater, Michigan, formerly of Magoffin County, died Monday, January 12, 1998, at his residence, following an extended illness.

Born July 5, 1951 in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Frank and Lucy Spradlin Watkins. He was a disabled laborer. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jennifer Adams Watkins.

Survivors include two sons, Jeremy Watkins and Willis Watkins, both of Coldwater, Michigan; two daughters, Shannon Watkins and Kristin Watkins, both of Coldwater, Michigan; seven brothers, James Watkins of Prestonsburg, Earnest Watkins and Orville Watkins, both of Ezel, Charles Watkins of Hillsdale, Michigan, Denzil Watkins of Bronson, Michigan, Rodney Watkins of Salyersville and Chester Watkins of Coldwater, Michigan; eight sisters, Bethel Prater of Plymouth, Ohio, Hazel Bailey of Shiloh, Ohio, JoAnn McCarthy of Fredrickville, Texas, Mary Fulton of Greenwich, Ohio, Della Warbington of Nevada, Phyllis and Sandra Hackworth, both of Prestonsburg, and Norma Greene of Pleasant Lake, Michigan; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, January 15, at 11 a.m., at the Dotson Pentecostal Church at Middle Creek, with Bro. Palmer Slone officiating.

Burial will be in the Spradlin Cemetery in Magoffin County, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation will be at the church.

Donald E. Whitt

Donald E. Whitt, 59, of Garrett, died Saturday, January 10, 1998, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born February 15, 1938 in Knott County, he was the son of Audrey Bolding Whitt of Garrett and the late Lee Whitt. He was a retired security guard.

Funeral services were Tuesday, January 13, at 11 a.m., at the Rock Fork United Christian Church at Garrett, with Sterling Bolen and Bethel Bolen officiating.

Burial was in the Claude Bolen Cemetery on Hunter Branch, Garrett, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Charles "Shy" Compton

Charles "Shy" Compton, 75, of Griffin, Georgia, died Sunday, January 11, 1998, at Spalding Regional Hospital.

Born March 5, 1922 at Melvin, he was the son of the late Jim Compton and Minnie Tackett. He was preceded in death by his wife, Opal Compton, on April 14, 1997.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, and was employed by the Atlanta Army Depot as a mechanic. He was a member of the Carver Road Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Jeanette Compton and Deborah Mathews, both of Griffin, Georgia; two sons, Charles Compton Jr. of Hampton, Georgia, and Michael Compton of Griffin, Georgia; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, January 13, at 4 p.m., at the McCullough Funeral Home Chapel, Griffin, Georgia, with Rev. Craig Bowers officiating. Burial was in the Westwood Gardens.

Obituary information provided by Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Steven A. Hamilton would like to express our deepest appreciation to all relatives, friends, neighbors and co-workers who sent flowers, food, prayers, or just came by or spoke a comforting word upon the passing of our beloved son. A special thanks to Mark Tackett for his kind and comforting words and all others who helped with the services. Thanks also to the Sheriff's Department for their assistance with traffic control and the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service during our time of sorrow. We sincerely appreciate everyone.

The family of Steven A. Hamilton

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Alumni leaders

Chuck Stamper of Ivel, Mrs. Kim Jones of Lackey, Mrs. Sarah Laven of Prestonsburg, and Judge Hollie Conley of Garrett, accepted appointments to serve as members of the Alice Lloyd College Alumni Association Board of Directors. Pictured from left to right are: Teresa Grender, director of Alumni Relations; Chuck Stamper (second vice president of the organization); Kim Jones; Sarah Laven; and Alice Lloyd College president, Dr. Timothy T. Siebert. (Judge Hollie Conley is not pictured).

ALC establishes association

Alumni from as far away as Fairlawn, Ohio met at Alice Lloyd College recently to establish the Alice Lloyd College Alumni Association. Dr. Timothy T. Siebert, president of Alice Lloyd, welcomed alumnus to an organizational meeting and luncheon for the Association's Board of Directors on the College's campus in Pippa Passes.

"This is a great opportunity for our alumni to find out what's happening on campus, as well as for recent graduates to take advantage of networking opportunities," explained Teresa Grender, director of Alumni Relations for Alice Lloyd, a four-year Christian liberal arts college which serves 100 counties in Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

"We are creating this association to ensure that alumni have an active voice in what's going on at ALC, and as a means for alumni to become more involved in the college."

The association further strengthens the college's mission to educate leaders to serve in central Appalachia. The inaugural board of directors, who were appointed for a one-year term, includes alumni from Knott, Floyd, Fayette, Lee, Letcher, Martin, and Pulaski counties and Fairlawn and Greenville, Ohio. They agreed on four main objectives for the association: to strengthen ties between former students and Alice Lloyd College, stimulate the interest and activity level of alumni throughout the region, to preserve and further the mission of the college, and to participate in the college's development efforts. The board established three initial committees which are already hard at work to complete the organizational process and plan special events for alumni, current standards, and the regional community.

For more information, contact Grender at 606-368-2101.

Wage reporting errors are costly to employers and employees

Errors in the wage reports employers are required to send to the Social Security Administration by the end of February can be costly to the employer, the nation's employees and the Government, according to Jim Kelly, Social Security District Director for the Big Sandy Area.

Employers are urged to make sure the wage reports they are required to file with Social Security during February are error-free, said Kelly. The wage reports filed by employers annually reflect the amount of wages paid to employees and how much was withheld for Social Security, federal, state and Medicare taxes during the past year.

The Social Security Administration investigates over 200,000 wage reporting errors annually. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will assess penalties for the employer if discrepancies in wage reports are not corrected.

Correct reporting insures that employees have the proper wage amounts credited to their Social Security records. These amounts are used in calculating the Social Security benefits payable to them and/or their families if the worker dies, becomes disabled or retires, and in determining the worker's eligibility for Medicare coverage.

Frequent errors include a misplaced digit in the Social Security number, failure to reflect a name change in the newly-married, and incorrect or misspelled names.

Send all W-2 (and W-3) paper reports to:

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Dr. Combs issued commission from governor Patton

Dr. Jerald F. Combs

Dr. Jerald F. Combs, Optometrist, has been issued a Commission from Governor Paul Patton to serve as Board Member on the Kentucky Board of Optometric Examiners.

Dr. Combs is a 1971 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University with a B.S. in Pre-Medical Sciences. He received his Doctorate of Optometry degree from the University of Alabama in 1976. He has practiced in Martin, since 1983. Dr. Combs is a two-time Kentucky "Optometrist of the Year" and served as president of the Kentucky Optometric Association in 1989. He currently serves as center chair for State government Relations of the American Optometric Association.

Dr. Combs has one daughter, Elizabeth, 14, who attends Paintsville Middle School.

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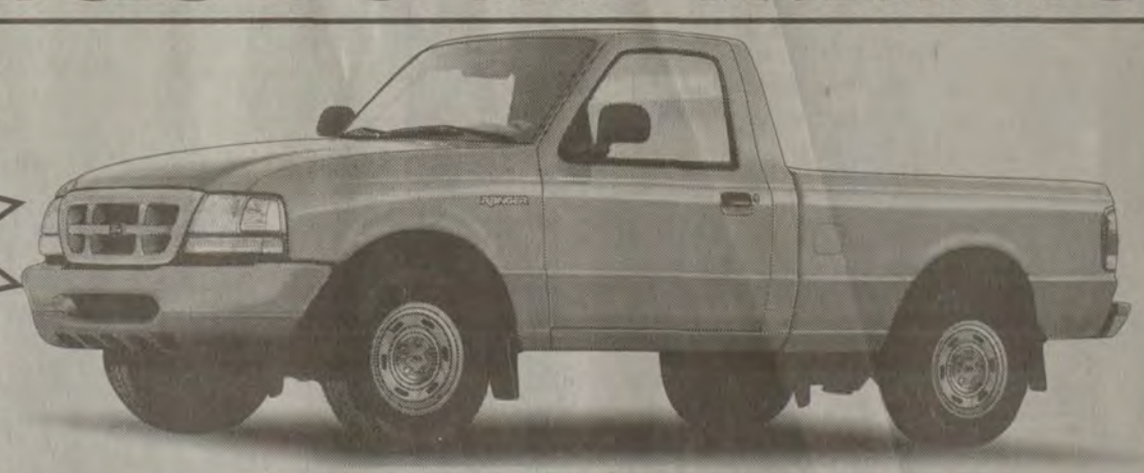

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Employee of the Year winners Linda Wilson and Diana Anderson posed with USCC President Bob McQueen and Board Chairman Milton Thompson

Otter Creek employees accepting USCC's Facility of the Year Award are: (in front row from left) Diana Anderson, Linda Wilson, Barbara Johnson, and USCC President Bob McQueen. (Back Row) Warden William Wolford, Deputy Warden Bob Sanders, and USCC Chairman Milton Thompson

Otter Creek wins top USCC honors

The Otter Creek Correctional Center was named USCC's Facility of the Year during the corporation's 1997 Winter Meeting in Louisville. The 400-bed facility is located in Wheelwright.

The criterion used in selecting Facility of the Year was: (1) American Correctional Association, contract compliance and audit ratings; (2) tour performance; (3) program consistency and creativity beyond contract compliance; (4) budgetary performance; (5) community involvement; and (6) quality of staff development and training.

In addition to Facility of the Year, two Otter Creek employees, Diana Anderson and Linda Wilson, shared the honor of being named USCC's Program/Support Services Employee of the Year. In nominating Anderson and Wilson, Warden William Wolford stated, "Linda and Diana have developed curriculum and innovative scheduling exclusive in Kentucky prisons for Otter Creek Correctional Center. With their combined efforts and undaunted perseverance, they have facilitated the successful graduation of 22 inmate/students from the accounting and bookkeeping classes.

One of the benefits for being named Facility of the Year is that all full-time employees at Otter Creek will receive one additional day of paid vacation. For winning their award, Ms. Anderson and Ms. Wilson both received a cash bonus of $300.

During the presentation, Warden Wolford who has been at Otter Creek for four months said, "this award is not based on my contribution to the facility - but is a testament to the performance of the entire staff at Otter Creek."

USCC, the oldest and third largest company in the private prison industry, has 750 employees. The company owns and operates six correctional facilities in Kentucky, Ohio, Florida and Texas and is building North Carolina's first two private prisons, which it will also operate.

Entrance open at Pike Methodist

The new entrance to Pikeville Methodist Hospital is officially opened.

As of 9 a.m. on Saturday, January 10, the newest addition to Pikeville Methodist Hospital opened for business. The new entrance actually encompasses three doorways.

The first doorway is to be used as the main hospital entrance for patients, visitors and employees.

The second doorway is to be used by patients who are walking into the hospital to be seen in the Emergency Room, Pediatric Urgent Care and Adult Urgent Care.

The third doorway is to be used by ambulance personnel only.

In addition to serving as the main entrance to the Pikeville Methodist Hospital, the new addition to the hospital houses the Hospital Pharmacy Outlet, a new Gift Shop, Information Desk and Emergency Care Triage area.

"This opening is the first step in an exciting process that will be a brand new hospital," Hospital Administrator Martha O'Regan Chill said. "The new main hospital entrance will greatly improve the traffic flow around the hospital and make coming to Pikeville Methodist Hospital more convenient for everyone."

Scholarship deadline for high school and college students

High school students with a grade point average of 'B' or better and college students with a GPA of 'B+' or better are eligible for a $1,000 college scholarship (U.S. citizens only). To receive an application, send a request by March 16, to Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation at 721 North McKinley Road, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012; fax a request to (847) 295-3972; or e-mail a request to "scholar@ecsf.org."

All requests for applications must include the following: student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of current high school or college, approximate GPA, and year in school during the 1997-98 academic year.

Applications will be fulfilled by mail only, on or about April 10, 1998. Two hundred and fifty (250) winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extracurricular activities, and some consideration for financial need. A total of $250,000 will be awarded.

Wildcats vs. Razorbacks in the game for life

The competitive spirit between Kentucky and Arkansas thrives as Central Kentucky Blood Center and the Community Blood Center of the Ozarks compete during the fourth annual "Game for Life" blood drive competition, January 16 and 17.

The goal for the drive is 800 pints.

"The basketball game against Arkansas generates a rivalry just as intense as the Kentucky/Tennessee game in football season," said Sally Baker, spokeswoman for Central Kentucky Blood Center.

"We encourage donors who gave blood during the Big Blue Crush in November to help beat Arkansas in the Game for Life."

Donors can give blood at the Prestonsburg Donor Center, North Lake Drive, on Friday, January 16, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Saturday, January 17, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. All donors will receive a free long-sleeve T-shirt.

For more information, contact the Prestonsburg Donor Center, 886-1557.

AIDS update

Dr. Mary Fox will present current information about AIDS from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. January 23, and February 27, in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Education Center located in the Wallen and Cornett Building.

This class meets AIDS continuing education requirements for Kentucky relicensure of nurses and other healthcare professionals.

The public is also welcome. Call 437-3525 to register.

The class is free.

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The family of Jack Wallen would like to extend its appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to Clergyman Jerry Manns for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Jack Wallen

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Alex Montival Johnson wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to Clergyman Bobby Joe Spencer for his comforting words, the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Alex Montival Johnson

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Laura Mae Hall wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent flowers and gifts of love. We especially want to thank the Church of Christ ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Laura Mae Hall

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The family of Dina Johnson King would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help upon the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Rebecca Regular Baptist Church, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Dina Johnson King

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Edith Terry Whitaker wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors upon the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Clergymen Jerry Manns and Jeff Prater for their comforting words, the Hueysville Church of Christ and others, for the beautiful songs, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Edith Terry Whitaker

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Perhaps you sent a floral piece,
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Just thought of us that day.
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We thank you so much whatever the part.

THE FAMILY OF REX HICKS

Card of Thanks

The family of Dave Harvey wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way in the loss of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to all the clergymen for their comforting words; the singers for their beautiful songs; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF DAVE HARVEY

Card of Thanks

The family of Nikita Beverly would like to express their appreciation to everyone who helped comfort them in their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who spoke a comforting word, said a prayer, sent food or flowers.

A special thanks to Bro. Dave Garrett, Bro. Van West, Bro. Ronnie Spriggs, the New Way Singers; and to Jones & Preston Funeral Home for their kind and professional services.

Our family is very thankful to everyone, and ask that you still remember us in your prayers.

THE FAMILY OF NIKITA BEVERLY

Card of Thanks

The family of Vonda Bates would like to thank all the friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped them during their time of grief. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers or had kind words of comfort. A special thanks to the Left Beaver Rescue Squad, Dr. Mary Hall, Dr. Rivera, McDowell Hospital and Nursing staff, Old Regular Baptist ministers, Delmas Johnson and family, Leonard Lawson Cancer Center, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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Pictured is Kenny Adkins, assistant manager of Prestonsburg Wal-Mart, presenting a $1,000 check to DiAnne Akers, RN, nursing administrator of the Home Health Program of the Floyd County Health Department.

Home health program helps at Christmas

Christmas was a little brighter for some persons receiving services from the Floyd County Health Department Home Health Program. With the help of the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart, who donated $1,000, the program was able to purchase essential items for selected persons.

Mary Thompson coordinated the program through the Wal-Mart along with Dianne Akers, RN, home health coordinator of the Floyd County Health Department.

The money was used to purchase pajamas, sweat suits, socks, t-shirts, towels and sheets for 47 people.

11th-century Nordic sagas explored on KET January 20

KET takes viewers to China to study mysterious mummies and to Scandinavia for a fascinating look at Nordic sagas when NOVA and Scientific American Frontiers air on Tuesday, January 20 and Wednesday, January 21, respectively.

Perfectly preserved 3,000-year-old mummies—with long, blonde hair and blue eyes—have been unearthed by archaeologists in a remote Chinese desert. Who are these people who don't seem to be the ancestors of other modern-day Chinese people, and how did they end up in China's Takla Makan desert?

Nova "Mysterious Mummies of China," airing at 8 p.m., Tuesday, January 20, takes a glimpse through a crack in the door of history, to a past that has never been seen outside China. In the first in-depth coverage of these remarkable discoveries, believed to be some of the most important human remains ever found, NOVA follows the ongoing excavations and the unexpected controversy surrounding them.

Scientific American Frontiers "Nordic Sagas," airing at 8 p.m., Wednesday, January 21, travels to Iceland, Sweden and Denmark to rediscover the secrets of the Viking longboats, to witness life arriving on a new volcanic island and to find out how an 11th-century Icelandic saga is helping modern medical research. Host Alan Alda tries out the Pictorium—a new communications technology for the disabled—and lassos his own (slightly) radioactive reindeer.

NOVA "China's Mysterious Mummies" is a co-production of WGBH/Boston and Union Pictures Ltd. Scientific American Frontiers is produced by Chedd-Angier Production Company in association with Scientific American magazine. Both programs are closed-captioned for the deaf and hard-of-hearing.

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John Hagee at the MAC Thursday

The Mountain Arts Center will be the site for a live video shoot featuring three of the most prominent groups in southern gospel music. The John Hagee Family, The Bishops and The Florida Boys will be filming a concert at the MAC on January 15, at 7:30 p.m.

Pastor John Hagee is no stranger to the Christian community. Seen by an estimated 60 million viewers each week on television stations across the United States and Canada, Pastor Hagee has gained international notoriety as an inspiring teacher and author. Recently, however, he has taken on another role, that of gospel music singer. The John Hagee Family is a quartet made up of Pastor Hagee, along with his children Matt, Tina and Sandy.

Joining The John Hagee Family will be the winners of the Singing New Fan Award for Favorite Trio, The Bishops. Although Kenny and his sons appeared at the MAC last year, they are excited to return and perform all new material from their brand new album. Also, the legendary Florida Boys will be sharing their rich traditional quartet harmonies.

The Mountain Arts Center is receiving more and more attention in gospel music circles as an excellent facility in which to record concert videos. Thus far, four southern gospel groups have recorded at the Center, including such industry stand-outs as Greater Vision and Karen Peck & New River. Those groups who have filmed at the center, cite the technical quality and the beauty of the facility, as well as the friendliness of the staff as ideal reasons to record in Prestonsburg.

Tickets for the live video shoot are $10 in advance and $11 on the day of the show. Tickets for groups of 20 or more are priced at $8. For more information, contact the Mountain Arts Center box office at (606) 886-2623 or Toll-free at (888) 622-2787.

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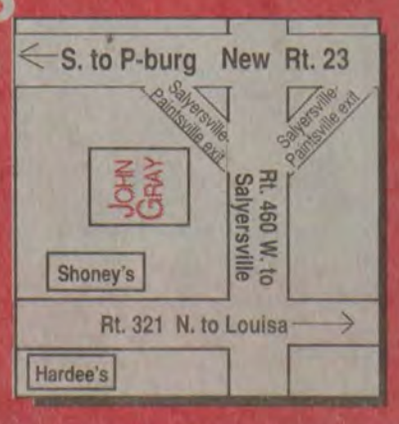

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A Look At Sports

Jarvis ranks among state's offensive leaders

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH...

Goes to Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis. Andy turns 18 this coming Monday, January 19. Happy birthday, Andy from a big fan.

AMONG THE ELITE...

Prestonsburg senior Andy Jarvis ranks in the top 10 in three of the state's offensive categories. Jarvis is averaging just over 25 points per game which is good for fourth in the state. Strangely enough, Jarvis has not hit a three-point basket although he has been known to attempt one this season. Jarvis ranks ahead of UK recruit J.P. Blevins, who is averaging 24.8 points per game.

He is sixth in the state in field goal percentage, making over 67 percent of his shots. Jarvis is ninth in the state in rebounding pulling in 13 rebounds per contest.

Paintsville's J.R. Vanhoose is fifth in rebounding at 13.2. Vanhoose is sixth in the state in scoring with an average of just over 24 points per game.

As a team, Prestonsburg is second in the state in three-point shooting. The Blackcats are hitting at a hefty clip of over 52 percent from the three-point arch.

Plenty of tournament basketball this week as the WYMT Classic and the girls All "A" Classic tips off. Allen Central will attempt to defend their title when they meet Millard and the rest of the field tonight at Elkhorn City. The South Floyd Lady Raiders meet Pikeville in a first-round game tonight.

The Prestonsburg Blackcats will face a tough field in the WYMT Classic, which also begins tonight at Knott County Central. Prestonsburg doesn't play until Thursday night when they meet Cawood.

Next week the boys' All "A" Classic begins at Pikeville with Allen Central and South Floyd taking part. Allen Central faces Pikeville and South Floyd will take on defending champions, The Paintsville Tigers.

There is a lot of talk around about the coaching technique of one Tubby Smith at UK. While the basketball world had grown accustomed and loved the up-tempo game of Rick Pitino, Tubby seems to favor the half-court game, and I must admit, I'm not too fond of the new style.

But it doesn't matter how I feel or anyone else feels, the Cats are 14-2, and ranked sixth in the nation. This has to be the worst shooting in the history of the school. I can't imagine, although there may have been, a UK team shooting as badly as this bunch does.

Jamal Magloire, he may be a good Canadian player, but here in America, he is horrible. Jeff Sheppard should have played last year and forgot about coming back this season. He shoots more bricks than anyone.

This team just doesn't seem to play hard.

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Shake up at South Floyd

Daniels shakes up coaching staff at South Floyd

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

In a move to spread out the coaching responsibilities at South Floyd, school principal Debbie Daniels shook up the coaching staff at the Left Beaver school moving girls' coach Henry Webb into the boys' head coaching spot, while coach Barry Hall moves up as the school's athletic director.

Daniels cited the fact that there were too many responsibilities to fill with such a short staff.

"Basically, we had two people doing it all," she said. "Coach Hall and Coach Webb had too many irons in the fire and were becoming frustrated with the situation, and I just wanted to spread out the responsibilities."

Daniels said the new assignments met the approval of all the staff and each felt it was for the best.

"I know people are going to think I fired Barry, but I didn't," said Daniels. "He could have stayed as the boy's head coach had he chosen to. I talked with him and told him if he wanted to be the school's athletic director, that he could not coach and do both. The choice was his, and he chose to take the athletic director's job."

Hall was in only his first full season at the boys' head coach, replacing Jim Rose mid way last year after Rose resigned. Rose since has moved on to Breathitt County.

Greg Moore, the school's athletic director, resigned his position because of new responsibilities heading his way.

"Greg will be teaching two new technology classes and will have to go back to school," explained Daniels. "Going back to school will not allow him, as athletic director, to be at the ball games each night like he wants to be."

At the beginning of the season, it appeared that neither Hall nor Webb would return to South Floyd because of the lack of a tenure. But both were rehired as the school year began.

Webb is in his third season as head coach of the Lady Raiders and the team has shown steady improvement over the past month. Webb was assistant to Coach Hall, as well as coaching the girls' team. Daniels thought that was too much pressure on Coach Webb.

"Coach Webb was having to come in here and practice three times each night," said Daniels. "We felt that was too much for him to have to do."

Daniels related how Webb said he hated to leave the girls program after coaching them the past two season and most of this season, but he was in full agreement with the decision.

"He has wanted to get in foot in the door in taking the boys' program and this was his chance," said Daniels.

The new Raider coach said he appreciated the opportunity to coach the team but wished it had been under better circumstances.

"It is a good opportunity for me to come in as head coach of the boys program," said Webb. "I just wish it had been under better circumstances. Barry and I are very close and I wish nothing but the best for him and hope everything works out.

"I look forward to working with the boys' program, even though it was tough to let the girls' program go. I had grown attached to the girls, but I have always wanted a boy's team and the sit-

(See **Coaching**, page three)

Hall pumps in 33 as Piarist School wins over Oneida

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

In the middle of the gym floor was coach Darnella Bradley and her Piarist Lady Knights doing their victory dance after pulling off a 54-28 win over Oneida Baptist last Saturday night. After all, it was the second time the team has been able to do the victory dance. Their first win came on December 6 against Jackson City.

Senior guard Ann Hall scored a game-high and career-high 33 points to lead the Lady Knights (2-8). She had 10 steals in the game and pulled down six rebounds. Tai England and Beth Lawson each added seven points. Katie Vogelsang finished with three points. Rachael Woods and Cori Duty added two points apiece.

The only lead for Oneida was a 2-0 margin when Rachel Ninojosa scored the first two points of the game on a short jumper. Hall, on a steal, scored and was fouled where she completed the three-point play as the Lady Knights extended their lead out to 9-2 before Ninkle scored on a jumper in the middle. Piarist led 11-6 after the first quarter, with Hall scoring eight points in the quarter.

It was an excited crowd as the Lady Knights added to the five-point margin and scored the first five points of the second quarter to take a 16-6 lead. Vogelsang rebounded a missed free throw, and scored to give the Piarist a 10-point cushion.

Two free throws by Turner, a long jumper from Ninkle and a Ninkle layup cut the lead to five, 17-12, but Hall scored the next five points to give the Lady Knights a 22-12 halftime lead.

Vogelsang, who had eight rebounds in the game, had a blocked shot that ignited a third quarter run for the Lady Knights.

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Career game
Piarist School's Ann Hall (12) scored 33 points in leading the Lady Knights past Oneida Baptist last Saturday at the Mountain Christian Academy gym. It was the second win of the season for the Lady Knights. (photo by Ed Taylor)

In the middle
Tai England (35) look to the basket against Oneida Baptist last weekend in a doubleheader at the Martin based school. England scored seven points in the Piarist School's 60-39 win over Oneida. (photo by Ed Taylor)

In 3 overtimes....

Prestonsburg edges Perry Central 97-96 behind Jarvis and Samons

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It took 12 extra minutes for the Prestonsburg Blackcats to pull out a big, big win over 14th Region powerhouse Perry Central this past Friday night on the road.

Andy Jarvis scored 27 points and Wes Samons tossed in 22 as the Blackcats improved to 8-3 on the season with a 97-96 win over the host school. It was only the second time Central has lost since moving into their new gym.

The three-overtime game was a hard-fought battle that Prestonsburg coach Jack Pack said was very rewarding.

"We played extremely well," he said of the victory. "It is probably the first time we have come out this year and played the way we expected we could play at the beginning of the season."

Prestonsburg had their chance to win the game in regulation play, holding a two-point lead, 71-69, but missed some key free throws in the closing seconds. Perry Central scored to tie the game at 71-71 sending the game into the first overtime.

In the first extra period, it was Prestonsburg having to play catch-up and they did as Wes Samons buried a three-point basket at the top of the key to tie the game at 79-79 as the two teams headed into the second overtime.

In the second overtime, Perry Central held a 88-85 lead in the closing seconds until John Ortega drilled a three-pointer that tied the game at 88-88 and it was a third overtime.

Prestonsburg took the early lead in the third extra period and maintained it throughout the four-minute period.

"It was the best high school game I have ever coached," said Coach Pack. "Perry Central is a big team and with great perimeter players."

The Prestonsburg coach said his team hadn't been in synch all season and is just now starting to playing well.

"We've played well enough to win," he said, "but we haven't been where we thought we should be.

South Floyd gave us fits and we won over Harrison County but the team feels like I do, we are not satisfied with the way we had been playing."

Coach Pack contributed the improved play with the coming up of Ortega, who finished with 11 points in the game.

"John is starting to play good basketball," said Coach Pack. "It was just a matter of him getting his basketball legs after football. He's playing the way he should."

Prestonsburg to a boost in scoring, with Jason Keathley and Nathan Leslie combining for 20 points in the four position.

"We are real encouraged about that," said the Blackcat mentor. "Both played a real good game for us. Our game is starting to come together."

Prestonsburg held a 24-18 lead after the first quarter on the inside play of Jarvis and Samons' perimeter shooting.

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Rebels' defense stifles Knott Central

Balanced scoring gives Allen Central 77-63 win over Patriots

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It just wasn't supposed to be the way it was.

It wasn't supposed to be a blowout.

But, that was the way the final score read when the Allen Central Rebels handled the Knott County Central Patriots to the tune of 77-63 in a game that had a wider margin than the final 14 points would indicate.

Coach Johnny Martin's Rebels used pressure defense, pin-point shooting and a balanced scoring attack to hand the Patriots their fourth loss of the season.

The 14th Region powerhouse could not solve the pressure defense of Allen Central, neither could they find an answer to the inside-outside game of the host team.

Allen Central, who led by 29 points at one time, improved to 8-3 on the season as the smaller Rebels continued to be the surprise team in the 15th Region.

Senior guard Todd Howard led the Rebels' attack with 18 points as four players scored in double figures. Howard did not have his usual game, but got plenty of help from Nick Samons, Edmund Slone and Jessie Hall. Samons added 15 points, Slone finished with 12 and Hall chipped in with 14.

Slone was his old self after having an off game, due to sickness, against Phelps. Samons knocked down three treys as did Howard to keep the Patriot's defense honest.

Allen Central, who plays no-true center, executed well on offense, weaving the basketball outside and then hitting someone in the paint area.

It was the defense that was the shining light for the Rebels as they entertained a very large homecoming crowd Friday night, forcing Knott County early turnovers in the opening quarter and establishing the early lead. A trey by Howard and Slone's 15-foot jumper gave the Rebels a 5-0 lead, and they extended that to 10-2 on a Brian Jones layup. Samons hit his first three-point basket at the 3:42 mark of the first quarter, and the Rebs led 13-2, holding Knott County to one field goal in the first five minutes of play. Luke Hudson completed an old-fashioned three-point play and Travis Centers buried a trey to keep the score decent at the first stop, 21-10.

The first four minutes of the second quarter saw both teams struggle as the Rebels could not convert their layups. Knott County was still trying to find a shot against the Rebel defense. The Patriots scored only three field goals in the second stanza as they fell behind 42-20 at the half. Samons had consecutive steals and scored, while Slone's long jumper gave the Rebs the 22-point advantage.

Allen Central turned the ball over three of their first six possessions of the third period and that allowed Knott Central to narrow the margin to 17 points. Coach Martin called a time out to regroup his Rebel team and they vaulted out to a 25-point lead after three quarters, leading 65-40 going into the final period.

A basket by Hall and free throw by Hall plus a charity toss by Howard starting the fourth quarter gave the Rebels their biggest lead, 29 points, at 69-40.

In the final seven minutes, Knott Central played their best basketball as they outscored the Rebels 23-8 to make the final margin more respectable. The Patriots scored the final 11 points of the game.

Todd Craft led the Patriots with 19 points and hit four three-pointers. Hudson finished with 14 points and Justin Slone scored 10.

The win snapped a three-game losing streak for Allen Central. The Rebels will host the Phelps Hornets this Friday night. Phelps handed the Rebels their last loss two weeks ago.

KNOTT CENTRAL (63)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Jacobs	1	0	0-0	2
Craft	2	4	6-3	19
T'ornsberry	1	0	0-0	2
Slone	5	0	1-0	10
Hudson	5	0	6-4	14
Centers	1	1	0-0	5
Gayheart	2	0	4-1	5
Pratt	0	0	6-4	4
B. Centers	0	0	2-2	2
Honeycutt	0	0	2-0	0

ALLEN CENTRAL (77)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Howard	3	3	4-3	18
Hunter	3	0	2-2	8
Slone	6	0	0-0	12
Samons	3	3	0-0	12
Samons	3	3	0-0	15
Hall	4	0	8-6	14
Jones	3	0	0-0	6
Mullins	1	0	4-2	4

Knott Central.....10 12 18 23 - 63
Allen Central.....21 23 21 12 - 77

RACHEL THOMPSON of Betsy Layne scored underneath against Allen Central last Thursday night. Allen Central posted a 86-52 win (photo by Ed Taylor)

Piarist

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After Collins hit one-of-two free throws, the Lady Knights ran off ten unanswered points to assume a 32-13 lead. Hall scored eight of the ten points.

Ninojosa broke the Oneida drought with a basket, but Hall hit two free throws and scored off a steal to give the Lady Knights a 21-point lead. Ninkle scored the last six points for Oneida as they trailed Piarist 38-21 after three quarters.

Oneida cut the lead to 14 points, scoring the first three points in the fourth period. But, the Lady Knights were never threatened the rest of the way, building a 28-point lead, 52-24.

Coach Bradley's ballclub showed much improvement since their first season began back in December of last year. This is the first season for girls' basketball at the Piarist School.

Coaching

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uation presented itself."

Webb learned of his new position Monday and had to face Allen Central on Tuesday night. He said he wanted to get the most out of the players and was going to work very hard to do that.

"I have been their assistant coach so I don't think the transition will be too bad on them, " he said. "I will make a few changes but nothing major. I'll just add some things."

Daniels said it was a decision that she alone decided needed to be made but had the support from everyone.

"All this was an administrative decision that I had to make," said the South Floyd principal. "I feel good about the decision and everyone involved feels good about it. We feel both programs are progressing and doing better. We wanted to give each program the opportunity to do their best."

Webb was a standout at McDowell High School under coach Johnny Ray Turner. He later starred for Alice Lloyd College where he was an All-American and fourth in the nation in scoring. He played for one of the premier college coaches in Jim Stepp.

Moving into the coaching ranks at South Floyd will be John Martin, who has coaching experience at the grade school level where he was very successful. Martin, who was at the Garth Vocational School three years ago, will take the girls program immediately.

"All the changes are effective immediately," said Daniels. "The changes will be for the rest of the year only. Again, we all feel good about the decisions. We all want the kids to have a good end of the year."

Daniels said that an assistant for Coach Webb will be announced later. Coach Hall will finish out the season as coach for the freshman team.

Sports

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They certainly are not a good pressing team. They are so much slower than what we have become accustomed to.

Recruiting? While Tubby has landed some big fish, still Tayshan Prince may be academically ineligible for next year. So, what's new. Don't these kids realize you have to have more than basketball brains to get into college? Well, most of the colleges anyway.

The Cats have two BIG, BIG SEC conference games this week (Tuesday night) against South Carolina and this Saturday with the Arkansas Razorbacks.

Both games will be hard to win and the Gamecocks are certain to beat the Tubby Smith Cats. Arkansas, a much better team than last year, could make it tough for the Cats to win.

South Carolina is an excellent basketball program and headed for greatness in the SEC. They have an excellent coach in Eddie Fogler.

I would like to see Tubby give more playing time to freshman Ryan Hogan. He has a reputation of being a top offensive player. What does it matter if he can't play defense, neither can any of the other Cats. Myron Anthony and Michael Bradley must find the pines hard, painful and boring. Will either leave the team after the season? Maybe!

February is just two weeks away and it won't be long until spring training begins. I am not a fan of the new alignment, but I guess we will all have to live with it.

The Cincinnati Reds haven't done anything to improve themselves over the winter months. They have, like in the past, taken a chance of some over-the-hill players. I don't see anyone beating Atlanta in the National League anyway.

The Reds will open spring training at a new site this spring. The Cincinnati ballclub will move to Sarasota, Florida at the Ed Smith Stadium. The Grapefruit Season begins February 28 against the Minnesota Twins.

The Reds will play a 33-game exhibition schedule before the Reds head north to open the season a week earlier than normal when they face San Diego at home March 31. A sure snow out.

The Reds also will have new starting times. Instead of the 7:35 start, first pitch time has been moved back to 7:05. Afternoon games begin at 1:15.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

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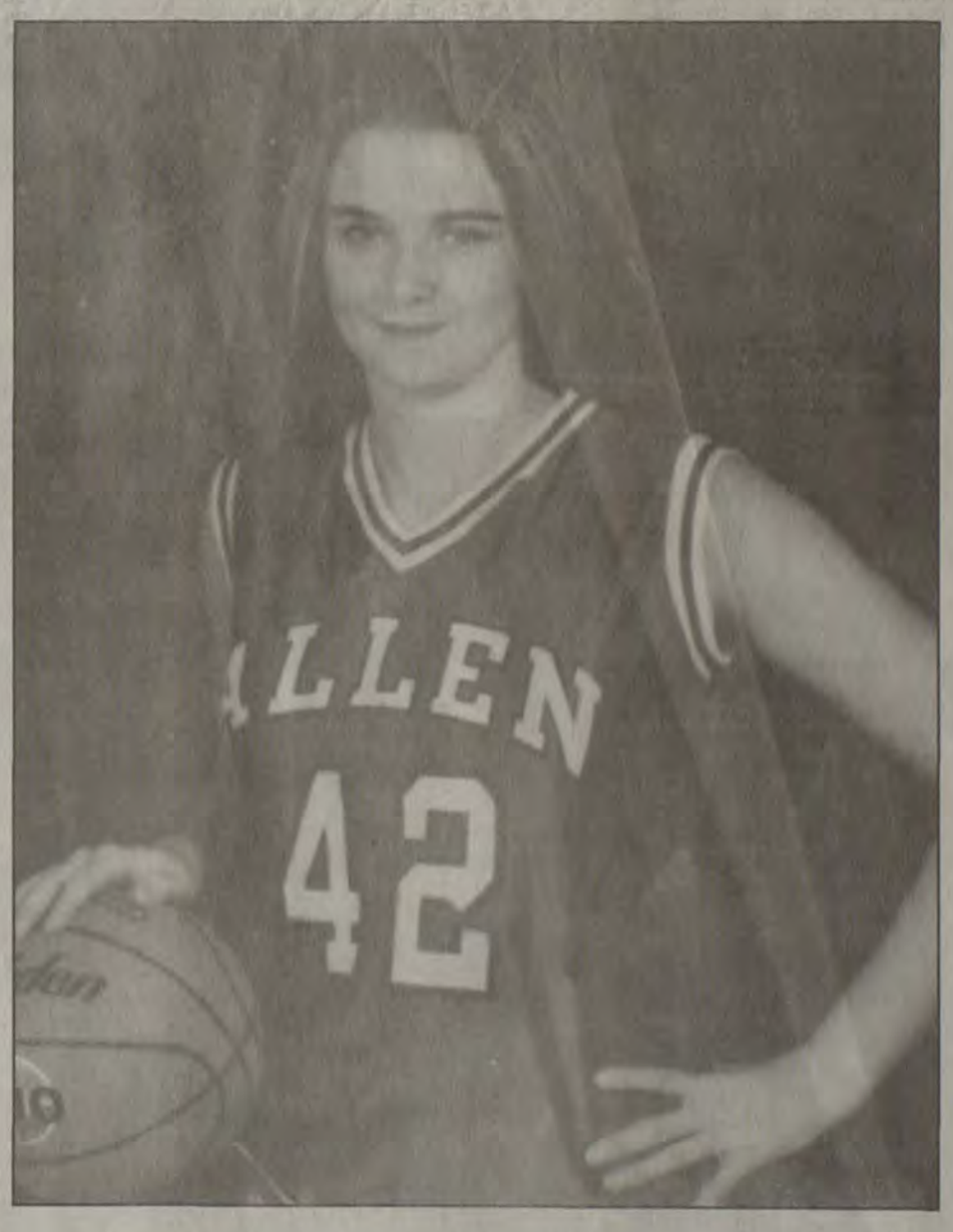

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Allen Central Lady Rebels win big conference game over Prestonsburg

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

When you are struggling to win, as a coach you want to do whatever you can to get your team on the right path to a victory, any victory. While nothing officially was announced, the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats had school principal Thomas Tackett on their bench cheering the team on, a former Lady Blackcat coach in the stands cheering them on, as well as the school's football coach and boys' basketball coach.

On the flip side, before the Allen Central Lady Rebels took to the court against the Lady Blackcats of Prestonsburg, Lady Reb coach Anthony Moore admitted his was a little concerned about playing Prestonsburg in a district game at Prestonsburg.

But his fears subsided in the second quarter as the Lady Rebels opened up a sizable lead and picked up a big conference victory to go 4-0 in the district with just two district games remaining.

Jessica Martin scored 20 points and Crystal Martin added 17 to lead Allen Central to a 68-43 win over Prestonsburg, who evened their district record at 1-1. The Lady Blackcats fell to 3-13 on the season. Allen Central improved to 7-4.

Prestonsburg was in the game for the first 12 minutes, but had trouble taking care of the basketball. Also, the shots just would not go down for the Lady Blackcats.

With 7:19 left to play in the second quarter, junior Shelly Greathouse buried a three-point basket to bring the Lady Blackcats to within two points of Allen Central, 15-13. After that, Prestonsburg did not get another basket until Amelia Conley scored at the 3:31 mark but by then Allen Central had extended their lead to 28-13 with a 13-0 spurt.

Martin came off the Lady Rebel bench and sparked Allen Central, scoring 10 quick points. She had a layup and rebound basket at the start but hit a big three-pointer that gave Allen Central a 11-point lead, 24-13. Natalie Cooley connected on four consecutive free throws to give Allen Central the 15-point advantage.

Greathouse hit her second trey of the period at the 2:35 mark to make it a 10 point game, but Allen Central scored the final five points of the game with Cooley's buzzer beater, giving Allen Central a 33-18 halftime lead.

At the start of the third period, Jessi Burke hit a nice four-foot turnaround shot with just six seconds off the clock. But the Lady Blackcats would hit another drought that would last four minutes when Greathouse scored on a layup at the 3:54 mark. While Prestonsburg was looking for answers, Allen Central raced out to a 40-20 margin.

In the final 1:47 of the third, Prestonsburg had six turnovers, while Allen Central built a 52-26 lead after three quarters. Conley became the second player to foul out for the Lady Blackcats, following Ladonna Slone to the bench.

Allen Central's biggest lead came at the 6:34 mark of the fourth period when Crystal Martin's layup gave Allen Central a 30-point cushion, 56-26. Prestonsburg got as close as 21 points before the final margin.

Greathouse's 12 points led the Lady Blackcats. She had three treys in the game. Jessi Burke added eight points and pulled down eight rebounds. Conley finished with six points and seven rebounds before fouling out. Brandi Wells scored six points.

Cooley scored in double figures for Allen Central, finishing with 11 points. Jennifer Hopkins and Ramanda Music had five points each. Music, who got in early foul trouble and sat out most of the first half, had 11 rebounds in the game.

Allen Central faces Millard tonight in the first round of the girls' All "A" Classic at Elkhorn City. Prestonsburg travels to Phelps Monday night.

ALLEN CENTRAL (68)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Cooley	3	0	8-5	11
Scott	1	0	2-1	3
C. Martin	6	0	8-5	17
J. Martin	4	1	9-9	20
Hopkins	0	1	4-2	5
Music	2	0	4-1	5
Howell	0	0	4-4	4
Wallen	0	0	2-1	1
Hall	0	0	2-0	0
Prater	1	0	0-0	2
Risner	0	0	2-0	0

PRESTONSBURG (43)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Burke	3	0	2-0	8
L. Slone	0	0	1-0	0
Greathouse	1	3	4-1	12
C. Slone	1	0	3-12	
Nunnery	2	0	0-0	
Wells	1	1	3-1	6
Conley	3	0	2-1	6
B. Slone	1	0	3-0	2
Samons	1	0	0-0	2
Coleman	0	0	2-1	1

Allen Central.....13 20 19 16 - 68
Prestonsburg.....10 8 8 17 - 43

Short jumper
Allen Central's Crystal Martin (34) tossed in 17 points to help lead the Allen Central Lady Rebels to a 68-43 conference win this past Monday night. Allen Central improved to 4-0 in district play. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Good for a trey
Prestonsburg's Shelly Greathouse buried this three-point shot against Allen Central Monday night. It was the third three-point basket for Greathouse in the game. Allen Central posted a 68-43 victory. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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DIXIE HEIGHTS STORY COULD 'AMAZE' BOB KNIGHT AND THE REST OF US IN A GOOD WAY

Indiana coach Bob Knight rolled his eyes at Roy Firestone's remarkable grasp for the obvious when the ESPN inquisitor asked: Are today's athlete's pampered?

"We've had such a breakdown ... from parental authority and in schools, it's amazing," Knight replied. "Schools can no longer let kids say a prayer, they can't tell a kid how to dress, or even how to act. It's amazing."

Maybe not.

Along came Donnie McFarland. A high school basketball coach at Dixie Heights in Covington, reminded us recently that principle and doing the right thing still prevails in some quarters over watered-down compromise and caving to temptation to ignore 'breakdown behavior.'

McFarland's boys' team at Dixie Heights has been virtually taken out of contention this season after dismissal of four starters who broke team rules, allegedly involving alcohol. The case parallels one at Central Hardin High in Elizabethtown where key members of the boys' team were sent packing after a board review found them guilty of similar rules violations.

What has happened to these teams since is predictable. Both have become punching bags for opponents. Yet, in every tragedy — and these are — there can grow a success story. The dismissal of some, creates not only opportunity for other more thoughtful student-athletes, but puts up on life's screen a legacy in living color ... here are choices made, right and wrong, and the consequences of both. Choose.

Each day for the remainder of this school year when those student-athletes dismissed from teams at Dixie Heights and Central Hardin attend school, go to class, all are walking, breathing examples of the result of selfish behavior and bad decisions. The sort of things over which Bob Knight expressed amazement.

There is another refreshing redemption in the Dixie Heights and Central Hardin stories. Team roster openings create opportunity for younger student-athletes to step forward and play and forge memories of their own

Bottom line: While the few get too much attention, there is fresh evidence to support the idea that 95 percent of young people make thoughtful decisions. Ideally, the successes of the 95 percent makes clear to those who earned banishment that playing sports, participating in high school athletics, is a precious activity soon gone. And being left out is a hard lesson. I know. I've been there.

Optimistically, coach Knight and the rest of us will be amazed in a good way at how well the 100 percent of youngsters handles new opportunities. Thanks in part to those far down the celebrity food chain. Coaches like Donnie McFarland.

HEISMAN TROPHY '98

Tim Couch fans, pencil in Ricky Williams as an early favorite to win 1998's Heisman Trophy. Texas's 6-0, 220-pound running back, said last week he will return for his senior season in Austin for some of the same reasons Peyton Manning played another season at Tennessee.

"When I came here three years ago, I set a lot of personal and team goals," Williams said at a press conference last week. "To win a lot of games, maybe win the Heisman and get my degree. And that's why I've decided to come back for another year."

Says here, Kentucky must not only get off to a successful start next season for publicity reasons, but win as many as eight games for quarterback Tim Couch to have a bonafide chance to earn the nation's most prestigious individual award in college football. And given the fickle nature of Heisman voters, that's just for starters.

Cut off

Allen Central's Nick Samons (12) found his path to the basket cut off against Knott County Central last Friday night at Allen Central. Samons scored 15 points in his team's 77-63 win over the Patriots. (photo by Ed Taylor)

UK RECRUITING SCUTTLEBUTT

Even if Hal Mumme does not sign all 19 verbals, University of Kentucky football has made impressive advancements in its recruiting. First, being in the hunt with so many top-flight prospects is significant, but persuading so many to visit campus, see UK's facilities, is a giant leap forward.

With the national signing date less than a month away, UK has 19 verbal commitments and is still involved with an impressive array of the country's best prospects. Dennis Johnson, Julius Yeast and Bernard Jackson aside, the latest...

• Much-touted wide receiver C.J. Lofton visits UK's campus Jan. 16. The south Georgia prospect is still involved with Florida State and Georgia.

• UK may be leading in recruitment of offensive lineman Chris Bullock of Destrehan, La. The 6-3 270-pounder is considering UK, Tulane, Tenn. Miami, Fla. and Notre Dame.

• Tyrone Jones, a 6-2, 205-pound strong safety at Texas City, Tex. was down to Tenn., Iowa, Texas A&M and UK last week.

• And, in what could be a major coup, UK coaches are working hard to woo 6-5, 235-pound quarterback Adam Dunn of New Caney, Tex. away from Tenn, Notre Dame, and Texas A&M.

LOOKING FORWARD TO...

• Dayton Mickens. Terrific name. If the sturdy 6-3, 210-pound Texas linebacker signs the paper next month, passes the test and lives up to the billing, then hearing Tom Leach say "Dayton Mickens..." should be a treat.

• The Class-A Boy's State Tournament as it applies to Kentucky Mr. Basketball and co-leaders J.R. VanHoose of Paintsville and J.P. Blevins of Metcalfe County. Through games played Jan. 6, the two were averaging identical 24.8 points per game.

JUST WONDERING...

√ Lemme get this straight ... Tubby Smith's team is 14-2 and has played one of its best pre-conference schedules in years, is ranked 6th in America and a sports writer in Atlanta says 'the only thing good about this team is its rebounding?' And the Lexington Herald-Leader gives the guy front page space? Hmm, good bulletin board fodder.

√ There you go again ... After a week of hyping Tubby 'n Saul versus G.G. and Mom Smith before the UK-Georgia game, some in the media herd did the usual twist a day later suggesting too much was made of Smith vs. Smith. Is anyone paying attention?

HIGH SCHOOL MILESTONES

√ Clay County's Bob Keith is the only active coach among Kentucky's Top 10 all-time winningest. KHSAA figures show Keith with 718 victories in 26 seasons, and trails only the late William Kean's 856 at Louisville Central; the late Russ Williamson with 793 at Inez; and Pearl Combs had 760 at Vicco and Hindman.

√ Mandy Harmon of Sheldon Clark scored 42 points to help her team to a championship victory in the Inez Deposit Bank Invitational. Harmon is a freshman.

√ Name of the week & milestone of the week: My choice would be Harmonie King of Montgomery County – had a state record-tying 15 assists against Madison Central in the Berea Christmas tournament.

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

About UK basketball and its radio broadcast crew...

Tom McDowell of Campbellsville (E-mail): I am sick to death of hearing what Rick Pitino did or would have done or could have done. I'm glad for his success at Boston, but that has no bearing on the current UK situation. If only he had taken Ralph the Mouth with him. I'm pleasantly surprised with (Sam) Bowie. I think he's well ahead of Kyle Macy at a similar stage in his career. Seems to bring some good insights to the broadcasts."

WORTH REPEATING

UK watcher Brian Evans of Louisville thinks Scott Padgett is passing up good shots.

"He's thinking too much—it's a confidence problem. I don't know if it's the switch to a new system, Tubby's emphasis on passing more, a shooting slump, or what, but he's definitely hesitating before taking wide-open shots. To quote two of my favorites:

"Crash Davis to "Nuke" LaLouche: "Don't think—it can only hurt the team."

"Rick Pitino to Gimel "Hai Karate" Martinez after passing up an open jumper: "Shoot or transfer."

And so it goes.

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Prestonsburg Blackcats face Cawood in WYMT Classic

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

One of the premiere high school basketball tournaments in the state of Kentucky tips off tonight as January continues to be "tournament month" here in the mountains in high school roundball. For the second consecutive week, tournament action picks up with two getting underway tonight.

The girls' All A regional also tips off tonight at Elkhorn City.

The WYMT Classic features teams from the 13th, 14th and 15th region in what has become a showcase of good local talent here in the mountain area.

Tonight Perry Central will face Williamsburg (13th) in a 7 p.m. tipoff time. Perry Central (14th) is coming off a 97-96 heartbreak loss to the Prestonsburg Blackcats last Friday night. Perry Central will feature freshman sensation Ben Bowling, who had 27 against Prestonsburg last week.

In the nightcap, the Hazard Bulldogs (14th) will square off against the Shelby Valley Wildcats (15th) at approximately 8:45. Ronnie Grigsby, John Bentley and Jon Olinger will lead the Bulldogs against Chris Isaac, John Wright and the Wildcats.

First round play picks back up Thursday night, with Prestonsburg (15th) matching up with Cawood (13th). Prestonsburg's coach Jack Pack said he didn't know a lot about Cawood.

"We are going to scout them Tuesday (last night)," he said. "We know they have a 6'7" player and a 6'3" guard. Other than that we are not too familiar with them."

Powerhouse Clay County (13th) meets Knott County Central in the finals' first round game at 8:45 Thursday night. Central will be looking to restart after losing at Allen Central last Friday night. Todd Croft, Luke Hudson and Justin Slone will lead the Patriots.

It will be "lights, camera, and action" on the hardwood as the WYMT-TV cameras grind on and beam the semifinals and finals into the living rooms of mountain homes on Friday and Saturday nights.

The semifinals will get a late start, with the first game set for 7:30 and the second to get underway at approximately 9:15 this Friday night.

Saturday night will feature a consolation game at 6:30 p.m. and the championship game starting at 8:15. Between halftime of the title game, WYMT will make a scholarship presentation.

All games will be played a the Morton Combs Athletic Complex in Hindman with $1,000 in academic scholarships awarded. Trophies presented will include: first, second and third place; sportsmanship, and cheerleading trophy. An all-tournament team will be announced with a Most Valuable Player award.

Strong move

Jessie Hall (42) of Allen Central scored between two Knott County Central players in Allen Central's 77-63 win over the Patriots last Friday night at Allen Central. The Rebels improved to 8-3 on the season. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Hall scores 17, Piarist falls to Oneida Baptist

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

George Hall scored 17 points to lead the Piarist Knights in scoring, but it wasn't enough as the Martin-based school dropped a 60-39 decision to Oneida Baptist this past Saturday night at the Mountain Christian Academy gym. Hall had seven rebounds and three steals in the game. Adam Hutchinson pulled down six rebounds, scored eight points and blocked three shots for the Knights.

The Piarist School was never in the game as they fell behind 13-0 from the onset. Piarist did not score until 4:24 remained in the first quarter. Robert Hall, an eighth grader, hit a basket to put the Knights on the scoreboard. George Hall then buried a trey to make it a 13-5 game. But a rebound basket by Matt Price and Josh Fatrell's three-pointer gave Oneida 18-5 first-quarter lead.

Trailing 23-5 early in the second period, Robert Hall took a nice assist from Hutchinson for an easy basket, but the 13th Region team went on a 16-7 spurt that netted them a 39-14 halftime lead.

Hall scored on a layup, and Hutchinson had a rebound basket for the Piarist school to start the third period. But Oneida went on a 13-4 spurt and it was 50-22. Joe Fitzgerald, who played a strong floor game and finished with six points, hit two free throws, Hutchinson had two and Hall's layup completed a 6-0 run for the Knights. They trailed 52-28 after three quarters.

Hall took charge of the offense for the Knights in the fourth quarter scoring the first four points. But the lead was too much for the smaller Knights to overcome.

K.C. McEachrin led Oneida with 12 points. Fatrell had two three-pointers for 10 points.

Piarist fell to 1-9 on the season and will host Riverside, Tuesday, January 27.

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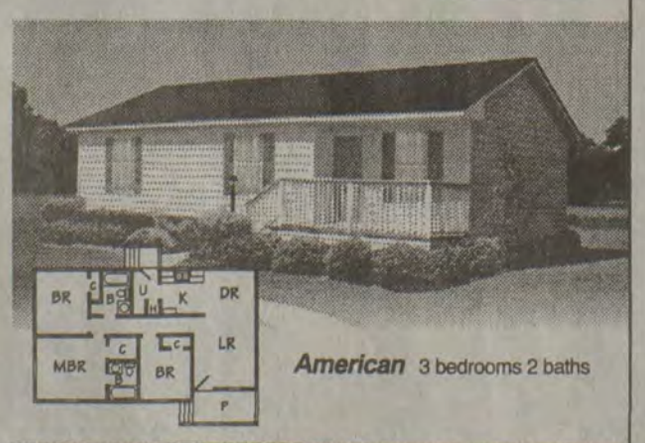

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COMBS' 21 POINTS LEADS DUFF PAST MCDOWELL

Eighth grader Beth Combs scored a game-high 21 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs of Duff to a 38-31 victory over a good McDowell Lady Daredevil team Monday night at Duff Elementary.

Amber Scott added 10 points in the win with Leslie Martin, Lauren Robinson and Donetta Mullins scoring two points each. Johnna Ison had one point.

Ashley Johnson, a sixth grader, had 12 points to lead the Lady Daredevils. Stephanie Skeans netted five with Sara Johnson and Megan Ousley scoring four apiece. Leigh Ann Tuttle had one point for McDowell.

Skeans scored four points in the first quarter that helped McDowell to a 8-5 first-quarter lead. But Combs had six of her 21 points in the second period as the two teams were locked at 16-16 at the half.

Ashley Johnson scored seven points in the third quarter but Combs has eight in the period as Duff took a 30-25 lead after three periods. Scott hit a three-pointer in the third quarter and repeated the feat in the fourth.

JOSEPH HAS HER NIGHT AS LADY EAGLES WIN

Beth Joseph tossed in 12 points to help lead the Allen Lady Eagles past Prater Creek in elementary basketball last week. It was big night for Joseph in another way as she was named the school's homecoming queen for 1998.

Ramanda Music led all scorers with 13 points, and she was named Miss Eagle at the Allen school. Daniel Knausz was chosen Mr. Eagle.

Rachel Mitchell finished with 11 points, and Falon Osborne scored two points for Allen.

Stephanie Hall led Prater with her seven points. Angela Akers and Kelly Slone added two points apiece for the Lady Cougars. Lindsey Boyette scored on point.

Music, who played half of the game, scored 10 of her points the first quarter as Allen rolled out to a 15-0 lead. Mitchell had five first-quarter points. Joseph had but two points at the half, and scored 10 in the second half. Mitchell had the only three-point basket for the Lady Eagles.

YATES SCORES 12 AS ADAMS ROLLS PAST AUXIER

Josh Yates came off the Adams Middle School bench and tossed in 12 points to share scoring honors with Craig Fleenor as the Blackcats rolled past Auxier in a 79-27 grade school game.

Yates scored all 12 of his points in the second half. Fleenor got all his in the first quarter, as coach Neil Turner played the whole team with all 16 players scoring.

Game-scoring honors went to Auxier's Eric Jarrell, who finished with 13 points. Brandon May and Michael Ousley added four points each. Steven Jones and Jody Harris scored two points apiece.

Zach Slone had a big fourth quarter for Adams, scoring nine points that included a three-point basket. Philip Allen netted eight points and Tony White totaled seven. Josh Murdock scored six with Ryan Martin adding four points. Matt Turner and Matt Slone scored three apiece. Shawn Newsome, T.C. Hatfield, Kevin Younce, Andrew Howell, and Jeff Allen had two points each. Chris Spriggs scored one point.

ALLEN NIPS MARTIN IN DOUBLE OVERTIME

Nick Clay and Daniel Knausz combined for 43 points as the Allen Eagles edged a very good Martin Middle School team, 66-65. Clay scored 23 points and Knausz added 20 in the win.

Martin placed five players in double figures, led by Ricky Lewis' 16 points. Keith Crum finished with 13 points, while Chris Owens and Jared Harlow netted 11 each. Michael Murphy came off the bench and scored 12 points.

Knausz hit two three-pointers in the game. Lewis had two for Martin.

The two teams were tied at 54-54 after regulation play, and again at 63-63 after the first extra period. Allen outscored Martin 6-2 in the second overtime. The Eagles hit four-of-six free throws, and Jacob Shepherd had a field goal.

Martin led 14-12 after the first quarter, and held a 30-27 lead at the half. The two teams were even in the third period, with Allen outscoring the Purple Flash 20-15 in the fourth to tie the game.

Dustin Koger had nine points in the game and Burke added seven. Shepherd finished with three points, Michael Stephens netted two as did Jewell.

MCDOWELL EDGES DUFF BEHIND SPRIGGS

Jason Spriggs scored 21 points and Josh Moore added 13 as the McDowell Daredevils edged the Duff Bulldogs 59-56 last Monday night. Spriggs had four three-pointers in the game.

Adam Ward was the third Daredevil to score in double figures. He hit consecutive three-pointers in the opening quarter. Justin Taylor just missed with nine points. Joe Skeans had six points.

Jeremy Rister led Duff with his 17 points. He hit three three-point baskets. Josh Bentley added 10 points and Greg Isaac had nine points. Timmy Workman scored eight points. Nathan Sturgill and Brian Paige scored five each. Rodney Fitzpatrick had two points.

McDowell led 16-13 after the first quarter. Ward hit two three-pointers and Spriggs scored six points in the first, including a trey. Duff outscored the Daredevils 26-11 in the second period to take a 39-27 halftime lead. But the Bulldogs could only score five points in the third period in a 19-5 run by McDowell that netted them a 46-44 lead after three quarters. Taylor had six points in the quarter and Spriggs scored five.

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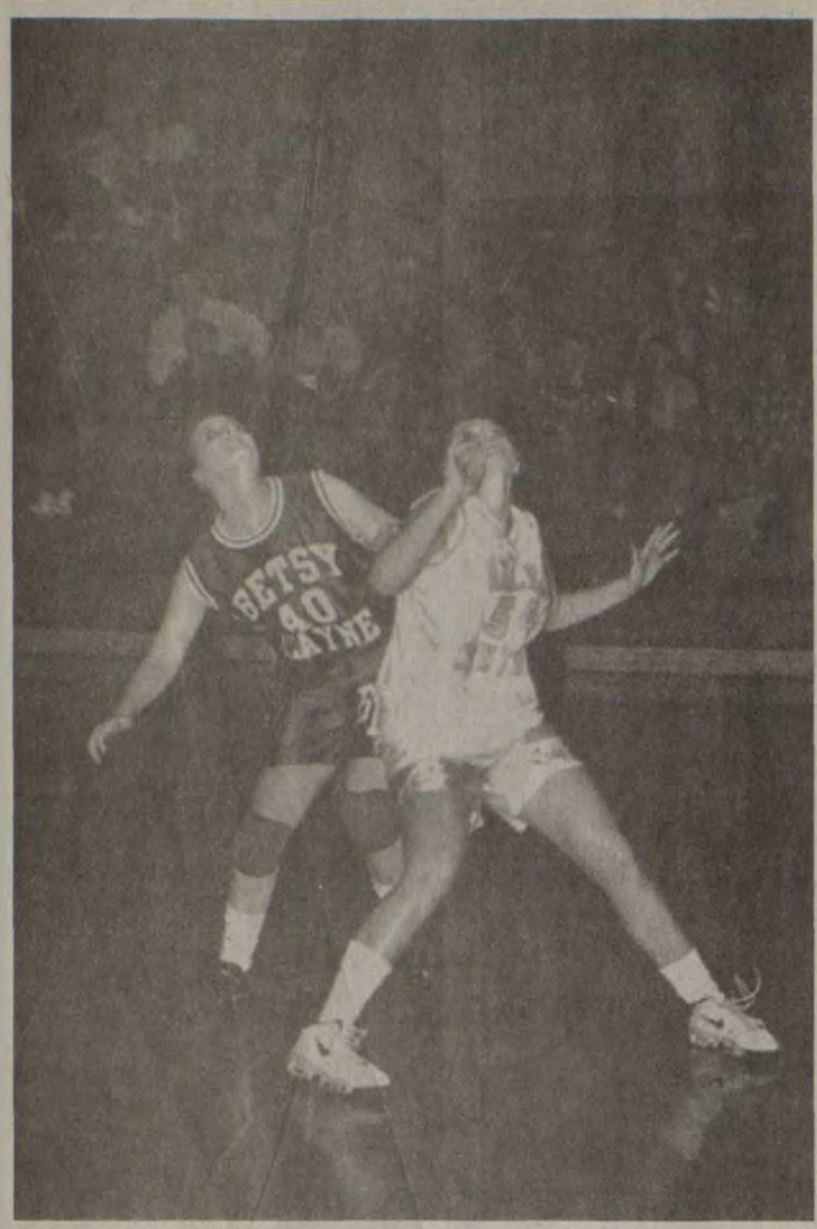

"Look Ramanda"

Betsy Layne's Heather Kidd (33) and Allen Central's Ramanda Music (54) looked upward as they positioned themselves for a rebound last Thursday night. Allen Central posted a 86-52 win over the Lady Cats. (photo by Ed Taylor)

To the basket

Betsy Layne's Heather Kidd (33) went for a block of Allen Central's Natalie Cooley's (20) shot last Thursday night at Allen Central. The Lady Rebels defeated the Lady Cats 86-52. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Basketball—

(Continued from page seven)

HYDEN SCORES 20 AS MARTIN UPENDS ALLEN

Megan Hyden scored 20 points and Jaclyn Martin added 15 as the Martin Middle School Lady Flashes upset the Allen Lady Eagles 56-52 in a game that featured a little bit of everything.

Jaclyn Brown, a steady heads-up player, tossed in nine points in a strong floor game. Jennie Spurlock scored five points, Leighann Brown and Jessica Isaac had two points apiece. Terri Mullins had one point.

Allen's Ramanda Music had 29 points to lead all scorers. Rachel Mitchell added 15, while Beth Joseph scored six and Amber Marsillett had two.

Hyden scored eight of her points in the second quarter to keep Martin close. Allen led 33-25 at the half. Music had 14 points in the second period.

In the third period Music was held to two free throws as Martin climbed back into the game by outscoring Allen 20-4 in the third period.

Martin attempted 43 free throws, and connected on 16.

BETSY LAYNE FALLS AT MARTIN

Keith Crum scored 14 points to lead the Martin Purple Flash past the Betsy Layne Elementary Bobcats last week. Martin posted a 36-34 win over the Cats.

Michael Rogers scored 12 points to lead Betsy Layne. Shawn Rose added seven and Jeremy Clark scored six.

Ricky Lewis, Jared Harlow and Michael Murphy tossed in five each for the Purple Flashes.

It was a tied ballgame after the first quarter at 7-7 and the two teams went to the locker room at the half tied at 16-16. After three quarters, no one could get the advantage in a 22-22 lockup. In the fourth, Martin outscored the Bobcats 14-12 to pull out the win.

Jordon Compton netted four points for Betsy Layne. Matt Hamilton and Bobo Hamilton had two apiece. Dustin Elkins scored one point.

LADY FLASHES HOLD OFF LADY BOBCATS

Jaclyn Martin scored 11 points and Megan Hyden added eight to lead the Martin Middle School Lady Flashes to a 47-33 win over Betsy Layne.

Kimberly Tackett and Devon Reynolds had eight points each to lead Betsy Layne.

Martin took a 15-5 first-quarter lead behind the scoring of Hyden and Jaclyn Brown. Brown had five first-quarter points, and Hyden, scored four. Martin led 28-13 at the half.

Brown and Howard scored five points each for the Flashes. Leighann Brown, Jessica Isaac, Tabitha Caudill and Terri Mullins each had four points in the game. Jenni Spurlock scored two points.

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Having read about the problems with snakes that I've had over the past couple of years, Dixie Pfeiffer of VanHoose Branch at River called last week to report a snake story of her own. It seems her grandson, Michael Grim, was looking out her window on January 2 and saw Pfeiffer's cat Callie out in the yard playing with something. Further investigation revealed a very lively snake.

"It was a green snake," Pfeiffer said, "and one of the biggest I've ever seen. I'm 80 years old, and I've never heard of seeing a snake in January." She said that when she was a little girl growing up in Tutor Key, old folks would warn her about walking in the snow because of "snow snakes."

"Of course, they were just teasing me, trying to keep me out of the snow. But being a child, I believed them. Now, I guess I really have seen a snow snake," she said.

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Tim Slone of the Department of Fish and Wildlife in Frankfort said that Pfeiffer's find, although not totally unheard of, was pretty rare.

"After all, snakes are cold-blooded animals and certainly not active this time of year. Of course, being harassed by the cat could force it to become active."

Slone suggested the cat might have uncovered the snake from a shallow hibernation spot, like a rock pile or somewhere. Because of the warmer temperatures, it was easier to revive. He also warned that in such cases, poisonous snakes, such as copperheads, will bite.

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A few more terms that I, with the help of fellow-Muddy Brancher Roger Burton, came up with that may have been exclusive property of 1940s coal-camp kids include the following.

Burn out: A game sorta like baseball except played with a broom stick and tennis ball. You make an out by an opposing player hitting you with the ball. Also, you only get one swing when you're batting. If you miss it you still run because the hind catcher (usually the most accurate, strongest and most sadistic player on the other team) will bust you one smack dab between your shoulder blades. Burn out was not a game for sissies.

Fork-ed: Sort of like forked, except you pronounce the ed. You have to hunt a fork-ed stick before you can make a sling shot.

Settin' up: What people were doing at a wake. The men were settin' up with old man Jones.

Ridey-bob: A piece of playground equipment most commonly known as a see-saw. When Paul jumped off the ridey-bob, Jimmy crashed to the ground.

Teeter-totter: A ridey-bob. Bobby mashed his toe on the teeter-totter.

High-tail it: Hurry, I gotta high-tail it on home.

Come-a-jumpin': High-tail it, with the understanding that you'll face dire consequences if you don't. You get to this house and come-a-jumpin.'

Poke: A wild green. Mom loves to make poke sallit.

Poke: A brown paper sack. She gathered her poke in a poke.

Turn: A personality trait. She seems to have a good turn. She's not turned a bit like her daddy.

Snowflake Christmas pageant

Just in time for the snow — several local boys and girls donned their best attire in December and prepared for their reign over a winter wonderland.

The boys and girls were participants of the first Snowflake Christmas pageant held December 13 at the First United Methodist Church's Family Life Center.

The pageant was conducted by Betty Slone, Della Stapleton, and Mary Meade, who were determined to bring the best aspects of beauty pageants into one competition.

"I have daughters that do pageants, and Betty has grandsons that do pageants," Meade said. "We decided to take the things that we wanted to change at other pageants — such as we didn't feel that little boys should compete against little girls in any category — and change them in this pageant."

Those changes included trophies.

"I don't think a girl minds being awarded a blue trophy, but what boy wants to get a pink trophy?" Meade said.

The trio also wanted to stress the importance of being a child.

"We didn't feel like little girls should wear a lot of makeup," Meade said. "We're trying to get away from the glitz and the phobia that you have to have a lot of money to do the pageants. Ninety percent of pageants do one overall category for a group. We sectioned ours off into three categories so everyone would have a fair chance at it."

"We made sure the judges came from out of the area," she added. "We didn't want local judges, whatsoever. We feel it's better that judges don't know the contestants. It's done more fairly all the way around."

The competition was judged by representatives of Images Modeling, based in Lexington, and was open to boys and girls, ages newborn to 18 years old.

Prizes were awarded to the winners of the pageant. Beauty winners took home a crown, sash, and a two-foot trophy. Christmas Wear winners received a trophy.

Overall girl winners were awarded a crown, a trophy, and a gift certificate. Boys winning the overall contest received the trophy and gift certificate.

Supreme winners took home 36-inch trophies and each received a crown. Girls received a crown pin and the boys received a scepter and sash.

Winning various titles in the beauty category were:

- Brittany Dawn Amburgey, a daughter of Shaun and Priscella Amburgey, of Blue River;
- Alex Ritchie, a daughter of Brandy Ritchie and Philip Joseph, of Van Lear;
- Brandi Crum, daughter of Tonya Crum, of Martin;
- Brittany Haney, daughter of Everett and Tenea Haney, of Nippa;

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Amanda Burke

Alexis Richie

Brittany Haney

Courtney Shepherd

Brandy Crum

Brittany Amburgery

Evertt Haney Jr.

Natasha Scroggins

Shane Johnson

Stacie Richie

Our Yesterdays

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Ten years ago (January 13, 1988)

Local coal mine owners held a meeting last Saturday to drum up support for a new Workmen's Compensation bill as an alternative to the existing one...Five CAP volunteers escaped serious injury when the van they were traveling in went down a steep hillside on Buck's Branch near Father Beiting's home...A blasting accident last Saturday at the Lark Mining Company's #1 mine claimed the life of Donald B. Ousley of Hueysville as the first mining-related fatality of the year...The county's schoolchildren returned to classes, unfortunately, a plague of head lice returned along with some of them...Dickie Allen was named chief of the Prestonsburg City Police Department, replacing Elmo Allen, who resigned...There died...Rosemary Lafferty, 67, of Hippo, Thursday at Highlands Regional Medical Center...John M. Burke, 73, of Bevinsville, Saturday at Pikeville Methodist Hospital...Ella D. Burchnell, 52, of Springfield, Ohio, December 4 at the community hospital there...Raymond Slone, 56, of Bevinsville, Friday at Our Lady of The Way Hospital...Edmund A. Holbrook, 58, of Green Acres, Friday at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Stella B. Blevins, 63, of Inez, Sunday at Charleston Memorial Hospital...Dwayne L. Hall, 29, of Grethel, Monday at Humana Hospital, Lexington...Haley Hensley, 69, of Melvin, Monday at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Twenty Years Ago (January 11, 1978)

District Judge Harold J. Stumbo and County Attorney Arnold Turner told a gathering of school officials, principals, teachers and mi sisters last Tuesday that they are ready to act in all drug cases reported to them and challenged teachers and principals to report such cases to them...A temporary restraining order to prevent interference with operations of the L. T. Ruth Coal Co. Inc. on Lick Branch, near here by persons identified as picketing United Mine Workers was issued last Thursday by Circuit Judge W. B. Hazelrigg, of Johnson Circuit Court...The Floyd Fiscal Court this week readvertised for contractors' bids on construction of the bridge designed to span Right Beaver Creek and link the present KY 80 with the county park at Allen...For the first time in nearly seven months the Prestonsburg police force has an official chief. Prestonsburg Police Capt. William R. (Dicky) Campbell was named chief Thursday night at the city council's first major business session of the year...A $78,439 contract has been awarded to Construction Products Inc., of Jackson, Tennessee for additions to the Jenny Wiley State boat dock, it was announced recently...There died: Mary Slone Bradley, 78, of Estill, Wednesday, December 29, in a nursing home in Glasgow,; Virgil Warrix, 66, formerly of Prestonsburg, Saturday at Monroe Memorial Hospital in Marion County, Florida; Jack Denver Burchett, 62, of Emma, Thursday, January 5, at home; Harry H. Mayo Jr., 56, formerly of Martin, Monday, January 2, at his home in Ashland; Carson L. Tipton, 77, formerly of Wheelwright, December 28 at Annapolis Hospital, Wayne, Michigan; Ella Clark Hunter, 82, of Cow Creek, last Friday at Mountain Manor Nursing Home here; Mitchell Nichols, 62, of Estill, Saturday at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Elvie Collins, 83, of Hueysville, Wed-nesday at his home; Frank Tackett, 53, formerly of Beaver, Sunday, January 1 in Wayne General Hospital, Michigan; Mrs. Parrot Handshoe Combs, 79, formerly of Quicksand, Friday in Shelby, Ohio.

Thirty Years Ago (January 11, 1968)

Five Floyd Countians died Saturday afternoon when two automobiles collided on KY 122, near Buckingham. The dead are: Darrell Wayne Colter, 17, of Allen; Paul Keene\ Jr., also of Allen; Freeman Little, 29, of Bevinsville; Chester D. Osborne, 20, of Hi Hat; and Harlos Newsome, 19, also of Hi Hat...Specialist Fourth Class Lowell Johnson, 19, of Melvin, was killed in action last Thursday while serving with the 25th Infantry Division in Vietnam, the first Floyd County war casualty of the new year...Floyd County schools remained closed this week as snow held its own for a second full week...The B. & C. Hardware at Hueysville was looted last week of an estimated $1,500 worth of tools, watches and clocks, it was reported...There died: Alex Banks, 92, of Water Gap, last Wednesday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Harry Sandige, 67, former Prestonsburg mayor and police judge, last Thursday at his home here; Levi Prater, 67, of Brainard, last Wednesday at a Lexington hospital; Nova Lou Hall, 19, of East McDowell, last Wednesday in a Lexington hospital; Johnny Frasure, 52, of Bonanza, last Thursday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital.

Forty Years Ago (January 9, 1958)

Mayor Bill Napier said this week that he has been assured by a representative of the U. S. Corps of Engineers that action will be taken on Prestonsburg's flood control project within the next 30 days...Three Floyd countians were killed and one critically injured in three auto wrecks over the past week. Dead are Cora E. Akers, 18, formerly of Justell, but recently employed at Norfolk, Virginia; Abner Endicott, 62, of Ivel; and A-1c Kelly V. Adams, 23, formerly of Alphoretta, but stationed at Little Rock Air Base, Arkansas. Injured was Carl Stanley, also of Ivel...Old

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Society

Laws speaks on legislative program at FCRTA meeting

The Floyd County Retired Teachers' Association met January 8 at May Lodge of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The meeting began at 10:30 a.m. with Ruby Akers presiding in the absence of Roberta Fugate, president of FCRTA.

Lawrence Price opened the meeting with prayer. Alice Martin led the group in the pledge to the Flag and the singing of "America."

Ms. Akers introduced Willis Haws who was the main speaker. She noted that Mr. Haws is a retired educator from Martin County Schools, currently serving as president of the Martin County Retired Teachers' Association, is on the legislative and membership committees of the Big Sandy Retired Teacher's Association and is president-elect for the Big Sandy District.

Mr. Haws said that 70 percent of Kentucky's retired teachers belong to the Kentucky Retired Teachers' Association. He urged that members let legislators know their support is needed for the proposed 1998 legislative program as presented by this body. (The legislative hotline is 1-800-372-7181.) Mr. Haws went over the program in detail and noted that copies of this program had been sent to KRTA members. He stressed that read all the correspondence coming from KRTA and the Kentucky Teachers Retirement System. Teacher benefits such as cost of living adjustments and health insurance rates are at stake.

Mr. Haws also encouraged teachers to serve as volunteers in worthy community projects. He mentioned several things he did that brought him no monetary reward but a good deal of satisfaction.

A question and answer period was observed during Mr. Haws' talk after which he left the podium.

Acting President Ruby Akers then called for a reading of the minutes of the December meeting of FCRTA. Imogene Caldwell read the minutes and they were approved as read.

The treasurer's report was given by Danny Branson in the absence of FCRTA treasurer Doris Osborne.

Ms. Akers reported that if FCRTA has at least 200 members, the organization could send four delegates to the KRTA convention in Louisville this coming spring.

Committee reports followed Ms. Akers' remarks.

Jimmy Reynolds reported for the membership committee. He suggested that future meetings of that committee meet for a few minutes near the beginning of or at the end of regular FCRTA meeting, thus eliminating extra travel for those concerned.

The legislative committee let Mr. Haws' report stand for their contribution as he had covered this information well.

Louise Howard, chairman of the nominating committee, asked for volunteers to serve as officers for the next two years.

Subject to approval by the members of FCRTA, Imogene Caldwell will keep the secretary's post. Alice Martin will remain as second vice-president. Danny Branson will serve as first vice-president. The offices of president and treasurer are still pending.

Alice Martin gave the notification committee report. She said she needed more contact people to help make phone calls. Betty Porter, Joan Johnson, Lois Martin, Ruby Akers and Marie Mullins volunteered to help. Jimmy Reynolds said he would notify those members on the membership committee.

Suggestions for future programs for the FCRTA were asked for. It was proposed that all members write down ideas they had and put them in a suggestion box to be placed in the meeting room at the next session of FCRTA. These ideas would then by acted upon by the executive committee which is now responsible for setting up the programs.

Those present were reminded that the FCRTA Constitution now calls for a meeting the first Thursday of each month unless the first Thursday falls on a holiday or inclement weather forces the closing of Floyd County schools; in which case, the organization will meet on the second Thursday. Jimmy Reynolds made a motion that if neither of these two dates work out, we cancel the meeting for that particular month. The motion passed.

The benediction was given by Danny Branson and the meeting adjourned at noon.

Those registering at the meeting included:

Bobby Hale, Alice O. Martin, Ruby Akers, Mildred Salisbury, Shirley G. Harmon, Bonnie Harmon, Betty Smith, Frank Smith, Elmer G. Martin, Andrew J. Crider, Bert Layne, Willis R. Haws, Jo Ann Johnson, Marie C. Mullins, Marsella C. Bradley, Earl D. Ousley, W. Louise Howard, Betty M. Porter, Mildred Whitaker, Gladys Shepherd, and June Stephens.

Also, Ann Stumbo, Alma Lowe, Arnold Lowe, Lloyd Wells, Jimmy R. Reynolds, Imogene Caldwell, Annis C. Clark, Johnny G. Stumbo, Kaye McGuire, Frank McGuire, L. B. Price, Judith P. Music, Keith Stewart, Freddy W. Hall, Gene Davis, Danny Branson and Lois P. Martin.

The next meeting of FCRTA will be Thursday, February 5 in the downstairs section of May Lodge.

Miriam Rebekah Lodge meets

The regular meeting of Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31 was held January 6, with Noble Grand Lorena Wallen, presiding.

The meeting was opened in regular form with the sick list being reviewed and all will be remembered in prayer.

Communications and bills were presented and complied with.

A report was given on the District 4 meeting of Rebekahs held at Paintsville with Pleasant Valley Rebekah Lodge No. 116 on December 6. Door prizes were awarded before the meeting started and all five members from Miriam Lodge were winners.

It was stated that the semi-annual report would be read at the next meeting.

Birthday greetings were extended to Sue Moore, Paulena Owens and Dora Johns.

The meeting closed with all present repeating "The Rebekah Creed."

In attendance were Lorena Wallen, Hope Whitten, Dora Johns, Paulena Owens, Sue Moore, Deborah Johns and Mabel Jean LeMaster.

The next meeting will be held January 20.

Community club holds first meet of new year

The Price Community Club began the new year with its regular monthly meeting on January 10.

After the opening exercises, seven new members were introduced to those in attendance.

Because of discussions held late last year, some rules regarding the club were changed following a vote. Debbie Frazier will have a revised copy of the rules plus a membership list for each member at the next meeting.

Suggestions were made to recognize community members for their tireless efforts on behalf of the club and the community.

Club members wished a speedy recovery to Thelma Frazier, who had undergone by-pass surgery.

Plans are underway for the club's annual trip to be made in the early fall, and a discussion of the event was held.

In other business at the meeting, a drawing was held for those members participating in the Secret Sisters for 1998.

The next meeting will be February 14 at the new meeting time of 4 p.m.

Visit Here

Mike, Marilyn and Jason Sears of Andersonville, Tennessee, were guests Sunday, January 11, of Clifford and Hannah Adams of the Middle Creek Road.

New Arrivals

HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

December 29: A son, Dalton Michael, to Stephen and Michelle Parker of Prestonsburg; a son, Johnny Joshua Slone, to Pamela Niece of Martin.

December 30: A daughter, Keisha Ann, to Lou Ann and Andy Fannin of Beauty; a son, Henry Harrison, to Susan and Henry Dye of Stambaugh; a son, Ryan Nicholas, to Clint and Samantha Thompson of Martin; a daughter, Carollyn Jean "CJ" Hall, to Dyanne M. Farris of Langley.

December 31: A daughter, Sanay Danielle, to Sherry and Randy Powers of Van Lear; a daughter, Shaun Alexander Allen, to Caroline Jane Bradley of Wayland; a daughter, Morgan Louise, to Samantha and Billy Johnson of Hi Hat.

January 1: A son, Eric Walker, to Theresa and Joseph Horn of Richmond; a daughter, Christina Lou, to Crystal Gayle and Richie Allen O'Brian of Oil Springs; a son, Austin Curtis, to Bridgette Gail and William Curtis Howell of Wayland; a daughter, Ashley Dawn, to Loretta and Jeffrey Bryant Waller of Beauty.

January 2: A son, Anthony Brian Scott, to Lucy Ann and James Purnell Keeton of Salyersville.

January 3: A son, Seth Myles, to Misty and Howard LeMaster of Stambaugh.

January 4: A daughter, Caitlin Leah Ann Rackey, to Ellinda Mae Crowe of Campton.

January 6: A daughter, Brooklyn Renee Ratliff, to Wanda Renee Brown of Denver; a son, Larry Joe Robinette III, to Susan Cathline Kuhn of Tram; a son, Bailey Noel, to Bridget Leigh and Anthony Scott Franklin of Thelma.

January 7: A daughter Kaitlin Arielle, to Tammy and Eric Stephens of Hueysville; a daughter, Samantha Rae, to Rebecca and Doug Bailey Jr. of Royalton.

Yesterdays

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Christmas was observed here last Sunday at the American Legion Hall and featured singing of early mountain hymns...Martha Ann Burchett, 16, and a junior in at Prestonsburg High School won top prize as a winner in the annual Floyd county soil conservation essay this year...Married: Gwendolyn Gibson, of Langley, and Jackie Tom Hewelett, of Drift, December 21 at the Wayland Christian Church; Eileen Janet Kernan, of Canisteo, New York, and Mr. Elmer G. Martin, of Amba, December 27 at the Grethel Baptist Church...There died: James D. Francis, 73, of Huntington, prominent in Eastern Kentucky and West Virginia coal industry, Wednesday; Jerd Harvey, 64, of Honaker, at home on New Year's Day; Matilda Tackett Akers, 55, Floyd native, December 27 at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Samuel Anderson, 83, of Dock, Friday at his home; Laura Blanche Scott, 52, December 18 at his home on Toler Creek; Farmer Mallie Howell, 87, native of this county, December 21 near Pikeville; Mrs. Minta Martin, 91, of Mousie, January 1 at the home of a son, Joel Martin.

Fifty Years Ago (January 8, 1948)

Final plans for a new system of garbage collection here was completed by the city council at its Monday night meeting with citizens' payment for the service to be entirely voluntary...A former Ligon miner was hanged, January 2 at the Moundsville, West Virginia penitentiary in expiation of the crime of murder...Two Jack's Creek women were indicted for murder here Tuesday for the slaying of Polly Johnson...Ted Edward Hunt, 24, employee of the Atlantic Seaboard Corporation's gas compressor station at Boldman, and owner of a fleet of coal trucks, was killed Wednesday afternoon when his truck was struck by a C. & O. manifest at a Boldman crossing...All day Monday, the opening day of the January term of Floyd circuit court, the court was without either a grand jury or petit jury. The $3 juror's daily wage, court attaches agreed, simply isn't enough to draw men and women from good jobs and high wages to do public service while living costs are at such astronomical figures...One of the 14 persons who met death in a New Year's Day train wreck in Missouri was Roy Ryan, of Evansville, Indiana, contractor on the flood control project at Dewey...Married: Thelmaree Salyers, of Brainard, and Clayton Watson, of Elsie, December 26 at Salyersville; Pauline Pigman, of Wayland, and Mr. Teamus Bowling, of Paintsville, Dec. 28; Miss Barbara Angel and Mr. Arthur Wrightson III, both of Wayland, December 23; Mrs. Ida Goble, of Prestonsburg, and former Jailer Elige Goble, of Cow Creek, New Year's Day; Velva Allen, of Pyramid, and Homer Bayes, of Michigan, December 24 at Paintsville...There died; Archie Sammons, 21, of Langley, Sunday in a Cincinnati hospital; Frank Parsons, 43, Friday at his home at Allen; Martha H. Mullins, 67, Saturday at her home at Hi Hat; Estill H. Griffith, 51, former Wheelwright miner, Monday night when the car in which he and his wife, Florence, 50, were riding, was struck by a train at Cardington, Ohio; Nelson Caudill, 74, Tuesday at his home at Dony; John Lee Haywood, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Haywood, of Hueysville, Wednesday at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; George Savko, 58, last Wednesday in his room at Wheelwright.

Sixty Years Ago (January 13, 1938)

A three-fold program, stressing the importance of worthwhile community activities, was endorsed by Prestonsburg Kiwanians in their meeting last Friday. The three objectives are: 1) A local Boy Scout troop 2) A Floyd County Fair; 3) New Industries...Noah Ark Blair, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Blair, of Hueysville, died almost instantly Monday afternoon when a horse he was riding fell and pinned him beneath its body...Flames destroyed the Stewart Boarding House here last week...Floyd County's first traffic fatality of the year, Bert Montgomery, 22, of Blue River, was instantly killed Saturday night near the Prestonsburg city limits by an unidentified hit and run motorist...Industrial conditions at Wayland have again slid into something of a rut this week. The Elk Horn Coal Corporation mine has operated only one day...There died: "Aunt" Louise Burchett, 80, Saturday morning at the home of a relative; Clarence Preston Jr., of Auxier, December 23 at his home; Oscar Hicks, 40, January 1 at his home at Estill.

Sunshine Lines

Senior citizens, the New Year is still young enough to wish for you a very happy one.

I trust that you made a list of personal goals you hope to accomplish by the end of 1998. If you work at achieving the things that are important to you this year, you will feel proud of yourself when you look back at your accomplishments come December 31.

Now that the holidays are past, it's time to get back to business as usual and also to work diligently on those goals we made for ourselves.

On behalf of the Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program for Senior Citizens (KBCP) in the Big Sandy area, and as the writer of your "Sunshine Lines For Senior Citizens" column, I feel it most appropriate that we dedicate today's article to The Floyd County Times. This is the only way I know to thank this newspaper for the tremendous support that they have given to our senior citizens and your exclusive KBCP through the years.

By graciously allowing space for "Sunshine Lines" week after week for almost five years now, senior citizens continually learn where to turn for help as they discover a variety of benefits that many older Americans aren't aware exists. Our seniors are most appreciative of you, The Floyd County Times, for caring about them as you do. Oftentimes, our senior citizens feel left out or even forgotten in today's society. But your newspaper does not forget about our aging people here in the mountains. For the support of your newspaper continues to give to our older Americans we are most grateful.

Hundreds of older, indigent Eastern Kentuckians have been provided glasses, prescription medications, hearing aids, medical treatment, legal services, etc. because your newspaper and its "Sunshine Lines" column inform them of where to call in an effort to find the help that they need. Because of your newspaper, literally hundreds of senior citizens have been directed to the KBCP in hope of finding necessary assistance. The space you provide for this column gives them something to look forward to each week that is uniquely theirs. For this our senior citizens in the Big Sandy can only say, "thank you."

If you are a senior citizen with a problem or a need feel free to contact you benefits counseling coordinator, Charles Slone Fairchild at 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876. Your coordinator, or one of his staff of dedicated volunteers, will discuss your need and will make you knowledgeable of any federal, state and private benefits that are available. These people will help you fill out some types of forms that might be necessary, and they will guide you through any roadblocks or red tape you might experience in your effort to receive any benefit that is legally and rightfully yours.

The KBCP is here for senior citizens. Because of the concern of The Floyd County Times, senior citizens in Appalachia are kept abreast of what is happening in benefits that do and will affect their standard of living today and into the future.

Yes! Our senior citizens owe you, The Floyd County Times, a tremendous debt of gratitude. Thank you very much!

Weddings & Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Wayne Taylor

Couple exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Wonn III of Ashland and Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Day of Prestonsburg would like to announce the marriage of their daughter, Sally Brooke Wonn, to Mr. Bradley Wayne Taylor, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Taylor of Catlettsburg, on November 15, 1997.

The couple were united in marriage at the First Christian Church in Ashland, Ky. at 5:30 in the evening with the Rev. Bob Bradley officiating.

The bride is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and Morehead State University. She is employed with RAM Technologies, Inc. in Ashland as a communications consultant.

The groom graduated from Boyd County High School, and attended Milligan College in Milligan, Tennessee, as well as Morehead State University. He is employed by AK Steel's Coke Plant.

The matron of honor was Larra Ferguson of Ashland, Ky. Bridesmaids included Missy Smith of Prestonsburg, Tracy Wheeler, Bobbi Borders, and Stacy Salisbury, all of Catlettsburg; and Andrea Coffee and Lauren Cheshire, both of Ashland.

Jimmy Taylor, the father of the groom, served as best man; groomsmen were Mike Taylor of Arlington, Virginia, David Wheeler and Todd Borders, both of Catlettsburg, Tobin Wonn, Jay Wonn and Cory Cheshire, all of Ashland.

The flower girl was Emma Wonn of Ashland, and the ring bearer was Stephen Limpach of Ashland.

The organist/pianist for the ceremony was Gail Rous of Ashland. Violinists were Cathy Chamis and Dr. Bruce Brown of Ashland. Vocalists were Ellie Brown of Louisville, Larra Ferguson of Ashland, Tim Galyon of Ashland and June Caldwell of Catlettsburg.

After the ceremony, the reception was held at the Bellfonte Country Club in Bellfonte, Ky.

The couple spent their honeymoon in Maui, Hawaii.

They now reside in Ashland.

FOR THE RECORD

District Court

Editor's note: All first offense DUIs are allowed to do two days public service in lieu of $200 of the total court costs and fines. All individuals who are charged in cases involving alcohol or drugs are referred to alcohol or drug counseling.

Dante Belcher, 36, of Pikeville; violation of EPO, $62.50 plus 90 days jail.

Jeffery Bolen, age unknown, of David; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant, $200, no insurance, $500, possession of marijuana, $150, failure to register transfer, dismissed, 5 days to turn in license.

Hank Williams, 42, of Grethel; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant, BA pending, $200, 2 days jail, alcohol and drug education class, $267.50, 5 days to turn in license.

Clyde Shepherd, 21, of David; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant, amend to reckless driving, $97.50.

John Slone, 27, of Hi Hat; driving DUI under suspended license, amend to operating on suspended license not DUI, $97.50, no insurance, dismissed, no seatbelts, $25.

Will Carroll, 50, of Printer; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant, $457.50, 2 days public service, alcohol and drug education class, no insurance, $500, suspend $450.

Wendall M. Johnson, 20, of Inez; driving DUI under suspended license, $67.50, 120 days jail, no seatbelt, merged, marijuana possession, merged, possession/use of drug paraphernalia, merged.

Gary Bays, 42, of Prestonsburg; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant, $457.50, 2 days public service, alcohol and drug education class, no insurance, 5 days to show proof.

Rodney D. Stepp, 26, of Inez; AI (1st, 2nd) $87.50, disorderly conduct, $50, impersonating a public servant, $50.

James D. Garrett, 44, of Prestonsburg; violation of EPO, $62.50, 10 days jail.

Marriages

Betty A. Meade, 32, of Stanville, and Aaron Wicker, 25, of Mousie.

Lisa Childers, 31, of Garrett, and Harry Clay, Jr., 34, of Garrett.

Pamela Carroll, 21, of Blue River, and Michael S. Coleman, 27, of Blue River.

Deborah Wilt, 46, of Parkersburg, West Virginia, and Virgil Havens, 76, of Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Candi Clemons, 16, of Wheelwright, and John Preston, 22, of Wheelwright.

Terry Tackett, 27, of McDowell, and Ray Gibson, 30, of Ligon.

Tamara Vanduyne, 24, of Galveston, and David New, 35, of Galveston.

Robbie Slone, 20, of Tram, and Nicholas Music, 20, of Harold.

Tina Thacker, 22, of Allen, and Brandon Sloan, 20, of Allen.

Tammy Burchett, 28, of Honaker, and Paul Williams, 36, of Honaker.

Suits Filed

Editor's note: Suits filed are not indicative of guilt, but represent only the claims of those filing the action.

Commonwealth for Frances Swiney vs. Burnis Swiney of Harold; petition for child support and health insurance.

Matewan Bank FSB vs. James Hamilton et al. of Teaberry; contract dispute.

Sherry Shepherd vs. Hartford Life Insurance, Co. of Syracuse, N.Y.; contract dispute.

James Harrison of Eddyville vs. Roger Webb of Prestonsburg; alleged failure to comply with open records law.

Dale Stephens of Langley vs. David Clifton of Prestonsburg; contract dispute.

Novellia Mosley vs. Paul H. Thompson of Wheelwright; compensation for negligence.

Danny Curran of Wheelwright vs. Warden Wolford of Wheelwright; petition for injunctive relief.

Christopher Wireman et al. vs. Violet Bradley of Louisa; alleged property damage.

Betty Reid of Prestonsburg vs. Steve Reid of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Commonwealth for Rita Maggard vs. Jake McCoy of Martin; petition for child support and health insurance.

Clarence Johnson of Weeksbury vs. Louetta Johnson of Weeksbury; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Sandra K. Akers et al. vs. Floyd County Board of Education; contract dispute.

Elizabeth Pettit of Prestonsburg vs. Jeffrey D. Pettit of East Lebanon, Maine; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Marguarita Boyd of Banner vs. Kermit Boyd of Banner; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Harlan National Bank of Harlan vs. Larry Pitts of Prestonsburg; alleged debt.

Dispatch Logs

Editor's note: Dispatch logs are taken from the logs of the Prestonsburg Police Department.

January 5

12:30 a.m. — A doctor reported that she had been paged by a patient that lives at Goble-Roberts, and could not reach her.

8:38 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts woman reported that she had an active DVO against her husband and he had been there, and she had told him to sober up and come back tomorrow.

January 6

No significant calls other than routine maintenance runs were recorded on this date.

January 7

10:56 a.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at the 1428/114 intersection.

11:18 a.m. — A man on Graham Street reported that his ex-wife was at his residence beating on doors and breaking windows.

11:20 a.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at PHS.

11:24 a.m. — An accident without injuries was reported on Friend Street.

3:44 p.m. — A Highland Heights man reported that he knew his neighbor had an EPO that was active, and that the woman had her husband with her in her apartment for several days.

4:51 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts woman reported that a man that she had an EPO on was at her residence.

5:25 p.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at the 23/80 intersection.

5:30 p.m. — The Goble-Roberts woman who had called earlier regarding an EPO said the man's father had been there threatening her and she wanted to take an EPO out on him, as well.

6:34 p.m. — A woman at Goble-Roberts reported a "wolf-looking" dog was barking at kids getting on a church bus.

8:40 p.m. — PHS reported a cheerleader had hurt her leg.

11:07 p.m. — A Cliff woman needed EMS as she was in labor.

January 8

2:05 a.m. — A woman at Hardee's reported a fight in progress there.

2:33 p.m. — The manager at Wal-Mart reported they had a shoplifter in custody.

3:23 p.m. — An anonymous report was made of a man that had been hit and was laying beside the guardrail at the 1428/23 intersection.

4:28 p.m. — A Cliffside woman reported she had found drugs in the parking lot.

8:46 p.m. — An anonymous report of a domestic dispute was made from a resident at Highland Heights.

January 9

1:15 a.m. — A suspicious vehicle was reported hanging around the vicinity of Evergreen Lane.

9:50 a.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at Wal-Mart.

6:11 p.m. — An anonymous report was made that a 3-year-old child was walking down Arnold Avenue alone without any shoes on its feet.

8:53 p.m. — Wal-Mart reported a male subject had urinated outside of the lobby doors at that business in front of customers.

9:20 p.m. — A domestic altercation between a man and a woman was reported by a male resident at Highland Heights.

Property Transfers

Virginia A. Dunfee and Michael Dunfee to James A. Swiger and Patsy Swiger; quitclaim deed to property at Eastern.

John David Caudill and Karen Caudill and Joann Adams and Dennis Adams to Eula C. O'Neill; property at New Allen.

Nancy Meade Brown to Paulina Brown Sammons; property located in Floyd County.

BPW Rental Property to Wes Blackburn; property in Prestonsburg.

Hall and Hylton Development, Inc. to Joey May and Stephanie May; property at Eagle Creek Subdivision.

James R. Pelphrey and Nicky C. Pelphrey; property in Prestonsburg.

Dora Newsome and Herman Newsome and Hattie Newsome and Jimmy Newsome to Sheila Renee Slone; property on Big Mud Creek.

Sheila Renee Slone and William Lee Slone to Herman Newsome and Hattie Newsome; property on Big Mud Creek.

Emery Newsome by Darleen Mitchell to Herman Newsome and Hattie Newsome; quitclaim deed to property location not listed.

Wanda Brown and Tommy Brown, Merita Vanderpool and Banner Vanderpool, and Delano Hagans to Helen Hagans; quitclaim deed to property on Turkey Creek.

Shannon D. Slone, April Lynn Slone, and Toby Dean Slone to Keith Bentley and Donna Bentley; property on Buckeye Creek.

Joseph E. Burke and Leslie C. Burke Revocable Trust, John W. Burke and Helen Burke, Emma Jean Herald Burke and Allen Rentals, Inc. to NRM Real Estate Holdings, Inc.; property in Prestonsburg.

Danzel Lee Endicott and Estill Jean Endicott to Estill Jean Endicott; property location not listed.

Frankie Thomas Blackburn and Patricia Ann Blackburn to Robert Blackburn; property located in Floyd County.

Maxine Crager to Denver Shepherd and Adrian Ann Shepherd; property located in Floyd County.

Hobert Younce and Opal Younce to Adis Younce; property on Spurlock Creek Road.

Hobert Younce and Opal Younce to Leon Younce; property on Spurlock Creek Road.

Annie Newsome to Nevelene Blankenship; property location not listed.

Hall and Hylton Development, Inc. to Sherry W. Whitt and Thomas C. Whitt; property located at Eagle Creek.

Norma F. Patrick and Robert Patrick, Lois Walters, Madelyn Stoker and Earl Stoker, Karen Wireman and Delmar Wireman, Pat Drake and John Drake, Carol Cargile and Odis Cargile, Travis Elswick and Helen Elswick, Edwin Elswick and Lynnette Elswick, Merle Leonard and William Leonard, Gary Elswick and Jennifer Elswick, Rick Elswick and Bonnie Elswick, and Teresa Dancy to Charles Baxter and Nora Baxter; property location not listed.

Wilbert Hughes and Lois Hughes to Wilbert Dale Hughes; property on Arkansas Creek.

Lura Hall, Thelmarie Mills and Bud Mills, Alex Howard and Alberta Howard, Mike Fitzpatrick, Ralph Little and Scarlett Little to Ronald D. Rowe; property on Abbott Creek.

Marty Keith Hamilton to Deborah May; property location not listed.

James R. Pelphrey, Sr. and Nicky C. Pelphrey to Pelphrey Investments, L.P.; quitclaim deed to property in Prestonsburg.

Deborah May to Marty Keith Hamilton; property location not listed.

James Salisbury to James Salisbury and Cynthia H. Salisbury; property on Tolers Creek.

Eugene Collins and Norma Jean Collins to Hargus Martin, Jr. and Ada Martin; property located on Right Beaver Creek.

Russell Kidd and Barbara Kidd to Jarrod Kidd; property on Little Mud Creek.

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Hylton Homes, Inc. to Morris Hylton and Marcia K. Hylton; property located in Floyd County.

Restaurnat, School, and Mobile Home Park Inspections

All inspections are made by Floyd County Health Department environmentalists John L. Bailey, Russell Wallace, and Mark Johnson.

• David School, 100: Recommendation of door strips installed at base of all doors leading to the outside.

• Giovanni's, Martin, 87: Critical violations found. Hands not washed and clean before handling food items. (Employees observed wiping table tops then preparing food). Owner given ten minutes to correct critical violation.

No soap provided at handsink in preparation area. Improper storage of wiping cloths. No hair restraints in preparation area. Floor in preparation area in bad repair. Food-contact surface not clean. Knife blade in utensil drawer and reach-in freezer units not clean. Not clean below last shelf of reach-in freezer.

During inspection, violations corrected included: hands washed; wiping cloths stored properly; utensils and shelf in reach-in freezer cleaned; and soap provided at handsink in preparation area. Rating improved to a score of 97.

• Evergreen Bowling Center, 96: Thermometers not conspicuous in all refrigeration units. Surfaces not clean inside microwave and inside refrigeration units. Shelving throughout preparation area not clean.

• David School cafeteria, 99: Improper storage of clean utensils in storage tins — not inverted.

• Rite-Aid No. 2290, University Drive, Prestonsburg, 100: No violations observed.

• Big Lots, 97: Shelving dusty. No lid provided for women's restroom waste can.

• Delong's Grocery, 96 in retail and 92 in deli: Critical violation found. Four packages of Kraft Shredded Mozarella Cheese outdated. Swelled packages of (quantity of 16-12 oz packages) of Armour Hot Dog wieners. Condition not in compliance. Wieners quarantined. Owner given ten minutes to correct critical violation. Packages of wieners were destroyed voluntarily during inspection.

Other violations: Improper sequence of three-compartment sink operation. Wash-rinse-sanitize is proper procedure.

Meat slicer and inside microwave not clean. Shelving is soiled with dust. Styrofoam cups stored on floor. Floors in bad repair in deli area. Floors not clean in retail. Walls not clean in deli area. Lights not shielded in deli area.

• Blue River Market, 98: Shelving throughout retail dusty. Ceiling in bad repair near lunch meat display.

Note: Food service section not in operation at current time. May open at later date.

• Kentucky Fried Chicken, 95: Improper storage of wiping cloth. Inside microwave and ice machine not clean. Bottom of reach-in refrigeration units not clean. Floors not clean in preparation area.

• Chars Place, 96: No hair restraints in use. No self-closing doors. Floors in bad repair.

• Lou's Grocery, not rated, inspection made due to complaint: Invalid complaint on permitted facility. Complaint associated with auction house adjacent to facility.

• Lou's Grocery, 97 in retail: shelving dusty. Floors not clean. Area around facility littered with debris.

• Super America No. 6508, Martin, 99 in deli and 98 in retail: One food item on the floor. No hair restraints in use.

• McDonald's, Martin, 99: Not all employees with hair restraints. Very clean and in excellent repair.

EXTENSION NEWS

By Theresa Scott-Morgan

A NEW YEAR, A FRESH START

January is a wonderful time of the year for taking stock of our lives. The cold, wintery weather encourages us to slow down, and the quietness of nature invites us to pause and to be still. It is a time for reflection, a time to be nurtured by silence, a time to pay close attention to the whisperings of our hearts.

Being in the month of January is like standing on the peak of a mountain on a clear day: To the left we see the challenges and choices of last year, and to the right unfolds the fresh landscape of the coming cycle of seasons. Looking back at the past year, we can count our blessings and successes, and learn from the inevitable hardships and mistakes that are an essential part of the instruction in life's schoolroom. Enriched by this perspective and the wisdom it brings, we gaze upon another year stretching out in front of us—a year filled with new opportunities and the priceless gift of time.

A survivor of life-threatening illness recently put it this way: "Cancer changed my whole perspective on life. It woke me up to the wonder and opportunity of each day and every precious moment. Life is too short for regrets, worries and pettiness. I know I've received a gift of time, and in turn, I want to give back to my loved ones and to the world."

How do you want to use the precious gift of time that the rest of 1998 will bring? Take a little while away from your responsibilities and read this question to yourself: What would you most love to accomplish during 1998?

The key word in this question is "love." Thinking about and doing what we truly love is energizing. It brings us joy and deep satisfaction. Doing what we love stimulates creativity and is one of the best motivators ever discovered.

With pen and paper in hand, go ahead and answer this simple yet profound question: What would you most love to accomplish during 1998?

Avoid mechanical answers. Take a few deep breaths and let your thinking be fresh, bold, creative. Allow your heart to dream and be adventuresome. Jot down whatever words or pictures pop into your mind. When you're finished, look over what you've written and pick out your "target"—a word, or phase, or picture, or symbol that summarizes your goal, that pinpoints what you want to accomplish in the coming months.

Now put your target in the center of a blank page and draw a small circle around it. Look at your target, and all around it jot down words and/or symbols of things that will help you achieve your target goal. Do this spontaneously, without censoring what comes out. What results is your vision map—an integrated picture of your target and what will help you reach it.

Take your one page vision map and, if you wish, rework it, polish it up. You may want to draw connecting lines and arrows, or insert key notes, or give your vision map a name. You may also wish to use colored pencils or makers to add richness and clarity to your diagram.

Show and explain your vision map to a few trusted loved ones and friends. Sharing your vision takes courage. It demonstrates your commitment to success, and it gives you a chance to receive helpful feedback from those you respect. After you finish sharing, use the feedback you have received to fine tune your vision map. Then post it in a place where you will see it frequently, all year long.

Here are a few tips for following your vision map to your target goal:

• In the busyness of everyday life, it's easy to forget the importance of taking regular, small steps toward your vision.

Creatively use reminders that will help you follow through—a string around your wrist, a note on your calendar, a pebble in your pocket.

• We often fail simply because we give up. Don't. It's OK to fall down; it's OK to get discouraged. But don't give up. Remember that failure is another word for learning. Persevere. It will likely be your key to success.

• Take a few moments here and there to visualize the end result of your vision map as if it were happening now. See your vision in living, moving color. Vividly imagine the related feelings and associated experiences, such as sounds and the acknowledgments of others. If doubts or negative images start to crowd in, immediately let them go and again focus on your positive imagery.

• Enlist the help of a special friend, confidant or counselor who believes in your vision and will support your year-long commitment to it. Perhaps he or she might check in with you once a week or so to see how you are doing and to encourage you.

• Don't dwell on problems, but do prepare for potential obstacles. Think ahead and name obstacles you are likely to meet in reaching your target goal. Plan ways to go around or under or over these barriers. When we are prepared for obstacles, we can more easily avoid them or nip them in the bud.

• If you are spiritually inclined, pray for strength, wisdom and divine guidance.

• Stay flexible as you move toward your target vision. As appropriate, update your vision map. Remain true to your purpose, while allowing for new information and changing circumstances.

Along with Martin Luther King, we each must quietly, receptively search our souls until we can say, "I have a dream." Your dream is your inner, visionary call to adventure. A part of your dream is captured in your vision map. As a gift to yourself and to your world, bring your vision map to life. What a wonderful way to say thanks for the invaluable gift of time that 1998 brings.

BIRTHDAYS

First birthday

Zachary Tyler Thornsberry celebrated his first birthday January 19. He is the son of Gary and Rhonda Thornsberry of Wayland, and brother of Christopher Thornsberry. He is the grandson of Kenis Lucas of Langley; Vicki Lucas of Martin; and Homer and Diane Thornsberry of Topmost. He is the great-grandson of Clerinda Lucas Taylor of Hueysville and Frank and Verlin Thornsberry of Kite.

Pageant

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• Amanda Renea Burke, a daughter of Pauletta Burke, of Prestonsburg;

• Stacy Ritchie, the daughter of Teresa Jenson and Barry Ritchie, of Van Lear; and

• Shane Johnson, a son of Melissa Hall and Johnny Johnson, of Prestonsburg.

Overall Photogenic winners were Courtney Alison Shepherd, Brittany Renee Haney, and Everett Haney Jr.

Courtney Alison is the daughter of Paul and Jessica Shepherd, of Prestonsburg.

Brittany Renee Haney is the daughter of Everett and Jenea Haney, of Nippa.

Everett Haney Jr. is the son of Everett and Jenea Haney, of Nippa.

Overall Most Beautiful/Handsome winners were Brandi Crum; Brittany Haney; Shane Johnson; Alexis Ritchie, a daughter of Brandy Ritchie and Philip Joseph, of Van Lear; and Natasha Scroggins, a daughter of Michael and Melinda Scroggins, of Harold; and Shane Johnson.

Winning the Overall Best Dressed category were Alexis Ritchie, Natasha Scroggins, and Shane Johnson.

Supreme winners were Alexis Ritchie, Brittany Haney, and Shane Johnson.

High point winners were Brandi Crum, Natasha Scroggins, and Everett Haney Jr.

The pageant organizers expressed their appreciation to the contestants who participated and to pageant sponsors.

They are planning a second pageant, which will be held in the spring.

The group has yet to decide a name for the spring pageant that will be appropriate for both boys and girls, according to Meade.

Details of that pageant will be

BUSINESS/REAL ESTATE

Edward Jones excels in two national surveys

Edward Jones ranked No. 1 for the fifth consecutive year in a survey conducted by Registered Representative magazine, and rose 62 spots to be ranked 208th among the nation's 500 largest private companies in Forbes magazine's December issue.

"It's exciting to be recognized by such well-respected publications," says Sam Blankenship of the Prestonsburg Edward Jones office. "The Registered Representative survey shows that Jones investment representatives believe the firm is superior and the Forbes survey highlights our commitment to strong growth."

The Registered Representative survey is conducted nationwide, polling 400 randomly selected brokers representing the leading eight financial-services firms. Fifty brokers from each firm were asked to rank their employers on 19 categories such as overall ethics and freedom from pressure to sell certain products. Jones ranked No. 1 in 14 of the 19 categories.

In the Forbes survey, the St. Louis, Missouri, based-firm reported revenues of $952 million with operating profits of $124 million and net profits of $93 million. With nearly 12,000 employees and more than 3,700 branch offices nationwide, Edward Jones is the fastest growing investment firm in the country. The firm plans to expand to 10,000 offices in the next decade. Along with the increase in offices, revenues for the firm have grown from $16 million in 1977 to $952 million today.

"Both rankings are evidence of the firm's focus on customer service, its long-term investment strategy and the close relationships between its investment representatives and their customers. It's a winning combination," said Blankenship.

The survey by Registered Representatives also reported that the quality of Jones research rose to No. 2—a dramatic improvement over past years, and a testimony of the firm's commitment to improving its level of service to brokers. In the past three years, Jones' research ranking has advanced from seventh to second place.

For the purpose of the Forbes ranking, a company is defined as private if it "doesn't have enough common shareholders to be forced to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or if it has a lot of shareholders but they are limited to a select group, such as employees." Edward Jones is structured as a private partnership.

"Because Jones offices are located in communities across the country, our investment representatives can offer individuals personal, face-to-face service," says Blankenship. "But don't let the simple, store-front offices fool you. Because of our size, we attract financial analysts who are tops in the field, and the firm is able to offer technology that allows its brokers access to up-to-the-minute market and financial information through a satellite network—the largest in the industry."

Jones investment representatives offer individual investors a mix of securities, including mutual funds, insured tax-free bonds, certificates of deposit and common stocks of companies with histories of solid growth and sound management. The firm's philosophy revolves around personal service aimed at helping customers achieve their long-term financial goals.

Blankenship's office is located at 93 West Court St., Prestonsburg. The office phone number is (606) 889-9004.

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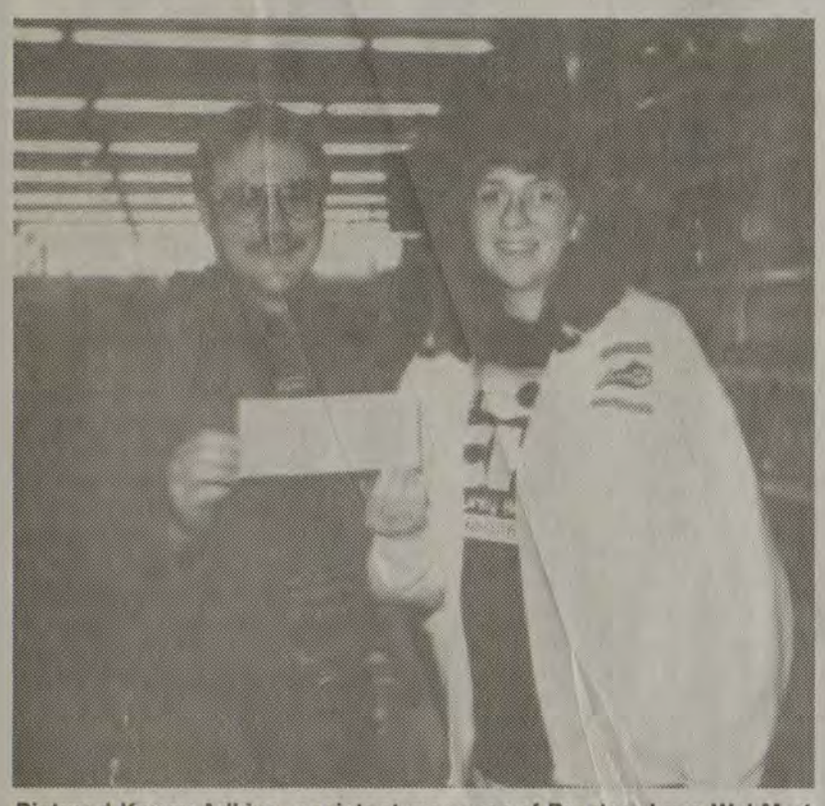

Pictured Kenny Adkins, assistant manager of Prestonsburg Wal Mart processing a $1,000 check to DiAnne Akers, RN, nursing administrator of the Home Health Program of the Floyd County Health Department.

Home health program helps at Christmas

Christmas was a little brighter for some persons receiving services from the Floyd County Health Department Home Health Program. With the help of the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart, who donated $1,000, the program was able to purchase essential items for selected persons.

Mary Thompson coordinated the program through the Wal-Mart along with Dianne Akers, RN, home health coordinator of the Floyd County Health Department.

The money was used to purchase pajamas, sweat suits, socks, t-shirts, towels and sheets for 47 people.

Community Trust Bancorp Inc. to purchase Banc One Corporations

Burlin Coleman, chairman and CEO of Community Trust Bancorp Inc. announced recently that Community Trust Bancorp, Inc. has entered into a definitive agreement with Banc One Corporation to acquire 17 branches of Banc One Corporation's subsidiaries ("Bank One") located in West Virginia. The branches to be acquired currently have deposits totaling approximately $565 million. The purchase price to be paid by Community Trust Bancorp Inc. for the branches will be a 9.7 percent premium on deposits as of the closing date plus approximately $4.5 million for fixed assets, subject to adjustment as provided in the definitive agreement. Concurrently with this agreement, Community Trust Bancorp Inc. entered into an agreement with Premier Financial Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS-PFBI) of Georgetown, to sell branches to be acquired from Bank One located in Madison, Philippi, and Van, with total deposits of approximately $152.6 million. Both agreements are subject to the approval of Federal and State regulatory agencies.

In making this announcement, Coleman stated that "we look forward to becoming a part of these West Virginia communities. We will work with the existing employees of these offices to provide "community banking" at its best with most decision making relating to customer service retained within the local markets."

Community Trust Bancorp Inc., with assets of $1.8 billion, is headquartered in Pikeville, and has 56 banking locations within its markets in Central and Eastern Kentucky.

Marshall Reynolds, chairman of Premier Financial Bankcorp Inc. said "We are excited to be adding the West Virginia operations to Premier and to have the opportunity to work with Community Trust."

Premier is a community bank holding company with six individually managed commercial bank subsidiaries operating in smaller communities in Central Kentucky and Western Ohio, with assets totaling approximately $430 million. In addition to these West Virginia operations, Premier has announced the acquisition of Ohio River Bank which is awaiting regularly approval.

Bank One continues to operate centers in Beckley, Buckhannon, Charleston, Huntington, Wayne, Wheeling-Steubenville, Clarksburg and Logan.

Banc One Corporation had total managed assets of $142.9 billion, total assets of $113.1 billion, and common equity of $9.9 billion as of September 30, 1997. Banc One operates banking centers in 12 states. Banc One also owns several additional corporations that engage in a full range of financial services.

Wells Ready Mix wins award

The employees of Wells Ready Mix, Inc. at the Prestonsburg plant—have been recognized by the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association for their excellent safety record in 1996.

NRMCA is the trade association that represents the country's ready mixed concrete suppliers. It conducts an annual safety awards program to recognize members with the lowest accident frequency rates. The program criteria takes into account both lost-time personal injury accidents and truck mixer accidents that result in more than $5,000 in total damages. The NRMCA Safety Contest is cosponsored by an industry trade magazine, The Concrete Producer.

Working at concrete plants and driving heavy trucks in challenging conditions exposes these workers to considerable risks. Constant vigilance and ongoing safety awareness training programs are vital in avoiding accidents and injuries.

The employees of Wells Ready Mix Inc. can take pride in having done something positive for their company, their industry and themselves.

COMMERCE CORNER

by Carla Coburn
Executive Director
Chamber of Commerce

This week the members of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce will be attending a "Business After Hours" sponsored by Central Kentucky Blood Center.

Carla Coburn

The center which has recently extended their hours of operation for donor convenience, has been gracious enough to welcome our organization for an evening of entertainment at their Prestonsburg location.

Our organization will meet at the center, which is located on North Lake Drive, in the Prestonsburg Municipal Building, on Thursday, January 11, from 5-7 p.m. All member are welcome, and we urge our members to stop by during these hours to support the achievements of this life-saving business and to network with fellow members.

Our Chamber of Commerce recently hosted an economic development meeting with our community leaders, the East Kentucky Corporation and a prospective company. Tom Jones, director of the East Kentucky Corporation, has been working with our Executive Director, Carla S. Coburn, on a project that could possibly bring several hundred jobs to our county. The prospective company is a Call Center, and has visited several Eastern Kentucky counties, in addition to Floyd.

On behalf of the members of our organization, we would like to thank those who have been involved in an effort to locate this company in Floyd County: Jerry Fannin, mayor of Prestonsburg; Stephanie Baldwin—Manpower Temporary Services; Greg Wilson—First Commonwealth Bank; Debbie Allen—Department for Employment Services; and Allen Bolling—Century 21.

Our initial meting with the company was a success, and we will keep our members updated on the project as details become available.

This week we welcome the following members who have dedicated their businesses as a part of our organization: Bush & Buchett, Jenny Wiley Florist and Inacomp Computer Center.

Our business organization is growing, and if your business would like to take advantage of our membership services as these members are doing, contact your Chamber of Commerce today, at (606) 886-0364. We are "business helping business."

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DAVID—Nice 3-bedroom, 1-bath home with lots of extras added. Fenced yard with great landscaping. Located beside David post office. $59,921.00. J-102015-F3.

NEW LISTING

BULL CREEK—2-1/2 yr. old ranch home located between Prestonsburg and Allen. 3 bedrooms, extra lot included. Call for details. $74,900.00

NEW LISTING

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Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Kimberly R. Hunt of 1334 Rt. Fk. Island Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is The Dew Drop Inn. The nature of the business will be beer by drink, bar/store, carry-out, juke box, band, arcade machines, pinball machines, pool table.

Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permit shall file with the County Clerk no later than January 15, 1998, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for January 15, 1998, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Courthouse Annex in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

Keith Bartley
Floyd County Attorney

NOTICE TO BID

The City of Prestonsburg will be taking bids on a 24x24 metal building. For further information, contact Mayor Jerry Fannin at 886-2335. Bids will be taken until 4:00 p.m., January 30, 1998.

NOTICE TO BID

The City of Prestonsburg will be taking bids for concrete priced per yard. This will be for curbs and sidewalks. Bids will be taken until 4:00 p.m. January 30, 1998.

NOTICE TO BID

The City of Prestonsburg will be taking bids on laying blacktop. This will include labor, hauling fee and tac. Price per ton bids will be taken until 4:00 p.m. January 30, 1998.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Progress Land Corporation, HC 82 Box 1045, Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828 has applied for Phase III Bond Release on Permit Number 836-5310 which was last issued on February 22, 1994. The application covers an area of approximately 135.18 acres located 4.0 miles south of Weeksbury, Floyd County, Kentucky.

The permit area is approximately 6.0 miles southeast of the junction of KY 466 and Hwy. 122 and located 1.0 miles south of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 17 minutes, 26 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 42 minutes, 25 seconds.

The bond now in effect for Permit Number 836-5310 is a surety of $2,300. One hundred percent (100%) of the remainder of the original bond amount of $10,500 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the Spring of 1991. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife. Results thus far indicate growth of vegetation is according to re-vegetation plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by February 20, 1998.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for February 23, 1998, at 1:00 p.m. at the Prestonsburg Regional Office of the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1455. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by February 16, 1998.

NOTICE OF PERMIT CONFERENCE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0261 RN01

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010 Section 11, notice is hereby given that a permit conference is scheduled for January 23, 1998 at 9:00 a.m. at the Prestonsburg Regional Office for the Department of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, concerning the above application filed by Lodestar Energy, Inc. 251 Tollage Creek Road, Pikeville, KY 41501. The application is for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 1042.56 acres located 0.75 miles north of Prestonsburg in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.75 miles northwest from KY 3's junction with KY 1428 and located 0.1 miles east of Levisa Fork of Big Sandy River. The latitude is 37 41' 00". The longitude is 82 45' 13". The surface area is owned by Sallie Goble, Everett Kendrick Heirs, David Clifton, Lonzo Bowling, Clifford Latta, et. al., Henry L. Mayo, Jr., H.D. Fitzpatrick, M & M Enterprises, Inc., David Mayo and Dr. Porter Mayo, Karen D. and Brent Clark, Maurine Mayo, Joe and Margaret Spradlin and Mary Damron, Jonah and Norma Stepp, Costain Coal Inc., Dewey Lake Fish and Game, Greg Horn, Mary McQuire and Taulbee Fraley, Eugene and Annis Goble, Clay and Evelyn Spradlin, David and Lois May, Frank and Phyllis Calhoun, Okie and Lloyd Whitaker Spradlin, Floyd Skeens, DFM Inc., Scott and Anna Belle Howell, Eugene Spradlin, City of Prestonsburg, Wash Fraley Heirs, S. P. Davidson Heirs, 3JM Company Inc., Martha Hager and Clyde DFR Williams, et.al. The operation will underlie land owned by M & M Enterprises, Inc., Eugene and Annis Goble, David and Lois May and City of Prestonsburg. The proposed operation is located on the Prestonsburg and Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Any person whose interest are or may be adversely affected by the issuance of the proposed permit may present information relevant to the permit, in oral or written form, at the time of the conference.

NOTICE

Upon and on this date after publication of this notice, I will no longer be responsible for any debts incurred by anyone other than myself.

Jeannie Jacobs
637 Openfork Rd.
David, Ky. 41616
F-1/9, W-1/14

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CI-00630

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Kentucky...Plaintiff
Vs.
Bob Branham, Inc., d/b/a Arrowood Hardware Company, Robert C. Branham and Frances L. Branham...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the December 15, 1997 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 10:30 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

TRACT I-BEING THE SAME property conveyed to the parties of the first part (Robert C. Branham and Frances L. Branham), by Deed dated the 14th day of September, 1956, from Flossie McGuire and Hobert McGuire, her husband, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 164, Page 386, in the office of the Floyd County Clerks and is more particularly described as follows:

Lying and being in the Mayo Subdivision of the city of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and being Lots No.'s 127, 128, 159 and 160, as shown by the plat of said Subdivision recorded in Deed book 139, Page 629, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. The oil and gas having been heretofore excepted same is not hereby conveyed.

TRACT II-BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Robert Clay Branham, the male Mortgagor herein, by Deed dated the 17th day of July, 1954, from George E. Evans Jr. and Josephine Evans, his wife; Noah Howard and Edith Howard, his wife, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 164, Page 388, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk and is more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on the Big Sandy River, in the Mayo Subdivision filed in the office of the Clerk of the Floyd Circuit Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, in Deed Book 139, Page 629, and being the same land conveyed to parties of the first part by Lucille M. Herndon, Trustee, by Deed bearing date the 23rd day of October, 1948 and duly recorded in Deed Book 140, Page 169, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effort of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30 day of December, 1997.

EARL MARTIN MCGUIRE
Master Commissioner,
Floyd Circuit Court
P.O. Box 1257
Prestonsburg, Kentucky
41653

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-CI-00503

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Kentucky...Plaintiff
Vs.
S and E Foods, Inc. d/b/a Martin's Finest Cash Saver; and Stephen R. Farthing; Emma B. Farthing, husband and wife; and Keathley Land Inc.; and Jack Keathley and Winnie M. Keathley; and Commonwealth of Kentucky, Revenue Cabinet; and Kentucky Food Stores, Inc.; and Floyd County, Kentucky...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the December 15, 1997 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 11:00 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property, to-wit:

Being the same property conveyed to Stephen R. Farting and Emma B. Farthing, his wife, from Keathley Lands, Inc., a Kentucky corporation, and Jack Keathley and Winnie Keathley, by deed dated 2nd day of November, 1989, recorded in Deed Book 332, at page 013, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office, and being more particularly described as follows:

Being Lots No. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 of Block F of New Martin Addition as shown on Plat File No. 424, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office including all improvements located thereon. Said lots are fronting on Main Street.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effort of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30th day of December, 1997.

Earl Martin McGuire
Master Commissioner,
Floyd Circuit Court
P.O. Box 1257
Prestonsburg,
Kentucky 41653

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-CI-00676

Matewan National Bank F.S.B....Plaintiff
Vs. Elizabeth Miller...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgement and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the December 15, 1997 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 11:30 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

On the Waters of Middle Creek and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a concrete highway right-of-way monument 85 feet left (north) of Kentucky 114 centerline station 4717 plus 95; thence N 30 degrees 08' 11" W 44.505 feet to a point 02 feet north of station 4717 plus 53.87; thence N 41 degrees 50' 06" E 15,872 feet to a point in the center of a headwall on the inlet end of a culvert under old (abandoned portion of) KY 114; thence containing N 41 degrees 50' 06" E 99.625 feet to a PK nail in a 14-inch bent Sycamore; thence S 34 degrees 31' 51' E 169.117 feet to a fence post; thence following old fence N 51 degrees 00' 00" E 52.549 feet to an iron stake beside a fence post, thence N 52 degrees 13' 52" E 23.910 feet to a 2 inch Pine, thence N 545 degrees 32' 16" E 39-30 feet to a 14-inch Pine; thence N 52 degrees 45' 09" E 69.365 feet to a 3-inch Pine; thence N 49 degrees 33' 06" E 292.742 feet to a 28-inch oak on point; thence downhill following old fence S 5 degrees 50' 51" E 33.430 feet to a 10-inch Pine; thence S 11 degrees 07' 08" E 75.812 feet to a PK nail in the base of an 18-inch Pine; thence S 12 degrees 18' 34" E 86.851 feet to a PK nail in the base of a 12-inch Pine, thence S 10 degrees 16'00'W 41.660 feet to a nail in a fence post; thence S 11 degrees 29' 26" W 64.111 feet to a point in the KY 114 right-of-way line said point being 195.73 feet N of said highway centerline station 4725 plus 09.36; thence with said right-of-way line the following Calls: N 63 degrees 59' 32" W 217.210 feet to a point 190 feet N of station 4722 plus 50; thence N 87 degrees 04' 39" W 166.761 feet to a point 100 feet N of station 4721 plus 00; thence N 55 degrees 26' 49" W 304.708 feet to a point of beginning.

The above described parcel of land contains 162,544.96 square feet or 3.732 acres. Being the same land conveyed be Darrell E. Hampton and Diana Hampton, his wife, to Elizabeth Miller, single, by deed dated December 10, 1996, and recorded in Deed Book 400, Page 837, Floyd County Records.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effort of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30 day of December, 1997.

Earl Martin McGuire
Master Commissioner
Floyd Circuit Court
P.O. Box 1257
Prestonsburg,
Kentucky 41653

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-CI-00453

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Kentucky...Plaintiff
Vs.
RND, Inc.; Floyd County, Kentucky; Big Sandy Area Development District; East Kentucky Economic Development and Jobs Creation Corporation D/B/A Eastern Kentucky Corporation; and Floyd County Development Authority...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the October 9, 1997 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel property located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky:

Being the same property conveyed Floyd County Development Authority from United Central Industrial Supply Company by deed dated the 6th day of October, 1993 and recorded in Deed Book 371, page 95 in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

A certain tract or parcel of land, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky and more particularly described as follows:

BOUNDARY "A" beginning on a stake corner to H.G. Hagons and Rebecca Preston land; thence running with H.G. Hagons line to the G.W. Allen line; thence with G.W. Allen line to Wess Flannery line; thence with Wess Flannery line to A. J. Davidson Allen line; thence with A.J. Davidson line to the J.M. Allen line; thence with the J.M. Allen line to the Rebecca Preston line; thence with the Rebecca Preston line; thence the point to a Hickory tree; thence on around the hill to a Poplar on the west bank of drain; thence on around the hill to a Poplar on the west bank of drain; thence on around the hill to the center between a Hickory and a Buckeye tree on the point; thence down the side of the point to the Beaver Highway #80; thence with the meander of said branch to the John Allen line; thence with the A.J. Davidson line to the beginning.

BOUNDARY "B", TRACT #1. Containing 6.75 acres more or less and described as follows: Beginning on a stake in the center of Rebecca Preston branch from which a large Silver Maple bears S 32-00 E 7 feet, then up the hill with the land of Ella Preston etc. N 8-30 W 83.4 feet to a stake, thence N 13-00 E 174.6 feet to astake, then N 45-35 W 134 feet (passing one foot right of a large Chestnut tree at Plus 98 feet) to a stake, then N 73-15 W 164 feet to a stake four feet right of a scrubbu White Oak, then N 44-15 W 55.2 feet to a stake, then N 8-30 W 85 feet to a stake, then N 4-20 EW 114.5 feet to a fence post in line of land of Hiram Hagans, then down the hill with his line N 82-45 W 342.4 feet to a stake in lower edge of the old county road a corner to B.L.C. May, thence with a line of same S 80-15 W 42 feet to a stake in the Centerline of Beaver Highway, then with the Centerline of said Highway to center of Rebecca Preston branch, then with the center of said branch to beginning, containing 6.75 acres more or less.

TRACT #2 Containing 4.27 acres more or less and described as follows: Beginning on a hickory on the point opposite where John and Arzilla used to live, said hickory standing about three hundred feet from the house built by them, then around the hill S 29-30 W 174.6 feet to a stake from which a bunch of papaws bear N 11-00 W 27 feet, then S 74-00 W 164 feet to a poplar on the bank of a drain, then up the hill S 22-30 E 460 feet to a Black Oak, then around the hill S 59-00 W 150 feet to a stake from which a Maple bears N 85-00 E 4 feet then up a point, S 46-00 E 134 feet to a Sycamore, S 68-00 E 194.6 feet to an Ash, two sugars and an Elm in a Popular stump, then around the hill, N 38-15 E 127 feet to a stake from which a White Oak bears N 27-00 E 8 feet, then down a point N 5-00 W 132.8 feet to a stake, then N 17-30 W 122.8 feet to a stake, then N 11-15 W 92.4 feet to a Black Oak and a Sugar. Same course 118.4 feet to a stake, then N 10-25 W 132.4 feet to a stake, then N 19-30 W 63 feet to a stake 8 feet right of a White Oak, then N 14-35 W 138.2 feet to the beginning, containing 4.27 acres more or less.

BOUNDARY "C". This is a deed to clarify rights and title of the property line between Anna Preston and Virnus Isaac, beginning at an iron stake which is a marker of United Fuel Gas Co. Transmission line. Thence running East up the point within three feet of the North side of a large Hickory tree, thence up the point to top of point to a red oak tree, thence running down the hill to near a Wal-nut stump, thence back across the end of bottom to Highway 80, thence running with Highway 80 to a stake at the beginning.

A portion of the afore described surface land has been platted and a map of said plat know as the Preston Addition has filed in the office of the Floyd County Clerk on October 27, 1967, designated Map File No., 352.

There is excepted and reserved from the property hereby conveyed that portion of said property conveyed to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Transportation, from Elmco Elkhorn—Division of Envirotech, by Deed of Conveyance, dated April 11, 1978, of record in Deed Book 238, at Page No. 42, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effort of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30th day of December, 1997.
1/14, 1/21, 1/28

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant To Application No. 898-5979

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, KY 41549 has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.0 mile northeast of Wales in Pike and Floyd counties. The proposed operation will disturb 14.38 surface acres and will underlie 1599.45 acres making a total area of 1613.83 acres within the proposed permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.2 miles northwest from CR-3514's junction with SR-122 and is located at the head of Arnold Fork. The latitude is 37º 21' 02" N and the longitude is 82º 38' 09" W.

The proposed operation is located on the Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The proposed operation will disturb land owned by Enterprise Coal Company and will underlie land owned by McKinley Akers; McKinney & Nellie Akers; Nellie Akers, Lola H. Anderson; Conley & Eartha Bartley; Randall Bentley; Garrie & Shirley Caudill; Turner Elkhorn Mining Co.; Rosy Ellen Bates Cole; Elbert & Sara Jane Cole Estate; Larry & Maggie Collett; Millard & Juanita Collier; John & Ethel Collins; Enterprise Coal Company; The Elk Horn Coal Corporation; Valley Supply Corporation; Claudetta Edwards; Tammy & Morris Gilliam; Grover & Jacquoline Gillum; Harold Ed & Pamela Jean Gunther; Bill Hall; Burnis Eugene & Lorretta Hall; Jacquline Hall; Millard & Alvaria Hall; Milton & Dellie hall; Russell & Juanita Hall; Silas & Leona Hall; Walter Hall; Walter & Janet Hall; Dixie Harmon; William Hickman III; Mid State Homes, Inc., Phil & Shirley Hughes; Danny Hylton; Howard & Pearl Hylton; Alberta Johnson; Estill Johnson; Hassell & Alberta Johnson; Hassell & Daisie Johnson; Johnny & Shirley Johnson; Rosa Johnson; Sterling Johnson; Russell & Maudie Johnson; Raymond & Helua Jones; Charles & Patricia Justice; Buck & Ruth Keens; Ella Keens; Marie Lay; Franklin & Dorthy Little; Pete Little; Daniel & Carol Lyon; Ellis & Bertha Newsome; Milburn Newsome; Paul E. & Vada Faye Newsome; Kevi, Rosana & Kenneth Ray, Jr.; Dora Reynolds Estate; Augustus Palmer; Waclaw, Alexandria & Sonny Platkus; John D. & Maudie Simpkins; Bill & Patricia Slone; Foster & Violet Slone; Garner Slone; Harve & Delia Slone; Violet Slone; Susie Smith; William & Loretta Stanley; Carl F. & Mabel Tackett; Claudis Tackett; Curtis Edward Tackett; Debbie (Cole) Tackett; Fawn Tackett; Marion Tackett; Paul & Frankie Tackett; Brack & Helen Younce; Douglas M. & Emma Younce; Henry Younce; Perry Younce; and Jody Michael & Trudy Wright. The operation will use the underground method of mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, KY 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

F-12/19, 12/24, 12/31

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Division of Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

Tram Coal, 836-5217, issued 97/12/23; Tram Coal, 836-5243, issued 97/12/23; Progress Land, 836-5301, issued 97/12/08; Lodestar Energy Incorporated, 836-5353, issued 97/12/23 and Lodestar Energy Incorporated, 836-5354, issued 97/12/23.

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. is seeking to fill the position of a Program Manager. Applicants must have a Bachelor's + degree and 3+ years of office and/or personnel management experience preferably, but not necessarily in the transit, governmental, non-profit business. Salary shall be contingent on experience and education. All Resumes must be received no later than 3:00 p.m., Friday, January 23, 1998, at SVTS, 80 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1842.

Voice: 606-886-1936/800-444-7433 Fax: 606-886-7039

E-Mail: svts@itiseasy.com Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer. M/F.D

Fighting The Virus

(NAPS)—"Flu" is short for "influenza," which is derived from the Italian phrase influenza di freddo (influence of the cold).

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Flu symptoms generally appear after an incubation period of one to four days.

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Since 1510, there have been more than 30 "pandemics" (widespread epidemics) of the flu.

Many over-the-counter cough and cold remedies contain alcohol, which is not recommended for consumption by children.

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Kramer Laboratories has developed Safe Tussin 30 to help both children and adults get through cold and flu season a little easier. Containing no alcohol, sugar, sodium, antihistamines or dyes, the product works to relieve the pain of a cough and soothe a sore throat, both of which are symptoms of the flu. The "all free" formula is particularly suited for use by children and people with diabetes, hypertension or dye sensitivities.

Did you know?

(NAPS)—Doctors can now prescribe Flomax, a new treatment for men with the symptoms of benign prostatic hyperplasia.

It would be a good idea, suggests Steven Milloy of the Association for Science in the Public Interest, to expand the number of scientific sources contributing to coverage of medical news.

Local stores now carry charming holiday features from Disney.

Crayon, gum, lipstick and other forms of gooey grease can be removed with a simple-to-use natural solvent such a Goo Gone.

Facing up to a healthier skin for many involves using a moisturizer such as Nivea Visage Triple Benefit Moisture Lotion.

Brownies made with Bisquick Original Baking

KOUNTY KETTLE

NEW AMERICAN POT ROAST

4-pound boneless beef chuck pot roast
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2/3 cup Kikkoman Teriyaki Marinade and Sauce
1 large bay leaf
*1 1/2 pounds small red potatoes, halved**
1 bag (1 lb.) baby-cut carrots
*1/2 pound pearl onions, halved**
3/4 cup all-purpose flour

Brown beef slowly on both sides in hot oil in Dutch oven or large saucepan. Stir in teriyaki sauce, 2 cups water and bay leaf. Cover and simmer 2 1/2 hours, turning beef over every 30 minutes. Add potatoes, carrots and onions. Cover and simmer 20 minutes, or until beef and vegetables are tender. Meanwhile, blend flour and 1 cup water. Remove beef and vegetables; keep warm. Discard bay leaf. Bring pan juices to boil; gradually stir in flour mixture, cooking until mixture thickens. To serve, cut beef across grain into thin slices and serve with hot gravy and vegetables. Makes 8 servings.

*If using larger potatoes, cut into quarters. Substitute 1 medium onion, cut in wedges, for pearl onions.

FEISTY GARLIC AND PEPPER CHICKEN

1/2 cup Kikkoman Teriyaki Marinade and Sauce
2 tablespoons lime juice
2 cloves garlic, pressed
3/4 teaspoon ground red pepper (cayenne)
1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
4 whole chicken legs

Combine teriyaki marinade and sauce, lime juice, garlic, red and black pepper; pour over chicken in large plastic food storage bag. Press air out of bag; close top securely. Turn bag over several times to coat chicken well. Refrigerate overnight, turning over occasionally. Cook chicken on grill, 8 to 10 inches from medium-hot coals, 30 to 35 minutes, or until chicken is no longer pink in center, turning over occasionally. (Or, place chicken, skin side down, on rack of broiler pan. Broil, 10 to 12 inches from heat source, 20 minutes. Turn chicken over and cook 15 to 17 minutes longer, on until chicken is no longer pink in center.)

PECAN CHICKEN STIR FRY

1/4 cup soy sauce, divided
1 tablespoon dry sherry
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1 lb. boneless chicken breasts, cut into 1" pieces
3 tablespoons oil
1/3 cup sliced green onion
1 clove garlic, cut in half
1 cup pecans, chopped

Combine 3 tablespoons soy sauce, sherry and ginger in medium bowl; add chicken; let stand 15 minutes. Heat wok; add oil; heat until smoking; add green onion, garlic and pecans. Cook 3 minutes, tossing with slotted spoon; remove garlic; transfer onion-pecan mixture to small bowl. Add remaining oil to wok; add chicken and soy mixture. Stir fry until chicken is done, about 5 minutes. Add pecans and toss together. Serve with hot rice, if you wish.

GERMAN CREAM OF POTATO SOUP WITH CHUNKY VEGETABLES

2 medium potatoes, peeled and quartered
1 medium parsnip, peeled and cut into 1-inch pieces
2 cups low-sodium chicken broth
1/4 teaspoon salt
Vegetable oil spray
1 medium red, yellow, or green bell pepper, chopped
1/3 cup sliced green onions (about 4)
1/3 cup sliced carrot (about 1/2 medium)
1/3 cup chopped celery (about 1 small stalk)
1/4 cup diced low-fat, low-sodium boiled ham

In a medium saucepan, combine potatoes, parsnip, chicken broth, and salt. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 20 to 30 minutes, or until potatoes and parsnip are very tender. Do not drain.

Meanwhile, spray a large saucepan with vegetable oil spray. Add remaining ingredients except ham. Cook over medium heat for 10 minutes, or until tender, stirring occasionally. Stir in ham.

Place cooked potato mixture and liquid in a blender or the work bowl of a food processor fitted with a metal blade. Cover and process until smooth. Stir into vegetable mixture in saucepan and heat through over medium heat.

Serves 4; 1 cup per serving

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PRALINE CHEESE CAKE

1 cup graham cracker crumbs
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
3 tablespoons butter, melted
3-8 oz. package cream cheese, softened
1 1/2 cups dark brown sugar, packed
2 tablespoons flour
3 eggs
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
1/2 cup finely chopped pecans
Maple syrup
Pecan halves, for garnish.

Preheat oven to 350°. Combine crumbs, sugar and butter; press into bottom and sides of 9" spring form pan. Bake for 10 minutes. Combine cheese, brown sugar and flour, beating with electric mixer, medium speed, until well blended. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing after each addition. Blend in vanilla and nuts. Pour mixture over crumbs. Bake 50-55 minutes. Cool and loosen cake from rim of pan with knife. Chill well. Brush with syrup and garnish with pecans.

MIDDLE EASTERN LEMONY CUCUMBER WITH YOGURT SALAD

3 to 4 medium cucumbers, cut into pieces or thickly sliced
3 cups plain nonfat or low-fat yogurt
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
2 large cloves garlic, minced
2 teaspoons chopped fresh parsley
1 teaspoon chopped fresh mint (optional)
Black pepper (optional)

Combine all ingredients in a medium bowl and serve. Can be made a day ahead and chilled in a nonmetallic bowl until ready to serve. Serves 4; 2/3 cup per serving.

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ITALIAN TOMATO-MOZZARELLA SALAD

1 medium red onion, very thinly sliced
4 large tomatoes, preferably vine-ripened or greenhouse, sliced about 1/2 inch thick
1/2 pound nonfat or part-skim mozzarella, thinly sliced or shredded
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
2 teaspoons finely chopped fresh basil
3 to 4 cloves garlic, minced
Black pepper to taste
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
2 teaspoons red wine vinegar, or to taste

Place a layer of onion in a glass of ceramic serving dish. Cover with a layer of tomatoes and a layer of mozzarella. Sprinkle with some of the parsley, basil, garlic, and pepper. Drizzle with a little oil and a splash of vinegar. Continue layering the rest of the ingredients (the number of layers will depend on the size of your dish). Refrigerate until well chilled.

Serves 4.

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CHEESE-CRUSTED MUSHROOM SOUFFLE

5 tablespoons butter or margarine
1/2 pound mushrooms, finely chopped
1 tablespoon chopped green onion (including top)
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon ground white pepper
Dash of ground nutmeg
3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1 cup milk
2 tablespoons dry sherry (optional)
1 1/4 cups (5 oz.) shredded Swiss cheese
5 eggs, separated
Butter or margarine

Preheat convection oven to 350°. In a 3-quart pan over medium-high heat, melt the 5 tablespoons butter. Add mushrooms and onion and cook, stirring, until liquid has evaporated (about 5 minutes). Lower heat to medium, add salt, pepper, nutmeg, and flour and cook, stirring, until bubbly. Gradually pour in milk and sherry (if desired); continue cooking and stirring until sauce boils and thickens. Add 1 cup of the cheese and stir until melted. Remove from heat and blend in egg yolks, one at a time; set aside.

In a bowl, beat egg whites until short, moist peaks form. Fold half the beaten whites into mushroom mixture; then carefully fold in remaining whites. Pour mixture into a buttered 7-cup souffle dish. Sprinkle top with remaining 1/4 cup cheese. With tip of a spatula, draw a circle on surface of souffle an inch or so in from rim of dish.

Bake in preheated 350° convection oven for 35 to 40 minutes or until souffle is golden brown and feels firm when lightly tapped. Serve immediately.

7-LAYER MEXICAN SALAD

Prep time: 30 minutes plus refrigerating
4 cups chopped lettuce
1 cup chopped tomato
1/2 cup chopped green onions
1 can (4 1/2 ounces) sliced pitted ripe olives, drained
1 can (15 1/2 ounces) dark red kidney beans or your favorite bean, drained
1 cup (4 ounces) Kraft Natural Shredded Mild Cheddar Cheese
1 cup Kraft Salsa Ranch dressing or Kraft Salsa Zesty Garden Dressing
Crushed tortilla chips (optional)

Layer lettuce, tomato, onions, olives, beans, cheese and dressing in 3-quart glass bowl. Refrigerate.

Top with crushed chips and toss lightly just before serving. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

CHOCOLATE WHITE CHOCOLATE CHUNK MUFFINS

2 cup flour
1 cup sugar
1 tablespoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa
3/4 cup milk
2 eggs
1/4 cup oil
4 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon corn syrup
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
3-4 squares white chocolate

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Sift together all the dry ingredients including the cocoa. Make a well in the center. Add the milk, egg, oil, butter, lemon juice, corn syrup, and vanilla, and mix by hand. Using a well-sharpened knife, cut the white chocolate into chunks. Fold the chunks into the batter. Spoon the batter into a wax paper-lined 12-unit muffin pan and top off with additional chunks. Bake for 25-30 minutes.

BAKED CHEESE WEDGES

1 block (10 ounce package) sharp natural cheddar cheese
1 egg
1/2 cup Italian-style bread crumbs

Heat broiler. Spray cookie sheet with no-stick cooking spray.

Cut cheese block in 10 (1/2 inch) slices; cut slices diagonally in half.

Beat egg.

Place bread crumbs in separate bowl.

Dip cheese in egg; coat with bread crumbs. Place on prepared cookie sheet. Broil 2 to 3 minutes or until cheese is melted and bread crumbs brown. Serve warm with salsa, pizza or spaghetti sauce.

Attention, Senior Citizens

Study Related to Proposed Independent Living/ Assisted-Independent Living Community

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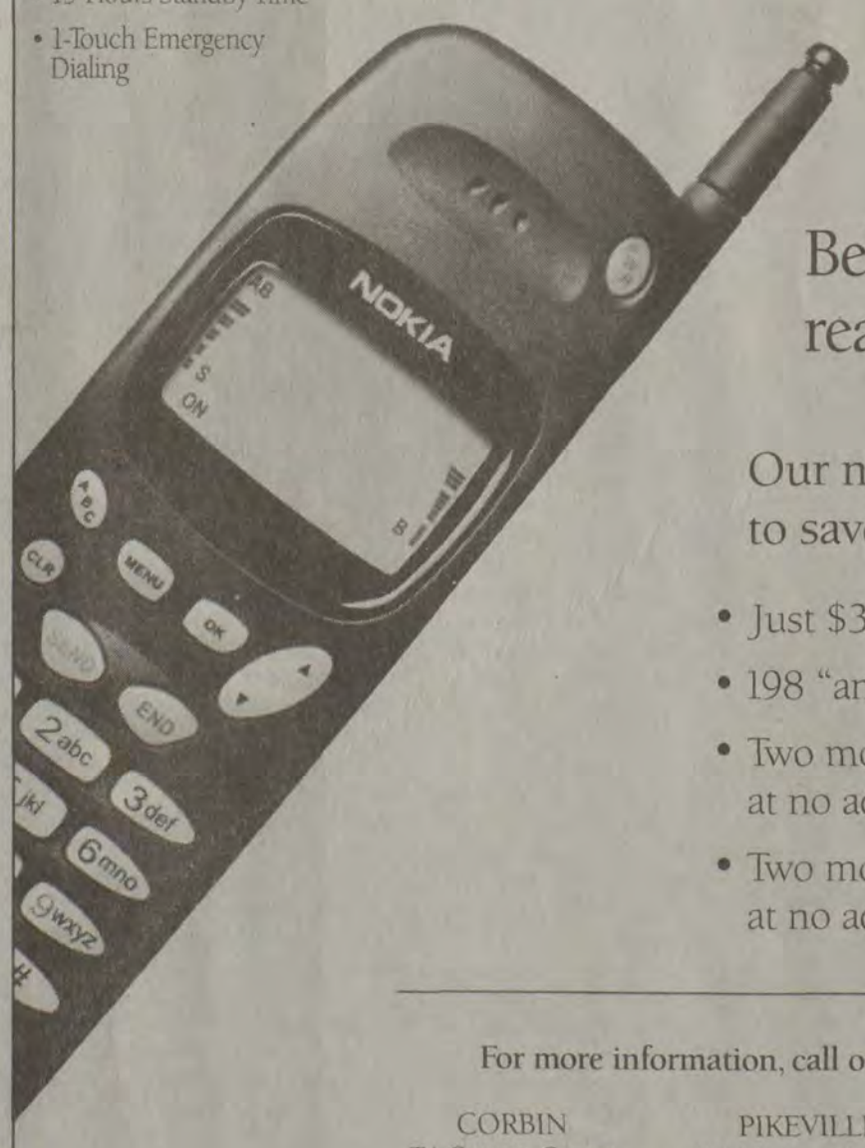

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