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## Hearing held in hit-and-run murder case

by ALEX SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A 32-year-old Martin man who allegedly fled the scene of a fatal accident Oct. 8 said in his statement to Kentucky State Police that he did not stop because he thought

that someone else who was driving behind him would stop and tend to the man he had hit.

Tommy E. Shepherd was arrested and charged with murder and leaving the scene of an accident three hours after he allegedly was involved in an accident with 36-year-old Gene

Thompson, also of Martin.

Thompson was riding a small Honda-50 motorcycle when he allegedly was hit by a 1993 Ford Explorer driven by Shepherd.

Det. Eddie Crum of Kentucky State Police was called to the scene of the accident to investigate and perform a

reconstruction of what had occurred on Route 1210 between Martin and Blue River. According to a statement made by Shepherd when he was arrested, he was traveling the speed limit and as he steered into the left lane the motorcycle

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### TIE FOR FIRST PLACE

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### briefs

## Hearing held in drug case

by ALEX SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Martin man arrested for drug trafficking had a pre-trial conference on the matter set for Jan. 11 at his arraignment on Tuesday.

Carlos Carbide Little, 53, was arrested shortly before 9 a.m. on Sept. 27 during a drug bust conducted by officers from the Floyd County Drug Task Force. Little was arrested after a six-month investigation which allegedly included three drug buys by undercover agents working for the task force.

Little has been charged with two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance within 1,000 yards of a school and second-degree traffic in a controlled substance. Little lives within 1,000 yards of Opportunities Unlimited in Martin.

Little waived his formal arraignment and entered a not guilty plea and had his pre-trial conference set for Jan. 11.

Little remains in Floyd County Detention Center on a \$15,000 cash bond.

## EVERYONE LOVES A PARADE



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Remembering the heroine for which it was named, these two children dressed in native costume were among the many sights to be seen during the 25th annual Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival Parade, held Saturday afternoon in downtown Prestonsburg. The weekend of fun, food and frivolity saw cool temperatures but sunny skies. The city of Martin's Red, White and Blue Festival will kick off tomorrow for another weekend of fall festival-going.

## More rain expected to dampen wildfire season

by SAMIRA JAFARI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — Kentucky hasn't suffered a rash of major wildfires in five years and recently experienced heavy rainfall statewide, but forest officials are casting a weary eye toward years of accumulated leaves, twigs and brush.

"There is a heavy fuel build up," said Gwen Holt, spokeswoman for the Kentucky Division of Forestry.

"Basically, all we can do at this point is keep our fingers crossed that we'll continue to have this rain pattern."

So far this year, firefighters have battled 1,419 fires that burned nearly 43,000 acres. But the riskiest part of the forest fire season — from October through December — has just started.

Many of the fires occur in early November, after the leaves from Appalachia's deciduous forests fall. Holt said

it only takes two or three days without rainfall "before we see forest fire activity."

Eastern Kentucky, with its rugged terrain and the majority of the state's woodlands, is by far the most vulnerable region to wildfires, Holt said. The area also has the highest rate of arson, which is the cause of more than half of Kentucky forest fires.

Heavy rains across the state

(See FIRE, page 11)

## Candidate files complaint about sheriff's sign

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — With Nov. 7 elections coming up, last-minute efforts are beginning to surface concerning what some say is questionable campaign material posted outside of an election facility.

Danny W. Martin, an independent candidate for sheriff, says a sign posted outside on the courthouse could potentially sway voter decisions come election day.

Lots of people have seen the yellow and brown "John K. Blackburn — Sheriff of the Year 2004" sign hang-

ing on the outside of the courthouse, where the sheriff's office is located. Martin, who also happens to work for the Prestonsburg City Police Department, filed a formal written complaint Oct. 10 with the Floyd County Clerk's Office, saying that he believes the sign could be perceived as a political sign posted in an election office where people cast absentee ballots. Also in his complaint, he asks that the sign be removed until after the election.

"It's been up since 2004 and it's time for it to come

(See CAMPAIGN, page 11)

## Center marks first year with new director

by ALEX SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — The Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center celebrated its first anniversary Friday and celebrated it under the direction of a newly hired general manager, Steve St. John.

St. John took the job after working at the Germain Arena in Ft. Myers, Fla., for the past 10 years. He said he will be working in the same capacity as he did in Florida, including booking entertainment and managing the facility along with managing the staff.

"I have high hopes for the facility," St. John said. "I will always have aspirations to do better."

The center has been host to large acts such as Staind and Alice Cooper in recent months and St. John said these acts and others have led to success at the center since it opened. He said his main goal is to expand on the success and to bring an even greater variety of acts to the facility.

"My goal is just to provide enough variety, not to oversaturate it with just one thing," St. John said.

St. John will taking over

(See EXPO, page 20)

## Otter Creek becomes second to ban smoking

The Associated Press

WHEELRIGHT — The state Department of Corrections has banned tobacco from an eastern Kentucky women's prison, the second of Kentucky's 16 state prisons to make such a change.

The staff and 456 female inmates at Otter Creek were given six months notice so they could prepare. Warden Joyce Arnold said Tuesday.

To help the smokers quit, the facility offered cessation classes, nicotine patches for sale, bags of celery and carrot

sticks and hard candy. Corrections officials in Kentucky, the nation's top producer of burley, said most of the inmates and staff members like the policy that went into effect earlier this month.

"I am quite pleased with the success that Otter Creek has had in going smoke free," Corrections Commissioner John Rees said.

For the past decade, Kentucky inmates could smoke only outdoors. The first ban on tobacco went into effect in May at the Kentucky State Reformatory.



A local fourth-grader got the opportunity to meet Gov. Ernie Fletcher during a trail ride Oct. 6 in Knott County. Mahla Little, 9, left, a student at Clark Elementary School and her horse, Cherry Pleasure, along with Mahla's friend, Laken Bolen, pose for a picture with Gov. Ernie Fletcher. Little's horse was chosen by the governor for his first horse ride in 10 years. The trail ride was part of a statewide campaign geared towards increasing trails for horses and all-terrain vehicles throughout the state. Little said she was sort of nervous to meet the governor, but also said it was really neat having her horse chosen as his companion for the trail ride.

### 2 DAY FORECAST

Today

**Partly cloudy**

High: 75 • Low: 54

Tomorrow

**Evening showers**

High: 72 • Low: 45

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

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# Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email to: [features@floydcountytimes.com](mailto:features@floydcountytimes.com). Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

**Zebulon Lodge 273, F&AM Master Mason Degree**  
Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM will confer the Master Mason degree at a meeting to be held on Saturday, October 21, beginning at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served, and members are asked to bring a covered dish to share.

**McDowell class of '81**  
The McDowell High School Class of 1981 will host its 25-year reunion on Oct. 21, at the Best Western (formerly Holiday Inn), Prestonsburg. For more information, contact Liz Hamilton Giese, 423-956-0298 or Melinda Hopkins Osborne, 606-477-0536.

**Free Concert**  
A free "Songs for the Mountaintop" concert featuring Appalachian music will be presented on Friday, October 20, at 8 p.m., at the Hindman Settlement School. Among those performing will be: The Reel World String Band, Nicks Barrett, Zoe Speaks, Randy Wilson, and The Doolittles. All are invited to attend this special autumn evening of music.

**Miss USA® or Miss Teen USA®**  
Applications are now being accepted for the 2007 Miss Kentucky USA® Pageant and the 2007 Miss Kentucky Teen USA® Pageant to be held November 24, 25, and 26, at the Center for Rural Development, in Somerset. Young Ladies 15-19 years of age may compete in the Miss Kentucky Teen USA® Pageant and Young Ladies 18-27 years of age may compete in the Miss Kentucky USA® Pageant. The winner of the 2007 Miss Kentucky USA® will receive an all expense paid trip to represent Kentucky at the 2007 Miss USA® Pageant on NBC Television.

**Gospel Sing**  
The Emma United Methodist Women will host a Gospel Sing featuring Grace on Sunday, November 5, beginning at 6 p.m., at the Emma United Methodist Church, in Emma. Dessert will be served immediately after in the Church Fellowship Hall.

**Maytown Center**  
If you like Bluegrass music, visit the Maytown Center on Saturday, Oct. 21, to hear Wolf Creek Grass perform. Show is from 7-10 p.m. Cost: \$5/person.

**Tussey Family Reunion**  
The Tussey Family Reunion will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Pines Building, Jenny Wiley State Park. Genealogy, live entertainment, an auction, and great food will be available for the enjoyment of all. Also, a copier will be provided for the duplication of photos and documents. For more information, call Cheryl Shepherd at 886-8863, Brenda Gray at 886-1249, Bill Tussey at 358-0076, and Don Tussey at 886-3338.

**ACHS Class of '86**  
The Allen Central Class of

1986 will host their 20 year reunion, Friday, Oct. 20 and Saturday, Oct. 21, during Red, White & Blue Days!  
Contact Amy Mayo-Halbert at 285-0837; Mary Martin-Holbrook at 358-2421; Cassandra Slone-Fulks at 886-3113; or Jennifer Ousley-Halbert at 358-9943.

**Victorious Women Annual Retreat**  
To be held Nov. 10-12, at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville. Christian actress Jeanette Clift George will speak. Musician Kelly Powers, of Prestonsburg, will perform. All women, age 13 and older, are warmly invited to attend this event of praise and fellowship. Pre-registration is necessary for lodging, meals, and full service. Brochures are available at local Christian bookstores, or by calling (606) 666-2359 (Bev); (606) 251-3513 (Carol). Nov. 3 is deadline to register.

**HRMC Community Calendar**  
October  
•Kiwanis  
Oct. 26; Meeting Place A & B; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
•Advanced Fetal Monitoring Class  
Oct. 19; Meeting Place A & B; 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
•Basic Fetal Monitoring Class  
Oct. 18; Meeting Rooms A & B; 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
•Living Well With Diabetes Support Group  
Oct. 26; Meeting Place A & B; 5:00- 6:00 p.m. Topic: "Happy, Healthy Holidays." Learn to modify old-fashioned favorites the diabetic way.  
•55 Alive Mature Driving Class  
Oct. 30 & 31; Meeting Rooms A & B; 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Highlands Educational Services Department at 886-7424. All classes free of charge.

**PHS Class of '97**  
The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1997 is currently planning their 10 year reunion. The reunion is scheduled to be held on July 14, 2007 at the Best Western, Prestonsburg. Those wishing to attend should please send in all of their personal information including name, address, phone number, occupation, spouse, children, and pets. All teachers from 1993 to 1997 are also welcome. Classmates may send their information to [phs97@bellsouth.net](mailto:phs97@bellsouth.net) or mail to Mark McKinney, 69 Hospital St., Martin, KY 41640

**Hope in the Mountains**  
Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Watergap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church. Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society. Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

**Social Security Rep to be at Mud Creek Clinic**  
Date: Oct. 31; Nov. 14, 28; Dec. 12, 26. The representative will assist in filing claims for Social Security retirement, disability, and survivor's benefits. Those visiting may also apply for SSI, Black Lung, and Social Security numbers. The representative may also assist in filing appeals

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## ATTENTION CANDIDATES

The Floyd County Times will be publishing a fall election preview Oct. 25. As part of this preview, we invite you to introduce yourself to the voters as part of our "Meet the Candidates" feature. Simply complete the following questionnaire and submit your answers along with a photo to our office. You may drop your answers and picture off at our office at 263 South Central Ave., in Prestonsburg, or email them to [web@floydcountytimes.com](mailto:web@floydcountytimes.com). There is no charge to participate in the questionnaire.

DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, OCT. 20.

### Questionnaire

Office sought:  
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How do you plan to help your community combat the drug problem?

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# Faith-based intervention tackles cervical cancer in Appalachia

by SAMIRA JAFARI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WHITESBURG — Libby Caudill knows she's at risk for cervical cancer. Her mother died of it, she's 58 and her last Pap test was more than 20 years ago. She's seen others suffer after detecting it too late and she's heard the facts: the rate of cervical cancer in central Appalachia is 50 percent above the national average.

Yet she won't see her doctor until she's good and ready. "People here don't want to be pushed," Caudill says, while taking a break from her yard sale in this small Appalachian town. "They want to be convinced. They want to understand."

That's what a new program, dubbed "Faith Moves Mountains," is trying to do. Developed by Dr. Nancy Schoenberg, a medical anthropologist at the University of Kentucky, the program tries to reach out to women in Kentucky's coalfields by socializing with them, gradually gaining their trust and, ultimately, convincing them to get Pap tests.

In central Appalachia, 14 out of 100,000 women have cervical cancer, compared with the 9 in 100,000 nationwide, according to the National Cancer Institute.

Schoenberg recruited a handful of eastern Kentucky natives to make contacts at churches — the centers of socialization in the mountains — and start conversations about how to prevent cervical cancer.

They chat, eat, swap stories. The statistics and facts are laid out, but there's no pressure to get tested right away.

Sometimes a few call back for more information or spread the information through word-of-mouth. Sometimes they get Pap tests.

It's a painstaking process. Some churches are tucked away in rugged terrain, with fewer than 10 in a congregation and no phone.

But it's still the best way to capture the attention of such hard-to-reach women, said Katie Dollarhide, a Whitesburg native and Schoenberg's first local hire, who for more than a year has traveled hundreds of miles through the mountains to hold such gatherings each week.

"There's a community in the churches," said Dollarhide. "Everybody's tied to a church. There's no way to get around the church. Even if you don't go, you're still tied through someone you know."

And since she's one of them and not a distant researcher, odds are better that the women will listen to her, Schoenberg said.

Though researchers have reported disproportionate rates of invasive cervical cancer in Appalachia for more than 15 years, a way to combat the trend has been tougher to identify.

The problem has been the long-held ideas about why Appalachian women were less likely than others to seek Pap tests, Schoenberg said.

"Researchers have been fast to judge these women as backward and fatalistic," Schoenberg said. "We've found they're just realistic."

Schoenberg said that in the past, researchers believed that Appalachian men were reluctant to allow the women in their families to receive Pap tests; that the women had concerns about modesty; that locals were fatalistic, believing that disease and death were inevitable and "God's will."

In hopes of updating existing research, Schoenberg's team conducted in-depth interviews of 25 women in one Kentucky county and one West Virginia county, Schoenberg

said she sacrificed a larger sample size in an effort to contact hard-to-reach women, spending more time talking and following up with them to figure out why they didn't get tested.

The UK researchers found that women like Caudill put off Pap tests due a lack of time, transportation, health insurance coverage and access to physicians. The women also had a habit of putting their own medical needs aside while caring for children, husbands and aging parents.

"The traditions of self-reliance make it difficult to get care," Schoenberg said. "There's a strong tradition of women taking on leadership in their homes and minimizing their own health."

Dollarhide said that some women are unaware of the importance of Pap tests, though the tests are credited with reducing cervical cancer deaths by 75 percent in recent decades.

Others in the high-risk category of ages 40-64 said they felt they were past their main childbearing years, and probably didn't need to get tested.

Dollarhide tries to answer their questions, dispel the myths and come up with economic ways for women to get Pap tests, often encouraging them to get tested at the county health department.

The women who have already seen how the program works are confident it will

(See **CANCER**, page nine)

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Many workers, such as coal miners and construction workers, develop hearing impairments from day to day exposure to noise at work. I commonly see workers who have lost 50% of their hearing capacity. Kentucky law provides for comp payments in many cases for workers who have stopped working...but, do you know that workers still on the job may also qualify? In many cases, they do.

Kentucky's new black lung law became effective in 2002, and applies to working miners, in some cases, and to others who have stopped. It may also apply to workers who have filed previous claims.

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and answering questions.

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**UNITE**

The UNITE coalition of Floyd County will meet the FIRST Monday of each month, at 7 p.m., at the New Allen Baptist Church. All interested persons welcome to join UNITE's fight against drugs.

"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m.

Living Free is a faith-based 12-step support group open to all who are searching for recovery. There is no fee to attend. For more info., contact Shirley Combs at 874-3388 or 434-8400.

**Free Body Recall classes**

Free Body Recall Exercise Classes will be held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30, at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at 11 a.m. at the old R & S Building. Classes are offered by the Floyd County Health Department. Call the health department, 886-2788, for more information.

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The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and

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GED classes are also available.

**Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings**

Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.  
Dixie: 3rd Thursday, 12:30 p.m., Dixie Community Room.  
David: 1st Monday, 1 p.m., at St. Vincent's Mission.  
Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.  
Maytown: 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m., Maytown Community Center.  
Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild: 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Extension Office.

Newbee's Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office.

Prestonsburg: 2nd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Extension Office.

South Prestonsburg: 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Home of members (call 886-2668 for info.)

Left Beaver: 2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m., Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center.

Green Acres: 1st Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Community Room.

**Looking for a Support Group?**

•Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group now meets at Riverview Manor.

•Overeater's Anonymous - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red light. Call 889-9620 for more info.

•US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

•Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the

Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

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

•Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children - Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

•Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

•A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive,

Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

•PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-

1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

•East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

•Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christopher-cook@hotmail.com.

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# Mine safety law could have unintended consequences for Ky.

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Rescue teams responsible for finding coal miners trapped underground get some tough assignments, including one pinned on them by Congress earlier this year.

That's what Kentucky officials are saying about a new federal law that requires rescue teams to conduct two drills per year at every coal mine.

Although it may sound like a cakewalk, Susan Bush, commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Natural Resources, warned that the requirement may force her to disband state rescue teams made up of mine inspectors, safety analysts and trainers.

With 260 underground mines in Kentucky, the state rescue teams would have to spend so much time drilling that their members would have little time left to perform their daily duties.

"There's no way our agency can do two drills in every mine we cover," Bush told a state legislative committee last week. "If indeed it looks like the state mine rescue teams have to do a drill in every mine they cover twice a year, the state of Kentucky is not going to be in the mine rescue business very long."

The Kentucky Office of Mine Safety and Licensing has 11 rescue teams spread through the coalfields so that they're within an hour's drive of any mine in the state.

"The new federal law was written in a hurry, without a lot of input," said Bill Caylor,

president of the Kentucky Coal Association. "Anytime you have any legislation that is pushed that fast, where you don't give people time to study the language, you're going to have problems. You'll create loopholes or unintended consequences. The intent was laudable, but the practical application has more than a real potential to disband Kentucky's mine rescue teams."

Congress passed the law in June, and it will go into effect no later than Dec. 15, 2007, said Amy Louviere, spokeswoman for the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Tony Oppgaard, a mine safety advocate from Lexington, said Kentucky is the only state that has rescue teams made up of inspectors and other state personnel.

"If in fact the law does cover them, I see where that would be a major problem," Oppgaard said.

Oppgaard, a former MSHA official, said he believes the problem can be resolved by drafting regulations that exempt the Kentucky rescuers.

MSHA is developing regulations for implementing the law, and Bush said Kentucky officials already have been in contact with the federal agency with their concerns. She said she's hopeful MSHA will mold the regulations to exempt the Kentucky rescue teams.

The new federal law requires every coal mine to have two certified rescue teams.

Bush said small coal mines

may not have enough workers to fill the requirement for two rescue teams or the money to hire outside teams, making the state teams especially crucial for them.

"If we can't meet the requirements, then we couldn't serve as the rescue team for the mines," Bush said.

David G. Dye, MSHA's interim administrator, said in a statement Friday that he realizes the federally mandated rescue drills may impose additional costs on mining companies. "These drills are necessary to help ensure that team members are always prepared and ready to respond in the event of a mine emergency," he said.

In the statement, Dye said MSHA "will do everything we can to help state-sponsored teams meet the new requirements."

The Mine Improvement and New Emergency Response Act was signed into law on June 15. MSHA has 18 months to develop the regulations. It is the first major overhaul of federal mine safety laws since 1977. Among its provision, the law requires miners to have two hours' worth of oxygen on hand while they work.

In addition, mine operators must store additional oxygen supplies underground and

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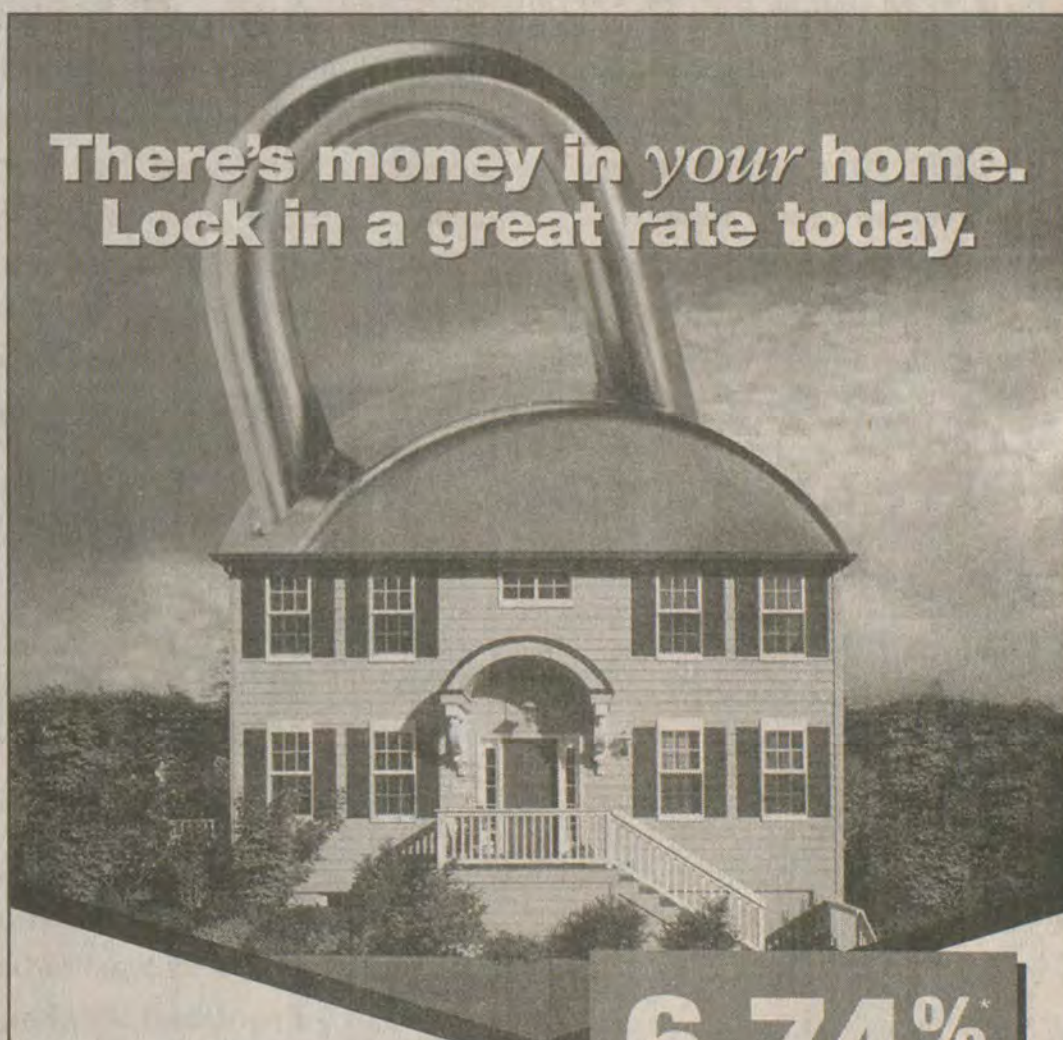
Imajean Robinson, pageant director, wishes to express her deepest thanks and appreciation to all who attended the 2006 Red, White and Blue and Patriotic Beauty Pageants, that were held on October 9th thru 15th, at the Martin Community Center, in Martin.

Thanks to all the girls and boys from all surrounding areas, who took part in the pageant, and the parents for taking time and bringing them to enter. Special thanks to the Mayor and City of Martin; to Kim, Nicole, Hannah, Artrip's Photo, judges, auditors; and Mandy Stumbo, a very special person, Jerrica Lynn Blair, who entertained us with her beautiful voice. Also Collins Trophies and T's and Rick's Trophies.

I would also like to thank all the Floyd County schools that send representatives to participate in the Red, White and Blue Pageant. All the girls and escorts were beautiful, and all did a great job representing their schools.

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The new safety law includes a requirement that rescue teams be located within

an hour of each mine, rather than two hours away. All of Kentucky's state rescue teams meet that requirement.

The law also calls for the government to study whether mine rescue chambers ought to be built into underground coal mines. Such refuges are credited with saving the lives of 72 potash miners in Canada earlier this year.

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**Cancer**

make an impact.

"It's the grassroots way of making things change," said Nell Fields, 53, of Cowan, who's helped Dollarhide make further connections through nearby churches and the local community center.

After hearing about Faith Moves Mountains, Fields said she made time to get a Pap test after putting it off for years, and she called her sisters and friends to remind them to get one too.

"It's part of culture as women to put ourselves aside, to say 'I've been busy with my husband, children and parents,'" she added. "Having someone you trust and is connected to community — it really highlights the importance for me."

Caudill, who has helped Dollarhide connect with the

women in her church, said the program has also made her think about her own health — though she remains reluctant to see her doctor.

"It plants a seed in your head, it gets you thinking about it," she said, adding, "You know, I'll probably get tested."

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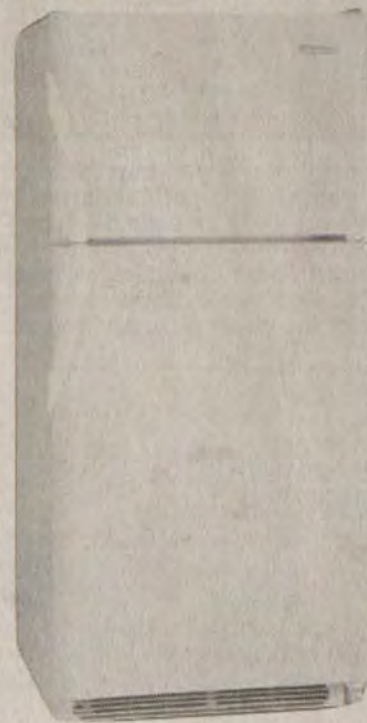
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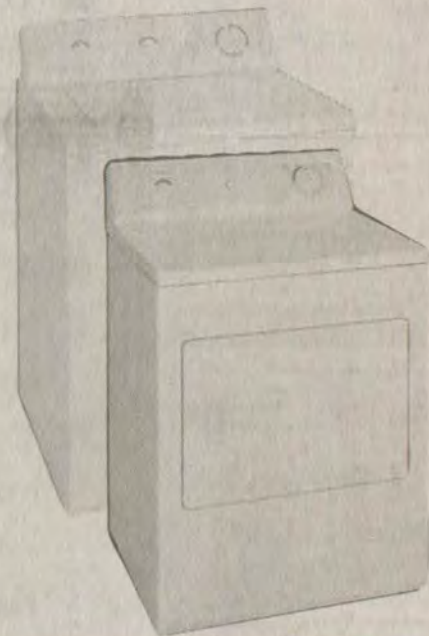


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**Murder**

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did as well, causing him to hit the vehicle.

Crum said the damage to the front bumper on the passenger side of the Ford Explorer leads him to believe that the motorcycle was struck by the truck and that Thompson was not pulled underneath the truck after the collision but ended up on the

hood before he was thrown off. He said skid marks indicate that the truck traveled almost 400 feet before stopping, and that Thompson's body was carried half that distance.

The Ford Explorer was found seven-tenths of a mile from the scene of the accident pulled off to the side of the

road, where Shepherd said he had stopped to untangle the motorcycle, before he ditched the truck. Shepherd was picked up by a friend who said that Shepherd told him not to tell anyone what had happened.

Shepherd was arrested around 4 p.m. at a relative's home and taken back to the

scene of the accident, where he made his statement about the events in the back of a KSP cruiser.

Crum said he believes

Shepherd may have been impaired during the accident and test results are pending.

Shepherd's case was referred to a Floyd County

grand jury and he remains in Floyd County Detention Center on a \$1 million cash bond.

**Kentucky basketball great Jeff Shepherd met with students at The David School on Monday. A former Atlanta Hawk and a member of the 1998 national championship team, using the DREAM concept (Do, Ready, Energy, Attitude, Mind) Shepherd used his basketball experiences to motivate and challenge students to set and reach goals in their own lives. Shepherd stayed for lunch with the students, was given a tour of the school and even made time for a quick game of pick-up during his visit.**



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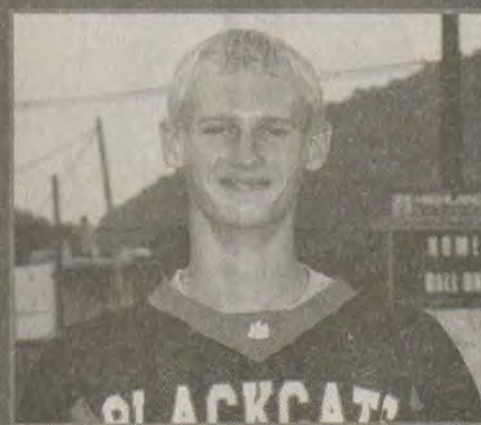
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Obituaries

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Webb and Bertha Clark Webb. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford McKenzie.

Survivors include two daughters: Suva and Jerome Music of Willard, Ohio and Elvenia and Bert Combs of Huber Heights, Ohio; one brother: Chester Webb of Van Lear; two sisters: Elsie Ramey and Bernice Austin, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, October 8, at 1 p.m., at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel, with Bobby Joe Spencer, Richard Greene officiating.

Burial was in Highland Memorial Park, in Staffordsville, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Donations may be made to Hospice of the Big Sandy or Auxier Free Will Baptist Church, by contacting Jones-Preston Funeral Home, at 789-3501.

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**Dorcus Music**

Dorcus Music, age 89, of Prestonsburg, widow of Worth Music, passed away Tuesday, October 10, 2006, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born November 6, 1916, in Blue River, Prestonsburg, the daughter of the late Dayrus Montgomery and Lula Hale Montgomery. She taught school for several years and retired from Big Sandy RECC. She was a member of the Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Tom Ed Music of Prestonsburg; a brother, Roy Montgomery of Prestonsburg; a sister, Thelma Pruitt of Abbott Road, Prestonsburg; six grandchildren: Rhea Lynn, Elizabeth Ann, Bill Worth, II, Deborah, Vicki and Elisse and 11 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death was her husband, parents; and a son, Billy Worth Music; seven brothers, L.P. Montgomery, Bill Montgomery, Henry Montgomery, Bun Montgomery, Forrest Montgomery, Thomas Montgomery, and Bert Montgomery.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 12, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergymen Clifford Austin and Dave Garrett officiating.

Burial was in the Richmond Cemetery, Prestonsburg, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Robert May, Michael Hackworth, Ben Hale, Curtis Risner, Tommy Hale, and Doug Montgomery.

Honorary: Clarence Risner and Roy Hackworth. (Paid obituary)

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**Georgia "Pat" Naylor**

Georgia "Pat" Naylor, age 71, of Harold, died Friday, October 13 2006 at her residence.

She was born December 22, 1934 in Harold, a daughter of Eva Robinette Layne, of Harold, and the late Porter A. Layne. Pat was a retired employee of Kinzer Drilling and a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church.

In addition to her mother she is survived by one brother, Porter P. Layne, Pottstown, Pa., and two sisters, Marietta Elliott, Dayton, Oh., and Katherine Clark, Pikeville.

She was preceded in death by her father, one son Hugh Ervin Naylor and one sister, Judy Brooks

Funeral services for Georgia "Pat" Naylor will be conducted Monday, October 16 at 11 a.m. in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Regular Baptist Ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Hall Funeral Home, Martin, is caring for those arrangements.

Pallbearers: Russell Clark, Terry Kinzer, Jerry Kinzer, Shannon Robinette, Greg Ratliff and Danny Allen.

Honorary: Gus Elliott and J. W. Kinzer. (Paid obituary)

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**Mary M. Branham Peters**

Mary M. Branham Peters, a dedicated and beloved elementary school teacher went home to be with the Lord on October 14, 2006. She taught school at Martin Elementary, and since 1954 in Maryland. She retired in 1989 from the teaching profession, but continued to educate and enrich the lives of many children.

Her parents, William S. and

Fannie Branham, and Colonel and Bertha Peters preceded her in death.

Her husband of fifty-three years, Urban Peters, and an extended loving family in both Kentucky and Maryland survives her.

Mrs. Peters was a member of the Maryland Nu Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority, Unity Presbyterian Church in Camp Springs, Maryland and the Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter #61.

In 1974 Mrs. Peters was honored as one of the Outstanding Teachers in America. In 1998, she received a Companion of the Temple award from the Knights Templar, recognizing her outstanding service in charity and youth programs.

A visitation and memorial service will be held on October 21, 2006 from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at Hall Funeral Home in Martin, Ky. Final interment will take place Saturday, October 21, 2006 at Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, Ky.

To honor her love of children, contributions may be made to ADK Scholarship Fund, in care of the Maryland Nu Chapter, Robin Boyer, Treasurer, 236 Williamsburg Circle, La Plata, MD, 20640.

(Paid obituary)

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**Audrey Tackett**

Audrey Tackett, 78, of Prestonsburg, formerly of Melvin, died Saturday, October 14, 2006, at her residence.

Born December 29, 1927, in Weeksbury, she was the daughter of the late Monroe and Darcus Hall Newsom. She was a homemaker and a member of Behold The Lamb Christian Center, in Allen.

She is survived by her husband, Lester Tackett.

Other survivors include two daughters: Sandra Tackett of Elsmere, and Gina Tackett of Prestonsburg; a grandson raised as a son, Shaphan Nathaniel Tackett of Price; two sisters: Grace Hall of Ashboro, North Carolina and Hazel Gilliam of Frankfort; two grandchildren: Shaphan N. Tackett and Tanesha Blankenship Carson and a great-grandchild, Kaili Victoria Tackett.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Haley Hensley; and a grandson, Ty Blankenship.

Funeral services were held

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Tuesday, October 17, at 1 p.m., at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church, in Melvin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home and on Monday, October 16, at the Joppa Church.

(Paid obituary)

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**Marvin Tackett**

Marvin Tackett, 72, of Grethel, died Thursday, October 12, 2006, at Raccoon.

Born July 4, 1934, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Sollie and Callie Robinson Tackett. He was a retired coal miner and attended the Old Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons: Marvin Lee Tackett of Meta,



Oliver B. Tackett of Raccoon, Micky Tackett of Dana, Lucas Tackett of Pikeville; three daughters: Loretta Tackett and Jennifer Lynn Newman, both of Prestonsburg and Wendy Renae Fugate of Martin; one brother, Willis Tackett of Prestonsburg; and one sister, Flora Riley of Harold, and 18 grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters: Clarence Tackett, William

Tackett, Howard Tackett, Copley Tackett, Myrtle Cable and Bertha Harrington.

Funeral services were held Sunday, October 15, at noon, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Ike Roberts Cemetery, in Grethel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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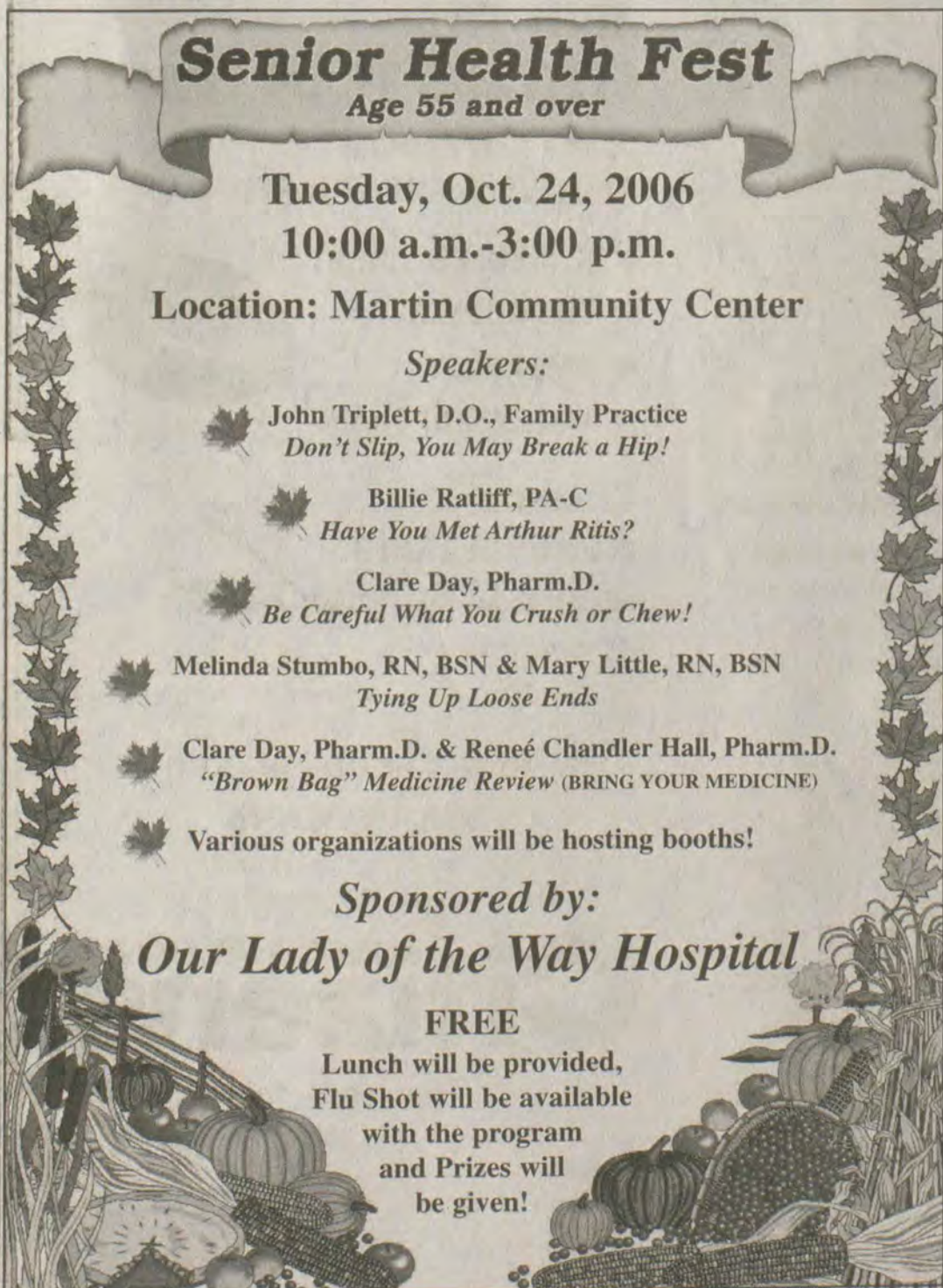
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FAMILY RECIPIES

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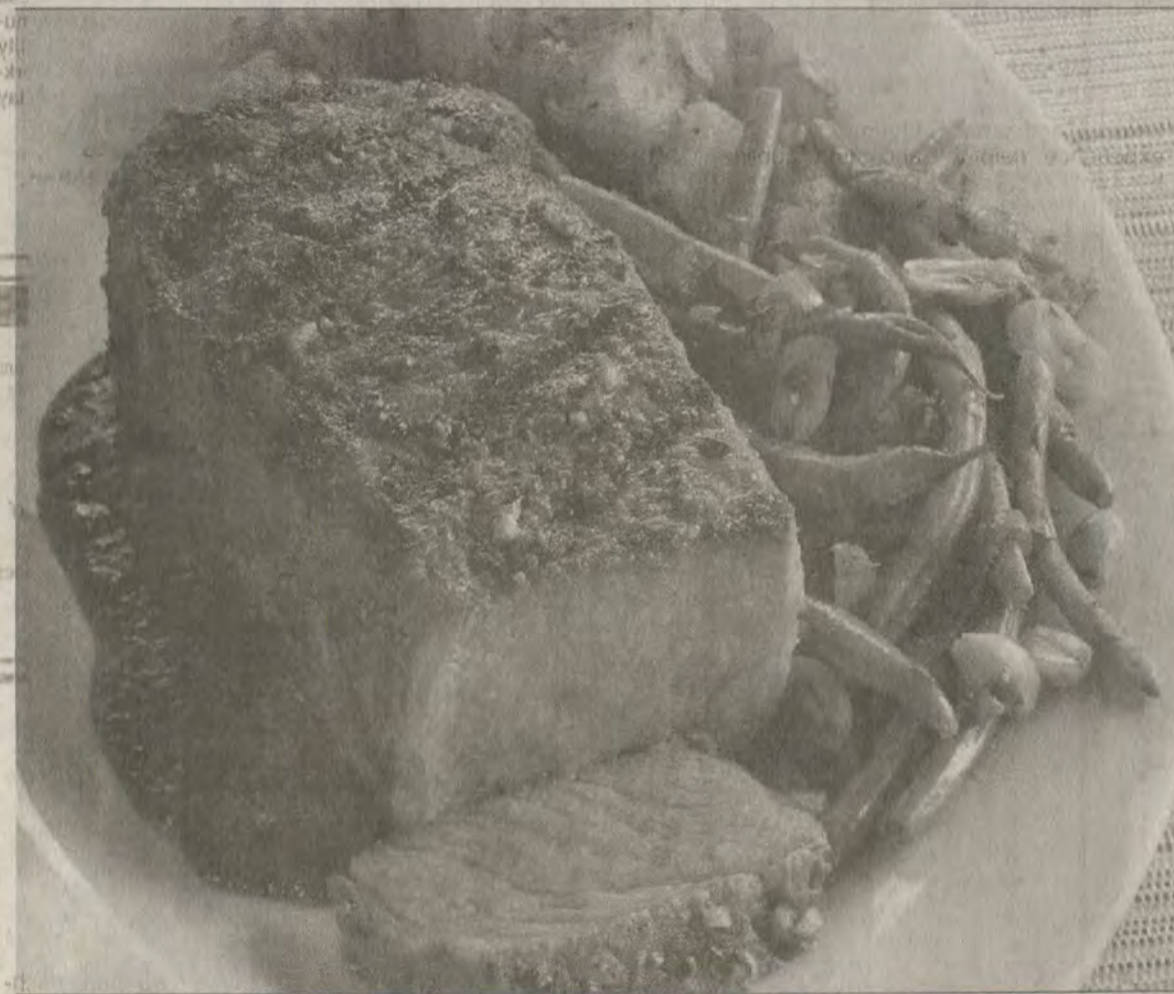
A delicious, juicy New York strip steak from Allen Brothers crowned with a sweet sauce of California Raisins and red wine makes a special meal, anytime. Crunchy, roasted USA-Grown Peanuts add depth and flare to a green bean salad for a generous remainder that fall brings a multitude of new flavor options. Combinations of familiar ingredients like USA-Grown Peanuts, California Raisins and Allen Brothers prime meats with the bounty of fall's harvest increase flavor options to unbelievable levels.

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Spicy California Raisin-Wine Sauced New York Strip With Warm Green Bean-USA-Grown Peanut Salad

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Serves: 6

#### New York Strip

- 2 tablespoons chopped garlic
- 2 tablespoons cumin
- 2 tablespoons ground coriander
- 1 1/2 tablespoons salt
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 6 New York strip steaks (about 12 ounces each)

#### Spicy Raisin-Wine Sauce

- 1/2 cup red wine
- 1/4 cup California raisins
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped cilantro
- 1 teaspoon chipotle peppers canned in adobo sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped shallot
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Warm Green Bean Salad

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 1/2 pounds fresh green beans, trimmed and blanched
- 2 tablespoons chopped shallot
- 1/2 cup roasted red peppers, cut into matchstick-size pieces (julienne)
- 1 cup roasted USA-grown peanuts
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
- Salt and pepper to taste

Combine garlic, cumin, coriander, salt and olive oil in small bowl and mix together. Rub onto steaks and arrange in shallow dish; refrigerate 1 to 2 hours.

In small saucepan, heat wine just to boiling for sauce. Measure raisins into small bowl and pour wine over; let stand 10 to 15 minutes until raisins are soft. Add remaining ingredients and pulse in food processor or blender; set aside.

For salad, heat oil in large skillet and sauté shallot over medium-high heat 2 to 3 minutes. Add remaining ingredients; cook until heated through and beans are tender-crisp.

To serve, remove steak from refrigerator; drain and grill over high heat for 4 minutes per side until preferred doneness (145°F for medium rare). Remove from grill and drizzle with raisin wine sauce. Serve with green bean-peanut salad.

### Grilled Veal Chop With California Raisin Pilaf and Toasted USA-Grown Peanuts

Serves: 6

#### Veal

- 6 veal chops (about 10 ounces each)
- 1 12-ounce bottle garlic-olive oil marinade
- Salt and pepper, to taste

#### Rice Pilaf

- 1 5.9-ounce package rice pilaf mix
- 1/2 cup California raisins
- 1 cup USA-grown peanuts, toasted
- 1/4 cup chopped parsley

Combine chops and marinade in shallow pan; let stand 1 to 2 hours in refrigerator, turning occasionally.

Cook pilaf according to package directions. Add remaining ingredients to hot pilaf and mix together. Keep hot.

Remove chops from marinade. Discard used marinade and grill chops over high heat 5 to 6 minutes per side until done (145°F for medium rare). Spoon 1/4 cup pilaf onto each serving plate; arrange grilled veal chop on top. Serve immediately.

### Grilled Filet Mignon With California Raisin-Onion Jam and USA-Grown Peanut Garden Sauté

Serves: 6

#### Raisin-Onion Jam

- 1/2 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/4 medium yellow onion, thinly sliced (julienne)
- 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 tablespoon honey
- 1/4 cup California raisins
- 1 small sprig fresh thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh lemon zest
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Blue Cheese Glaze

- 1/2 cup crumbled Gorgonzola cheese
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1/2 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1/2 tablespoon chopped chives
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

#### Garden Sauté

- 3 ounces steak-cut bacon, diced
- 2 1/4 teaspoons chopped garlic
- 1 1/2 tablespoons chopped shallot
- 6 cups fresh chopped Swiss chard leaves or beet greens, stems and ribs removed
- 3/4 cup roasted USA-grown peanuts
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Filet

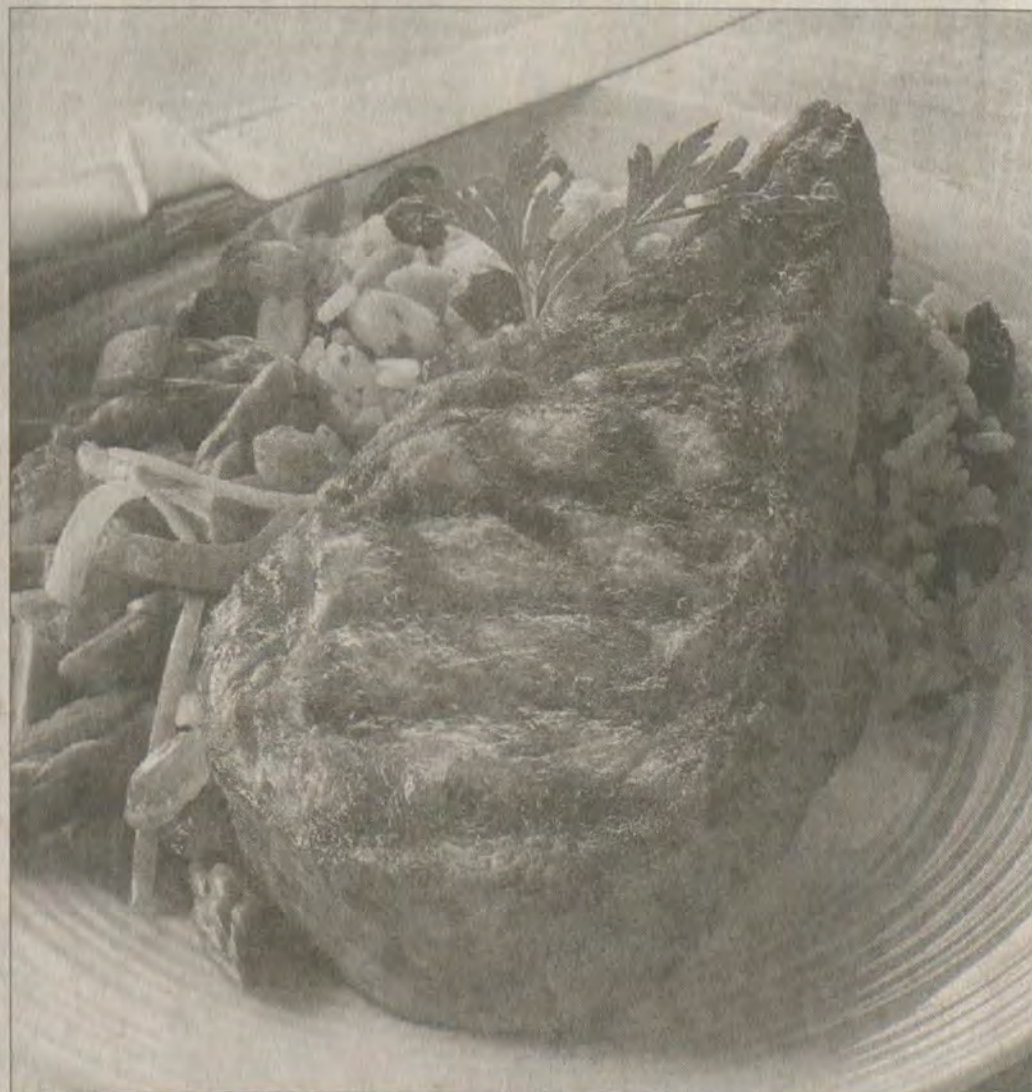
- 6 filet mignon (about 6 ounces each)
- Olive oil
- Salt and pepper, to taste

For jam, heat oil in 12-inch skillet over medium heat. Add onions and cook until soft. Stir in vinegar and honey; cook 1 minute. Add raisins, thyme and lemon zest; cook over medium heat until reduced. Remove thyme sprig and divide mixture in half. Add half to food processor or blender and pulse until smooth. Combine with remaining mixture in skillet and mix well. Season to taste and set aside.

In a small bowl, combine ingredients for blue cheese glaze; mix well and set aside.

Cook bacon in large sauté pan over medium-high heat for 6 to 7 minutes, until almost crispy. Add garlic and shallot; cook 2 to 3 minutes more until soft. Stir in Swiss chard; cook and toss until wilted, 3 to 4 minutes. Stir in peanuts and season to taste.

To serve, brush steaks with oil and season with salt and pepper. Spoon 1 to 2 tablespoons of glaze onto each steak. Grill steaks over high heat for 4 to 5 minutes per side until they reach preferred doneness (145°F for medium rare) and glaze is golden brown. Remove from grill and add a heaping dollop of jam. Serve with garden sauté.



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### KIM'S KORNER

## Colors of Life

By: Kim Little Frasure

This past weekend packed quite a punch. Saturday's Jenny Wiley Parade was very enjoyable. The weather was fantastic, just beautiful, and so were the princes and princesses, queens and kings, as well as the many floats. One could only imagine the time invested into getting them ready.

Working on articles over the weekend to be shared in our upcoming Colors of Life magazine, due to be published the 27th, was a rollercoaster of emotions.



Kim Little Frasure

These projects give those of us who write, the most precious opportunity to meet some of the most wonderful and awesome individuals in our area. To listen to them share their experiences gives us a newfound knowledge of a wide variety of topics. And then, to be able to turn around and share them with our readers, is, well, such an amazing blessing.

Colors of Life is probably one of the most dear to my heart of all the projects I have had the opportunity to be a part of during my years in newspapers. Anytime children are involved in a project and you get to see life through the eyes of a child it just feels the entire being.

This magazine is full of the most

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### POISON OAK

## Happy is as happy does

By Clyde Pack



Clyde Pack

From talking to people who grew up when coal camps and coal towns were booming up and down the Big Sandy, I'm thoroughly convinced that about the only thing that was different in the places they lived and the place I lived was the name over the post office door.

This thought was underscored yet again during the recent Apple Festival when I was fortunate enough to meet and talk to several former coal-camp kids, who like myself, experienced what has proven to be a unique upbringing.

A man from McVeigh (that's in Pike County, just a few miles from the Virginia border) said he grew up pretty much like I did and said he had two uncles who had been killed in the coal mines back in the 1940s. He didn't elaborate, but I took it they were killed at different times. I, too, lost an uncle (Steve Pack, Feb. 1944) to a roof fall at the Northeast Coal Company's Number 3 Mine.

Then, I was talking with a lady from Glo, a community in Floyd County, near Wayland, and I mentioned something about our smokehouse. It was actually a duplex, divided in half and shared by the Claude VanHoose family, who lived next door.

You could almost see a light come on as this lady, who

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## 25TH ANNUAL JENNY WILEY FESTIVAL & PARADE



photo by Kathy J. Prater

What's a parade without a beautiful baby? This adorable baby girl was only one of many seen in Saturday's parade.



photo by Kim Little Frasure

This little Pilgrim is about as cute as they come! Kennedy Little was excited to be on board the Learning Ladder Academy's float.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Ms. Nikki Bradley, PHS freshman and pageant runner-up, was among the lovely young ladies greeting those that had gathered along the city's streets.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center float caught the attention of both eyes and ears as the students aboard played some favorite tunes for the crowd.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

The "Star City's" stellar city council members, along with Mayor Fannin, enjoyed the crisp weather as they tossed out handfuls of candy to the crowds.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Michael and Devin Kendrick stayed warm on Friday evening in their "glow-in-the-dark" court jester hats purchased from a festival vendor. The boys, students at Allen Elementary School, were helping man one of the festival's many food booths.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Everybody loves the Shriner's and their antics, especially this fella's signature belly dance.



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Tommy Poe, the 2006 parade's Grand Marshal.

### CRITTER CORNER

## Plan now to support your local shelter

### National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week, Nov. 5-11

Local animal shelters work tirelessly year round to help all the critters in their communities. National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week is just around the corner (Nov. 5-11), a perfect opportunity to say "thank you" for all they do. Here are some tips to show you care:

1. Grant a Wish - Start a collection for the animals at your local shelter. Ask friends, family, classmates, co-workers and club members to make a donation. Donations don't always have to be in the form of money, either. Shelters are

- always in need of puppy and kitten food, adult animal food, stuffed toys, blankets, towels and animal grooming items.
- 2. Be an Email Ambassador - Spread a shelter-friendly message every time you hit "send." Attach a tagline below your signature for all outgoing email messages. Here's an example: "Love animals? Show your support for local shelters through donations of time, money, food and supplies."
- 3. Put Shelters in the Spotlight - Spread the word and a little love. Copy and paste shelter-friendly articles to message boards or listservs you belong to; print articles and post on local community bulletin boards - at work, school, fitness centers, grocery stores, churches and other such gathering places.



"Ginger" is a female Shih Tzu, owned by Lena Auxier. Lena shares that Ginger can do many tricks, likes to shake hands and can even give visitors a "high five"! "She is very smart and she loves people," her owner says. We think she's cute as a button, too!

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