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## COUNTY TOURNAMENT

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## briefs

### Pike man killed in ATV wreck

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

MILLARD — An ATV accident in Pike County has claimed the life of an 18-year-old, Shelbiana resident.

At approximately 8 p.m. Sunday, emergency officials were dispatched to an ATV accident in the Millard area of Pike County. Upon arrival, first responders found that the single ATV accident had injured both the driver, Todd A. Prater, 18, and his passenger, David E. Blackburn, age 17.

According to Kentucky State Police, Prater was traveling on U.S. 460 in Millard when he turned onto Fishtrap Road and collided with a guardrail.

Both Prater and Blackburn were transported by Elkhorn City Ambulance to Pikeville Medical Center, where Prater was later pronounced dead by Pike County Coroner Russell Roberts.

The passenger, David Blackburn, suffered moderate injury and was listed in stable condition at PMC.

KSP reported that alcohol or drug involvement is not yet known. Toxicology reports are pending and neither Prater nor Blackburn were wearing a helmet.

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## Lawmakers join widows to support mine safety

The Associated Press

HAZARD — State Democratic lawmakers on Tuesday joined mining widows, safety advocates and union officials in Eastern Kentucky's coalfields to support newly introduced mine safety

ty legislation.

"We've got to make sure miners are safe in Kentucky's mines," House Speaker Jody Richards said.

The mine safety bill, sponsored by Rep. Brent Yonts, would increase the number of mine inspections, require all

miners to carry a methane detector and beef up onsite emergency personnel.

Melissa Lee, whose husband Jimmy Lee was one of five miners killed May 20 in the Kentucky Darby Mine explosion in Harlan County, said the proposed legislation would prevent similar

disasters.

"My husband died because of a lack of equipment," Lee told the lawmakers.

The miners died after two of the men accidentally ignited a methane leak by using a torch to do maintenance work, a state investigation found.

## TRUST FOR LIFE



photo by Jessica Hale

Floyd County Circuit Clerk Douglas Hall assists Harold resident Rodney Hall as he renews his driver's license and donates a dollar to the Trust For Life Organ and Tissue Donation Fund.

### County still leads state in Trust for Life donations

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Residents of Floyd County have once again proved their support for the Trust For Life Organ and Tissue Fund, which is implemented throughout the state by circuit court clerks.

Trust For Life was created in 1992 by the Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks Association and

the state legislature with the intent to collect money to fund a year-round education and promotion effort to encourage all Kentuckians to sign their driver's licenses for consent to be organ and tissue donors.

Each time a person receives or renews a driver's license, they are asked to donate \$1 to the Trust. In 2006, the Floyd County Circuit Clerk's office collected the \$1 donation from

68 percent of those obtaining their driver's licenses last year, an above average percentage in the state.

According to Douglas Hall, Floyd County Circuit Court Clerk and president of the Trust's Board of Directors, his office has been number one in Kentucky for the last three years for donations received.

(See DONATIONS, page five)

### New science exhibit to open

by ALEX SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Before bulldozers, cranes and other modern construction equipment were available for use, ancient cultures found other ways to build impressive structures in the Ohio Valley, some of which still survive today.

The Eastern Kentucky Science Center, in conjunction with the Cincinnati Museum Center will be unveiling an exhibit Jan. 26 to display several of the remaining structures built by these ancient civilizations at 39 different locations in the Ohio Valley. The exhibit, entitled "Earthworks: Virtual Explorations of the Ancient Ohio Valley," will be open to the public through May 6 and will include topographic models, virtual artifact kiosks and virtual reconstructions of earthworks that are still standing.

Earthworks, which are constructions or works of art designed by modifying a portion of land, were constructed by native cultures that lived in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia between eight and 24 centuries ago. Included in the exhibit will be earthworks made by the

Adena, Hopewell and Fort Ancient cultures.

The exhibit is part of a traveling exhibit from the Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal. The reconstruction of the ancient cultures for the exhibit is the end result of 10 years of work by a team of architects, archaeologists, historians, technical experts and Native Americans working for the museum. Much of the exhibit will be navigable through a system of interactive videos put together by the Center for the Electronic Reconstruction of Historical and Archaeological Sites.

A large portion of the Ohio Valley's ancient architecture was destroyed long before any record of it could be made. The purpose of the exhibit is to preserve the history of the region and to give people a glimpse into what ancient societies were able to accomplish without the use of modern tools and technology.

Included in the exhibit will be artifacts recovered at the excavation of the C&O Mounds in Paintsville in Johnson County in the mid-1930s. Photographs of the discovery and several of the Adena culture artifacts found at the site will also be on display.

### Road deaths fall in county, across state

by ALEX SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

Last year was a landmark year for safety on Kentucky's roadways, which saw the number of accident fatalities drop 8 percent from the previous year, while the state received praise for its efforts in passing three driver safety laws from the Washington-based Highway and Auto Safety group.

Floyd County had eight traffic fatalities last year, compared to 10 the previous year, while statewide there were 79 fewer roadway fatalities in 2006 (907) compared to 2005 (986). But even with such a significant drop, state officials believe that when given a full year to enforce the new legislation, the number of fatalities will only dip further.

"While we lost 79 fewer lives on the roadways of this Commonwealth last year, compared to 2005, we are striving for much lower fatality rates in 2007," said Commissioner of Transportation Safety Tim Hazlette. "We will leave no stone unturned in our effort to find ways to save more lives."

Kentucky's new primary seatbelt law went into effect Jan. 1, with drivers now receiving a \$25 fine if anyone in their vehicle is seen not wearing a seatbelt. In the past, drivers were simply given a warning.

Another law passed last summer was an expansion

of Kentucky's graduated driver's license program. Under the new format, a driver will have restrictions placed on their driving for a six-month period after they get their learner's permit which they must adhere to before earning an unrestricted license. New requirements under the law include 60 hours of supervised driving with an adult and a ban on driving between midnight and 6 a.m.

The law was passed in April to reduce the number of teenagers involved in crashes; Kentucky currently has one of the highest rates in the nation. According to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, 18 percent of all fatal crashes in Kentucky and more than 20 percent of all highway crashes in the state occur with a teenager behind the wheel.

"North Carolina and Michigan, for example, have done studies which have shown as much as a 25 percent reduction in crashes involving 16-year-old drivers after passing GDL legislation," said Transportation Cabinet Secretary Bill Nighbert before the legislation was passed. "These are the kind of positive results we're striving for in Kentucky."

Also enacted last year was a "quick clearance" law, established to clear accidents and other roadway obstructions quickly and safely while preventing

(See ROADS, page five)



photo by Alex Smith

When someone dies in a traffic accident on a roadway it is common to see a memorial of the person appear shortly thereafter placed by family and friends. This cross is located near the Route 114 intersection on the southbound side of U.S. 23 and is less than 100 yards from a separate memorial for another victim who died on the same stretch of highway.

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# Obituaries



**Virginia "Jean" Layne**

Virginia "Jean" Layne, 74, widow of the late Chester Layne, "The Friendly Tom's Man" of Ivel, died Monday, January 15, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Jean was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

She was born on August 14, 1932, in Dwale.

Jean and Chester were both active members of the community, where they developed real estate throughout Eastern Kentucky, and Central Florida.

Her loving generosity, and wit and charm, endeared all who knew her. She possessed a sharp intellect, an engaging personality, and truly loved everyone.

She is survived by her oldest son and daughter-in-law, David and Paula of Prestonsburg, and her youngest son and daughter-in-law, "to be," Malcom of Ivel and Betsy Jo Mounts of Pikeville; one grandson and granddaughter-in-law, David Allen and Martha of Prestonsburg; one stepgranddaughter, Heather Ousley of

Prestonsburg; one stepgranddaughter "to be," Sara Beth Mounts of Pikeville; one great-grandson, Trey Layne of Prestonsburg; and one brother, Martin Collins of Denver. She is also survived by several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Layne; her parents Theodore and Thelma Edwards Collins; her brother, Ernest Little; and her sister, Garnett Hayden.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 1:00 p.m., at the Christ United Methodist Church in Allen.

Burial will follow at the Layne Family Cemetery at Ivel.

Pallbearers will be John Caudill, Paul Hunt, Andy Lewis, Melvin Lewis, Scott Hall, Doug Marcum, Thomas Nairn, and Paul N. Thompson.

Visitation will be from 4-9 p.m., on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin.

Jean requested that expressions of sympathy be sent to the American Cancer Society at P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

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**Julia Reffitt**

Julia Reffitt, age 72, of Langley, died Thursday, January 11, 2007, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin.

Born November 14, 1934, in Johnson County, she was the daughter of the late Irby Litton and Minnie Steele Litton Samons. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include two sons: Bobby Reffitt (Mildred) of Langley, and Tom Reffitt of Martin; two daughters: Claudette Reffitt of Langley, and Oma Elkins of Pikeville; eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, William Litton; and her stepfather, Eugene Samons.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 12, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Joe Ryan officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens in Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Active pallbearers: Bobby Reffitt, Beckham Reffitt, Roman Reffitt, Joel Branham, Jeffrey Robinson, and Gene Snyder.

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**Elizabeth Nell (Bobby) Sadler**

Elizabeth Nell (Bobby) Sadler of Prestonsburg, formerly of Charleston, West Virginia, died on Saturday, January 13, 2007.

She was born in Wheeling, West Virginia, February 7, 1916, the daughter of John Edward and Grace Vivian Hamilton Marschner. She spent her younger childhood in Wheeling, before moving to Oak Hill, West Virginia, where she met her husband, James Carter Sadler.

After their marriage in 1939, Jim served in the

Army, stationed in India, for nearly three years.

Following his return from military service, Bobby and Jim moved to Charleston, West Virginia, and had a daughter, Linda. Jim, died in 1986, and Bobby continued to live in Charleston, until moving to Prestonsburg in 2000.

Bobby was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one sister, Margaret Berginnis.

She is survived by a daughter, Linda Francis, and husband, Bill; a granddaughter, Carrie Francis Cabot, and husband, Doug; a great-granddaughter, Lyda Douglas Cabot; a niece, Charlotte Berginnis Cole; and several cousins.

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**Brian Samons**

Brian Samons, age 79, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, January 13, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born December 15, 1927, in Martin, he was the son of the late Newton and Sue Samons. He was a general laborer for the Greenhouse, and was a member of the Church of Christ, at Arkansas Creek in Martin.

Survivors include a brother, Roger Samons of Prestonsburg; three sisters: Faye Samons of Martin, Mildred Taylor of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Lois Hughes of Taylorsville; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two

brothers: Lester Samons and Leeland Samons.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 16, at 2 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Church of Christ ministers officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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**Maetta Faye Shepherd**

Maetta Faye Shepherd, age 76, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, January 13, 2007, at her residence.

Born May 30, 1930, in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of Anna Howard Arnett of Royalton, and the late Owen Arnett. She was a retired housekeeping supervisor for Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her husband, Donald Shepherd.

Other survivors include a son and daughter-in-law: David and Terri Shepherd of Allen; a daughter and son-in-law: Kathy and Henry Ramey; three brothers: Donald Ray Arnett of Emma, Paul Edward Arnett of Royalton, and Lowell Grey Arnett of Salyersville; three grandchildren: Beth Moore, Ashley Thompson and Josh Shepherd; and a great grandchild, Bryce Moore.

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Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 16, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Tommy Reed officiating.

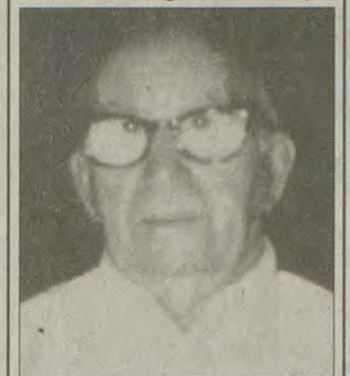
Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens in Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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**Tony, Norma, Ollie, Shirley, Aster Jr., Loretta, Esther, Brenda, and Your Loving Wife, Mae.**  
**THE HUNTERS**

## Beshear favors casino gambling

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Democratic gubernatorial candidate Steve Beshear supported a plan for casino gambling on Tuesday, saying it could generate hundreds of millions in tax revenue to help fund education and road construction.

Casino gambling — complete with slots and table games — should be allowed at horse tracks and freestanding locations, said Beshear, a former lieutenant governor.

State lawmakers should pass a proposed constitutional amendment that would ultimately leave the gambling issue with Kentucky voters, Beshear said.

"It is time that the people be allowed to vote on whether they want expanded gaming in our state and the resulting economic benefits that it will provide for each and every county in Kentucky," Beshear said in prepared remarks.

The policy announcement by Beshear marked the first of his campaign. Beshear, who was flanked by his running mate Sen.

Daniel Mongiardo, said his future proposals would be funded through money brought in by casino gambling.

Beshear is facing state Treasurer Jonathan Miller and Otis Hensley Jr., of Harlan, in the May primary. Candidates have until Jan. 30 to officially enter the race.

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— John Greenleaf Whittier

## Guest View

### All hat, no cattle

A major new Census Bureau report on the status of America's children was released last week. The report, "A Child's Day: 2003," contains statistics gathered from a 2003 survey of parents on various aspects of their children's lives, including education, leisure-time activities and parent-child interaction. The purpose of collecting the data was to examine the daily activities and well-being of the nation's 73 million children.

A news release accompanying the report presents the data in glowing terms: "More kids 'on track' at school - 1 in 4 gifted." But the report is all hat and no cattle.

On the surface, some of the statistics look encouraging. For example, the number of parents restricting the TV viewing of their 3-, 4- and 5-year-olds (67 percent), was up significantly from 1994. (Who knew so many 3-year-olds had unlimited access to "Elmo's World"?) Fifty-seven percent of parents wanted their kids to get a college education, and slightly more said they thought they would.

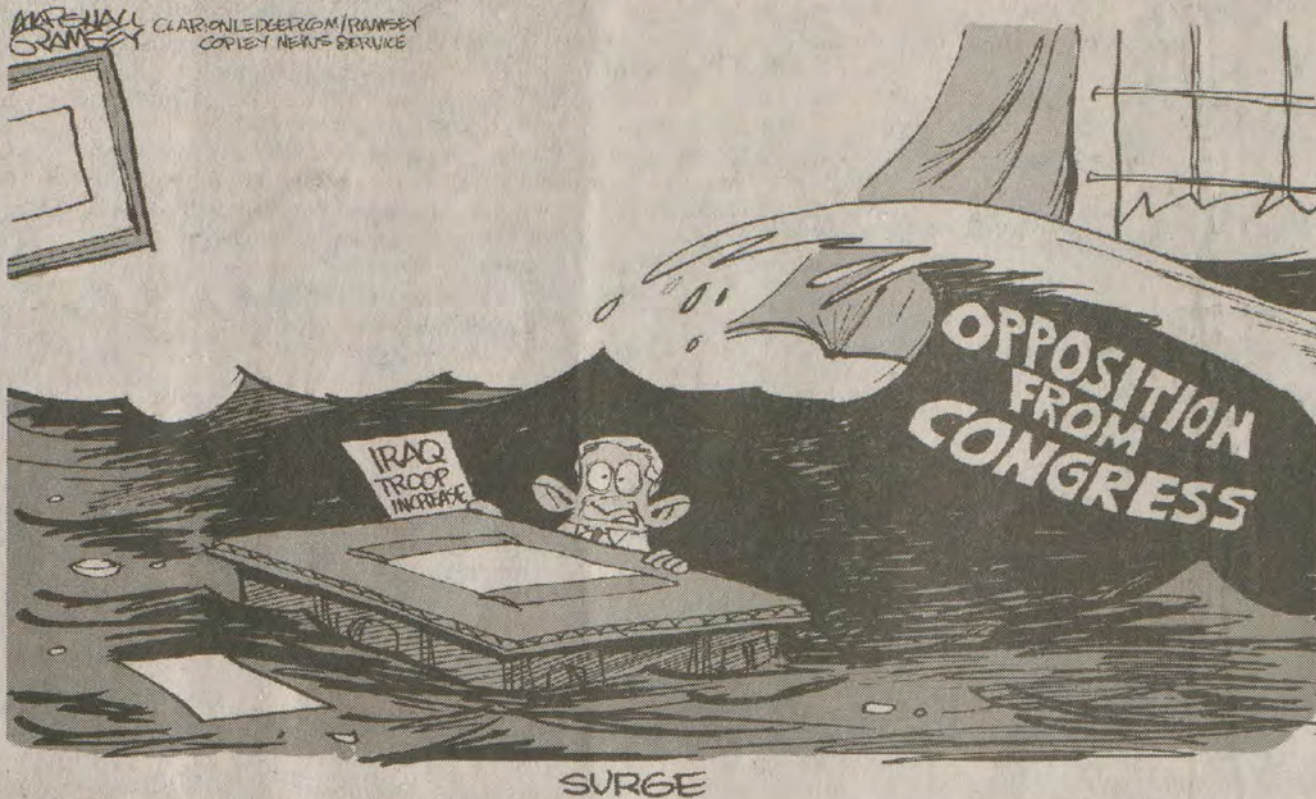
Closer inspection of the report turns up some dubious data. Can it be true that 47 percent of parents never felt angry with their children? (Never ever? How about now, Mom? Mom! Mom! How about now?) Or that only 5 percent of parents say their kids do things that bother them a lot? (We want to meet these children who never were shrieking toddlers who refused to get dressed right before the relatives arrived for dinner, always went to the potty on cue and never woke up with a pimple and loathed the world, especially the adults hogging all the oxygen and the car.) Or that only 18 percent of parents said they had children who sometimes take up more time than expected? (Like, for instance, every blessed moment of parents' waking hours until they die?) Other statistics seem dubious. For example, 75 percent of schoolchildren ages 12 to 17 were said to be academically "on track," meaning they were performing at or above the grade level. That was a 6 percent rise since 1994. But there's no context. Does that mean they're getting the preparation they need for college or for working at Wal-Mart?

One in four children were said to be attending a class for gifted students or doing advanced work in an academic subject. But what objective standards were used to label kids or classes "advanced"?

Another finding: Teenagers were less likely to eat a meal with a parent than children under 6 were. Duh.

Measuring the well-being of the nation's children is a reasonable idea, as long as the methods are sound, the sample size is representative, the questions and terminology are well-defined and the data are valid. Good data can help guide public policy - identifying problems, designing effective education programs and determining where limited resources should go. But this report, with its squishy numbers and lack of context, doesn't provide the kind of firm foundation needed to make such decisions.

— St. Louis Post-Dispatch



## Letters

### Support Allen Central's flag

I think it's pathetic that there is nothing more important to discuss at a board meeting that Allen Central's display of the Confederate flag, like maybe how we could keep drugs and weapons from entering our schools, things that are actually harmful to our kids.

That flag has been flying there for over 30 years and I have never known of it hurting anyone. But we always have some people who like to stir in something that doesn't need stirring.

I graduated from Allen Central and not one time did I look at that flag and feel hate or think of slavery. If the truth were known, most of the students at Allen Central now or in the past have no idea what that flag represents, and I bet none of them ever looked at it as a symbol of hate or slavery. Maybe they should discuss history teachers at the next meeting (nothing intended toward any teachers).

Like the man from Teaberry wrote, "It has nothing to do with a gang or race. It is simply a representation of Allen Central." We were proud to be Rebels and of our flag. Nothing more!

I myself have never had a slave, nor do I know anyone that ever had a slave. I don't know of anyone today who was a slave. I do, however, agree with Mr. Coleman, head of the activist group, that the community is still living in the past. Well, just because they choose to stay in the past instead of moving forward doesn't give them the right to condemn our flag. Honestly, I think it's just something to pick at,

because they have nothing better to do. Why can't they pursue something worthwhile that may actually be beneficial?

I think along with a lot of others that it would be an absolute shame and disgrace to take the flag from the Rebels. It's a shame that these symbols are already being eliminated. When will this nonsense stop? Prayer has been taken out of school, the Ten Commandments are under fire, and certain words that are offensive shouldn't be said. What will be next?

And we have men and women dying every day in a war and they can't find anything better to complain about. I found it ironic after 9/11 businesses everywhere had up signs, "God bless our troops" and "God bless America." But yet you can't pray at school and want God taken out of the Pledge and a judge rules in favor of one student not to have prayer at graduation. I commend these students for doing it anyway. And what happened to majority rules?

You know, there's a lot of things I see and hear on the TV and radio that I don't like. But I don't try to take these things from everyone just because I don't like it. I change channels or, in this case, don't look at it.

I hope everyone at Allen Central or anyone who just believes this is wrong will be at the board meetings on Jan. 17 and Jan. 22 at 6:30 p.m. at May Valley. The discussion of the flag is on the agenda for both meetings. Let's all, Rebels and Rebel believers, stand together. Don't let them take our flag. It's been there 30 years. Let's keep it 30 more. And please, let's all remember our First Amendment right and exercise it.

Karen Caudill  
Hueysville

### Bad examples in schools

I'm a mother of four kids who attend May Valley Elementary and Allen Central Middle School. I'd like for someone to explain to me how some things that go on at school are fair or right. Day after day, my kids (ages 7, 9, 11 and 12) come home complaining about several things. They ask me why and I have no answer.

1. The kids are not allowed to have pop and only fat-free, sugar-free or baked sweets, but yet the teachers drink Pepsi and eat a Snickers right in front of our children.

2. Cell phones are forbidden, but again teachers and staff text message each other while trying to teach a class.

3. Dress codes call for no low-cut, spaghetti-strap shirts, skirts and shorts no more than three inches above the knee, and no pants with holes in them. But once again, every day principals, teachers and staff are seen wearing these items, which is very inappropriate.

They say our kids are obese, so they've changed the menus and snacks, but the staff members are just as obese as anyone else. I thought we, as adults, were supposed to set examples and be good role models. If we can't follow the rules, how do we expect our kids to?

As for lunch and snack, that should be left up to the parents.

Tina Huff  
Martin



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Donations

"I attribute much of our success to my deputies for asking people to donate," said Hall.

"Douglas Hall and his staff should be very proud of their efforts in collecting the \$1 donations," said Trust For Life Director Berkeley Scott, "and a special thank you should go out to all of those Floyd County residents that donat-

ed." Hall says that he and the other members of the board of directors are encouraging other counties to try to raise their percentages. "In 1999, we were ranked 115th in the state," said Hall, while explaining that it is possible for other counties to improve their numbers.

Kentucky drivers may sign

the back of their license to indicate their willingness to be organ and tissue donors. Licenses can either be signed at the clerk's office or at home, but participants are encouraged to notify family members of their decision. Bright orange "donor dots" are also available to be placed on the

front of the license. Currently, there are nearly 800 Kentuckians who are on waiting lists for lifesaving organ transplants and many more need life enhancing procedures requiring donated tissues such as corneas, heart valves and veins. Many of these patients may die while

waiting. "Someone in everyone's life has been touched by the need for an organ or tissue donation," said Hall. "I hope that the county continues to be so generous." Kentucky residents with a valid state driver's license may now make their wish to be a

donor known by registering with Kentucky's Organ Donor Registry by visiting www.DonateLifeKY.org. The registration process is quick, easy and secure. Interested Kentuckians may call (866) 945-5433 for more information.

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Roads

secondary accidents which sometimes occur when people do not react quickly enough.

While most programs and laws the state has implemented in the name of safety are met with praise, some researchers at the Kentucky Transportation Center believe that safety measures already in place need to be looked at more closely. Jerry G. Pigman, the principal investigator for a study commissioned by the KTC in November 2005, said that one such safety device, the shoulder and centerline rumble strips which are increasingly used on more roads statewide to warn drivers when they are leaving the roadway or crossing into oncoming traffic, need to be studied to determine if they are really needed on all roads where they are currently being installed.

"Everyone assumes they are beneficial without any studies being done," Pigman said. "Other studies conducted nationwide have concluded they are, but there are some roads that probably don't need them."

Rumble strips are grooves or rows of raised pavement placed either on the side of a road or along the centerline to provide a warning to drivers that they are in danger and need to move back into their lane. The strips produce a loud rumbling sound and a matching vibration, which alerts the driver they have left the roadway. Pigman said he believes the strips should be used on all major highways and two-lane parkways where there is a chance of crashes as a result of driver fatigue, but

said that their installation in urban areas where there is already sufficient shoulder space and where bicyclists have a hard time maneuvering around the strips are areas where they are unnecessary.

"Pretty much every cement contract in Kentucky was having them installed when they repaired a road," Pigman said. The past 10 to 15 years has seen a surge in the implementation of the strips as a part of many repavement projects at the behest of the Transportation Cabinet. The question posed by the cabinet now, which is being studied by Pigman's research group, is whether the state should continue to install the strips in places they have been in the past. An example used by the group where they are unnecessary would be on regular winding roads, where when you go off the road, as Pigman put it, you are already off the road and the warning the strips produce may startle someone to the point of actually causing a crash.

The group's report, which will be released later this year, is looking at a wide range of issues, ranging from the incidence of accidents on certain roads before and after their implementation to complaints by bicyclists that they cannot stay on the road when riding over them. Pigman said the strips are needed in many areas, but said the research will lead to more studies and with that, better road safety.

"In my opinion, safety belts are the best for safety," Pigman said.

Get Healthy Kentucky initiative kicks off with launch of website

For Kentuckians who've made getting healthy their New Year's resolution, finding the tools to achieve their goal will be a whole lot easier in 2007 thanks to Governor Fletcher's new initiative, Get Healthy Kentucky (GHK).

The program is charged with constructing a statewide wellness plan for all residents, including access to reliable, unbiased information on the GHK Web site, www.gethealthy.ky.gov. When the public logs on to the site, they will learn more about the Governor's Challenge program an innovative fitness program designed to help participants meet physical activity, nutrition and smoking cessation challenges.

"When I first envisioned Get Healthy Kentucky, I wanted something that would directly involve the residents of the commonwealth and make each of us feel that we are a part of improving the health status of our state," said Governor Ernie Fletcher. "With so much information out there, that can be a daunting challenge. Get Healthy Kentucky provides a single, accurate source of health information along with unique challenges and promotions to inspire Kentuckians to lead healthier and, ultimately, more fulfilling lives."

Through the Governor's Challenge, participants will be able to choose how to become and remain physically active. There are more than 100 activities from which to choose, allowing a fun and exciting bevy of Get Healthy Kentucky options.

The Governor Challenges gives participants the capability to track progress on an activity

log indicating how far they've come and how close they're getting to meeting individual goals. Once the goal is set, there are three levels of achievement: bronze, silver and gold.

Kentuckians should start looking for the GHK logo and staff at events across the state selected to help spread the message about the program and give the public a chance to sign up to take the Governor's Challenge. By being one of first 1,000 citizens that become a member, you will receive a free Get Healthy Kentucky pedometer to begin your challenge.

"One of the most exciting components of Get Healthy Kentucky will be creating or supporting community and state events," said GHK Executive Director Chris L. Corbin. "Look for us at various sporting events and physical activity initiatives that will help us spread our message about improving our lifestyles and creating environments more conducive to healthy living for schools and families."

The public can now log on to the Get Healthy Kentucky Web site to access extensive and reliable information about nutrition, physical activity and tobacco cessation-related tools

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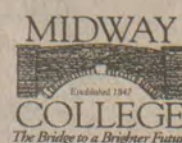


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GED classes are also available.

**Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings**

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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 Learning Center.

Cliff: 3rd Tuesday, 12 p.m., Community Center.

Prestonsburg: 2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., Extension Office.

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**Looking for a Support Group?**

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•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.

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•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.

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•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).

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and information. There is also a place to join "Team Get Healthy Kentucky" to receive a personalized membership card along with information about exciting events and activities related to the program as well as special benefits for team members in the near future.

The site also contains a host of other helpful resources, recipes and ways to get started to help more people adopt the Get Healthy message and start leading more active, healthier lives.

In upcoming weeks, appointments to the Governor's Council on Wellness and Physical Activity, which will provide oversight of Get

Healthy Kentucky, will be announced.

"The goal of Get Healthy Kentucky is to get the public more involved in their personal health. We want all Kentuckians - no matter your age or fitness level - to join us in our efforts to start changing our state's attitudes about wellness," said Corbin. "Getting involved is easy. All you need to do is log on and start learning more about the Get Healthy message."

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# Galbraith says he'll run for governor

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Lexington attorney Gatewood Galbraith, a fixture on Kentucky's ballot, said Monday he plans to enter the growing field of Democrats running for governor this year.

Meanwhile, former Lt. Gov. Steve Henry pushed back his planned gubernatorial announcement because of the death of longtime supporter and political mentor Bettie Weyler, a retired Jefferson County teacher. Henry, a Democrat, had planned to make his announcement Wednesday, but said it now probably won't come until next week.

Asked if he has selected a running mate, Henry replied, "I think it's safe to say I have," but wouldn't elaborate.

The 60-year-old Galbraith said he intends to file his candidacy papers next week in

Frankfort. He said he has a running mate lined up but declined to identify who will fill out his slate.

Galbraith ran unsuccessfully for governor three times before — twice as a Democrat and once as a Reform Party candidate drawing 15 percent of the vote in 1999. His losing campaigns include two bids for Congress, once for agriculture commissioner and in 2003 as an independent candidate for attorney general.

Galbraith portrayed himself as the most conservative candidate in this year's race.

"I'm for limited government," he said. "That's what the constitution was set up to do."

Already seeking the Democratic gubernatorial nomination are state Treasurer Jonathan Miller, former Lt. Gov. Steve Beshear and Otis Hensley of Harlan. House Speaker Jody Richards plans to announce in the coming

days whether he'll run for governor. Attorney General Greg Stumbo also is considering entering the race.

Henry welcomed the large field of Democratic rivals, saying it would benefit him. Henry has been on the statewide ballot as a candidate for lieutenant governor and U.S. Senate. He also has ties to several areas — he grew up in Daviess County, graduated from Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green and has been a surgeon in Louisville. His wife, former Miss America Heather French Henry, is from northern Kentucky.

"I think the higher number of people in the race, the more that favors my candidacy," he said.

Galbraith tried to link other candidates to the party's decline in Kentucky, where Republicans hold both U.S. Senate seats, four of six congressional seats, the governor-

ship and the state Senate.

"The Democratic Party needs to be resurrected, but it cannot be in its past image," he said. "We offer the only ticket that has enough sense not to take part in what the Democratic Party became."

Galbraith said state officials have not put enough money into education.

He said he will propose giving every Kentucky high school graduate a \$5,000 voucher to use for college, vocational school or other specialized worker training. He said rising university tuition rates are "casting off a lot of middle-income families from being able to" afford college.

Galbraith said underfunding for education has contributed to Kentucky's economic underperformance.

"Our economic development policy is not working and has not been working for a long time," he said.

Galbraith gained notoriety

early in his political career for his support to legalize marijuana. He said Monday that he supports allowing marijuana use for some medical purposes for the "sick and dying."

"That's as far as I go," he said.

Meanwhile, U.S. Rep. Harold "Hal" Rogers, a Republican from Kentucky's 5th District, appeared to rule out a run for governor in an interview on WYMT-TV's "Issues and Answers" program that aired Monday night.

Rogers, mentioned as a

possible candidate for governor, said he thought he could do more good for the state, and especially his eastern Kentucky district, in Washington than in Frankfort.

Rogers said he did not plan to endorse anyone in the GOP primary for governor.

Republican Gov. Ernie Fletcher is facing a primary-election challenge from Paducah businessman Billy Harper. Former U.S. Rep. Anne Northup of Louisville may announce a possible bid in the coming days.

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# PBH neurologist certified in headache medicine

PAINTSVILLE — Dr. Naveed Ahmed, M. D., Neurologist on the medical staff of Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, was recently notified on his award of Subspecialty Certification in Headache Medicine by the United Council for Neurologic Subspecialties (UCNS). This notification identifies Dr. Ahmed as the only physician in Kentucky to hold this Subspecialty Certification.

Dr. Ahmed practices at the Neurology, Spine and Headache Center, PLLC. He is a Clinical Professor and Chairman of the Neurology Program at Pikeville College, School of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Ahmed served as a Clinical Fellow in Spinal Cord Injury Medicine at Harvard Medical School, West Roxbury VA Hospital, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. He has also served residencies

in Neurology and in Internal Medicine. He was a Fellow in Neuro-Rehabilitation at Stony Brook University Hospital in New York.

The UCNS is an independent, non-profit, professional medical organization designed to recognize added competence and enhancing the quality of training for physicians in neurological subspecialties and the quality of patient care.

Headache Medicine is a subspecialty concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of head and facial pain. Its scope includes the diseases or categories of disease causing central and peripheral disturbance of structures or functions causing head and face pain and includes both primary and secondary disturbances of these structures or functions.

As one who suffers from migraine headaches himself, Dr. Ahmed's interest in headache medicine and in advancing this neurological

subspecialty is not wholly professional. "This has been a passion for me," he acknowledges. "I have suffered from migraines myself and realize they should be treated with respect."

Preparing for the four-hour exam, a prerequisite for certification, including six months of study, all the while continuing his private practice and teaching as chair of the Department of Neurology at Pikeville College, was a challenging but gratifying experience for Dr. Ahmed.

As his thriving practice confirms, headache medicine (and its recognition as a neurological subspecialty) "has been a passion for me," Dr. Ahmed admits.

His enthusiasm echoes that of Alan G. Finkel, MD, a Neurologist active in promoting headache medicine as a subspecialty within UCNS.

"The experience of taking the Headache Medicine exam-

ination in this new specialty was thrilling (something most of us don't feel when sitting for yet another test)," Finkel said. "The general neurologist would not be able to pass this examination without significant exposure and experience. This is the true mark of subspecialty certification."

Dr. Ahmed received his medical training in Mysore, India, at the Mysore Medical College where he was awarded his Doctor of Medicine degree.

He is a member of the American Academy of Neurology, American Society of Neuro-Rehabilitation, American Society of Internal Medicine, Kentucky Medical Association and the National Headache Foundation. He is a widely published author of scholarly medical studies, including the Journal of Spinal Cord Medicine and the Journal of Neuro-Chemistry.

# Company: 2 W.Va. miners killed during retreat mining

The Associated Press

CUCUMBER, W.Va. — Two coal miners were buried in debris and killed Saturday in a southern West Virginia mine.

The miners were part of a crew engaged in a technique called retreat mining when a collapse occurred before 11 a.m. at the Cucumber Mine, said Ted Pile, a spokesman for Abingdon, Va.-based Alpha Natural Resources. Alpha's Brooks Run Mining subsidiary operates the mine.

"The day crew was in the process of pillaring, which is actually pulling out of a mined out area," Pile said.

Retreat mining involves removing pillars of coal that were first left as roof supports.

It is unknown whether the miners were killed by falling

roof material or a collapse of one of the mine's pillars.

The deaths are the first in West Virginia's coal mines this year and the second and third in the nation and follow 47 fatalities in 2006, the highest death toll since 1995. Twenty-four of the deaths occurred in West Virginia.

Pile said 35 miners were underground at the time of the accident. The rest of the dayshift left the mine safely, he said.

"We're in the process of notifying the families," Pile said. "We will probably release the names once the families are notified."

The mine was closed Saturday and will remain closed until regulators allow it to reopen, Pile said.

Emergency dispatchers said

the accident occurred more than a mile from the entrance of the mine.

Additional details weren't immediately available. State Office of Miners' Health, Safety and Training Director Ron Wooten said it is unclear whether a pillar or portion of the roof collapsed.

"We won't know until they complete the underground investigation," Wooten said. State and federal Mine Safety and Health Administration investigators were at the mine and planned to begin interviewing witnesses Monday. Alpha also has safety officials at the mine, Pile said.

Wooten said the miners' bodies had been taken to a hospital in Welch.

The fatality was the first at the mine, which opened in

2004 and is located about 90 miles west of Roanoke, Va.

MSHA director Richard Stickler said the agency was "saddened by the tragic accident" and said it was working closely with the state to find out the cause.

"We will take appropriate action on our findings," he said.

The mine produced 375,665 tons of coal last year. Federal inspectors cited it 65 times in 2006 and proposed penalties totaling \$5,000, according to MSHA's Web site.

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# Odds & Ends

■ **VALLEJO, Calif.** — It's every gadget fan's nightmare: A cell phone apparently ignited a fire that caused severe burns over half his body.

Luis Picaso, 59, was in stable condition Monday at UC Davis Medical Center with second and third-degree burns to his upper body, back, right arm and right leg, Vallejo Fire Department assistant chief Kurt Henke said.

Firefighters arrived at a residential hotel late Saturday night to find Picaso lying on the bathroom floor after the cell phone in his pants pocket set fire to his nylon and polyester clothes, department spokesman Bill Tweedy said. "It was either a malfunction or some type of glitch in his phone," Tweedy said, adding that investigators found no other possible ignition source, such as matches or open flame, nearby.

The flames spread to a plastic chair, setting off a sprinkler that held the fire in check until firefighters arrived, he said. Authorities declined to name the manufacturer and model of the phone.

The fire and water caused \$75,000 damage.

■ **NEW HAVEN, Conn.** — A burger battle is brewing between a Texas state legislator and the owners of a restaurant who claim the hamburger was invented here.

With the new session of the Texas legislature now under way, Republican State Rep. Betty Brown has proposed a resolution declaring Athens, Texas, the original home of the hamburger.

Brown, an Athens resident, says that a long-ago resident of the town had a luncheonette in the late 1880s and sold the first burgers there.

Those claims are not sitting well with Ken Lassen Sr., 89, the third-generation owner of Louis' Lunch, established in 1895. He says his grandfather came up with the first hamburger there.

Lassen said it happened in

1900 when a man rushed into the restaurant asked for something he could eat on the run. Ken Lassen's grandfather grabbed a broiled beef patty and put it between two slices of bread.

Mayor John DeStefano Jr., advocating for his city, backs the Lassens and their claims.

"We are even the birthplace of George Bush who wants people to think he's from Texas," the mayor said. "So yes, the hamburger is as much a New Haven original as President Bush. Get over it, Texas."

■ **CANAL FULTON, Ohio** — About a year after being banned, a sad-eyed basset hound named Franklin is back at his spot on a sofa greeting customers inside Matt's Barber Shop.

Franklin was as much of a fixture in the shop about 60 miles south of Cleveland as the 1950s-era, green barber's chair where the doggie sits.

"I love him," said Franklin's owner, Matt Schwendiman, who cuts hair and at the shop, which he owns. "I haven't met anyone who comes in here who doesn't like Franklin. He just gets along with everybody."

But the 4-year-old dog was kicked out about a year ago when an inspector for the Ohio State Barber Board told Schwendiman that animals are not allowed.

During a 10-month exile to the barber's home, Franklin just didn't seem happy.

"At my house, he scratched my window sills up," Schwendiman said. "When I'd leave, he would look out the picture window. He wanted to go to the barbershop."

After a local newspaper did a story, rules were passed that allow one animal per barbershop, as long as it belongs to the shop's owner, a vet attests to the animal's health, and the owner obtains liability insurance.

He's a great dog," said Schwendiman. "He's just so passive. He makes you

relaxed; he reminds me of myself when I'm home sleeping."

■ **HINSDALE, Ill. (AP)** — A man who set an apparent record by riding a stationary bike for 85 hours finished the feat by checking into a hospital.

After two days of recovery and lots of fluids and sleep, 49-year-old George Hood of Aurora pronounced himself almost back to normal Monday. His bid for a record was still awaiting certification for a place in the Guinness World Records book.

"I've got a few aches in my left leg, but it's nothing that I can't handle," he said by phone shortly before ending what he called a precautionary stay at Adventist Hinsdale Hospital.

Statistics from the ride were eye-opening: the equivalent of nearly 1,083 miles spun and 27,854 calories burned, which had him curious to step on a scale to find out how many pounds he'd lost.

Hood, a Drug Enforcement Administration supervisor, raised approximately \$30,000 for the Illinois chapter of COPS, an organization that helps the families of slain police officers, through the long bike ride.

■ **NEW YORK** — Think you love New York? Marguerite Drucker REALLY loves New York.

The 84-year-old housewife, who moved away several years ago, sent the Big Apple a \$7,000 cashier's check and an anonymous note professing her enduring fondness for the city.

"Dear sir," her handwritten letter said. "Please find enclosed check for the poor of the City of New York. The city has been very good to me."

The letter, sent to the comptroller's office, didn't have a return address, but Drucker's name was on the check.

Drucker, a former nurse, was married to a pediatrician in the borough of Queens,

where they raised seven children, participated in church activities and contributed to charities, friends said. She now lives in another state and didn't wish to discuss her gift.

But the city's comptroller, William Thompson Jr., was eager to praise her.

"She stands as a wonderful symbol of New York and all that's good about this city and what it's done for so many people over the years," Thompson said. "It's very, very rare to receive a basically anonymous donation of this size."

Drucker's check, received Nov. 29, will go into the city's general fund, which pays for a variety of services, including helping the poor.

■ **WATERBURY, Conn.** — A kiss has landed a criminal defense attorney in hot water.

Ralph Crozier, 55, was arrested Thursday for kissing a female judicial marshal at Waterbury Superior Court on Dec. 22. The marshal told police she did not invite the kiss, which was why a criminal disorderly conduct charge was filed.

"This is the biggest baloney I've ever seen in my life," Crozier said Thursday. "How many tens of thousands of people in Connecticut wished their co-workers and friends 'Merry Christmas' the day before Christmas?"

The incident was captured on security video.

Crozier said the video will prove he meant nothing sexual by the kiss, which he described as a peck on the cheek. He says the incident is

an example of political correctness run amok.

"It was a Christmas greeting. I had no intention to annoy or harass anybody," Crozier said. "Every one of us knew we were on camera. This was a peck on the cheek. That was the extent. There was nothing here that was weird or sexual."

The arrest warrant affidavit is sealed until Jan. 24, when Crozier is scheduled to be arraigned. He is free on a \$10,000 bond.

■ **SANDY SPRINGS, Ga.** — The local Wachovia Bank here was a busy place last week — for robberies.

On Jan. 10 around 9:34 a.m. a man walked into the bank and presented a note to a teller that read "give me the money or I will shoot," police said. The man escaped in a silver Honda Civic or Saab with an undisclosed amount of money.

Earlier, around 2:30 p.m. the day before, a different man entered the bank showing an automatic gun and presented a note demanding money, police said. He also left with an undisclosed amount of money.

"That's the first time I've seen anything like that within 24 hours of each other," Lt. Steve Rose of the Sandy Springs Police Department. "It's weird."

Police said they considered the two bank robberies independent — for now. "It may be they could know each other but that gives us another angle to pursue," Rose said. "There's someone out there that knows these two guys."

■ **HERSHEY, Pa.** — This Valentine's Day, you can really seal your letters with a kiss.

In conjunction with the 100th anniversary of Hershey's Kisses, the U.S. Postal Service on Saturday held a ceremony to issue the 39-cent "With Love and Kisses" stamp, featuring the iconic chocolate treat.

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Pictured is newly-elected State Representative Brandon Spencer (D-95th District) reviewing some proposed economic development plans for the City of Prestonsburg. "I'm here to reach out to local leaders who represent our needs and the needs of the area. When you listen to what others are saying, then you get a clearer picture of what needs to be done." Rep. Spencer will be traveling back to Frankfort for General Assembly before February 6th. His Frankfort office can be reached at 502-564-8100.

## Randall joins PBH as health info manager



Jeffrey W. Randall

PAINTSVILLE — Jeffrey W. Randall, MBA, RHIA, CPHQ, CHC, has joined the staff at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center as Health Information Management Director.

Randall earned his Bachelor's Degree from Illinois State University and was awarded a Master in Business Administration degree from Fontbonne College of St. Louis. He holds certifications in healthcare compliance, healthcare quality and is a Registered Health

Information Administrator.

In addition to his ten years of experience in health information management, Randall is a published author, having been published in Health Care Compliance Today magazine. Before joining the staff of PBH, Randall served as Compliance Specialist, HIM Specialist/Compliance Auditor, Director of Medical Records and Health Information Management Coordinator at medical facilities in Missouri, Tennessee, Guam and Georgia.

## Aide: Northup will challenge Fletcher in GOP primary

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Former U.S. Rep. Anne Northup will challenge Gov. Ernie Fletcher in this year's Republican gubernatorial primary and will name veteran legislator Jeff Hoover as her running mate, a Northup aide said Tuesday.

Northup, who served five House terms from a Louisville-area district until her defeat last November, will file her candidacy papers for the May primary on Wednesday at the Capitol in Frankfort, said her campaign manager, Cam Savage.

Fletcher, the first Republican elected Kentucky governor in a generation, also is being challenged by Paducah businessman Billy Harper in the GOP primary.

Northup and Hoover planning a campaign tour of the state on Thursday and Friday.

"Anne plans to be in all corners of the state between now and Election Day," Savage said.

Hoover, a Republican from Jamestown in south-central Kentucky, is the top GOP leader in the Democratic-controlled Kentucky House.

"Anne really feels like she's found a perfect running mate," Savage said. "He's respected by Republicans and Democrats. He's got a record of success, and I think they make a great team."

Northup defeated freshman Democratic Rep. Mike Ward to win the 3rd District congressional seat in 1996. She defeated a string of challengers in the Democratic-leaning district until losing to John Yarmuth in November.

Northup and Fletcher served together in Congress until Fletcher's election as governor in 2003.

*Happy Birthday Snugglebug*



### Odds

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"chocoholic," told the hundreds gathered at Hershey's Giant Center that "this stamp will echo the message of love and caring."

Designed by illustrator Jose Ortega of New York City and Toronto, the Hershey's stamp features a Kiss and a red heart. Written on the heart is "Love," while "Kisses" appears on a plume that extends from the top of the foil-wrapped chocolate.

"Think of all the Valentine cards you can send sealed with a kiss," said Richard H. Lenny, president and chief executive officer of The Hershey Co., the nation's largest candy maker.



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## Kentucky Arts Council offers technology workshops for artists and arts organizations

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Arts Council, a state agency in the Commerce Cabinet, will partner with Spencerian College, Lexington to provide a series of technology workshops specifically designed for artists and individuals working in arts organizations. The half-day Saturday sessions will cover a range of topics at the beginner level including photographing artwork, preparation of photographs for online applications, website development basics and creating marketing materials for print.

The sessions will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, on Saturdays, at Spencerian College, Lexington, 1575 Winchester Road, Lexington, KY 40505. The fee is \$10 per session which includes continental breakfast and lunch. Participants who attend two or more technology sessions may attend a wrap-up session in June, at no charge, to receive assistance on individual projects. Early registration is advised due to limited class size. For registration and information, go to: [www.artsCouncil.ky.gov/forms/Techworkshop.htm](http://www.artsCouncil.ky.gov/forms/Techworkshop.htm)

The following workshops are being offered from late January through June:

■ **Overview: Learning Digital Imaging from A-Z** (January 27 and February 17) is a basic, beginners class providing a general overview of how to take quality digital images, terms, definitions and software programs for PC or MAC. This session will be especially helpful to visual artists and craftspeople that intend to apply to the Kentucky Arts Council for one of the four adjudicated programs that have applications due on March 15, 2007. The applications for the Arts Education Artist Roster, Individual Artist Fellowships, Kentucky Crafted and the

Visual Arts at the Market programs along with the Performing Arts Directory will be made through the Kentucky Arts Council's new electronic granting system, Kentucky Arts Services OnLine (KASOL). For more information about these programs, visit the Kentucky Arts Council Web site at [www.artsCouncil.ky.gov](http://www.artsCouncil.ky.gov).

■ **Hands-on Learning Digital Imaging from A-Z** (March 17 and April 21) is a more intensive hands-on class to further explore aspects of digital imaging. The class includes instruction on taking quality digital images, software programs and manipulating images. Participants are asked to bring their digital cameras to the session.

■ **Marketing Yourself on the Web** (March 17 and May 19) is a basic course on the mechanics of developing a website, terminology and review of software programs for MAC or PC.

■ **Marketing Yourself in Print** (April 21 and May 19) will explore the use of software programs, digital photographs and quality print techniques for producing brochures and other marketing materials.

■ **Wrap-up Session** (June - date to be determined)

The Kentucky Arts Council is pleased to enter into this public/private partnership with Spencerian College, Lexington to provide technology training for Kentucky's artists. For over a century, Spencerian College has helped fulfill the dreams of many ambitious students who believe a rewarding career is a worthwhile goal. Programs include degrees in Allied Health, Computer Graphic Design, Computer Aided Design Drafting (CADD), Computer Engineering Technology (CET) and Electrical Engineering Technology (EET).

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located on the Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37°17'05"N. The longitude is 82°42'28"W. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resource's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments, objections, must be received,

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application**

No. 836-0337 NW In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that PIA Company, Inc., P.O. Box 1590, Martin, Kentucky 41649, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 1.55 mile southeast of Blue Moon, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 46.93 acres of surface, and have 70.00 acres overlying highwall mining area, for a total of 116.93 acres within the total permit boundary.

The proposed operation is located on Little Mud Creek of Big Mud Creek, approximately 0.80 mile south from the junction of Morgan Fork (CR) with Little Mud Creek (CR). The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Akers Estate, Dedra Hall, and Terry Hall. The permit area will underlie land owned by Akers Estate, Dedra Hall, and Terry Hall. This operation will use the contour and highwall methods of mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

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- Skill Belt Sander
- Milwaukee High Torque Driver Drill
- Ryobi Router
- Skill Jigsaw
- Rotozip Spiral Saw
- Craftsman Planer
- Dewalt 10" Bench Table Saw
- Dewalt Sawzall
- Stanley Air Compressor
- Bostitch Nail Gun
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- Bostitch Industrial Nail Gun
- Skill - Skill Saw

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**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that King Brothers Coal Company, Inc., P.O. Box 524, Hindman,

Kentucky 41822, has applied for Phase I Bond Release on permit number 836-5459, Increment #1 and #2, which was last issued on 01/09/06. The application covers an area of approximately 5.1 surface bonded acres, located 0.5 mile south of Price, in Floyd County.

2. The operation is approximately 1.90 mile north from State Route 122's junction with State Route 979, and located 0.1 mile east of Left Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees 23 minutes 21 seconds, and the longitude is 82 degrees 44 minutes 42 seconds. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map.

3. The bond now in effect for permit number 836-5459 are Letters of Credit:  
Increment #1, \$4,600.00  
Increment #2, \$26,000.00  
Approximately 60% of the original bond is included in the application for release.

4. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching, completed October 15, 2006. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife.

5. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or an informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by February 28, 2007.

6. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 1, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no requests for a hearing or informal conference are received by February 28, 2007.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application**

5334 Amendment No. 4  
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co., Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for an amendment to an existing underground/refuse storage coal mining operation located 2.0 miles north of Emma in Floyd County. The amendment will add an additional 1521.0 acres of underground area for a total area within the permit boundary of 2648.16 acres.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.0 miles east from Ky Route 1428's junction with Sugarloaf Branch Road and located 0.1 miles north of Sugarloaf Branch. The proposed amendment is located on the

Lancer U.S.G.S. 7?1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will use the underground mining method. The operation will underlie land owned by Jewell Crider, Lon Goble Estate, Donald L. & Joyce Goble, Bud Goble Estate, Wayne & Barbara Wright, Mary Lucille Willis, Lewis & Emma Hunt, Evan & Mari Rose, Linda Jarvis, Floyd Harris Heirs, Jimmy & Ramona Burchett, Rudy Harris, Vivian Franklin, John Harris, Martha Johnson, Bill Monroe Thompson, J.G. Porter et. al, Landon Charles Heirs, John Hunt, John Branham, Clark Pergem and Jesse Rudd, and Mary Crawford & Charles Porter Trust.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT**

DIVISION No. II  
Case No. 05-CI-00934

(Consolidated C.A. Nos. 04-CI-01221 & 05-CI-00934)

U.S. Bank, NA Plaintiff

vs. Michelle Roth, et al. Defendants and Blue View Corporation Plaintiff

vs. Michelle Roth, et al. Defendants RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Summary/Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 31st day of October, 2006, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$23,227.08, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 1st day of February 2007, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 4 North Roberts Drive, Prestonsburg,

Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Lying and being in Goble-Roberts Addition to the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and being Lots Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in Block G as shown by plat or map on file in the office of the Clerk of the Floyd County Court, to which reference is hereby made, and all improvements located and situated thereon.

Being the same property conveyed to Michelle Roth by deed dated October 22, 1997, of record in Deed Book 417, Page 647, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2006, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, and City of Paintsville, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein. Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Frank Heaberlin 119 East Court Street Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**Ordinance Amending Code of Ordinances and the Utility Rules and Regulations so to Provide for Immediate Disconnection of Utilities Obtained by a Check, Draft, Note or Other Negotiable Instrument which is Dishonored for Not Sufficient Funds for Any Other Reason; Providing For Immediate Disconnection of Utilities when Check, Draft, Note or Other Negotiable Instrument is Dishonored for Non-Sufficient Funds or Any Other Reason After the Account has Received a Final Notice and Subject to Disconnect For Nonpayment Without the Customer Receiving a Further Final Notice.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 0-2000-020**

Be It Ordained by the City of Pikeville that the Utility Rules and Regulations, adopted by Ordinance No. 0-91-014 are amended to add Paragraphs 23(a) and (b) as follows:

Paragraph 23(a). When a check, draft note or other negotiable instrument received by the Utility Department as a deposit for a utility account is returned without payment and/or dishonored for payment for non-sufficient funds or any other reason, the utility account for which check, draft, note or other negotiable instrument was received shall be subject to immediate termination and immediate disconnection of the utility(s) without any notice to the account holder.

Paragraph 23(b). When a check, draft, note or other negotiable instrument is received by the utility department for payment of a utility account and is returned without payment and/or dishonored for payment for non-sufficient funds or any other reason, the account shall be treated as if no payment had been received and the delinquent penalty shall be assessed pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 3 of the Utility Rules and Regulations and final notice issued (and tagging of the customer's door) immediately if one has not been issued. If a final notice and/or a disconnect notice tagged to the customer's door was issued before receipt of the dishonored payment, no notice or tagging of the customer's door will be issued before the utilities are disconnected.

The ordinance shall be in full force and effect after it is passed and published as required by law. The above ordinance was given first reading this 23rd day of October 2000; the ordinance was given a second reading on the 27th day of November 2000.

Passed this 27th day of November, 2000.

Commissioner Clark moved for the adoption of the foregoing ordinance.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the votes were as follows:

	Yes	No
Frank Morris, Mayor	✓	—
Gene Davis, Commissioner	✓	—
Sharon Clark, Commissioner	✓	—
Wanda Wilson, Commissioner	✓	—
Bill Blackburn, Commissioner	✓	—

The Mayor declared the within ordinance adopted.

Frank Morris, Mayor

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**An Ordinance Related to the Amendment of §55.06 of the Code of Ordinances and the City of Pikeville Utility Rules and Regulations Adopted by 0-91-014 so to Provide for Payment on the Fifteenth Day Following the Bill for Service; Providing for a Penalty of 5% after Fifteen Days; And Discontinuance of Service After Twenty Days**

**ORDINANCE NO. 0-2005-022**

Now Therefore, Be It Ordained by the City of Pikeville that § 55.06 is amended as follows:

**§ 55.06 Billing Procedure; Late Payment; Remedies For Nonpayment.**

(A) All users shall be billed monthly. Billings for any particular month shall be made within ten (10) days after the end of the month. Payments are due within fifteen (15) days following the date of bill for service; after the close of ordinary business hours on the fifteenth (15th) day following the date of billing, the utility account shall be delinquent and a late payment penalty of five percent (5%) of the current user charge bill will be added to each delinquent bill.

(B) After twenty (20) days following the date of billing and 24 hours notification to the customer (by tagging of customer's door) of the City intention to disconnect services, the City shall discontinue service to the delinquent customer and service shall not be restored until the account is paid in full, plus a service charge for discontinuing and restoring service.

(C) When any bill (including interest and penalty) remains unpaid for one (1) year after the date due, such bill shall be recorded in the land records of Pike County by the treasurer and shall constitute a lien on the property. If such lien (including interest and penalty) remains unpaid for a period of one (1) year after date of recordation, such property shall be subject to public sale by the treasurer.

Further the Utility Rules and Regulations adopted by the City by ordinance 0-91-014 are hereby amended to conform with the changes set forth above.

The above ordinance was given first reading this 26th day of September, 2005.

The ordinance was given a second reading on the 10th day of October 2005.

Passed this 10th day of October, 2005.

Commissioner Layne moved the adoption of the foregoing ordinance. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the votes were as follows:

	Yes	No
Franklin D. Justice, II, Mayor	✓	—
James A. Carter, Commissioner	✓	—
Eugene W. Davis, Commissioner	✓	—
Shane Hall, Commissioner	✓	—
Dallas Layne, Commissioner	✓	—

The Mayor declared the within ordinance adopted.

Franklin D. Justice, II, Mayor  
Attest:  
Karen W. Harris, City Clerk

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. (SVTS), will host a Public Hearing at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 8, 2007, at the Jenny Wiley State Park, May Lodge, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Public Hearing is for the consideration of grant applications for federal funds for capital and operating assistance for the period of July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, for rural community transportation services in the Big Sandy valley area, including Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties.

There is no significant environmental impact. Regulations regarding the disabled and the elderly shall be completed with accordingly. Comments may be made in person or through written submission. The grant applications will be available at the SVTS office, 81 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, on April 1, 2007.

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# Blackcats beat South Floyd for third straight win

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - Prestonsburg exited South Floyd's Raider Arena Saturday night as one of the 15th Region's hottest teams. The Blackcats put together their third straight win Saturday night, beating 58th District/Floyd County Conference rival South Floyd 81-70. The Blackcats jumped out in front against South Floyd and maintained a lengthy lead for most of the district matchup.

The district win was Prestonsburg's first of the season.

Prestonsburg opened the game red-hot, outscoring South Floyd 29-14 in the opening quarter. The Blackcats led 44-34 at the half.

Junior Jordan Hall led the Prestonsburg scoring effort with 24 points. Hall also had four rebounds and three assists in Prestonsburg's third straight win.

"Going in and beating South Floyd on the road was a real big win for us," said Prestonsburg Coach Jackie Day

Crisp. "We've been playing better here the last couple of weeks - more like we are capable of playing."

Bobby Hughes, Hall's running mate in the Blackcat backcourt, added 18 points, eight rebounds and three assists. Senior Chayse Martin turned in a double-double for Prestonsburg, scoring 13 points and hauling in 11 rebounds.

Nat Stephens scored nine points and pulled down nine rebounds for the

(See BLACKCATS, page two)



South Floyd's Lyle Johnson looked to make a move against Prestonsburg's Chayse Martin during Saturday night's 58th District game.

photo by Steve LeMaster

# Lady Raiders upset P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - After losing senior Meaghan Slone for the season and sophomore Linsey Fields (both due to knee injuries) for at least a couple of weeks, Prestonsburg had the tough task on playing on the road at South Floyd Saturday night minus two of its five starters. The one thing Prestonsburg had to avoid in order to get past Floyd County Conference/58th District rival South Floyd was foul trouble. Foul trouble hindered Prestonsburg's efforts Saturday night. That and a hungry South Floyd girls' basketball team was able to cut down a 10-point Lady Blackcat lead. South Floyd took advantage of Prestonsburg's foul trouble and defeated the Lady Blackcats 46-43.

"This is a big win for us," said South Floyd Coach Tony Isaac. "As young as we are, this means

(See SOUTH FLOYD, page three)



photo by Steve LeMaster  
South Floyd senior Heather Dean tried to split a pair of Prestonsburg defenders Saturday night.

## COUNTY TOURNEY TIPS OFF



photos by Jamie Howell

POSTSEASON COMPETITION: Floyd County grade school boys' basketball A-, B-, and C-team tournaments got underway Saturday in Betsy Layne at The Dome. Taking off Monday for the holiday, play in this year's tournament resumed Tuesday night. The Adams Middle School B-Team and A-Team squads were two of the teams that prevailed Saturday.

## FLOYD COUNTY TOURNAMENT SCOREBOARD

### A-TEAM

Betsy Layne 44, Allen 19  
Allen Central 39, MCA 34  
Adams 43, Adams 28  
South Floyd-Wesley  
(No score was available.)

### B-TEAM

Allen Central 36, MCA 7  
South Floyd 26, Allen 25  
Betsy Layne 41, John M. Stumbo 6  
Adams 36, Wesley 24

### C-TEAM

Allen 12, John M. Stumbo 7  
Osborne 30, Allen Central 14  
Wesley 33, MCA 14  
McDowell 20, Adams 17



# Rebels rout Williamson (W.Va.)

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSON, W.Va. - Host Williamson (W.Va.) committed 36 turnovers and struggled to slow down the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels over the weekend. Allen Central applied stout defensive pressure and defeated the Wolfpack 85-37 in the West Virginia-Kentucky Hatfield-McCoy Shootout at the Williamson Fieldhouse.

Allen Central led 34-20 at the half before enjoying a 40-point lead (62-22) in the second half.

(See REBELS, page two)

## HS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

# Bobcats fall to Greenup

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GREENUP - The Betsy Layne Bobcats stepped outside of the 15th Region and traveled to Greenup County Friday for a game against the Musketeers. Greenup County held Betsy Layne to just 18 points in the first half. The Musketeers met the challenge of taking on 15th Region member Betsy Layne impressively, beating the Bobcats 55-40.

Mitchell Brown paced Greenup County with a team-high 15 points. Tyler Wolfenbarker added 14 points for the Musketeers.

(See ROUNDUP, page three)

# Newsome named KIAC Player of the Week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES - Alice Lloyd College senior guard Shawn Newsome was named the KIAC Conference player of the week for the week ending Jan. 7.

Newsome claimed the award after his effort in the Embry-Riddle University Tournament at Daytona Beach, Fla., Jan. 5-6.

Newsome, an Allen Central High School graduate, scored 34 points in a 73-63 win over Farmingdale State University from New York in the first round of the tournament. He hit seven-of-11 three-point field goals and ended the contest nine-of-10 from the free throw line. The Allen Central High product also had five rebounds in the tournament game. In Alice Lloyd's second tournament game, a matchup against number six-ranked Embry-Riddle, Newsome scored eight points and handed out three assists. He was also named to the five-player all-tournament team.



Shawn Newsome

# Late Brescia run closes out Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - The Brescia University Lady Bearcats went on an 11-2 run in the final three minutes to score a come-from-behind 64-61 win on the road over Pikeville College Saturday evening.

Brescia (10-12) trailed 56-53 with 3:30 to play after sophomore Whitney Hogg sank a free throw for Pikeville. But junior Danielle Jenkins followed an old-fashioned three-point play with a tip-in with 2:05 to play to put BU on top 58-056.

The lead stretched to five

when sophomore Paula Carver sank a three with 56 seconds left. Pikeville got single free throws from sophomore Kristal Daniels and senior Jessica Lovell to trim it to three, but after that, three more Brescia free throws - including two from Carver with 18 seconds left - got it to 64-58.

Pikeville (6-12) led most of the way in a game that never saw a double-digit margin. The Lady Bears led 41-33 after two straight buckets by sophomore Camille Cook with 14:17 left in the game for the largest lead of the night. Brescia's six-point

lead late was its biggest margin of the night.

Neither team shot that ball well at all, with Brescia picking up the road win despite hitting only 37.3 percent from the field. Pikeville, meanwhile, saw a two-game win streak go by the boards with a 31.3 percent effort from the floor.

Cook came off the bench to lead three Lady Bears in double figures with 13. Hogg turned in a double-double with 12 points and a game-high 11 boards, including five off the offensive

(See LADY BEARS, page two)

Blackcats

Blackcats. Senior center Trevor Patton had six points and nine rebounds for Prestonsburg. After having its double digit lead cut down early in the second half, Prestonsburg wound up outscoring South Floyd 23-20 in the fourth quarter. Mason Vance scored eight points and Taylor Clark tossed in three for the Blackcats. Vance and Clark had four rebounds apiece. With the win, Prestonsburg improved to 4-9 overall and 1-2

in the district. Ethan Johnson dumped in a game-high 30 points for South Floyd. Johnson also had 12 rebounds for the Raiders. Four different Raiders reached double figures. Adam Slone added 13 points and a game-high 13 rebounds for South Floyd. Lyle Johnson and Wes Akers each had 10 points for the Raiders. With the loss, South Floyd dropped to 2-11 overall and 0-3 in the district.

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In another game late last week, Prestonsburg traveled to Lick Creek Friday night and defeated the East Ridge Warriors 67-59.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Includes Prestonsburg 81, South Floyd 70, and other game results.



HONORED: Former South Floyd boys' basketball standouts Michael Hall and Rusty Tackett were presented with plaques Saturday night when the Raiders hosted Prestonsburg. Hall and Tackett each had their jerseys retired.

photo by Steve LeMaster

Roundup

Greenup County improved to 9-4 following the win. Justin Collins scored a game-high 19 points for Betsy Layne. Collins was the only Betsy Layne player to reach double figures scoring. Trai Witt added nine points for the Bobcats. With the loss, Betsy Layne dropped to 6-8. The loss was Betsy Layne's first setback in four games. At Jackson, host Jackson City Drew Davidson scored a game-high 27 points and Dustin Kilborn tossed in 21 to lead Jackson City to a hard-fought 71-69 win over Allen Central. Jackson City outscored Allen Central 21-12 in the opening quarter. The Runnin' Rebels battled back and tied the game at 27-27 to send it into the halftime deadlocked. Seniors Ryan Collins and Josh Martin led Allen Central with 24 and 22 points, respectively. Tyler Slone and Alex Hammonds each had seven points for the Rebels.

Jackson City went back out in front in the third quarter, outscoring Allen Central 20-17. At Buckleys Creek, Tyler Hamilton scored a game-high 23 points as Pike County Central drilled Piarist 75-52 in a 60th District matchup. Caleb Hoskins scored a team-high 22 points for Piarist. Jake Ousley added 12 points for the Knights. At Hi Hat, Breathitt County outscored host South Floyd 27-13 in the fourth quarter and won 70-61. Hayes dumped in a game-high 23 points for victorious Breathitt County. Holland joined Smith in double figures for Breathitt County, adding 19 points. Lyle Johnson led South Floyd with a team-high 21 points. Ethan Johnson and Adam Slone each had 13 points for the Raiders. Following the win, Breathitt County improved to 15-1.

Greenup Co. 55, Betsy Layne 40. Betsy Layne (6-9) - Case 3, Collins 19, Lafferty 3, Keathley 4, Witt 9. Greenup Co. (9-4) - Wolfenbarker 14, Ty. Wright 4, Tr. Wright 9, Middleton 5, Brown 15, Craft 3, Cornett 3, Newberry 2. Betsy Layne.....9 9 7 15-40. Greenup County....14 12 6 23-55

Jackson City 71, Allen Central 69. ALLEN CENTRAL (9-4) - Martin 22, Collins 24, Slone 7, Hammonds 7, Prater 3, Robinson 6. JACKSON CITY (3-9) - Watkins 9, Kilborn 21, Davidson 27, Howard 6, Lusk 8. Allen Central 12 15 17 25-69. Jackson City 21 6 20 24-71

Pike Co. Central 75, Piarist 52. PIARIST (3-14) - Ousley 12, Moak 7, Hoskins 22, Friend 6, Doyle 3, Parsons 2. PIKE COUNTY CENTRAL (9-7) - Hess 7, Varney 8, Hamilton 23, Nichols 8, Slone 13, Thompson 7, Adkins 3, J. Meade 2, D. Meade 2, Tackett 2. Piarist.....9 15 13 15-52. Pike Central...8 24 21 22-75

Breathitt County 70, South Floyd 61. BREATHITT COUNTY - Holland 19, Smith 8, Hayes 23, Fugate 9, Allen 7, Ritchie 4. SOUTH FLOYD - E. Johnson 13, Hall 3, L. Johnson 21, Akers 9, Slone 13, Brown 2. Breathitt County....17 14 12 27-70. South Floyd.....15 14 19 13-61

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Rebels

JR Robinson, a player who has emerged as a consistent scorer, paced Allen Central with a game-high 17 points. Josh Martin and Josh Prater each had 12 points for the Rebels. Allen Central led the Wolfpack 62-27 at the end of the third quarter.

The Rebels, thanks to the win, snapped a two-game losing streak. RJ Wells was the only player to reach double figures for Williamson. Wells had a double-double of 16 points and 10 rebounds. With the win, Allen Central improved to 10-4.

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Lady Bears

glass. Senior Tonya Amburgey had 11 and four assists. Daniels, a product of Betsy Layne High School, had seven points, 10 rebounds and eight blocked shots in the loss. Brescia was paced by Carver's 16 thanks to four three-pointers. She shared rebounding honors with

Jenkins, who had 13 markers and five assists, with eight. Senior Andrea Self finished with 14 points, seven rebounds and three blocked shots. Pikeville will return to action on Thursday night when a five-game homestand ends with a visit from Virginia Intermont College at 6 p.m.

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Eagles roll past Tenn.-Martin, 70-48

TIMES STAFF REPORT MOREHEAD - Junior guard Brandon Callahan scored a career-high 22 points to lead a blistering Morehead State offensive attack in a 70-48 Ohio Valley Conference win over Tennessee-Martin Saturday in Johnson Arena. MSU, now 10-6 overall and 6-2 in the OVC, hit 61.9 percent (26-of-42) from the field for the game, 68.2 percent (15-of-22) in the second half alone. The Eagles also hit 10-of-18 three-point attempts. Callahan hit seven-of-eight field goal attempts, including four-of-five from behind the arc. MSU also got 11 points from Quentin Pryor. Tennessee-Martin, now 5-14 overall and 3-6 in the league, was led by Cleve Woodfork who scored 15 points and pulled down a game-high seven rebounds. "I was pleased with our defense in that we held them under 50 points and to only 35.5 percent shooting from the field," said MSU Coach Donnie Tyndall. "Offensively, we were very efficient with 23 assists on 26 made baskets. And, we only lost the rebound battle by one

to a much taller team." The Eagles never trailed in the contest, led by as many as 12 points in the first half and took a 29-23 lead to the locker room at intermission. MSU led by as many as 23 points in the second half. Morehead State will begin a two-game OVC road swing to Alabama when they take on league-leading Samford on Thursday in Birmingham. The road trip will conclude with an afternoon game on Saturday at Jacksonville State.

YOUTH BASEBALL SIGNUPS

- HAP Little League - Sunday, Jan. 14, 1-5 p.m. at the Betsy Layne Dome; Sunday, Jan. 21, 1-5 p.m. at the Betsy Layne Dome. Prestonsburg Little League - Saturday, Jan. 20, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Adams Middle School during Prestonsburg Junior Basketball; Saturday, Jan. 27, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Adams Middle School during Prestonsburg Junior Basketball.

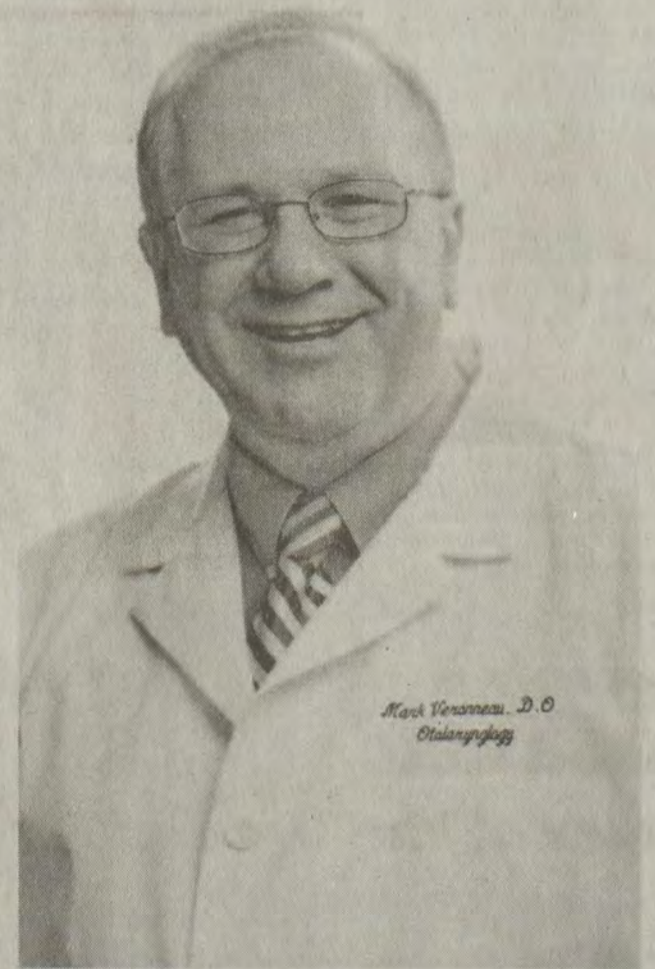
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## South Floyd

a lot to our program.”

Chelsie Tuttle led South Floyd with a team-high 13 points. Tuttle was the only Lady Raider to reach double figures, but South Floyd enjoyed balanced scoring. Kayla Hall just missed double figures, finishing with nine points. Heather Dean scored eight points and Lindsey Dye had six for the Lady Raiders.

Andrea Conn and Danielle Tackett added three points apiece for the Lady Raiders. Jessie Tackett and Gabrielle Bailey rounded out the South Floyd scoring with two points

apiece.

South Floyd, a team that averages hitting over five three-pointers per game, connected on seven treys in the district win over Prestonsburg.

South Floyd shot 50 percent (nine-of-18) from the free throw line. The Lady Raiders hit eight field goals.

South Floyd led early on in the first quarter, but soon had to play from behind until late in the game.

Prestonsburg led 18-13 at the end of the first quarter. The Lady Blackcats extended their lead in the second quarter and took a 29-23 lead into the break. Limiting Prestonsburg to just 14 points the entire second half, South Floyd outscored the Lady Blackcats 18-7 in the fourth quarter.

Tuttle and Dye each hit cru-

cial fourth quarter three-pointers for the Lady Raiders.

Amber Whitaker scored a game-high 17 points for Prestonsburg. Julianne Frye and Hannah Fitzpatrick joined Whitaker in double figures with 10 points apiece. Frye, a junior, hit a trio of three-pointers. Rikki Hughes and Elizabeth Chaffin each had three points for the Lady Blackcats.

Prestonsburg hit six three-pointers and finished five-for-12 from the free throw line.

**South Floyd 46,  
Prestonsburg 43**

PRESTONSBURG (6-10) – Whitaker 17, Hughes 3, Chaffin 3, Frye 10, Fitzpatrick 10.

SOUTH FLOYD (3-8) – Hall 9, Conn 3, Dean 8, Tuttle 13, Dye 6, D. Tackett 3, J. Tackett 2, Bailey 2.

Prestonsburg.....18 11 7 7-43  
South Floyd.....13 10 5 18-46



**WORKING THE BALL:** South Floyd's Lindsey Dye dribbled against Prestonsburg senior Elizabeth Chaffin during Saturday night's 58th District/Floyd County conference contest.

## Blair wins toughman contest

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. – It had been 12 years since Johnson County businessman Kevin Blair had competed in the boxing ring. In the early 1990s, Blair made a name for himself in the tri-state area as a successful boxer and tough man event competitor. During that time he won King of the Hill in Pikeville, King of the Ring in Lexington, was runner-up in Williamson, W.Va., runner-up in Huntington, W.Va. Toughman in 1994, and Huntington, W.Va. winner in 1995. Following his 1995 win, Blair was invited to Knoxville, Tenn., for a shot at a national title and a chance to fight on the FX channel and Showtime. He won two fights in Knoxville before losing a decision to the eventual champ. Around this time he had opportunities to fight some undercard pro bouts that Lexington promoter George Gentry had put together. After his fights in 1995, Blair got busy with work, family and weekend dirt track racing; there was no more time for boxing. Over the weekend, Blair returned to the ring, ultimately emerging victorious once again.

Early last year Blair starting going back to his old training grounds at Boyd Hill's Wildcat Boxing Club in Morgan County. At the time he was mainly teaching his son Braxton to box, as well as getting him into condition for football and basketball seasons. In the meantime, Blair began to pick up the pace himself on the various bags and by sparring in the ring. Feeling that he still had something at age 34, he entered this year's 19th annual Toughman event held over the weekend at the Huntington Civic Center.

The elimination rounds of this years event began Friday night with a record 181 total fighters grouped in three different weight classes. In his first fight Blair faced Huntington resident and former Marine Eli Boland. Blair won the bout with a third round TKO. On Saturday night, Blair was faced with the task of winning four fights in one night to win the title. Blair opened strongly by knocking out veteran fighter Scott Ramos of Chesapeake, Ohio. Blair's next opponent was Jonathan Preston of Coal Grove, Ohio. Preston fell to a KO from third round left hook. After this fight Blair, who fights under the nickname "Tasmanian Devil" began to pick up support from the capacity Huntington Civic Center crowd. The semifinal round proved to be the toughest of his opponents as Blair defeated Huntington's "Nasty" Nate Butcher with a third round unanimous decision. This set up the championship bout with 19-year-old Joseph "The Python" Plybon of Huntington, W.Va. Plybon had been a difficult opponent for others because of his 6-3 height and long reach. Blair immediately came at Plybon with aggression knocking him down twice in round one. Just 25 seconds into round 2 Blair knocked out Plybon to win the event. Winners of each weight class then entered the ring for the postfight ceremonies in which fighters were awarded \$1,000 and a patented Original Toughman black jacket.

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## Eagles can't back battle versus IU-SE

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALBANY — Indiana University-Southeast took a 10-point into halftime and held on in the second half Saturday night against visiting Alice Lloyd College. After leading 41-31 at the half, Alice Lloyd went on to post an 80-74 win.

Craig Bryant led a balanced Indiana University-Southeast offensive effort with 17 points. Antonio Gilkey and Carlos

Mitchell each had 10 points for the Grenadiers. Jeremy Holland narrowly missed double figures for IU-SE, scoring nine points. Nick Gullinger and DeJon Gary scored eight points apiece for the winning team.

IU-SE finished 30-for-63 from the field. The Grenadiers connected on four-of-16 three-point field goal attempts and hit 16-of-32 free throw attempts.

Rodney Mitchell paced Alice Lloyd with a game-high 19 points. Eric Mullins followed with 15 points for the Eagles. William Dillard scored 13 points and Corey Hairston added 11 for Alice Lloyd.

The Eagles were 30-of-67 from the field. Alice Lloyd connected on three-of-15 three-point field goal attempts.

The Grenadiers outrebounded Alice Lloyd 43-36.



photo by Steve LeMaster

TOP CATS: Betsy Layne is looking to repeat previous success in this year's Floyd County grade school boys' basketball tournaments.

## IU-Southeast outlasts Lady Eagles

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALBANY, Ind. — Host Indiana University-Southeast outscored the Alice Lloyd College women 30-23 in the first half Saturday afternoon and held off the Lady Eagles in the second half. IU-Southeast claimed a KIAC win over Alice Lloyd, prevailing 58-49.

Tiffiani Slaughter paced Indiana University-Southeast with a game-high 18 points. Slaughter was one of three IU-

Southeast players to reach double figures. Brittany Caple and Kayla Rieckers each had 10 points for the Grenadiers. Rieckers had the game's only double-double, pulling down 10 rebounds.

The Grenadiers were 20-of-68 from the field. From the free throw line, IU-Southeast went 13-for-20.

Allen Central High School graduate Becky Thomas led Alice Lloyd with a team-high 14 points. Whitney Lykens

(Betsy Layne) and Kaylan Richardson each had 10 points for the Lady Eagles. Alice Lloyd finished 21-for-55 from the field and two-for-20 from behind the three-point line.

The Lady Eagles made five of nine free throw attempts.

IU-Southeast outrebounded Alice Lloyd 42-37.

The Lady Eagles were forced into committing 20 turnovers in the conference setback.

## Brohm to return for senior season

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Louisville quarterback Brian Brohm will return to the Cardinals next season rather than enter the NFL draft, he announced Monday.

Brohm said he had an opportunity to "get a good position in the draft," but decided that he wanted to come back for his senior season and try to lead his hometown school "to greater heights."

"We've accomplished a lot of great things and there are still some things we can accomplish," he told reporters.

Brohm said he made the final decision Saturday night.

Brohm threw for 3,049 yards and 16 touchdowns for the Cardinals in 2006 while helping Louisville to a 12-1 record, a Big East title and a win in the Orange Bowl.

Louisville finished sixth in the final Associated Press poll, tied for the highest final ranking in school history.

Brohm's decision caps a tumultuous week for one of the nation's hottest programs. Coach Bobby Petrino resigned eight days ago to become the head coach of the Atlanta Falcons and running back Michael Bush opted to enter the NFL draft rather than accept a medical redshirt.

New coach Steve Kragthorpe met with Brohm several times since accepting the job on Tuesday afternoon in an attempt to get Brohm to remain at the school he help put on the map.

Kragthorpe said he looked forward to spending a year coaching the prize quarterback.

"I think it makes a huge statement about his commitment, not only to this program

but to the city of Louisville," he said. "...He's going to lead this team to great things and great heights."

Brohm said after Louisville's regular-season finale last month that he "expected" to return, but wavered in the days leading up to the Orange Bowl. He called the idea of coming back next fall "appealing" after throwing for 311 yards in Louisville's 24-13 win over Wake Forest, but said he'd weigh all the factors before making a final decision.

Brohm had been projected as a first-round pick by some draft experts who thought his 6-foot-4, 226-pound frame and accurate right arm will translate easily into the NFL. Brohm has thrown for 6,751 yards and 41 touchdowns in three seasons. Both marks are fourth on the school's all-time list.

## Kentucky 64, Miss. State 60

by JEFFREY McMURRAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — As Mississippi State's best shooter cruised toward the basket with a chance to tie, Kentucky center Randolph Morris knew the block had to be perfect.

It was. Morris swatted away Jamont Gordon's layup with five seconds left as the Wildcats — and Morris — survived their worst shooting performances of the season to defeat the Bulldogs 64-60 Saturday night for their 10th-straight win.

"I guess you could say I gambled on it and I came up on the better end of the stick," Morris said.

It was the third block of the game for the Kentucky center, whose layup with a minute left put the Wildcats ahead for good.

"He came up big," said forward Bobby Perry. "That's the mark of a great player — for him to step up like he did."

After the block, Joe Crawford made a diving play to give the Wildcats the basketball and dished it to Ramel Bradley, who clinched it with two free throws after he was fouled.

Morris, who was ice cold earlier in the game, finished with 17 points — seven from the free throw line, including two with 20 seconds remaining. Afterward, he acknowledged he was tired.

Other than a foul-plagued game against Louisville when he missed his lone shot, Morris' 5-for-12 game was his worst shooting percentage of the season.

"When you're not making spots, it can zap your energy," coach Tubby Smith.

The Wildcats (14-3, 3-0 Southeastern Conference) would need both of Morris' late free throws because Barry Stewart nailed a 3-pointer with less than 12 seconds remaining.

Mississippi State (10-6, 1-2 SEC) came just short in its effort to beat Kentucky for the first time in four years and only the second time ever at Rupp Arena — the previous on Feb. 14, 1995.

Until the end, it appeared they might get it.

With less than five minutes left, it took a 3-point play by Kentucky point guard Derrick Jasper to tie the game at 53. Then Jasper grabbed his team-high eighth rebound on the defensive glass and fed Morris for a go-ahead layup.

"I'm a tall point guard," Jasper said. "Getting rebounds means a lot."

But Jasper also made a key mistake at the 1:40 mark, letting the shot clock expire before he could get off a 3-point shot.

The Bulldogs got the ball back and tied the game at 57 on a tip-in by Charles Rhodes before Kentucky took the lead for good on Morris' layup.

Crawford had 14 points, including three 3-pointers, for the Wildcats and Bradley had 11 — his 10th double-

digit scoring effort since moving from point guard to shooting guard.

Gordon was the Bulldogs' lone double-digit scorer with 13.

"It's coming," Gordon said. "We're right there. Every game we play on the road, we're right there. We got to learn how to close out. We're frustrating teams. We're in teams' heads."

Kentucky shot a season-worst 36 percent from the field — including several ugly misses by Morris early. But he connected on seven of eight free throws and hit the shots from the field down the stretch.

Despite getting no offensive rebounds in the first half, Kentucky won the battle of the boards 37-36 over the Bulldogs.

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### KIM'S KORNER

## God bless mothers who drugged us!

By: Kim Little Frasure

Sometimes some of the best stories come via email, just as the one you are about to read here. This one was sent to me recently by one of the most precious people my life has been blessed to know, Charlotte Compton Shelton.

Wonder how many of you will relate to this form of being drugged? My guess is - Several!

Read on: "The other day, someone at a store in our town read that a methamphetamine lab had been found in an old farmhouse in the adjoining county. He asked me this rhetorical question, 'Why didn't we have a drug problem when you and I were growing up?'

I replied, 'I had a drug problem when I was young. I was drug to church on Sunday morning. I was drug to church for weddings and funerals. I was drug to family reunions and community socials no matter the weather. I was drug by my ears when I was disrespectful to adults.

I was also drug to the woodshed when I disobeyed my parents, told a

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Kim Little Frasure



The store where Grandma sold her eggs in the early 1940s.

# Berry picking at the flat woods

By Ralph Hall

Once again, Mother has agreed to let Mutt and I stay all night at Grandma's house. We know that with the next morning, we, along with Uncle James, will find ourselves doing morning chores. But, after, we will be allowed to venture into that world called "play."

Around mid-morning the next day, Grandma said, "Boys, go over to the flat woods and pick us some huckleberries." She handed us an eight-pound lard bucket and a coffee can and watched us as we headed up Hen Pen hill to the flat woods.

Flat Wood got its name from these flat woods because treed grew on top of nearby cliffs, making the land flat. The cliffs were about 75 feet high or so. On the main top, there was a large open area that the sun hit most of the day. This area was filled with huckleberries. Grandma had to have her some huckleberries every year for her blueberry cobbler that was such a blessing to eat. On the day in question, us three boys were on a mission to fill our buckets with berries.

As we walked, we sang, "Row, row, row your boat," a little song we had learned in the three-room school over at Melvin. A deep hollow ran through the flat woods, an area of land owned by the Bryant and Tackett families. We always climbed up the left hand side of the hill because that was the way the cows walked to pasture. Once we reached this pasture land, we would walk through deep grass for about 500 feet before we reached the trees that would lead us into the flat woods. It was probably about a three mile trip into the flat woods from Grandma's house.

At last, we would eventually reach the foot of the rocks that would take us up to where the berries grew. We had to climb up a narrow path

between two cliffs to reach the top of the rocks. We had to be very careful because it was in this area that one could easily meet up with a timber rattlesnake. And we didn't want to meet up with no snake - of any kind.

Up on the flat woods, hawks rested high up in the tops of tall trees.

Once we got ourselves up this high, we would have to lie down to rest and catch our breath. What a boy will do to get himself a huckleberry pie!

As we would lie there for what seemed forever, we would finally get up and begin to fill our buckets with berries. We never had a hard time filling our buckets, the flat woods was an abundant area.

Though on this afternoon we, luckily, saw no rattlesnakes, we did see a few chicken hawks and a couple of young hound dogs that had trailed behind us. As we walked back down the hill, we had to pay close attention to not stumble and spill the berries we had worked so hard to gather.

We were so proud to have our buckets full. Grandma would be so happy! Finally, we had made it to the foot of the hill and were headed back down our "holler" road. Passing by Hillard Bryant and Victor Tackett's houses, me, Mutt and Uncle James felt like a real team. We were "one for all and all for one," that's for sure.

I always felt so blessed to be Uncle James' nephew. I felt like I was the only nephew in the world to have an uncle that was younger than me. How lucky could a boy be - to have an uncle who looked up to him?

I told Mutt and James that we would be back at Grandma's house in about five minutes. Mutt started to speed up then and managed to make it to the front gate first. He unlatched the gate and

headed up the rock path that led to Grandma's kitchen door. My Grandma's kitchen was a place where the wills and hearts of many who ate her cooking were melted. What my Grandma could cook and bake with that old coal stove!

To continue, Mutt was the first to walk into Grandma's kitchen with his load of berries. Grandma was pleased. She said, "Lord, how many you all have gathered! Just look at them big, old huckleberries!" Grandma told us that she now had to wash and inspect the berries and then she'd get to work on making us a big, old blueberry cobbler!

I could hardly wait for a serving of that tasty cobbler and a big, cold glass of fresh cow's milk!

Grandma told us to go out and play while she was busy making the cobbler and so we went out to play and walk around a bit on our stilts. At one point, Grandma looked out and said, "Mind you, Ralph, don't you get hurt on those things now!" I knew why she pointed me out. Because it was me, and never Mutt or James, that got hurt.

And if Mutt and James ever did get hurt, I can't remember it because I was usually always busy dealing with my own pain!

Before I go any further, maybe I should explain to you what stilts were to us. Stilts were long, tall sticks with forks on one side. We would leave about 12 inches of the tree limb on the bottom of the stick so that we could place our feet in the forks and walk way high up in the air. The rest of the stick, we cut to arm's length.

We headed down the holler on our stilts. Back then, you could walk all day, heck, even all week, on that old dirt road and never see a car coming. Not too many old timers had cars back then. Most of the roads on Hen Pen went right up the

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### POISON OAK

## A quick half century

by Clyde Pack

Wilma Jean and I have been meeting, of late, with a group of our high school classmates for the express purpose of planning our 50th high school reunion.

It's sometimes hard to believe that half a century has passed since the 60 of us marched across the stage of the old gym building on the campus of what was then Meade Memorial High School—now simply known as Meade Elementary—and eagerly snatched our diplomas from the hand of Johnson County Superintendent Verne P. Horne.

Of course, being the class of '57 means we now have a special interest in the decade that put us on the way to adulthood, and whatever life we managed to make for ourselves.

The fifties, especially the four years we were in high school—from the fall of 1953, to the spring of 1957—have proven to be historically significant. Problem is, at the time, we were a bit too busy being teenagers to pay much attention to anything going on outside our little circle of friends, to be aware of world events that would affect our lives, as we made our way to where we are.

For instance, we were likely no more than vaguely aware that in 1953, Dwight D. Eisenhower and Richard Nixon were inaugurated as president and vice president of the United States; Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin, leader of the USSR since the late 1920s, died; and Julius and Ethyl Rosenberg, convicted in 1951, of espionage, were executed at Sing Sing

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Clyde Pack

### CRITTER CORNER

# Inner Strength

If you can start the day without caffeine,

If you can ignore a friend's limited education and never correct him,

If you can get going without pep pills,

If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend,

If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,

If you can conquer tension without medical help,

If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,

If you can relax without liquor,

If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,

If you can sleep without the aid of drugs, ...Then you are probably the family dog!

If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,

Learn more adopting a pet for your own family by calling, or visiting, the Floyd County Animal Shelter at 886-3189.

If you can take criticism and blame without resentment



This is "Maggie." Fourteen year old Maggie is a member of the Hughes family of Langley. Owner, Cindi, writes: "Maggie is often called 'Black Shadow' around our house because she follows me everywhere I go!" Cute, and we're guessing also very sweet, little shadow to have around! Thanks for sharing!

# School Happenings

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

**\*\*AMS is collecting Food City receipts! Receipts may be given to any AMS student or dropped off at the school office.**

**\*Book Club will meet on Thursdays, after school until 5 p.m. New members can still sign up in the YSC office.**

■ The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297. Please call for information on center programs and services.

## Allen Central High School

■ Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Sharon Collins, coordinator. Telephone 358-3048. Center provides services for all families regardless of income.

## Allen Central Middle School

**\*\*Collect Food City receipts and "Box Tops for Education" and turn them in to homeroom teachers!\*\***

■ Jan. 17 - Alcohol Awareness, 7th & 8th

■ Jan. 23 - Dental & Personal Hygiene, 6th

■ Jan. 24 - Respect Class, 7th grade girls

■ Jan. 30 - WYMT-TV's "Do As I Say, Not As I Do," 4 p.m.

■ Jan. 31 - Respect Class, 7th grade girls

■ Career Decisions and Job Development videos available in YSC lending library.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

## Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointments.

## Betsy Layne Elementary

■ Lost and Found items will be

located in the center. Items not claimed within two weeks will become FRYSC property.

■ Center hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Center offers services to all families, regardless of income.

■ The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 7th and 8th grade wing. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550.

■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

## Clark Elementary

■ F.I.T. Club meets each Tuesday and Wednesday, after school, 3:15-4:15 p.m. (Fitness activities for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students.)

**\*\*Fridays are "School Spirit" days! (All year long!) Wear Clark colors (green and gold) or Clark t-shirts. Students, staff, parents - show your support for CES!!**

■ Nurse services: Floyd County Health Department nurses will be in the Resource Center on selected dates. Now taking appointments for 6th grade exams, WIC, and well-child exams for birth-18 years. Flu shots may also be scheduled. Call 886-0815 for an appointment.

■ Lost and Found located in Resource Center.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

## Duff Elementary

**\*\*School is collecting Food City receipts again this year! Please drop off your receipts at the school, or mail them to: Duff Elementary School, P.O. Box 129, Eastern, KY 41622.**

■ Yearbooks on sale - \$22.

■ FRC is also in need of clothing, sizes 3T thru adult, for emergency clothing use and burnouts. If you have clothing to donate, please call the FRC.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is on site three days per month. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head

Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator.

## May Valley Elementary

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

## McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and postpartum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

## Mountain Christian Academy

■ Call 285-5141, Mon. thru Fri., from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

■ MCA is an accredited non-denominational Christian school.

## Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

## South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Feb. 1 - Open House. Food will be served. Teacher and parent visits. Date subject to change. Watch school marquee.

■ Parents needing assistance with daycare may contact Mable Hall for information, or the "A Step Ahead" daycare center, at 452-1100.

■ SFMS parents with concerns about your child's grades, visit the STI Home! site at <http://iod.ssts.com> and click on the STI program. Select state, county, school, child's pin number and password. You may view your child's attendance record, class average, schedule, grades, and discipline referrals. Questions? Call 452-9607.

■ SFHS and SFMS will be participating in the Apples for Students program. Please save and turn in your Food City receipts.

■ Floyd County substance abuse counselor will be on the South Floyd campus each Tuesday. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Call center for: list of visiting speakers and presentations to be held throughout year; to make appointments to attend Parent Volunteer Training sessions; or for information in regard to Adult Education programs.

■ Walking track open to public (track closed during special events).

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 452-9607, ext. 243 or 153.

## Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

■ Jan. 25 - Family Read Night, 6-7 p.m.

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

■ The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium. Services are offered to

all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

## W.D. Osborne

### "Rainbow Junction" Family Resource Center

■ Lost & Found located in the Family Resource Center. Items not claimed within 2 weeks become the property of the FRC.

■ The FRC accepts donations of children's clothing, shoes, belts, book bags, etc. May be used but need to be in good condition. Donated items will be appreciated and utilized by OES students.

■ The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. Those wishing more information about the center are welcome to visit, or call. Ask for Cissy (center coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

## Wesley Christian School

■ WCS Learning Center accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

## BSCTC Adult Education & GED

■ Mondays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC, Martin Comm. Ctr., Auxier Learning Ctr., and BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House, BSCTC; 4:30-9 p.m., Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Tuesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Dixie Apts., Betsy Layne FRYSC, BSCTC; 6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Wednesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - David Craft Center, BSCTC; 6-9 p.m. - BSCTC.

■ Thursdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - BSCTC, Mud Creek Clinic, Weeksburg Comm. Ctr.; 1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC, Betsy Layne YSC, Weeksburg Comm. Ctr.; 4:30-9 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

■ Adult Education teachers are: Ron Johnson, Stephania Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, Vanessa Adkins and Susan Stephens.

■ Program manager: Kay Hale Ross (886-7334)

# YESTERDAYS

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## Ten Years Ago

(January 22 and January 24, 1997)

Parents have won their fight to restore a special education unit at Betsy Layne High School and closer state scrutiny of the district's special needs programs has been ordered. The state's Exceptional Children's Appeals Board ruled January 17, that Floyd school officials had acted improperly by closing the special education unit at Betsy Layne, and ordered that it be reopened immediately. The school board attorney said the decision will be appealed...Rumpke's Dave Cooley announced, Friday, to the Floyd Fiscal Court, during its regular monthly meeting, that a new company will be providing the county's garbage service. "Rumpke assigned its contract with the county to United Waste of Kentucky," Cooley said Monday...A recent wave of robberies and burglaries in Floyd and surrounding counties means the Kentucky State Police will be putting a lot of time into investigating the numerous crimes...Ervin Printice Gunther, 34, of Auxier, was arrested, Saturday, and charged with theft by unlawful taking of an automobile; two counts of first-degree robbery, first-degree kidnapping and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. He was arrested, Saturday night, after he allegedly kidnapped a Floyd County man, stole his car, and then robbed Prestonsburg's Winn-Dixie at gunpoint...John M. Rosenberg, a Prestonsburg attorney, who heads the legal services organization for the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund, was awarded the Martin Luther King Jr., Civil Rights Award at Hazard High School, Monday night...Wheelwright City Commissioners are eyeing layoffs in the city utility department, after auditors reported the agency is on the verge of going broke...Nearly \$6 million in renovation work is underway at Jenny Wiley State Park, with the bulk of repairs being applied at May Lodge...Edmond Collins of Prestonsburg, was killed, Tuesday afternoon, in a remote area near Allen, in an accident involving an all-terrain vehicle...Probation and Parole officer Dewey Hackworth was arresting Andy Tackett, 50, of Beaver, Friday, for violating his probation on charges of arson, third degree wanton endangerment, and trafficking in marijuana. When

Hackworth got the first handcuff on Tackett, he allegedly began to fight with the probation official. Tackett is being held in the Floyd County Adult Detention Center in lieu of a \$20,000 bond...Larry D. Isaacs, 27, of Grethel, and an unidentified 17-year-old male were arrested, Tuesday night, after they allegedly broke into three vehicles at Betsy Layne school. The thieves took advantage of school spirit, Tuesday, burglarized a parking lot full of cars while the owners rooted for their high schools basketball teams...Joe Trimblin, 42, of Webbville, was fined after the Kentucky Division of Plumbing charged him with practicing plumbing in Floyd County without a license, in April of last year...A Knott County circuit judge is expected to rule by January 30, whether Charlotte Slone, a juror who heard evidence in a murder case, lives in Knott or Floyd County. Michael Scott Sparkman, 20, was convicted in November of first degree manslaughter in the shooting death of Troy Minor of Pippa Passes. The defense claimed Minor was shot in self-defense. Minor was killed on November 10, 1995...Charges of burglary and criminal mischief were dismissed against Clifford Adkins Jr., 22, of Harold, and Randall Iricks, 19, of Tram, Wednesday, but before his release, Adkins was served a second warrant for receiving stolen property. Iricks was released, Wednesday...There died: Ethel Cains Slone, 63, of Topmost, Friday, January 17, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; Nancy C. Duff, 94, of Greenfield, Indiana, formerly of Garrett, Monday, January 20, at her residence; Annetta C. Greene, 58, of Warsaw, Indiana, January 17, at her residence; Kelsie Kay McElroy, 80, of Clarksville, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, Sunday, January 19, at the Clark Memorial Hospital, in Indiana; Sylvia Ann Quillen, 84, of Abingdon, Virginia, Thursday, January 16, at Johnston Memorial Hospital in Abingdon, Virginia; Tammy Gwen Garriott, 34, of Turner Station, formerly of Hindman, Saturday, January 17, in Louisville; Bessie Ann Howard Beatty, 82, of Burnside, Thursday, January 16; Julia Mayo May, 60, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, January 18, at Val Harbor, Florida; Rev. Jack DeRossett, 86, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, January 16, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Toy Caudill, 72, of Ligon, Monday, January 20, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center; Eliza Hall, 79, of Winchester, formerly of Kite, Thursday, January 16, at her daughter's resi-

dence in Winchester; Birble B. Akers, 57, of Galveston, Sunday, January 19, at his residence; Dolly Moore Pettrey, 93, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, January 18, at Pine Meadows Health Center, in Lexington; Margaret Ann Porter Music, 46, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, January 21, at her residence; Nancy C. Duff, 94, of Greenfield, Indiana, formerly of Garrett, January 20, at her residence; Trudy Crum, 53, of Pikeville, Wednesday, January 23, at her residence; Ernest Honeycutt, 62, of Floyd County, Monday, January 13; Ronnie Edward Moore, 38, of Langley, Sunday, January 19, at his residence; Edmund Collins, 39, of Martin, Tuesday, January 21; Christopher Moore, 15, of Langley, Sunday, January 19, at his residence; Gary Jones, 44, of Fisty, Wednesday, January 22, at his residence; Randall Vance, 31, of Columbus, Ohio, January 20; Martin Dallas Collins, 75, of West Van Lear, Wednesday, January 15, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bobby Darrell Bailey, 36, of Hippo, Friday, January 21, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

## Twenty Years Ago

(January 28, 1987)

County attorney David Barber, Sheriff Henry Hale, along with deputies and state police, paid a visit to the Silver Fox Lounge, because complaints had been received, and confirmed by patrons, that the entertainment included topless dancers...Stephens Branch residents allege that a tippie fill poses an increased threat of flood...Under-reporting by local companies may mean that the eastern extension of the Mountain Parkway, through Floyd and Magoffin counties, will be off-limits to coal trucks weighing more than 40 tons...The season's first snow blanketed Floyd County and shut down classrooms...Charges against two former Floyd County officials, Thomas D. Lafferty Sr., and his son, Thomas D. Lafferty Jr., were dismissed a second time...The U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the appeal of William Oakie Bevins, 76, who pleaded guilty in 1983 to the slaying of five men, and the wounding of three others in an Allen truck parts store in 1981...There died: Andrew J. "Andy" Conley, 85, of Garrett, Sunday; Arthur T. "Hawk" Lucas, 79, of Ligon, Saturday; Elsie C.

"Granny Cotton" Fitch Wheeler, January 20; Claude Wallen, 72, of Prestonsburg, Saturday; John Quentin Salisbury, 67, of Martin, Sunday; Edna Allen, 64, of Price, last Thursday; Maude Evelyn Snodgrass, 68, of Allen, January 21; Calvin Reynolds, 80, of Halo, Sunday; Charlena Merwine, 38, of Prestonsburg, Monday; Lillie Mae Bradley Prater, 57, of Martin, Thursday; Amos Tackett, 42, of Beaver, Sunday.

## Thirty Years Ago

(January 26, 1977)

The longest strike in Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company's history ended at 12:01 a.m., Sunday, after union members ratified the company's latest offer of settlement...The City of Prestonsburg, this week, offered a hand to those who are unable to help themselves during the prolonged period of bad weather, and, at the same time, asked those who are not in extreme need not to take advantage of the free services offered...One of the busiest places in Floyd County, these days of snow and ice, is the Unemployment Insurance office...The cost of home heating in certain areas of the county has been, to put it mildly, dramatic this winter...More than 300 homes in the upper Mud Creek section of the county have been without water for six weeks or longer...Last Sunday it appeared that Floyd County's schools would reopen the next day after their longest "vacation" ever, because of weather conditions...The Floyd County Fiscal Court declared the lack of water service in the Allen-Dwale area an emergency, and called on Gov. Carroll for a \$30,000 grant...There died: Kelly Howard, 69, January 19, at his home in Garrett; Elbert Combs, 58, of Mousie, Jan. 14, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital at Martin; Hazel Ramey, 50, formerly of Hueysville, Jan. 14, in LaGrange, Ind.; Howard (Deacon) Jones, 66, of Stanville, Jan. 24, at Methodist Hospital, in Pikeville; William A. Solomon, 75, of Drift, Jan. 25, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Victor Jenkins Clark, 65, of Allen, Jan. 21, at the home of a sister, in Allen; Ira Mullins, 52, of Price, Jan. 20, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Earnest Garrett, 68, formerly of the Drift-McDowell area, Jan. 20, after being struck by a

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truck in Dayton, O.; Dexter Dean McCarty, 36, of Martin, Jan. 23, at Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington; Maude Harris Boyd, 71, of Allen, Jan. 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ruth Branham Wilson, 57, formerly of Tram, Jan. 17, in Pontiac, Mich.; Eugene Halbert, 46, formerly of Martin, Jan. 24, at the Cold Water (Mich.) Community Health Center; Odis Hall, 50, of Weeksbury, Jan. 21, at U.K. Medical Center, in Lexington.

Ousley, 19, last Wednesday, while repairing a car at his home at Pyramid; Mrs. Hannah Crum, 74, of Dwale, last Wednesday, at the home near Van Lear of a son; Mrs. Lillie Caudill Nelson Slone, 53, of Bonanza, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Kelly Bolen, 71, last Wednesday, at his home on Rock Fork at Garrett.

**Fifty Years Ago**  
(January 24, 1957)

County and state officers were joined by a Federal Bureau of Investigation agent in a probe of the dynamiting here, around Sunday midnight, of the auto of Sheriff Gorman Collins, and the blasting in the same manner, about half an hour earlier, of the car of Deputy Sheriff Silas DeRossett at the DeRossett home on Bull Creek...The Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company's newest dial installation is its exchange which was opened at McDowell, last Saturday noon...The city council, Monday night, opened officially, acted on three separate items of business, but the story of the meeting is that of businessmen's call for police protection, and the resultant discussion, with just about everybody taking part...Henry Davidson Fitzpatrick Sr., 77, of Prestonsburg, banker and former State Senator, was found dead in bed at his home on the Middle Creek road, near here, last Thursday morning...Three Martin

juveniles who were jailed here Saturday afternoon by State Detective E. L. Cornett and Deputy Sheriff Willie Johnson, entered pleas of guilty, Monday morning, to charges of breaking and entering on six counts...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Callihan Jr., a son, William R. III, Jan. 22, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: William Garfield Webb, 73, of Auxier, last Tuesday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Mrs. Sarah Patton Lafferty, 71, of Water Gap, last Wednesday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Talmadge DeWitt Mayo, 77, Floyd County native, and for many years a school superintendent and a teacher in the Dallas County, Texas, schools, Dec. 15, at Dallas; Roy Akers, three years old, of Banner, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin."

**Sixty Years Ago**  
(January 23, 1947)

Joe McGuire, 46 years old, Dwale gas compressor station employee, was struck and killed, early Wednesday morning, by a freight train...Norman Bell, 41-year-old miner, was killed, Saturday night, by a slatefall in the mine of the Inland Steel Company, at Wheelwright...Otto Hall, 43, of Hi Hat, died Wednesday, in the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville, of injuries sustained two days earlier in a slatefall in the mine of the Inland Steel Company at Wheelwright...The warehouse and office building of

Henry Porter & Company, Frigidaire dealers, burned at Allen, late Wednesday night, at an estimated \$25,000 loss...Four Floyd County miners were injured, Saturday, in an explosion in a mine at Tram...They were: Rufus Wallace, of Tram, Galloway Hinton, Betsy Layne; Frank Simpson, of Boldman, and Curtis DeLong, of Justell; two Pike County miners; Ted Belcher, 45, of Praise, and Walter Kayser, of Pikeville, were killed, Saturday, when caught beneath a slatefall in the Williams Belcher Coal Company mine in Pike County...W. H. Jones Jr., of Prestonsburg, was elected the first commander of District 15, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the recent district election in Pikeville...Married: Miss Anita Lewelling, of Huntington, Tenn., and Mr. Paul Gentry Smith, of Glo, Dec. 21; Miss Harriet Elizabeth Messer, of Garrett and Mr. John J. Robbins, of Boswell, Ind., Dec. 21, at Pikeville...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. James Sellards, of Allen, a son, Saturday, at the Gearheart Hospital, Martin; to Mr. and Mrs. W. Lee Roberts, of Harold; a son—Lawrence—Jan. 10, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville...There died: Bourbon Setser, 39, of Buffalo Creek, last Wednesday; Mrs. Polly Miller Rose, 82, at home at Katy Friend, Friday; Mrs. Ida Hall Carroll, 40, at home, at Jump, Saturday; John Jarrell, 78, Saturday, at the home, near Allen, of a daughter, Mrs. Ballard McGuire.

**Seventy Years Ago**  
(January 22, 1937)

Work will be started soon on four miles of uncompleted road between Wheelwright Junction and McDowell. Robert Humphrey, State Highway Commissioner, said this week...Robert Kelly, 24, of Ironton, Ohio, was shot and killed early Monday morning, near Weeksbury...The Betsy Layne High School building was destroyed by fire late last Tuesday night...Maryland McCown, 38, was struck and killed by a train last Monday near Melvin...In another recent rail tragedy, Frank Estep, 24-year-old deaf-mute, of Printer, was killed Jan. 8, when he was struck by a train on the tracks at Garrett...Bonnie Bess Layne, of Betsy Layne, and Clarissa Sargent, 11, of Harold, were killed, Sunday night, when struck by a truck on the highway at Betsy Layne...Married: Miss Opal Wright, of Pikeville, and Mr. William Dingus, of Prestonsburg, Dec. 24, at Williamson, W.Va...There died: Mrs. Martha Sammons, 50, Monday, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Martin, at Pumpkin Center, near Estill; Jesse W. Fillinger, 54, of Betsy Layne, Tuesday, at the Jefferson Hotel, Pikeville; Adam Brown, 35, of Wayland, Saturday, at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital; Garvie Marshall, 12, of Langley, Sunday.

**Forty Years Ago**  
(January 26, 1967)

The University of Kentucky board of trustees gave the nod, Friday, to enlargement of the Prestonsburg Community College physical plant...East Kentucky Mack Inc., a firm which will employ about 35 skilled workers, has leased from H. B. Ranier his office building, shop and yard, near Sugar Loaf, at a monthly rental of \$2,000 for a period of 10 years, it was announced here, last Thursday...Congressman Carl D. Perkins announced, in Washington, Wednesday afternoon, that the Department of Defense had awarded to Irving Air Chute Company, Lexington, a \$1,521,284 contract to manufacture 6,840 general purpose tents...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ratliff, Prestonsburg, a son, Darwin Dwayne, last Wednesday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Billy Ray

Oak

Prison. The year we were sophomores, 1954, Jonas E. Salk came up with a polio vaccine that eradicated the disease that had our mothers deeply concerned, every time we got a crick in our necks. That was also the year that President Eisenhower signed legislation that changed the wording of the

Pledge of Allegiance from "one nation, indivisible," to "one nation, under God, indivisible." About the only significant event we might have noticed was Elvis' first record, "That's All Right" and "Blue Moon of Kentucky" on Sun Records. And it's a 100 percent certainty that the Class of '57 benefited—

although many years later—from Ray A. Kroc's opening the first McDonald's restaurant in Des Plaines, Illinois, in 1955. In 1956 "In God We Trust" was added to new coins and currency, and the Federal Aid Highway Act was passed by Congress, authorizing the construction of 41,000 miles of inter-

estate highways. And finally, the year we graduated, Congress passed the first civil rights legislation since Reconstruction, and later, President Eisenhower sent federal troops to Little Rock, Arkansas, to protect nine black students seeking to attend all-while Central High School. And, of course, it was also in

1957, that the Russians launched Sputniks I and II, the latter carrying a dog named Laika, the first living creature in space. Even if we weren't aware of it at the time, a great deal of history was being made when our class was becoming educated.



Mark Sohn wrote the book Appalachian Home Cooking which explores Appalachian food history and culture. He was one of several speakers at the College.

**Year in Review—Key Ingredients at HCTC**

A highlight at Hazard Community & Technical College during 2006 was the Key Ingredients display which attracted more than 1,400 people to think, talk, and observe about the foods of America. Speakers during the series included: Daryl Harris on "Someone's in the Kitchen with Dinah," examining the role of African American women in shaping Southern food. Rufus

Fugate discussed edible wild plants; Julie Maruskin discussed the history of tomatoes in Eastern Kentucky; David Magee talked about his book on Moonpies; and Deb Campbell prepared foods from biblical times. School groups from the region visited the display, which was a traveling exhibit from the Smithsonian Institute and the Kentucky Humanities Council.

**Hall Funeral Home welcomes Jeremiah Swiger**

Tommy and John C. Hall, Jr., of Hall Funeral Home of Martin, are pleased to announce that Jeremiah Swiger of Eastern, has joined their staff as Funeral Director and Embalmer. He is the son of James and Patsy Case Swiger, also of Eastern, and the husband of Kristy Thornsberry Swiger with which he has three children, Chelsea, Sophie, and Luke Swiger.

Jeremiah would like to invite his many friends and family to stop by and visit him.



Jeremiah Swiger

He is a graduate of the Mid-America College of Funeral Service in Jeffersonville, Indiana. A licensed embalmer and funeral director, and formerly associated with Nelson & Frazier Funeral Home. He is also a member of the John W. Hall Masonic Lodge # 950 F.& AM. and a member of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church at McDowell. Jeremiah is pleased to be a part of the Hall Funeral Home staff and

Berry

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creeks, anyway. In the early 40s, people mostly walked wherever they wanted to go. There was little need to stray far, anyway, because most of what we needed was right there on the farm, anyhow. Back then, people raised what they ate on their little hillside farms.

About the only time my Grandma ever went to the store was when she had gathered in about ten dozen eggs to sell. This was about twice a week or so. Grandma would sell the eggs at the store and

then use the money to buy things for her sewing room. That sewing room was sure something to see, too. Grandma had an old sewing machine with a wheel that she had to turn by hand and a paddle she had to operate with her feet to get the machine to sew. Grandma's sewing machine was a Singer. And the way Grandma would sew on that machine would make anyone want to "sing"! Grandma also had a quilting frame which she would hang from the ceiling. She did most of her quilting, though, in the wintertime when there were no crops to tend. Grandma managed to get most of what she wanted by selling her eggs and quilts.

Aunt Dolly, my mother, and Grandma would all work together on many a cold winter day making those quilts. They talked as they worked and it was one more thing to hear and listen to their stories! What a way to live - growing things, gathering a harvest and making things, too. With all the family nearby and around, there was little to want for. I used to wish, though, that I could have known my Grandpa Johnson. He was killed in 1933 and I was born in 1936, so I never got to know him. But my Grandma was always there for me throughout my child-

hood. Loving me, teaching me, and taking the very best care of everyone she loved. She was the best grandmother in the world. I was so proud of her. She was like a second mother to me and isn't that what a grandma should be, after all?

And as far as my own mother went, well, all I can say is, "Like mother, like daughter." Mother and Grandma were different in many ways, yet both so much alike, too. Both were strong, family-oriented women.

Well, getting back to the stilt (did you think I had forgotten?), me, Mutt and Uncle James walked on them things for about two hours or more when Grandma finally called, "Boys! Come get you some cobbler!" As we tumbled up the path to her kitchen, Grandma set out a pan

of water and a bar of soap on a little bench outside the door and told us to wash up first before we could eat. "Real clean now, or no cobbler," she warned. We all took to scrubbing fast as we could. Uncle James said, "Let me have that soap, I gotta get my hands clean or Mommy won't let me eat." As we washed, our mouths began to water. We knew how good that cobbler was going to be!

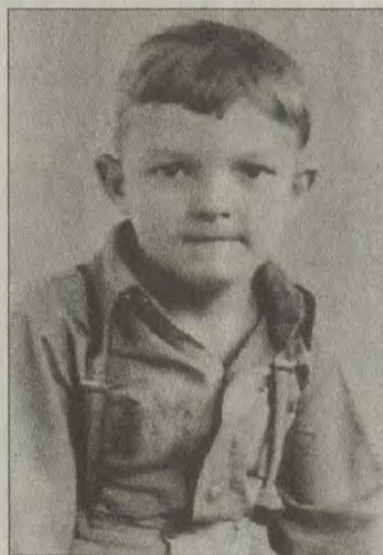
Grandma inspected our hands and pronounced them clean enough and we all sat down at the table, nearly running over one another to get there. "Don't you all need to be runnin'," Grandma said. "There's plenty to go around." Grandma's table was a long, homemade table crafted from wood.

It had benches all along each side for us kids to sit on. On the middle of that table sat two large pans of that delicious berry cobbler. We said a quick, "Thank you, God, for this food" and then we went to work on filling our bellies.

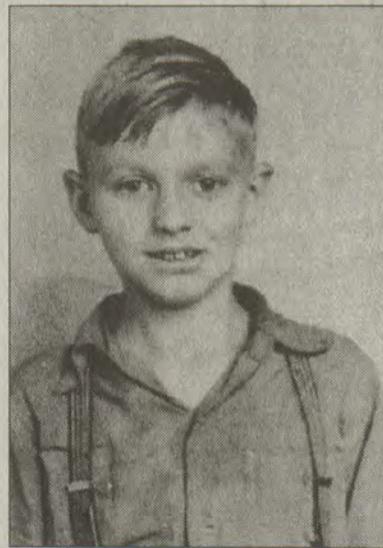
Climbing that hill to the flat woods, staying on the lookout for rattlesnakes, navigating that narrow rock path, and picking those berries in the warm afternoon sun was suddenly all well worth the effort as we sat, eating and enjoying the fruits of our labor. I ate all I could hold and then headed to Grandma's front porch to set myself in a homemade rocking chair and listen to the frogs as they began to croak as evening began to settle in. Soon, the fireflies would light up their tails and my aunts and uncles would gather round to play their music and sing. One of my favorite songs back then was "Will the Circle be Unbroken." And it still is today, too.

I thought back to what a good day it had been. I had managed to not get hurt even one time and I had got to eat my fill of blueberry cobbler. I joined in the singing, loud and proud ("Will the circle be unbroken..."). We were a happy people. Living in a time when we knew what a family was - a group of people who loved one another and made the very best of the times we lived in. How sweet life is when a home is filled with love. There is no place like home and my Grandma certainly knew how to make a house a home. After awhile, Grandma told us all that it was time to turn in and so we all made our way to our beds for a good night's rest.

As I lay down and drifted toward sleep, I thought, "What good things will tomorrow bring?"



Ralph Hall, age 10. "School Days, 1946-47."



Mutt, age 7.

# New Arrivals

## HRMC New Arrivals



- Dec. 19, 2006 A daughter, Gracie Ann Jacobs, to Wilma Lee Jacobs, of Martin
- Dec. 20, 2006 A daughter, Chloe Catherine Adkins, to Aimee Adkins, of Paintsville
- Dec. 20, 2006 A son, Braden Chandler Childers, to Shaunna Childers, of East Point
- Dec. 20, 2006 A son, Jacob Michael Blanton, to Melissa & Shawn Blanton, of River
- Dec. 20, 2006 A son, Tommy David Henry Howard Jr., to Roxie & David Howard, of Salyersville
- Dec. 21, 2006 A daughter, Zoey McKenzie Hall, to Jennifer Lynn Marcum, of McDowell
- Dec. 21, 2006 A daughter, Salem Gregory Short, to Regina & Ranior Short, of Litt Carr
- Dec. 22, 2006 A daughter, Sadie Sue Justice, to Natasha & Scotty Justice, of Craynor
- Dec. 22, 2006 A son, John Edward Menendez, to Dena Lou May, of Paintsville
- Dec. 22, 2006 A daughter, Jailyn MaKenau Mae Sims, to Megan & Denver Sims, of Yerkes
- Dec. 23, 2006 A daughter, Olivia Sabrina Shae Coomer, to Ann Marie Combs, of Wolverine
- Dec. 23, 2006 A son, Taylor Allen Lewis, to Amanda Baker, of Hazard
- Dec. 23, 2006 A daughter, Jerica Nicole Turner, to Jasmine & Phillip Turner, of Hardshell
- Dec. 24, 2006 A daughter, MaKayla Rose Conn, to Leavodis Ann Casebolt, of Sitka
- Dec. 25, 2006 A son, Rickie Brayden Wheeler, to Melissa & Rickie Wheeler, of Paintsville
- Dec. 27, 2006 A son, Austin DaKota Staniford, to Donna Sue Horn, of Wittensville
- Dec. 27, 2006 A son, Robert Lee Hale III, to Rebecca & Robert Hale Jr., of Sitka
- Dec. 27, 2006 A daughter, Mya Marie Orwig, to Brandi Leigh Orwig, of Salyersville
- Dec. 28, 2006 A daughter, Ciana Bree Tuozzo, to Mickie & Charles Tuozzo, of Pikeville
- Dec. 28, 2006 A daughter, Kristin Faith Bowling, to Jennifer & Christopher Bowling, of Hager Hill
- Dec. 29, 2006 A daughter, Haylee Brianna Scott Woodard, to Samantha & Joseph Woodard, of Royalton
- Dec. 30, 2006 A daughter, Kaylee Alyssa Blevins, to Ashley Powers, of Tutor Key
- Dec. 30, 2006 A daughter, Katelynn Maude McComas, to Tamara Lynn Davis, of Salyersville
- Dec. 31, 2006 A daughter, Kylie Rae Osborne, to Amanda & Dwayne Osborne, of Drift
- Dec. 31, 2006 A son, Alexander Grant Scoggins, to Latisha & Rodney Scoggins, of Minnie
- Jan. 1, 2007 A son, Jessie Morgan Chaney, to Jillian Jones, of Minnie
- Jan. 1, 2007 A son, Nicholas Ray Howard, to Nora & Jeffrey Howard, of Salyersville
- Jan. 1, 2007 A son, George William LeMaster, to Sheila & Larry LeMaster, of Tomahawk
- Jan. 1, 2007 A son, Mason Dean Hall, to Stacy & Earl Hall, of Hi Hat
- Jan. 2, 2007 A son, Brandon Donnie Turner, to Davina Sue Turner, of Jackson
- Jan. 3, 2007 A son, Dylan Wayne Lyons, to LaPaula & Charles Lyons, of Paintsville
- Jan. 4, 2007 A daughter, MaKayla Brooke Adams, to Stacy Lynn Adams, of Beaver
- Jan. 4, 2007 A son, Christopher Ryan Jarrell, to Tasha Nicole Patton, of Prestonsburg
- Jan. 4, 2007 A daughter, Emmalee Nicole Reed, to Jennifer & Donald Reed, of Paintsville
- Jan. 4, 2007 A daughter, Emillie Grace Slone, to Jessica & Robby Slone, of Hindman
- Jan. 5, 2007 A son, Guy Dylan Castle, to Brittany & Steven Castle, of Eastern
- Jan. 5, 2007 A daughter, Lamikka LeAnn Hall, to Amanda & Denver Hall, of McDowell
- Jan. 5, 2007 A son, Jason Ricky Moore, to Casey & Jimmy Moore Jr., of Garrett

### Funniest man in America coming to Hazard

The Greater Hazard Area Performing Arts Series announces James Gregory will perform on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the First Federal Center at Hazard Community & Technical College. The show will include a dinner, which begins at 6 p.m. Admission is \$30 per person for dinner and show. James Gregory is a comedian dubbed as, "The funniest man in America." He is a regular guest on talk radio, most notable in this region on The Big Show with John Boy & Billy. For almost 25 years, the unforgettable caricature of veteran comic James Gregory has stood grinning: his blue shirt un-tucked, his arms outstretched, and a carefree welcome to a down-home, hilarious storytelling experience. The trademark caricature is the essence of James Gregory's comedy: whimsical reflections on life from the front porch. Event sponsors are Whitaker Bank, Mine Service Company, Bank of Hindman, and American Woodmark. Series underwriters are: ARH, City of Hazard, Hampton Inn & Suites, Hazard Clinic, Peoples Bank & Trust Company, and Super 8 Motel. The Kentucky Arts Council, a state agency in the Commerce Cabinet has provided funding and educational programs with state tax dollars and federal funding from the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes a great nation, deserves great art.

For more information, contact Tammy Duff, performing arts series director, at (606) 487-3067 or 800-246-7521, ext. 73067.

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### Extension Notes

#### Family and Consumer Sciences

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## Heart Health Hints for a Healthier New Year

By Theresa M. Scott,  
FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

I hope everyone is having a Happy New Year and yes, it's the beginning of another year. If your resolution is "To Get Healthy in 2007" perhaps increasing your knowledge will give you motivation.

One out of three women dies of heart disease. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services says that in 2003 more women died from cardiovascular issues than all types of cancer combined. The older women get the more likely they are to get heart disease and even though women and men both suffer from heart attacks, women are more likely to die of them.

It is statistics like this that should cause women to want to stay healthy and take care of themselves to prevent heart disease and stroke. Heart diseases are abnormal conditions affecting your heart and blood vessels within it. There are numerous types of heart disease.

Coronary artery disease or CAD, is the leading cause of heart attacks. In CAD your arteries grow hard and narrow and your heart has trouble getting all the blood it needs. This leads to angina, the chest pain that occurs when your heart isn't getting enough blood. Heart attacks take place when an artery is securely blocked and adequate flow to your heart cannot occur.

Heart failure is another type of heart

disease that occurs when your heart is unable to pump enough blood throughout your body as efficiently as it should. This prevents your other organs from receiving the blood they need to function properly. Signs that you may be suffering from heart failure include: shortness of breath, swelling of feet, legs and ankles, and extreme fatigue.

Heart arrhythmias are the flutters you feel when your heart changes its beat. In most people these changes in heartbeat do not cause problems. As we get older arrhythmias may occur more frequently. Arrhythmias associated with dizziness, faintness and shortness of breath require immediate attention from your doctor.

Preventing heart disease can be done. Heart disease is often the result of genetics but if you take the time and precaution to protect yourself and stay healthy your chances of getting heart disease decrease. Some things you may want to know about your body are to know your blood pressure. Your blood pressure rises when your heart is working harder to move blood throughout your body. Ways to prevent your blood pressure from getting to high are to exercise and eating less salt.

Smoking can increase your risk of heart disease so if you are a smoker ask your doctor or nurse for help quitting the habit. Have your cholesterol checked regularly and get tested for diabetes. Having high cholesterol can clog your arteries which will keep your heart from receiving

blood. People with diabetes have high blood sugar and are more at risk for heart disease. Those with Diabetes (and pre-diabetes) should consider that the higher the blood sugar reading – the thicker the blood. This causes additional stress for the heart and cardiovascular system. Think about the difference in pumping the equivalent of ketchup vs. tomato juice!

There are ways to help prevent heart problems in your daily life. You can start by maintaining a healthy weight. Eat healthy by incorporating more fruits, vegetables and whole grains in your diet. Exercise for at least 30 minutes for a few days each week, walk short distances instead of driving and opt for taking the stairs instead of the elevator. Limit your alcohol consumption and cope with your stress in positive ways like exercising, talking with friends or writing in a journal.

Heart disease can sneak up on you and you may not show any symptoms. You may want to talk to your doctor if you are having chest or arm pain, if you are feeling short of breath, dizzy, nauseous, tired, or if you are feeling very fatigued.

For more information, please contact Theresa M. Scott, at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, 606-886-2668 or email [tmscott@uky.edu](mailto:tmscott@uky.edu), or visit your County Extension Office at 921 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653



Shown above, from left, are Rebecca and Michael Phillips; Judy Lucas and Ethan Hamblin, Valerie Hamblin and Sherry Bettinazzi, Mari Cornett and Greg Cornett, Pam Cornett and Bill Bettinazzi, Germaine Shaffer and Tim Ashmore.

### Put on your dancing shoes

Hazard Community & Technical College offers social dancing classes. Sherry & Bill Bettinazzi will be your instructors for this 6-week course in which students will learn the basic Swing (Jitter Bug), Free Style moves to advanced moves, the Electric Slide and more. Be prepared to hit the dance floor for upcoming dances and weddings. Classes will begin Tuesday, Feb. 6. Beginner classes will meet on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. and intermediate classes I & II will meet on Tuesdays at 8:15 p.m. at the HCTC First Federal Center. Cost of the course is \$40 per single person and \$70 for a couple. Call Janet at ext. 73068 to register. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required.

### Korner

lie, brought home a bad report card, did not speak with respect, spoke ill of the teacher or the preacher, or if I didn't put forth my best effort in everything that was asked of me.

I was also drug to the kitchen sink to have my mouth washed out with soap if I uttered a profane four-letter word. And I was drug out to pull weeds in mom's garden and flower beds and the cockleburs out of dad's fields.

I was drug to the homes of family, friends, and neighbors to help out some poor soul who had no one to mow the yard, repair the clothesline, or chop some

firewood; and, if my mother had ever known that I took a single dime as a tip for this kindness, she would have drug me back to that woodshed again!

Those drugs are still in my veins; and they affect my behavior in everything I do, say, and think.

Stronger than cocaine, crack, or heroin; and, if today's children had this kind of "drug" problem, America would be a better place.

-Author Unknown  
Til Next Week  
God Bless...

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