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Monument to recognize '56 bus crash

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

In memory of the 50th anniversary of what some consider to be the worst school bus accident in U.S. history, a monument will be put in place to honor those who lost their lives in the accident.

It was the morning of Feb. 28, 1956 that a school bus, driven by John Alex DeRossett, was on its way to school, though it never reached the school and instead plunged into the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, killing DeRossett and 26 students.

While a monument is in place near the location of the wreck, Judge Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall wanted to have something a little more local that people could access easier. The new monument will be placed in front of the courthouse and will feature each of the victims' names.

A dedication ceremony and unveiling of the monument will be held today at 2 p.m. in front of the old courthouse.

Traffic at new school a major problem

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Lack of space, plan make Rt. 114 look like rush hour in New York City

It was anticipated months ago, school officials made formal requests, but the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet said no to the installation of a traffic signal near the entrance to the new Prestonsburg Elementary School located on Middlecreek Road.

The new school was officially "open for business" Monday morning and more than 800 students showed up for their first day in the new building, but

traffic congestion kept many deadlocked on the adjacent highway waiting to gain entrance onto school grounds. Some waited, caught in traffic, for over an hour.

"We anticipated this happening," said Pete Grigsby Jr., assistant superintendent, Floyd County Schools. "We

asked for a traffic light months ago, but we were turned down. We tried, but we're not in charge."

At a meeting held in July at Prestonsburg High School, Charles Neeley, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Pikeville office, informed board members that the cabinet had

reviewed studies on traffic flow in the area from the past five years. Those studies indicated, according to Neeley, that a sufficient number of traffic accidents or problems had not occurred in the area to warrant the state department to install a traffic signal in the area.

Data reviewed from a period of time encompassing January 1, 2002 to July 1, 2007, revealed that during that time "there had not been any collisions at all" in the area, Neeley said.

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FESTIVAL GEARING UP



photos by Kathy Prater

Reigning queens Tara Adkins and Kaitlyn Minix pass the legacy to a younger generation of beauties as the toddler division winners were announced at the 26th Annual Jenny Wiley Festival Pageant, held Sunday at the Mountain Arts Center. The pageant, a crowd favorite, kicks off the festival week each year. Right, inset: Emily Brooke Cole is a picture in pink as mom, Kris, makes some minor adjustments before competing onstage for a coveted crown. Pageant winners will make royal appearances in the annual parade, to be held Saturday, at 3 p.m., in downtown Prestonsburg.



Federal mediator meets with union, hospital but no deal

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

While both sides of the Appalachian Regional Healthcare nurses' strike met with a federal mediator Monday morning, a resolution to end the week long strike has still not been reached.

Federal mediator Herb Fetty had requested the meeting, which was held in Lexington, and met with both ARH officials and representatives from the Kentucky and West Virginia Nurse's Association Union for about 30 minutes each, though there were no opportunities to end the strike, according to Jerry Haynes, ARH president and CEO.

"We were able to answer a few questions the Union had previously raised, but no negotiations with the Union have resumed and no further negotiations are planned," said Haynes.

After denying a contract

renewal on Oct. 1, more than 630 registered nurses at seven Kentucky and two West Virginia hospitals walked off the job after rejecting ARH's "last, best, and final" offer. ARH proposed last week a contract that promised an initial 2 percent pay raise, which would increase to 3 percent over four years, and flexible schedules that would allow nurses to choose either 10 or 12 hour shifts. However, the nurses say it's not about the money, but rather gaining the hospitals respect and achieving principals and that the proposed contract would have reduced holiday pay and increased insurance premiums, canceling out any pay raise.

The meeting however, as cautioned by Haynes, did not constitute a resumption of negotiations.

"Our last, best, and final contract proposal remains

(See STRIKE, page eight)

Virginia man dies at Dwale motorcross competition

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

A death investigation is underway after a Virginia man died Sunday as a result of injuries he received while competing at Beaver Junction Motorcross in Dwale.

According to a press release from Kentucky State Police Post 9, Eric Gross, 28, of Coburn,

Virginia, was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center by Trans Star Ambulance service and was later pronounced dead by Floyd County Deputy Coroner Greg Nelson.

No foul play is suspected though the incident remains under investigation by Tpr. William Petry.

Additional details were not available as of press time.

Two men arrested trying to steal metal

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

In an attempt to steal metal two individuals were apprehended in Millers Creek area of Fishtrap Lake this past Friday.

According to a press release, the individuals, who were not identified, were apprehended in a pickup truck off of the roadway when they were attempting to use a cutting torch to take metal from an abandoned mining site. The individuals were armed with a shotgun and operating a motorvehicle with expired tags and no insurance.

The operation of any motorized vehicle off an authorized roadway at Fishtrap, taking anything from the project without consent and being

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armed is unlawful excluding law enforcement officers and legal and legitimate hunting activities.

Each violation of the above law carries a fine of up to \$5,000 and jail time of up to six months is convicted.

The incident remains under investigation by Fishtrap Lake Manager Rodney Holbrook with federal charges forthcoming.

Our lady of the Way Hospital to host blood drive in Martin

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will host a blood drive on Wed. Oct. 17 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

According to a press release from the Kentucky Blood Center, every three seconds someone in Kentucky needs a blood transfusion.

To be a donor one must be 17-years-old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health. Donating blood takes less than an hour and can be done every 56 days.

The drive will take place at 11203 Main Street in Martin on the KBC Bloodmobile.

For more information call David Whitt at (800) 775-2522.

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Obituaries

Lizzie Belle Lewis

Lizzie Belle Lewis, 68, of Tram, died Thursday, October 4, 2007, at the Stanton Nursing Center.

Born April 18, 1939, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Virgil and Vannie Boyd. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arlen Lewis. Survivors include a son, James Arlen Lewis of Crestline, Ohio; five daughters: Remona Lewis of Cincinnati, Ohio, Norma Jarvis of Allen, Zella Lewis of Columbus, Ohio, Barb Mass of Crestline, Ohio; and Evelyn Gibson of Lexington; three brothers: Asbury Boyd and Virgil Boyd Jr., both of Tram, and Raymond Boyd of Ohio; a sister, Rosie Goble of Tram; 13 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by five sons and daughters; five brothers: J. B. Boyd, Randy Boyd, Robert Boyd, Nola Boyd, and Hezzie Boyd; and two sisters: Ottawa Boyd and Judy Boyd.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, October 7, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Clyde Lewis officiating.

Burial was in the Green Kidd Cemetery, in Banner, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

(PAID OBITUARY)

Harry James Wallace

Harry James Wallace, age 74 of Prestonsburg, passed away on Friday, October 5, 2007, in Lexington.

He was born March 22, 1933, in Garrett, the son of the late Oral "OK" Wallace and Ruby Campbell Wallace.

He was a retired school administrator for the Floyd County Board of Education, a Kentucky Colonel, and a member of the First Baptist Church (Irene Cole Memorial) of Prestonsburg.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Sammons Wallace; one daughter, Jane Wallace (Rick) Meek of Lexington; one brother, Kenneth "Pete" Wallace of Hueysville; two sisters: Wanda Prater and Brenda Stephens, both of Kendallville, Indiana; and two grandchildren: Aaron Meek and Michael Meek, both of Lexington.

Funeral services were held Monday, October 8, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel in Martin, with Jerry Workman officiating.

Burial was in the Turner Campbell Cemetery in Mousie, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Donald Oney, Ken Wallace, Jim Oney, Kevin Wallace, Brian Wallace, John Hunt, and Jeff Stephens.

(PAID OBITUARY)

Harrison Stephens

Harrison Stephens, 85, of Hippo, husband of the late Clara Howard Stephens, passed away Thursday, October 4, 2007, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born July 6, 1922, in Risner, the son of the late Henry C. Stephens and Alice Risner Stephens. He was a retired coal miner and an U.S. Army, World War II veteran.

Survivors include two sons, Darrell (Diane) Stephens of Hamilton, Ohio, and Dr. Grady (Diane) Stephens of Pikeville; three grandchildren: Crystal Cooke,

Chris Stephens, and Josh Stephens; and three great-grandchildren: Jesse Cooke, Ben Cooke, and Chloe Cooke.

In addition to his wife, and parents, he was preceded in death by 15 brothers and sisters.

Funeral services for Harrison Stephens were conducted Sunday, October 7, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Jerry Manns officiating.

Burial was in the Graydon Howard Cemetery, in Pyramid, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Chris Stephens, Josh Stephens, Kevin Cooke, Ellis Howard, Jimmy Shepherd, Alvin Hall, Mark Swafford, and Bill Greer.

Honorary: Floyd B. Davis, Maurice Allen, Jesse Cooke, Ben Cook, Alfred Pelphey, Allan H. Hubbard, Randy Davis, and Lawrence Howard.

(PAID OBITUARY)

Glenna Williams

Glenna Williams, age 58, of Betsy Layne, wife of Morris Gene Williams, passed away Sunday, October 7, 2007, at the St. Joseph Hospital East, in Lexington.

She was born December 24, 1948, in Perry County, the daughter of Zanna Hoskins Feltner, of Clay City, and the late Squire Feltner.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, and her mother, include a son, Charles Vincent (Stephanie) Williams of Betsy Layne; a daughter, Tammy Jo (David) Tackett of Harold; three brothers: Oscar Feltner of Michigan, and Donnie Feltner of Scottsville, and Dannie Feltner of Stanton; two sisters: Beth Williams of Banner, and Wilma Burke of Mt. Sterling; and four grandchildren: Dalton Tackett, Hannah Tackett, Katie Williams, and Karly Williams.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, October 10, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Clergyman Dennis Ballard officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(PAID OBITUARY)

Charles Joseph "C.J." McNally

Charles Joseph "C.J." McNally, age 76, of Prestonsburg, passed from this life on Wednesday, October 3, 2007, at his residence.

He was born December 25, 1930, in London, the son of the late Martin Joseph McNally and Viola Cook Black.

He was the retired owner of East Ky. Auto Parts of Prestonsburg, a veteran of the U.S. Army, a captain of the Army Reserve Unit; a member of Zebulon Masonic

Lodge No. 273 of Prestonsburg; a member of the Oleika Shrine Temple of Lexington; and a member of the First Baptist Church (Irene Cole Memorial) of Prestonsburg.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Dordena Pack McNally, and a grandson, Adam Burchett.

Survivors include one son, Kipley (Benita) McNally of Louisville; two daughters: Cindra (Thomas) McNally Burchett of Winchester, and Charla (Richard) McNally Burchett of Sarasota, Florida; eight grandchildren: Carlye (Christopher) Thacker, Charles Burchett, Mary Burchett, Celina Burchett, Mitchell Burchett, Kala McNally, Trent McNally, and Kendra McNally; and one great-grandchild: Eileen Sophie Thacker.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 6, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel in Martin, with Jerry Workman officiating.

Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park at Staffordsville.

Visitation was from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m., Friday, at the funeral home, with Masonic services at 7:00 p.m.

In Lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Zebulon Masonic Lodge No. 273 F&AM, P.O. Box 281, Prestonsburg, Ky., 41653, Att: Tilden Ellis; or the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 756, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

Pallbearers: Charles Burchett, Mitchell Burchett, Trent McNally, Estill Lee Carter, Barney Walker, David Harrington, Richard Burchett, and Robert Packs.

(PAID OBITUARY)

Alan Ray Blankenship

Alan Ray Blankenship, 50, of Newark, Ohio, died Saturday, October 6, 2007, at his residence.

He was born January 18, 1957, in Martin, a son of Betty Blankenship, who survives.

Alan worked as a business manager with Sears Auto Center, and loved fishing.

He was preceded in death by his stepfather, Raymond Maichele; and his grandpar-

ents: Beverly and Bertha (Williams) Blankenship.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Monetta; daughter, Erica (Kevin) Roberts of Harold; granddaughters: Maddi and Katelyn; special uncle, Marvin Blankenship; first cousin, Claudette Reaume; cousins: Kim Taylor, Sherry Barley and Palmer Williams; numerous nieces and nephews; many loving friends; and two very, very special friends: Judy Hetherington and Ric Lavery.

Friends may call Thursday after 6 p.m., at the Rogers Funeral Home, Belfry.

Funeral services will be held Friday, October 12, at 1 p.m., at the Rogers Funeral Home Chapel, with Harrison Baisden and Freddy Runyon officiating.

Interment will be at Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

Honorary pallbearers: Donnie Baisden, Leonard Baisden, Larry Durham, and Dwayne Pinion.

Rogers Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Jenny Wiley 3528 AARP To hold monthly meet
Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528 AARP will conduct its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 16, at 6 p.m. All members and friends are encouraged to attend.

Zebulon Lodge 273, F&AM to observe Family Night
on Thursday, October 25 Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM, Prestonsburg, will observe Family Night on Thursday, October 25, with dinner beginning at 6 p.m. All members, their families and friends, are encouraged to attend.

John Preece Old Fashion County Fair
To be held Oct. 20, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Holly Hills Shopping Center, Hindman. "Who Fixes the Best" contest will be held. Among the items to be judged will be: peanut butter fudge, apple pie, chili, fried potatoes, canned pickles, gingerbread, crocheted afghans, quilts, short stories, poems, and more! Also, bring a canned food item, used coat, or old pair of eyeglasses to be given to those in need. Vendors may contact Big D at 438-5341 or email to: bigd@tvscable.com

Inez Volunteer Fire Department
IVFD Cuties and Beauties Presents: 2007 Martin County Harvest Fest Pageant, "Come Be A 'Falling Star'", Thursday, October 11, 6:00 p.m. Roy F. Collier Community Center, Inez. All contestants receive a gift bag and certificate. All contestants 12 years and under will be crowned. Registration: Sept. 29, October 6, and October 10, 6-8 p.m., at the Roy F. Collier Community Center. For more information, contact Wendy, at 606-293-4850. Visit our website at: www.geocities.com/cutiesand-beauties. Sign the guestbook for chance at free entry!!!

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Office at 886-2668 to register.
Mountain Arts Center auditioning for female vocalist
for Christmas season show The Kentucky Opry, eastern Kentucky's premier, Branson-Style Family Show, will be auditioning for the female vocalist for the 2007 Christmas season show. Auditions will be held October 13th, and will be by appointment only. Performers must be 18 years of age or older. To schedule an audition, please call the Mountain Arts Center, 606-889-9125. The Mountain Arts Center is located in Prestonsburg.

Recipes are Wanted for PHS Cookbook
Prestonsburg High School Senior Class would like to invite alumni, parents, and community members to contribute favorite recipes for a cookbook. We will gather recipes, print them with contributors' name, and create a cookbook for all to purchase and enjoy. Please submit recipes to Karen DeRossett or Sharon Vaughan at 825 Blackcat Boulevard, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Prestonsburg Landscaping Annual Fall Decoration Contest is set October 5-12th
Who has Prestonsburg's best fall look? Entries will be judged in two categories which include: Residential: Who has the best fall yard display? and Commercial: Who has the best fall window display? All decisions by panel of judges are final. Win valuable prize packages from our sponsors! Sign-up by October 5th. Be judged by October 12th (by noon). Brought to you by Prestonsburg Landscaping Department. For more information, contact Brent at City Hall. 606-886-2335.

Martin High School Class of '57 reunion
Martin High School class of '57 50th reunion will be held at the Jenny Wiley State

Park, on October 20th, 10 a.m. All classmates from 1st-12th are invited with a guest whether graduated or not. For more information, call Rosemary at (859) 879-6972, or Lois at (205) 429-4311.

ACHS Class of '82
The Allen Central High School Class of 1982 will hold their 25th class reunion on Oct. 20, at the Martin Community Center. Contact Sarita at 285-0668; Lynn at 285-9824; Pam at 377-2137; or Tina at 886-1016 for more information.

Alice Lloyd College gears up for Appalachia Day Homecoming
On October 13th, Alice Lloyd College will host their annual Appalachia Day Homecoming event on the campus in Pippa Passes. It's a day filled with Appalachian arts & crafts, mountain music, special alumni activities, children's games and crafts, drama and storytelling, an Appalachian Authors book signing, and the traditional soup bean supper. For more information on how you can display your craft or handmade items, call 606-368-6055. We look forward to seeing you!

Floyd County Farmers Market
The Floyd County Farmers Market (local farmers who grow their own produce) is now open each Friday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. through October. The Market is located in the Citizens National Bank Parking Lot in front of the Floyd County Post Office. If you have questions, please call 886-2668.

PHS Class of 1987 plans 20th reunion
The Prestonsburg High School class of 1987 is currently planning their 20th reunion. Please e-mail your contact information to phsclass87@bellsouth.net.

Democratic Woman's Club meets at Floyd Co. Library
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Democratic Woman's Club meets regularly on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m., at the Floyd County Library.

ACHS Class of '96
The Allen Central High School Class of 1996 will be holding their 10-year reunion. For more information, call Amanda at 285-9491 or Leslie at 886-8003.

Hope in the Mountains
Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on

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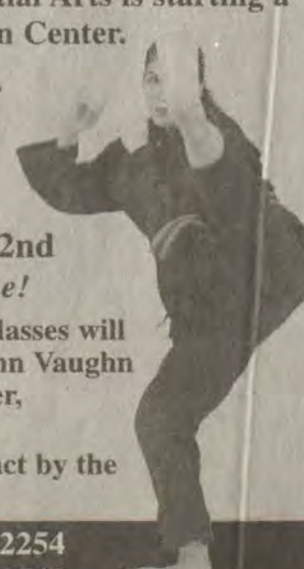
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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"Speak out in acts; the time for words has passed, and only deeds will suffice."

— John Greenleaf Whittier

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Our View Solution to traffic woes must be found soon

Want to know a recipe for danger? We've got a tasty one for you:

First, you start with a new elementary school. Combine it with one entrance that also serves as the only exit.

Fold in 800 students and roughly that many parents in about 500 cars.

Now, take these cars and put them in one lane trying to take a left turn into the same above-mentioned single entrance.

Once this mixture has become a hot, boiling mess then add in the stress of tardiness, for both the students and parents.

Finally, you just need to whip your completely full parking lot or dropoff area, or whatever it's called, into a complete chaotic mess of angry parents, teachers and the like.

Now the next step is where we get to the dangerous part. Before that we're just talking about poor planning and execution.

Take your full parking lot, and then ask parents to park *ACROSS THE FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY* and walk their children *BACK ACROSS THE FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY* to get to school.

Once across the street, they must then dodge all of the said vehicles who are in a mad-dash to make it to school.

Many parents complained of waiting in traffic at a near standstill for more than an hour on Monday and again Tuesday. Let us repeat: More than an hour.

We hope this isn't the recipe that school officials are wanting us to stomach for the rest of the school year, because frankly, this isn't a meal worth eating.

Unfortunately this is what has become of our new elementary school, a beautiful building that should be a proud beacon of our district's strength.

And the sad thing is, we don't even see a light at the end of this tunnel, even though there was a special meeting called Tuesday evening to address the matter.

The problem seems to be originating with the Department of Transportation's, who inexplicably denied the School Board's request for a traffic light.

We urge the DOT to immediately approve the board's request before this mess becomes something more of just a head-ache -- a tragedy -- because at the end of the day, that's what this recipe is going to be.

The Floyd County Times



Guest Column There is much to appreciate in Floyd County

My name is Tommy Reed, and I am the pastor of the Fitzpatrick Baptist Church in Prestonsburg. I am writing this article with great pride, as I speak of the town in which I live. Since moving here four years ago I have noticed several things that have stood out about Prestonsburg, and I'd like to take the time to brag on them.

The first thing is the people. You folks have been great. You have all been so kind and treated me and my family so nice. I am truly thankful to you for that. The second thing that stands out is the small town atmosphere. I love small town America, and Prestonsburg is a great reflection of that. The third thing is the potential that our town has to offer. It's exciting when you think of what can happen in the future.

Since moving here, there are already some things that I really enjoy. Driving around the lake; watching the sunset at StoneCrest; driving through town when the Christmas lights are up; watching Friday night football; the Jenny Wiley Festival; the Fourth of July fireworks; going to the movies at the Strand; seeing events at the MAC; the plays at Jenny Wiley; watching Tom Ed Music cruise the streets on his cycle; listening to Jim Curnutte laugh; Reese Ray's big smile; talking

to Bob White and Ace Wells over coffee on Saturday mornings; sitting in the rocking chairs, visting with the ladies at the Hickory Creek office; the Holy Week services at Easter; walking through downtown; and many more.

We have some great places to eat and I frequent them quite often, as I meet people in my ministry every day. I can't go by a week without eating at Billy Ray's. Every Thursday is the best Chinese at Peking's. Wednesday nights after church everybody loads up and goes to Jerry's, Sunday, after church is Made from Scratch, and Friday afternoon's is at the lodge. I love going into Country at Heart for the fresh ground coffee and their Cappuccino's. And the best pizza in eastern Kentucky, is found at Giovanni's. And if you take a notion for ice cream, we not only have one, but two of the best, in the Dairy Cheer and Dairy Queen. When the new Food City opened, it was like a Toys R Us, Lowe's, and Office Depot, all rolled into one for me.

I don't want to forget to mention a couple of businesses in particular. Home Furniture is amazing. These people are super. We have made three purchases from them, and not only was the price very reasonable, but their customer service after the sale is the best I've ever seen from a busi-

ness. I would encourage everybody to check them out before going anywhere else. Another one is The All Care Dental Clinic and Dr. Anita Hale. They are the best. What a friendly and professional bunch of people. Another one of our biggest blessings is the Riverview Nursing Home. Great people and truly a great task, but yet they are so compassionate and truly minister to the residents. And there are many more that I don't have enough space to write about.

I am also so thankful for the college at KCTCS. What an awesome blessing and tremendous asset to our area. The folks there are the best. And Mr. George and the folks at the high school are the bomb.

We have so much to be thankful for. Prestonsburg is a great place to live and work. Yes, we can grow in the future and I trust our elected officials will take us into the future with growth and progress, but as for the meantime, we need to bask in the blessings of what we have. And for them, and you, I am truly thankful.

The Lord brought me and my family here to minister to people, but we in turn have been so blessed to have met you all and live in this town and area. You will all be in my prayers.

— PASTOR TOMMY REED
FITZPATRICK BAPTIST CHURCH



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Ky. man convicted of killing aunt gets 25 to life in prison

GREENVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A western Kentucky man convicted of killing his 85-year-old aunt was sentenced to life in prison with parole eligibility in 42 years.

Russell Winstead, 42, was convicted in August of killing Ann Branson, a well-known Madisonville businesswoman who was found dead in her basement on Jan. 12, 2003.

James Brantley handed down the sentence on Monday. Brantley agreed with a jury's recommendation that Winstead should serve 25 years to life on the murder charge, meaning he would not be eligible for parole for 25 years.

The jury also recommended he serve 20 years on the robbery charge. He would be required to serve 85 percent,

or 17 years, of the 20-year sentence. The sentences would be served consecutively, making him parole eligible in 42 years.

Winstead was arrested in May 2005 outside a hotel and casino in Costa Rica. As part of the extradition agreement, prosecutors agreed not to seek the death penalty.

Prosecutors said that Winstead had owed Branson

more than \$74,000. She asked for her money, and he wrote her a \$12,000 check two days before her death, but asked her not to cash it until Jan. 13, 2003.

The check was never found, though Branson entered it into a book she used to keep up with transactions. She had deducted the sum from the total Winstead owed her.

Branson's son, Jack Branson, a retired U.S. Dept. of Treasury special agent, was happy with Brantley's decision.

"It couldn't have gone any better," he said. "It was the maximum penalty he could

get. I'm pleased as both a family member and as a law enforcement officer."

Information from: The Messenger, <http://www.themessenger.com>

Attorney: FBI used informant wearing wire in investigation

By **BRETT BARROUQUERE**
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — An assistant to one of three lawyers charged bilking clients of millions of dollars in a diet drug settlement wore a wire and turned over notes of meetings to the FBI, a defense attorney said.

Rebecca Phipps, an administrative assistant to Melbourne Mills Jr., secretly recorded conversations as early as June 2006 as the FBI investigated how Mills, William Gallion and Shirley Cunningham handled a \$200 million settlement over the diet drug fen-phen, said Mills' attorney, Jim Shuffett of Lexington.

"It appears reasonably certain that an intentional violation of (Mills') right to counsel occurred and that a hearing is necessary to develop and remedy the parameters of that violation," Shuffett said.

Gallion and Cunningham, who are part owners of Preakness winner Curlin, and Mills are jailed in northern

Kentucky pending a trial in January on charges of conspiracy to commit wire fraud. A civil court has ruled that they owe at least \$42 million to their former clients.

The use of Phipps as an informant became known in a motion filed last week seeking to exclude any evidence that Phipps turned over to FBI agent Mary Trotman. Shuffett wants U.S. District Judge William Bertelsman to hold a hearing to determine whether the evidence turned over by Phipps can be used against Mills in a criminal trial set for Jan. 7. The U.S. Attorney's Office in Lexington did not immediately return calls seeking comment Tuesday morning.

Mills wants 63 handwritten notes and 293 pages of e-mails and other memos Phipps turned over to federal authorities excluded from evidence in the case. Those notes involve meetings she attended between Mills and former attorney William Johnson or current attorneys James Shuffett and Calvin

Fulkerson. Federal prosecutors turned over Phipps' information as part of the discovery process. But, prosecutors also told Shuffett that some of the information provided by Phipps could be protected under attorney-client privilege.

Typically, attorney-client privilege does not extend to others who hear conversations between attorneys and their clients.

According to Shuffett's motion, Phipps wrote in July 2006 that her attorney, Burl McCoy, called and told her that an FBI agent on the case wanted her to attend a meeting at the office of Johnson, who was then representing Mills in a civil lawsuit regarding the settlement. McCoy said Phipps has cooperated with the FBI and will most likely continue to cooperate.

Trotman has testified that the attorneys, who represented about 440 clients sickened by fen-phen, settled the case for \$200 million. Trotman said the

clients received \$74.8 million from the settlement. Gallion received \$30.4 million; Mills, \$23.7 million; and Cunningham \$20.7 million. A chunk of the settlement also went to other attorneys and employees involved in the case. Bertelsman has said that millions of dollars are still unaccounted for.

Cunningham, 52, and Gallion, 56, bought Curlin for \$57,000 as a yearling through their Midnight Cry Stable. They sold controlling interest in the horse in February for a reported \$3.5 million to a group composed of Jess Jackson, founder of Kendall-Jackson wines; Satish Sanan's Padua Stables; and George Bolton, an investment banker.

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**To My Wife,
 I Love You.**



Card of Thanks

The family of Daniel Cory Stanley would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to friends, neighbors, and loved ones who helped comfort us during this time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, cards, prayers, or who spoke kind words. A special thanks to the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church; Louie Ferrari; and to the Roberts Funeral Home at Robinson Creek.

Thanks to the many friends of Danny who knew and loved him.

**Mom and Dad, "Bubbo" Troy,
 Mamaw Belvia, Mamaw Etta, Popa,
 Many Cousins, Aunts, Uncles,
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 God gives us strength to face it, and courage to bear the blow
 But what it meant to "Love" and lose her, no one will ever know.

**Sadly missed by Mom, Mandy, Greg,
 Dustin, Kacie, Nicole & Dylan**



Card of Thanks

The family of Ronald Gene Howard wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors, in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all those who sent flowers, prayers, and loving contributions to our family. A special thanks to the Old Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, and the Hall Funeral Home for their professional and compassionate service. All your thoughtfulness and kindness will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF RONALD GENE HOWARD

Card of Thanks

The family of Myrtle Bates would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, relatives, and neighbors, who helped in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Little Rock Old Regular Baptist Church, for all the love and support shown to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the staff of Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF MYRTLE BATES

Card of Thanks

The family of Jeanette Skeans would like to take this opportunity to thank all those friends, relatives, and neighbors who helped to comfort, and were there for our family, during this difficult time. Thank-you to all those who sent food, flowers, or spoke kind words. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Ted Shannon for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their loving care and hand of friendship to our family.

THE FAMILY OF JEANETTE SKEANS

Announcement

FLOYD COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Annual Meeting

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October 12, 2007

Floyd County Farm Bureau Office
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Rumana Rahman, MD, is a Board Certified Family Practitioner. Dr. Rahman joined the medical staff at McDowell ARH in August. She and her husband, Dr. Mohammed Rahman, reside at Garrett with their 5-year-old twin daughters. Dr. Rahman recently completed her residency training at the University of Kentucky and is excited about her new practice at the McDowell Professional Clinic.

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Racing great John Henry euthanized at Ky. Horse Park; He was only 32

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Thoroughbred great John Henry, two-time Horse of the Year who earned more than \$6.5 million before retiring to the Kentucky Horse Park, was euthanized Monday, the park said. He was 32.

Park spokeswoman Lisa Jackson said the Hall of Famer's health had declined over the weekend. He had lost considerable body mass and was in kidney failure, she said.

"The next step would have been so hard on him," she said. "It wouldn't have been comfortable. ... It just wouldn't have been fair to the horse."

He was retired 22 years ago to the park, where he was beloved by the public and, along with stablemate Cigar, one of the park's biggest attractions.

Foaled March 9, 1975, and an average runner early in his career, John Henry was the highest money-earning thoroughbred in history when he retired in 1985.

The gelded son of Old Bob Bowers out of Once Double won four Grade 1 races and Horse of the Year honors at age 6 and 9 and collected seven Eclipse awards from 1980

through 1984.

To the end, John Henry remained cantankerous, said Cathy Robey, who runs the park's Hall of Champions, where the horse was stabled.

"He has always been nasty, from day one," Robey said. "John has always had a little attitude problem. He's like the little guy with the chip on his shoulder. He has so many people that would never actually touch him or get near him, but they love him."

"What can I say about the legendary John Henry that has not already been said," Chris McCarron, who rode John Henry in 14 of his last races, said in a statement from the park. "John meant the world to my family and me. Everywhere he raced, his presence doubled the size of a normal race track crowd. He did so much for racing, even after he retired, that he will be impossible to replace. He will be sorely missed but forever in our hearts."

John Henry was loved not for a tremendous talent but because he was a fighter who would battle not to lose at any cost.

Although he never won a

Triple Crown race, he was successful at the highest levels of competition on the dirt and the turf.

"John Henry was a testament to the fact that a horse's value is far greater than the sum of his pedigree, conformation, sales price and race record," park executive director John Nicholson said in the statement.

In his career John Henry earned 39 victories, 15 seconds and nine thirds in 83 starts and earned \$6,597,947. He was inducted into thoroughbred racing's Hall of Fame in 1990.

Foaled at Golden Chance Farms in Kentucky in 1975, John Henry was called "small," "ugly" and "bad-tempered" as a foal. He was sold at the January mixed sale at Keeneland for \$1,100.

He soon became known more for his disposition than his racing ability, often tearing buckets and tubs of the wall of his stall and stomping them flat.

He was sold to Harold Snowden of Lexington for \$2,200 in 1977. Snowden chose to geld John Henry with the hope it would calm him and allow him to focus on racing.



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Tips left by Dubai sheikh being returned

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Thousands of dollars in tips left for airport security guards in Lexington by the ruling family of Dubai are being returned because of a ban on gratuities for the employees.

Lexington attorney William T. Bishop III picked up the money on Monday, but said he's unsure where to send it.

"I haven't been directed as to what to do with it. I know it's not mine," said Bishop, who is general counsel for Keeneland Race Course and

who also has handled legal matters for Central Kentucky horse farms owned by the Maktoum family of Dubai.

Bishop declined to name the client or clients for whom he accepted the money.

"They consider that confidential," he said.

Crown prince Sheikh Mohammad bin Rashid al Maktoum and Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum left at least \$8,000 in gratuities for airport officials who provided security for United Arab Emirates airplanes while they were in central Kentucky last month.

The money was contained in three envelopes, but there are more than seven other

envelopes that remain unopened.

Officers can't keep the money because it could violate state law and lead to fines, jail time and removal from office, Lovely said.

Airport board chairman Bernie Lovely said the Maktoums requested that the tips be returned to them after they learned that the officers who guarded their planes could not accept the money left for them.

Blue Grass Airport public safety officers, working mandatory overtime, guarded a 747 used in a visit to the area by Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum in early September.

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October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The goal of this month-long event is to educate women about the importance of early detection for breast cancer.

Highlands Regional Medical Center proudly celebrates Breast Cancer Awareness Month and honors the brave women fighting the disease. We encourage women to schedule regular mammograms, which can detect cancer years before other screening methods.

For more information on Breast Cancer detection and treatment, call the Breast Center at Highlands Regional Medical Center at 606-886-7575.

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PROSTATE CANCER **SCREENING**

Highlands Regional Medical Center and Highlands Cancer Center

Annual Prostate Cancer Screening

Highlands Regional Medical Center and Highlands Cancer Center will host their Annual Prostate Cancer screening on Thursday, October 11, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Cancer Center.

PSA tests and physician exams will be provided. Men, ages 50 and older, or those with a family history of Prostate Cancer are encouraged to attend. Prostate Cancer will affect one of every six men in their lifetime. Prostate Cancer, if diagnosed early and treated appropriately, can have a good outcome. Mark your calendar to attend this free screening event, sponsored by Highlands Regional Medical Center and Highlands Cancer Center.

For more information call 606-886-7468.

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
October 11, 2007

Calendar

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Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Watergap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church.

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.

Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

Prestonsburg Rotary Club

Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Made From Scratch Restaurant, 1566 North Lake Drive. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354, or Tommie Layne, 886-2321, ext. 1297.

UNITE

The UNITE coalition of Floyd County will meet on the SECOND Monday of each month, at 5:30 p.m., at the New Allen Baptist Church. All interested persons welcome to join UNITE's fight against drugs.

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

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

'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

Senior employment program

Are you a senior citizen on

a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

External Diploma Program

Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in Thelma, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday. EDP classes are also held at the Mullins Learning Center, in Pikeville, on Tuesdays, from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Contact Andy Jones at 606-788-7080, or 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

GED classes are also available.

Floyd County Extension

Homemaker Club Meetings
Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Dixie: 3rd Thursday, 12:30 p.m., Dixie Community Room.

David: 1st Monday, 1 p.m., at St. Vincent's Mission.

Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.
Maytown: 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m., Maytown Learning Center.

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

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

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

Left Beaver: 2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., Osborne Elem.

School Library.

Special interest groups:
Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild: 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Extension Office.

Newbees Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office. (The Newbees do not meet during the months of January and February.)

Looking for a Support Group?

•Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times.

•Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call Jessica Slone at 886-6025 for more information.

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

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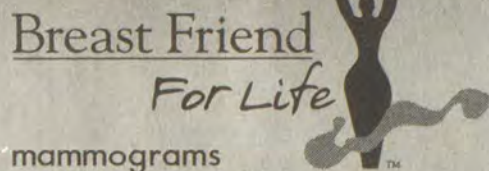


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Traffic

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Neeley informed the board that other options, such as road striping, speed monitoring devices, and acceleration lanes might be better considered.

However, according to Grigsby, the department has, so far, not directed workers to conduct any such project work.

"The city has been great," Grigsby said, "the city has installed a portable sign alerting drivers that they are entering a reduced speed zone. And Mike Ormerod (Prestonsburg Police Department) has officers out there helping direct traffic, but the state hasn't done anything."

In the meantime, frustrated parents have been parking alongside the highway and walking their children across the congested roadway in order to have them arrive to their classrooms on time.

"It is a real problem," said interim Supt. Ronald Fentress, "getting people in and back out of the property. It's not safe to walk children across the highway and no one directed anyone to do that."

Fentress also pointed out that an unfinished parking lot originally designed for overflow traffic and parent parking was not yet completed, adding to the problem of traffic congestion. According to Fentress, the lot was to be ready for use by Monday morning's opening day but "so far, it isn't," he said. "Now it's supposed to be ready by next week. Hopefully, that will help."

In the meantime, the school system, according to Grigsby, will ask the state to do another traffic flow survey in the area.

"This is a whole new ballgame," Grigsby said. "Before, we had a school there with about 200 students. Now, we have a school with 800 students and over 100 employees, and school buses and parents with only one entry and one exit."

"We ask people to just be patient," said Fentress. "It's a new school, a new situation...we want to do what's right for kids, what's safe for kids. We welcome suggestions and ideas, we're open to that. But for now, all we can do is take it one day at a time."

Strike

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on the table and is available for our nurses," said Haynes.

"We're just terribly disappointed," Pat Tanner, chief negotiator for the nurses' association told the Associated Press. "We hoped to achieve further meetings and try to negotiate."

While the striking nurses have vowed to remain off the job until they get a contract with ARH that meets their terms, some say it's getting tough, and they may have to begin looking for new jobs.

"We've got families to support," said Sandra Maggard, a nurse at McDowell ARH. "It's getting tough to go without an income."

The nurses are remaining strong though and say they "can last as long as they (ARH) can."

In West Virginia, nearly 75 nurses gathered on the steps of the state capitol in hopes of making legislators more aware of the issue.

Local nurses, however, remain on the picket line 24/7 sporting signs and banners with slogans such as "Honk if

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you support nurses," and while they have gained community support with up to 100 honks per hour, they say ARH employees have not been as nice and have made some rude comments.

"It's like they just don't understand why we're doing this," said Maggard. "We've worked with some of these people for years and thought they were our friends."

Approximately 130 nurses declined to go on strike and have been reporting to work. To replace the striking nurses, hospitals have implemented agency RN's and are contuesly taking applications for open nursing positions and all hos-

pitals and services remain open and available.

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"They would be welcomed back with a positive attitude," said Barker.

Even though they're welcome, protesters say they are determined to get the contract guidelines they deserve and will remain on the picket line for as long as it takes. As of press time, not contract negotiations were in place or planned.



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Migraine pill helps some alcoholics taper off drinking without detox

By CARLA K. JOHNSON
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CHICAGO — A migraine pill seems to help alcoholics taper off their drinking without detox treatment, researchers report, offering a potential option for a hard-to-treat problem.

The drug, Topamax, works in a different way than three other medications already approved for treating alcoholism.

Experts said the drug is likely to appeal to heavy drinkers who would rather seek help from their own doctors, rather than enter a rehab clinic to dry out. The drug costs at least \$350 a month, plus the price of doctor's visits.

But side effects are a problem, and it's unclear whether the findings will make a dent in an addiction that affects millions of Americans.

Addiction specialists not involved in the study said the findings are promising, although side effects such as trouble concentrating, tingling and itching caused about one in five people to drop out of the study. Drowsiness and dizziness are also problems.

"The size of the treatment effect is larger than in most of the other medications we've seen," said Dr. Mark Willenbring of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. "And all the drinking variables changed in the right direction."

The study, published in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association, was funded by the maker of the drug, Johnson & Johnson Inc.'s Ortho-McNeil Neurologics.

The researchers also reported financial ties to the company. Ortho-McNeil reviewed the

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manuscript, but did not change the results or interpretation, the researchers reported.

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All volunteers were encouraged — but not required — to stop drinking.

At the start of the study, they drank, on average, 11 standard drinks daily. That's about two six-packs of beer each day, or two bottles of wine, or a pint of hard liquor.

By the end of the study, 27 of the 183 people, or 15 percent, who took Topamax had quit drinking entirely for seven weeks or more.

That compared to six out of 188, or 3 percent, in the placebo group.

Others cut back. The Topamax group cut back to six drinks a day, on average,

assuming everyone who dropped out of the study relapsed into heavy drinking. That compared to seven drinks a day for the placebo group.

"You can come in drinking a bottle of scotch a day and get treatment without detox," said Dr. Bankole Johnson of the University of Virginia, who led the study, which was conducted at 17 U.S. sites from 2004-2006.

The study didn't follow the drinkers long-term, so it's unclear how many relapsed after they stopped taking the pill.

But there were lasting effects for Tom Wolfe, 44, a carpenter from Earlysville, Va., who said he has been sober for two years thanks to Topamax. After years of heavy drinking, he took part in an earlier Topamax study. He felt "a little lightheaded" at first until he got used to the drug. Alcohol lost its enjoyment, strengthening his resolve to quit.

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Two Iraqi women killed by private security guards in Baghdad

By SAMEER N. YACOB
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BAGHDAD (AP) — Guards in a security convoy opened fire on a car at an intersection in central Baghdad on Tuesday, killing two Christian women before speeding away, police said. The Iraqi government said a Dubai-based private security company was behind the shootings.

Interior Ministry spokesman Maj. Gen. Abdul-Karim Khalaf said the Unity Resources Group had apologized after guards in four SUVs fired on a car carrying the two women, killing them instantly.

Khalaf said the government and the company have both begun investigations and that initial findings showed the guards fired 19 bullets.

"They apologized and said they are ready to meet all the legal commitments," he said.

Unity Resources Group, which has operated in Iraq since 2004, employs security professionals from the U.S., Britain, Australia and New Zealand.

A company spokesman said there was a shooting involving one of its security teams and it was working with Iraqi authorities to determine the circumstances.

"The first information that we have is that our security team was approached at speed by a vehicle, which failed to stop despite an escalation of warnings which included hand signals and a signal flare," company spokesman Michael Priddin said in a statement. "Finally shots were fired at the vehicle and it stopped."

"We deeply regret this incident," Priddin said. The statement did not mention any casualties.

Across Iraq on Tuesday, violence claimed the lives of at least 44 people, including 19 who died in coordinated suicide car bombings in the north that targeted a police chief and a Sunni sheik.

Tuesday's shooting deaths in Baghdad seemed likely to increase calls for limits on pri-

ivate security firms, which have come under intense scrutiny since the Sept. 16 shooting deaths of as many as 17 Iraqi civilians allegedly by guards with Blackwater USA, the largest firm protecting U.S. diplomats in Iraq. In that case, the American security company said its employees acted in self-defense.

It was not clear what the Unity Resources Group convoy was doing Tuesday when the shootings occurred.

The U.S. State Department said the convoy was not protecting American diplomats, but an embassy spokeswoman said an American nongovernmental organization may have been involved.

"There may be a contractual relationship with a U.S. NGO," U.S. Embassy spokeswoman Mirembe Nantongo said. "We don't have anything more at the moment. We're working on clarifying that."

The women killed were in a white Oldsmobile that drove into the Masbah intersection in the central Karradah district as the convoy of three white and one gray SUVs was stopped about 100 yards away, according to a policeman who witnessed the shooting from a nearby checkpoint.

The men in the SUVs threw a smoke bomb, apparently to warn the car against proceeding, said Riyadh Majid, the policeman. The woman driving the car tried to stop, but was killed along with the passenger when two guards in the convoy opened fire, Majid said.

The pavement where the attack occurred was stained with blood and covered with

shattered glass from the car windows.

He said the convoy then raced away and Iraqi police came to collect the bodies and tow the car with blood still splattered on the white door to the local police station.

Another policeman, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he feared retribution, said the guards were masked and wearing khaki uniforms. He said one of them left the vehicle and started to shoot at the car while another opened fire from the open back door of a separate SUV.

The victims were identified by relatives and police as Marou Awanis, born in 1959, as Geneva Jalal, born in 1977.

"These are innocent people killed by people who have no heart or consciousness. The Iraqi people have no value to them," said a man who was part of a group of relatives gathered with a Christian priest at the local police station.

The man said Awanis had three daughters. "Who will now raise the girls? They are now motherless," he said.

Awanis' sister-in-law, Anahet Bougous, said the woman had been using her car to taxi government employees to work to help raise money for her three daughters.

"May God take revenge on those killers," Bougous said, crying outside the police station. "Now, who is going to raise (the daughters)?"

In the northern oil hub of Beiji, attackers drove a minibus laden with explosives into the house of a local police chief and nearly simultaneous-

ly detonated an explosives-packed Toyota Land Cruiser outside the home of a leading member of the local Awakening Council, a group of Iraqis who have turned against extremists in the area.

A Sunni mosque about 100 yards away from the police chief's house was damaged and three of its guards were among at least 19 people killed, according to police and hospital officials.

Iraqi and American officials said the two men targeted survived the attack.

Saleh Jassim Moussa said two of his relatives from the neighborhood were killed.

"It was a really huge explosion, we panicked and ran out but for minutes, we couldn't see anything because of the heavy smoke," said Moussa, 38, a government employee who was reached by phone. "We're still digging through the rubble, looking for others."

Beiji is in the Sunni province of Salahuddin, which along with the vast Anbar province to the west is part of Iraq's Sunni heartland. The heartland has been the home base for the Sunni-led insurgency, but the U.S. military has cited recent success in getting local tribal leaders to join forces against the terror network.

"This is yet another failed attempt to break the will of the Iraqi people who just want to go on with their lives without violence, raise their children, earn a living and coexist together in a peaceful manner," said Lt. Col. Michael O. Donnelly, military spokesman for northern Iraq.

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State sees no end in sight for drought, wildfires

By SAMIRA JAFARI
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SLADE, Ky. — There's no end in sight for the scores of wildfires burning through eastern Kentucky and sustained by a months-long drought, officials said Tuesday.

More than 1,500 wildfires have burned some 40,000 acres of forest, mostly in eastern Kentucky.

This week's smattering of light drizzles only exacerbated the problem by blowing more leaves to fuel the flames.

"It will take a long consistent rain — much more than we've seen today — to help with these fires," said Leah McSwords, head of the Kentucky Division of Forestry, speaking at the Natural Bridge State Resort

Park. There won't be any relief soon, since forecasters predict only two weeks of light rain this month before Kentucky enters another lengthy dry spell, McSwords said.

Meanwhile, more than 300 firefighters for the forestry division continue to wage an uphill battle against fires that continue to spread. Even fires that have been initially contained with fire lines — areas cleared of debris by firefighters — manage to cross the barriers by burning through dried out roots.

Older trees that would normally be thick enough to avoid major damage are so dry now that they too have fallen victim.

"It's a situation that's not common," McSwords said. Added Fire Chief Bernie

Andersen: "We haven't seen anything like this since '99," when the last major drought plagued Kentucky.

However, although the drought has sustained the fires, the main culprit is arson, said Lloyd Cress, deputy secretary for the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet.

"We can't blame the drought for everything," he said, adding that arson is the cause of 55 percent of wildfires in Kentucky.

He said Kentucky has "a great deal at stake" with the wildfires.

For one thing, droughts and arson have left the \$4.5 billion timber industry vulnerable in Kentucky, one of the nation's top five states in hardwood lumber production. With even minor fire damage, trees can lose up to 75

percent of their value.

Tourism and recreation at the state forests is another \$3.5 billion industry that will feel the repercussions of the wildfires, he said.

Over the past six years, the forestry division alone has spent \$20 million in fighting wildfires.

"Our state cannot sustain losses of this magnitude year after year, Cress said.

Officials say this year the wildfires are burning faster and hotter, causing more damage than in previous years. The concern is that fire season, which runs from Oct. 1 to Dec. 15, has just started — leaving several weeks of burning ahead.

McSwords noted that between Aug. 1 and Oct. 7, 2006, five fires burned 132 acres of Kentucky forest land.

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Government predicts heating oil customers will pay more

By JOHN WILEN
AP BUSINESS WRITER

NEW YORK — Almost all Americans will pay a lot more to heat their homes this winter, even though temperatures are expected to be warmer than average.

That's the sobering message from an Energy Department report Tuesday that estimates heating oil costs are likely to jump 22 percent and natural gas bills, on average, will rise 10 percent between October and March.

And while the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration forecast a milder than average winter in most parts of the country, the agency also predicted Tuesday that temperatures will be 1.3 percent colder than last year.

In Massachusetts, where about 40 percent of homeowners rely on oil for heat, consumers are bracing for price spikes, said Michael Ferrante, president of the Massachusetts Oilheat Council, a trade group. "They are buttoning up their houses even more, they are turning down their thermostats, they are wearing sweaters," he said.

Surging crude oil prices are the primary, but not the only, culprit for the jump in fuel oil costs. This spring and summer, American refineries experienced an unusual number of unexpected maintenance outages. The net result was that fewer refineries were producing gasoline, heating oil and other petroleum products.

The outages sent gasoline prices to a record \$3.227 a gallon in late May as refiners scrambled to produce enough gasoline to meet peak summer driving demand.

"Because they used every ounce of the refinery to produce gasoline, it came at the expense of distillate fuels" like home heating oil, said Phil Flynn, an analyst at Alaron Trading Corp. in Chicago.

Despite the government forecast, natural gas futures prices have actually been mostly falling in recent weeks. Inventories remained high as new sources of natural gas were tapped this year and a cooler summer depressed demand.

"We could have all-time record storage by the beginning of February," said Tim Evans, an analyst at Citigroup Inc. in New York.

But all of that could turn around if oil prices stay high and electricity plant operators switch to natural gas for units that can burn either fuel, said Ron Denhardt, CEO of Strategic Energy & Economic Research Inc., in Winchester, Mass.

On the other hand, supplies coming on line this year, including Anadarko Petroleum Corp.'s Independence Hub platform in the Gulf of Mexico and a portion of the huge Rockies Express natural gas pipeline project, are expected to boost natural gas supplies by 2 billion to 2.5 billion cubic feet.

"That's a lot of supply coming on," Denhardt said.

The Energy Department estimated a gallon of heating oil will rise to \$2.88 this winter as crude oil prices stay high. Crude futures traded on the New York Mercantile Exchange have surged by more than a third from a year ago and settled Tuesday at \$80.26 per barrel, up 1.2 percent for the day.

In Massachusetts, the Division of Energy Resources said dealers were charging an average \$2.72 a gallon for fuel oil on Tuesday — a record high, and up 5 cents from the most recent survey on Sept. 18. The figure is 11 cents higher than the peak that followed a series of price spikes after Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

Heating oil is used by 7 percent of American households, mostly in the Northeast, while natural gas

While some homeowners are choosing to convert to natural gas furnaces, oil dealers argue that such conversions don't pay. An average conversion costs \$5,575, the Oilheat Council says.

heat is used by 58 percent of households. Another 30 percent are heated by electricity, which the Energy Department estimated will rise 4 percent in cost this winter.

For the 5 percent of American homes that use propane, winter heating costs are expected to increase 16

percent. While some homeowners are choosing to convert to natural gas furnaces, oil dealers argue that such conversions don't pay.

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"I think consumers under-

stand if they do the research, heating oil has been cheaper than natural gas in the past," said Ken Williams, owner of Scott-Williams Oil, in Quincy, Mass.

The wild card in the heating cost estimates is the weather. If the U.S. experiences a warmer than expect-

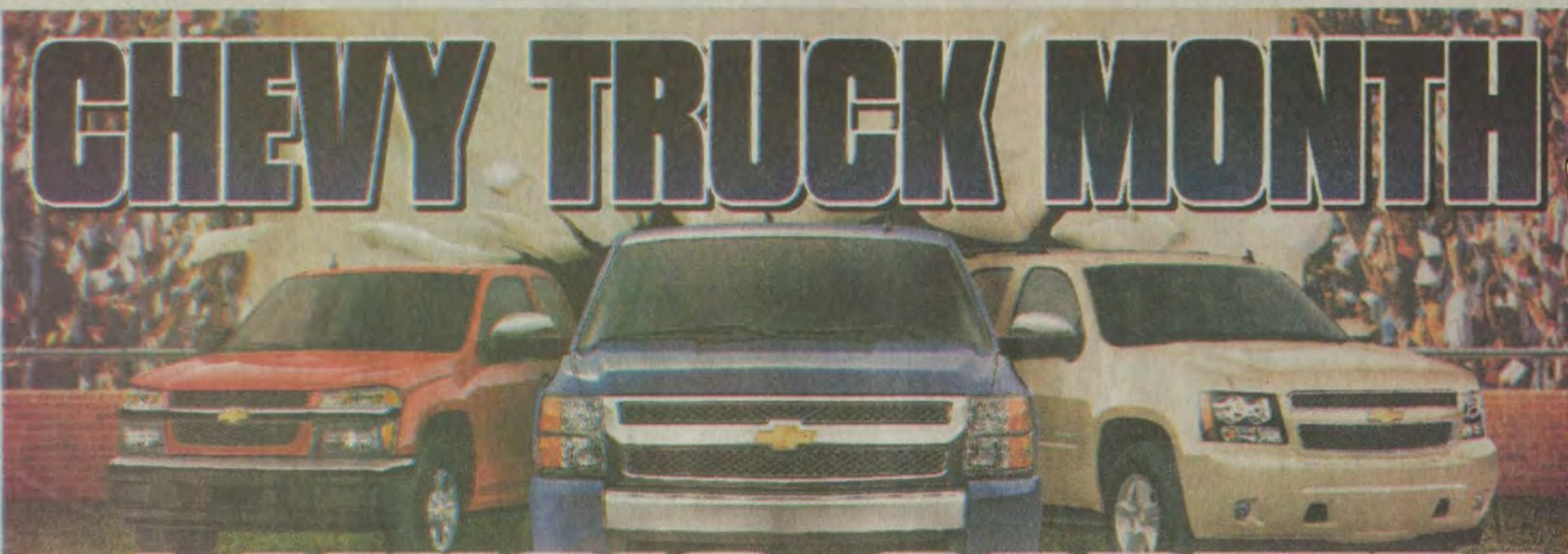
ed winter, prices of some fuels could fall through the winter.

But if the winter is particularly cold, prices could jump more than expected. "You could have (supply) tightness if you're going to have a colder-than-normal winter," Evans said.

Penny Taylor, who spent about \$350 a month last winter to heat her Sarasota, Fla., home with electric heat, blanched when she heard about Tuesday's price forecast from the Energy Department.

"I think we're going to have to get a lot of blankets because there's no way we'll be able to afford to run the heat," she said.

AP Business Writer Mark Jewell in Boston contributed to this report.



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PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. G. Michael Cain McBrayer, McGinnis, Leslie & Kirkland P.O. Box 1100 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-1100 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II C.A. NO. 06-CI-00218 GREEN TREE SERVICING, LLC F/K/A GREEN TREE FINANCIAL SERVICING CORP. PLAINTIFF VS. TONYA E. JOHNSON, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TONYA E. JOHNSON, MELODIE NEWSOME, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MELODIE NEWSOME and FLOYD COUNTY DEFENDANTS RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE *** BY VIRTUE OF**

Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 12th day of June, 2006 in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$97,316.39, 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 27th day of July, 2006 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Being described in a tract of property, being Lot #8 of the Eagle Trace Subdivision and lying adjacent to Eagle Trace Boulevard on Pen Hook Branch near Harold in Floyd County, Kentucky and being further described as follows: BEGINNING at a rebar/cap, being a common corner of Lot 7 of the Eagle Trace Subdivision, Eagle Trace Boulevard and the subject property; thence, leaving Lot 7 and with the northern edge of Eagle Trace Boulevard, along a curve to the right having a length of 122.59' and a radius of 100.00' (chord N

76 36 03 W, 115.06') to a rebar/cap; thence, N 373530 W, 122.48' to a rebar/cap, being a common corner of Eagle Trace Boulevard, Section 3 of the Eagle Trace Subdivision and the subject property; thence, leaving said Boulevard and with Section 3, W 53 50 57 E, 70.28' to a rebar/cap near the base of the hill; thence, uphill, N 46 34 58 E, 95.87' to a rebar/cap, being a common corner of Section 3, lot 9 of the Eagles. Trace Subdivision the subject property, thence, leaving Section 3 and with Lot 9 downhill, S 10 04 42 W, 39.11' to a rebar/cap; thence S 19 12 43 E, 71.18' to a rebar/cap being a common corner of said Lot 7, said Lot 9 and the subject property; thence, leaving Lot 9 and with Lot 7, S 19 12 43 E, 132.74' to the point-of-beginning, containing 21,318.4 square feet or 0.49 acres. The rebar/caps as referenced herein are 5/8" x 18" rebar steel with an orange plastic cap stamped Aarco 2994 and were set during the course of a survey performed by Aarco Surveying, P.O. Box 149, Virgie, Kentucky 4157 on 7/03/99. The purpose of said survey was to revise the boundary lines of Lot 8 of the Eagle Trace Subdivision as shown on the plat of said subdivision as prepared by Larry Fitch on 8/07/97. The above described tract is subject to any restrictions or easements of record or otherwise. Being the same property conveyed unto Tonya E. Johnson, a single person and Melodie R. Newsome, a single person by deed dated 7/20/99 and recorded in Deed Book __, Page __, in the Floyd County Clerk's office. Also, there is a mobile home currently situated on the subject real property, described as a 2000 Riverchase mobile home 28' x 76', Serial No. AL2910R003457A B. 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. (b) The successful bidder shall be 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. (c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2006, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent real estate taxes

will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) 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 takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. G. Michael Cain McBrayer, McGinnis, Leslie & Kirkland P.O. Box 1100 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-1100 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CASE NO. 05-CI-00896 U.S. BANK, NA PLAINTIFF VS. MARIA D. SCOTT, JAMIE R. SCOTT and COMMUNITY TRUST BANK, INC. DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE *** BY VIRTUE OF**

Summary Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 25th day of June, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$48,355.56, 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 18th day of October, 2007 at the hour of 10:45 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Being a lot 100 x 150 feet beginning at an iron stake joining the Kenny and Pam Music line 150 feet North; thence 100 feet East to an iron stake; thence 150 feet running South to an iron stake; thence 100 feet West to an iron stake to the beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Maria D. Scott, married from George R. Banks, Sr. and Margaret W. Banks, his wife, by Deed dated and recorded August 4, 2005, in Deed Book 515, at page 536, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk, Floyd County, Kentucky. 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. (b) The suc-

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CASE NO. 06-CI-00505

Centex Home Equity Company, LLC fka Centex Home Equity Company I, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. John D. Ledcke aka John D. Ledcke, Sr. Tamery Bowen, et al DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE *** BY VIRTUE OF**

Final Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 8th day of June, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$95,256.59, 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 18th day of October, 2007 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Parcel No.: 058-00-00-007.03 Lot #3 Still House

Branch. Beginning at an iron stake on Still House Branch, corner to Ricky Hughes' line; thence running up the hill with Ricky Hughes' line 390 feet to an iron stake; thence turning at a right angle and running around the hill 465 feet to and iron stake; thence turning at a right angle and running down the hill 427 feet to an iron stake on Still House Branch; thence running down Still House Branch with the meanders of same 365 feet to the iron stake on Still House Branch, corner to Ricky Hughes' line the point of the beginning. (Description supplied by the seller's). Which includes a Dutch 1999, 28 x 80 Mobile home with a VIN#2355e Being the same property conveyed to John D. Ledcke, Sr., single and Tamery Bowen, single, by virtue of a deed from William Powers, single, Roger Collins and Sharon Collins, his wife, and Vic Goble and Betty Goble, his wife, dated March 25, 2002, filed April 1, 2002, recorded in Deed Book 471, Page 101, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky. 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. (b) The successful bidder shall be 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. (c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent city and county ad valorem taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) 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 takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. Septimious Taylor 4830 Towne Square Court Owensboro, Kentucky 42301 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CASE NO. 06-CI-00957

LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR CERTIFICATE-HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I LLC ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-H5 PLAINTIFF VS. KEVIN CLATWORTHY TANGIE CLATWORTHY DEFENDANTS

Final Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 8th day of June, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$136,800.00, 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 18th day of October, 2007 at the hour of 9:45 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Being the same property conveyed to Kevin Clatworthy and Tangie Clatworthy, husband and wife, from Isaac Combs and Mary Combs, his wife, by deed dated June 9, 2000, and recorded on June 14, 2000, in Deed Book 448, Page 148, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky, and known as 139 May Street, McDowell, KY 41647. A certain tract or parcel of land lying on Left Beaver Creek near the mouth of Frazier's Creek, Frazier County, Kentucky, containing 1/2 acres, more or less, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the corner of Dewey and Magnolia Martin's line; thence running 84 feet with the lane towards the hill to the old County Road; thence with the County Road 56 feet to a fence post on the Anderson line, (formerly Milford Hall Line); thence 95 feet with the Anderson line to the Martin's line; thence 57 feet across Dewey and Magnolia Martin's

line to the point of beginning, containing 1/2 acre, more or less. (All oil and gas rights are excepted from this conveyance). 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. (b) The successful bidder shall be 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. (c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent city and county ad valorem taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) 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 takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR CERTIFICATE-HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I LLC ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-H5 PLAINTIFF VS. KEVIN CLATWORTHY TANGIE CLATWORTHY DEFENDANTS




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NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE *** BY VIRTUE OF**

Final Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 8th day of June, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$136,800.00, 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 18th day of October, 2007 at the hour of 9:45 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Being the same property conveyed to Kevin Clatworthy and Tangie Clatworthy, husband and wife, from Isaac Combs and Mary Combs, his wife, by deed dated June 9, 2000, and recorded on June 14, 2000, in Deed Book 448, Page 148, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky, and known as 139 May Street, McDowell, KY 41647. A certain tract or parcel of land lying on Left Beaver Creek near the mouth of Frazier's Creek, Frazier County, Kentucky, containing 1/2 acres, more or less, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the corner of Dewey and Magnolia Martin's line; thence running 84 feet with the lane towards the hill to the old County Road; thence with the County Road 56 feet to a fence post on the Anderson line, (formerly Milford Hall Line); thence 95 feet with the Anderson line to the Martin's line; thence 57 feet across Dewey and Magnolia Martin's

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PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL:

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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CASE NO. 05-CI-1172

Wachovia Bank of Delaware, National Association fka First Union National Bank of Delaware PLAINTIFF vs. Melissa Bentley Ricky, D. Bentley aka Ricky Bentley aka Ricky Darrell Bentley Unknown Defendant, Spouse of Opal Campbell on June 24, 1987 United States of America - c/o Attorney General United States of America - c/o U.S. Attorney County of Floyd Commonweath of Kentucky - Finance and Administration Cabinet DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE ***** BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of December, 2006, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$83,391.43, 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 18th day of October, 2007 at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the northeastern

corner of Peggy Oliver's property line and running a northern course with the old country road a distance of forty (40) feet to Leonard Sexton's line; thence turning and running a western direction with Leonard Sexton's line to an iron stake; thence turning and running a southern direction a distance of twenty (20) feet to an iron stake, a corner to Peggy Oliver; thence turning and running in an eastern direction with Peggy Oliver's line to the point of beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Ricky Bentley and Melissa Bentley, his wife, by deed dated June 24, 1997 and recorded in Deed Book 407, page 463, of said County Clerk's Records. 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. (b) The successful bidder shall be 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. (c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky real property taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) 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 takes precedence over printed matter contained herein. PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Laura B. Brent Kyle P. Williams Counsel for Plaintiff Mapother & Mapother, P.S.C. 9960 Corporate Campus Drive Suite 110 Louisville, Kentucky 40223 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 07-CI-00058 Beneficial Mortgage Co. of Kentucky PLAINTIFF vs. Mary F. Moore, a/k/a Mary Moore Bobby Moore DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMIS-SIONER'S SALE *** BY VIRTUE OF**

Default Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 12th day of March, 2007, and Order of Sale entered on May 14, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$35,262.59, 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 18th day of October, 2007 at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Being Lot No. 120 in the village of Auxier, Floyd County, Kentucky, as shown on a map of said village, which map is of record in Deed Book No. 126 Page 637, Floyd County Clerk's Office to which map reference is hereby made for a more particular description of the property herein conveyed. All minerals and oil and gas, in on and under the property herein conveyed, with all mining and drilling rights, are reserved and excepted by the North East Coal Company. This deed is made subject to the provisions of an instrument of writing dedicating the streets and alleys in the village of Auxier, Floyd County, Kentucky, to public use, and being the same with which the map referred to above was filed. Being the same property conveyed to Mary Frances Moore by Deed dated March 7, 2005, and recorded in Deed Book 511, Page 115, in the Office of the Clerk aforesaid. 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. (b) The successful bidder shall be 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. (c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky real property taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) 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 takes precedence over printed matter contained herein. PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Laura B. Brent Kyle P. Williams Counsel for Plaintiff Mapother & Mapother, P.S.C. 9960 Corporate Campus Drive Suite 110 Louisville, Kentucky 40223 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky real property taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) 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 takes precedence over printed matter contained herein. PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Laura B. Brent Kyle P. Williams Counsel for Plaintiff Mapother & Mapother, P.S.C. 9960 Corporate Campus Drive Suite 110 Louisville, Kentucky 40223 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II C.A. NO. 07-CI-00097 U. S. BANK, NA (Successor by Merger to Firstar Bank, NA) PLAINTIFF vs. KATHY LYNN JOHNSON and JASON JOHNSON DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMIS-SIONER'S SALE *** BY VIRTUE OF** Default Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of May, 2007 in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$56,712.69, 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 18th day of October, 2007 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: A CERTAIN TRACE OR PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT NO. 395 1/2 LOCATED IN ITS WHEEL WRIGHT SUBDIVISION, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AS SHOWN ON MAP OR PLAT IN FILE 348, FLOYD COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

Subject to ALL EASEMENTS, COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESERVATIONS, LEASES AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS, ALL RIGHTS OF WAY, ALL ZONING, BUILDING AND OTHER LAWS, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS, ALL RIGHTS OF TENANTS IN POSSESSION, AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS NOT YET DUE AND PAYABLE. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED BY DEED RECORDED FEBRUARY 3, 1999, IN VOLUME 430, PAGE 126, OF THE FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY RECORDS. 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. (b) The successful bidder shall be 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. (c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky real property taxes for the year 2007, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (e) 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 takes precedence over printed matter contained herein. PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. Septimous Taylor 4830 Towne Square Court Owensboro, Kentucky 42301 WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 877-0182 In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley

Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia 25560 has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.1 miles northeast of Gunlock and is situated in both Magoffin and Floyd Counties. The proposed operation will disturb 570.41 surface acres and 22.53 acres of auger area of which 22.53 acres underlie proposed surface area, making a total permit area of 570.41 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 1.1 miles southwest from Brushy Fork Road's junction with KY 7 and is located on Brushy Fork of the Licking River. The proposed operation is located on the David USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Abe Shepherd Heirs, Abe Shepherd, Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, Gladys Shepherd, Clyde Allen Estate, Rule Reagan, Ruth Ousley, and Kelly Hale Heirs. The permit area will underlie land owned by Gladys Shepherd and Clyde Allen Estate. The operation will use the area, contour, and auger/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 of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow

Complex, 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.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0350 In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc. 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 201.64 surface acres, and will underlie 71.49 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 273.13 acres, located approximately 2.0 miles southeast of Printer, in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 0.45 mile east of Junction KY Route No. 2030 with County Road No. 1142. The latitude is 37°30'58". The longitude is 82°42'44". The proposed operation is located on the Harold/Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the area, contour and auger/hi-wall mining methods of mining. The surface to be disturbed is owned by Appalachian Land Company, Locust Grove Inc., John H. Kidd, Jeffery and Judith Gayheart, Joe Roberts, Sonny and Linda

(3) The proposed facility is located on the M c D o w e l l U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 860-0452 Amendment No. 2 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Enterprise Mining Company, LLC, 1876 Yellow Creek Road, Sassafras, Kentucky 41759 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting an additional 124.85 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 0.00 acres for a total of 739.59 acres located approximately 1.4 miles north of Amburgey in Knott County. The proposed operation is approximately 2.4 miles north from Route 1231's junction with Route 3391 and located adjacent to State Route 1231. The proposed operation is located on the Hindman and Carrie U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the surface contour and auger methods of mining. The surface area is owned by E. P. Cornett, Gabe Hudson Heirs, Charles Hudson, Alfred Davidson, Jack & Beth Ann Caudill and Deborah Davidson. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5173, Renewal (1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 has applied for a renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 1 ? miles north of Craynor in Floyd County. The operation disturbs 92.45 acres of surface disturbance area (2.5 acres overlie underground works) and underlies 845.0 acres of overlying surface area for a total permit area of 934.5. (2) The proposed operation is ? mile west from KY Route 979's junction with KY 680 and located immediately south of Hamilton Branch. The latitude is 37°27'17". The longitude is 82°39'47".

LEGAL NOTICE In accordance with Chapter 65 and 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes the following information and supporting data may be inspected by the general public at
Floyd County Extension Office 921 South Lake Drive
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SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR FISCAL PERIOD July 1, 2006 TO June 30, 2007

Revenues	
Taxes (all categories)	\$ 256,392.00
Charges for Services	\$
Other Revenues	\$ 2,728.00
Interest Earned	\$ 11,165.00
Receipts and cash	
Carryover from Prior Fiscal Year	\$ 374,219.00
Bonded Debt	\$
Transfers to Other Funds	\$()
Transfers from Other Funds	\$
Borrowed Money (Notes)	\$
Total Receipts and Cash	\$ 844,503.00
Receipts, Cash & Revenues Total	\$
Expenditures	
Personnel	\$ 80,917.00
Operations	\$ 96,623.00
Administration	\$
Capital Outlay	\$ 28,160.00
Debt Service	\$
Total Appropriations	\$ 205,700.00

I, the undersigned, Treasurer of Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the accounts of the Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as of October 9, 2007
(City) (Date)
Kermit R. Howard Treasurer
Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund
Subscribed and sworn to before me by the foregoing Affiant Kermit R. Howard, this 9th day of
October, 2007 My commission expires: July 17, 2011 Sarah J. Lewis
(Month) (Date) (Name)
Notary Public, State of Kentucky at large.

Suite #6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive,

Preparation of this document was completed by the undersigned on October 9, 2007. I, the undersigned, Treasurer of Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the accounts of the Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as of October 9, 2007
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Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 860-5306 Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Goose Creek Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 226, Eastern, Kentucky 41622, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 2.0 miles north of Topmost, and is situated in both Knott and Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 12.1 surface areas, and will underlie 511.6 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 523.7 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.9 mile southeast from KY Route 7's junction with KY Route 809, and is located on the Right Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Wayland and McDowell USGS 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Roy and Priscilla Huff and Leonard and Christine Nickles. The operation will underlie land owned by Ramson Slone, Roy and Priscilla Huff, W. J. Hall Estate, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, E.V. Vance Estate,

William P. Slone Estate, Larry and Patricia Vance, Debra Brigmon, and Rodney and Najwana Sue Moore.

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 of the Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II Civil Action No. 06-CI-00141 Community Trust Bank, Inc. Successor in Interest to Community Trust Bank, NA Plaintiff Vs. Estate of Esther Lawson; Linda Greer, Administratrix; Donald Greer; Patricia Underwood, Unknown Spouse of Patricia Underwood, Pamela Detone and Rick Detone, Phillip Hall, Unknown Spouse of Phillip Hall, Kenny Hall, Unknown Spouse of Kenny Hall, Joy Dunlap and Sam Dunlap, Kathy Emery and Ronnie Emery, Jerry Hall and Virginia Hall Heirs of Carolayn Christian, Melissa Patton and James Patton, Randal

Christian and Unknown Spouse of Randal Christian; Thomas Christian and Unknown Spouse of Thomas Christian; Michael Christian and Unknown Spouse of Michael Christian GMAC Mortgage Corporation DBA Ditechcom and Floyd County, Kentucky Defendants

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF Judgement and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 30th day of July, 2007, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$73,065.01, 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 8th day of November, 2007, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:
Beginning at a 5/8" rebar with aluminum cap being a corner of Edgar Crucey and on the line of Wilkie Tackett, thence with the line of Edgar Crucey S 25°48'10" W 232.745' to a 5/8" rebar with aluminum cap point on line of Edgar Crucey thence N 81°06'26" E 150.699' to a 5/8" rebar, thence N 14°21'37" W

192.23 to the point of beginning said lot containing 0.33 a.c., together with a right of way easement for purposes of ingress and egress to and from the hereinbefore described real property.

This being part of Lot No. 5 of Parcel No. 2 as described in that certain deed from Mountaineer Land Company to Edgar Crucey and Joyce Crucey, his wife, dated June 11, 1997, recorded in Deed Book 407, Page 89, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

This being the same property conveyed to Junior Lawson and Ester Lawson, his wife, by Deed dated November 19, 1998, and recorded in Deed Book 429, Page 559, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

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.
(b) The successful bidder shall be 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.

(c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, 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, Kentucky, real estate taxes

will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) 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 Counsel:
Hon. Virginia K. Baird
Baird & Baird
P.O. Box 351
Pikeville, KY 41502
William S. Kendrick
Master Commissioner
P.O. Box 268
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Prestonsburg will be mailing property tax bills on October 29, 2007. The discount rate of 2% will apply to all payments made prior to November 30, 2007, and the penalty rate of 6% will apply to all payments made after December 31, 2007. Payments may be made in the office of the City Clerk, located at 200 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, or by mail. Failure to receive a bill due to an incorrect address does not excuse payment or penalties. If you do not receive your bill, please contact the City Clerk at (606) 886-2335, for a duplicate.

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N. Korea marks first nuclear test anniversary with praise for Kim

By JAE-SOON CHANG
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea marked the first anniversary of its nuclear test Tuesday with calls on the country's poverty-stricken population to rally around leader Kim Jong Il, praised by state media for pulling off a "truly great miracle."

Japan's Cabinet, meanwhile, approved plans to extend economic sanctions over the test for another six months. The sanctions — including banning the import of North Korean goods and closing Japanese ports to the communist nation's ships — were to expire in mid-October.

The Oct. 9, 2006, test sent tensions spiraling in the stand-off over North Korea's nuclear program. But it also prompted the U.S. to soften its policy toward North Korea, paving the way for steps toward a goal of dismantling the North's nuclear program.

The North's main Rodong Simmun newspaper ran a lengthy editorial Tuesday to mark the anniversary, imploring the country's 23 million people to rally around Kim, the official Korean Central News Agency said.

"Never forgettable are acclamations of October 2006, when we shouted hurrah again and again at the top of our voices in admiration of General Kim Jong Il who unfolded an eternally clear sky of peace, prosperity and hope above the heads of the 70 million people," the state-controlled paper said, referring to both North and South Koreans.

The nuclear test was a "truly great miracle," the paper said, sending the North "soaring as a powerful and great nation" at a time of hardship.

The country is believed to have conducted the underground test explosion at an unknown location in its north-

east. The size of the blast was relatively small, with the U.S. government estimating its yield at less than a kiloton. Each kiloton is equal to the force produced by 1,000 tons of TNT.

The explosion brought widespread international condemnation. But it also added urgency to the need to resolve the standoff, and led the U.S. to address one of North Korea's key demands, which involved a banking dispute that had stalled negotiations.

North Korea responded positively to the U.S. overture, promising in February to shut down and then disable its sole functioning nuclear reactor as a step toward its dismantlement. In exchange, it was promised economic aid and political concessions from the U.S. and four other countries — China, Japan, South Korea and Russia.

North Korea closed the Yongbyon reactor in July, and committed last week to disabling it and other facilities by year's end.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said a team of U.S. nuclear experts was scheduled to leave Tuesday for North Korea to survey the nuclear complex and help map out its disablement plan. He said they would be there for about a week before being replaced by another team.

Japanese Prime Minister Yasuo Fukuda said Tuesday that Tokyo would extend its economic sanctions despite the North's pledge because Pyongyang has not yet taken any concrete steps toward disablement. Japan had already extended the sanctions once, in April.

"We decided to continue the sanctions because there was no change in the situation," Fukuda said. "We must see what future negotiations we can carry out."

Japanese officials have also

complained of little progress in resolving the issue of its citizens allegedly abducted by North Korea in the 1970s and 1980s. The issue has been a main sticking point for the two countries.

The improved relations between Pyongyang and Washington has led to the U.S. government deciding to ship heavy fuel oil to North Korea as part of the February shutdown deal, and separately offer food aid. Washington also promised to take steps to take Pyongyang off its blacklist of countries sponsoring terrorism.

South Korea's presidential security adviser, Baek Jong-chun, said Monday that U.S. and North Korean officials are expected to meet soon to discuss the proposed food aid.

Buoyed by the progress in the nuclear issue, South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun agreed at a summit last week with Kim to seek to replace the truce that ended the 1950-53 Korean War with a peace treaty and pursue a meeting of leaders of parties to the cease-fire.

Roh briefed President Bush on the summit in a telephone conversation Tuesday and the two agreed the foremost goal is the denuclearization of the Korean peninsula, White House press secretary Dana Perino said. She said Roh had placed the U.S.-South Korean free trade agreement before the South Korean national assembly and expressed hope that it would move quickly.

Roh also briefed Russian President Vladimir Putin on the inter-Korean agreement and ask Moscow's help in implementing it.

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Little League refines baseball pitching rules for 2008 season

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Following up on the ground breaking first season in which a mandatory pitch count was used in all baseball divisions of Little League, the rules and regulations for 2008 have been refined, it was announced today at Little League International.

After two years of testing involving hundreds of local programs, Little League unveiled an initiative in 2007 that used the actual number of pitches delivered, rather than innings pitched, to determine eligibility for the next time a player can pitch. The number of

pitches permitted, and the amount of rest required, depends on the age of the player.

Little League International has urged all youth baseball programs to adopt a pitch count in order to protect young pitching arms from rising overuse injuries. However, to date, Little League is the only national youth baseball organization to adopt this method. USA Baseball, the governing body for baseball in the U.S., recommends using pitch counts as well.

Little League International also is grateful for the continued support of Dr. James Andrews and Dr. Glenn Fleisig, who contributed invaluable data and advice in crafting

the Pitch Count Pilot Program in 2005-'06, as well as the regulations and tournament rules in 2007. Dr. Andrews is the chairman and medical director for the American Sports Medicine Institute (ASMI) in Birmingham, Ala., and Dr. Fleisig is the research director at ASMI. They are the world's foremost authorities on the subject of pitching-related injuries.

As noted when the pitch count was first introduced, the regular season pitching regulations and tournament pitching rules were expected to evolve as time progressed. The ASMI, led by Dr. Andrews and Dr. Fleisig,

(See PITCHING, page two)



HS VOLLEYBALL: Piarist defeated Jenkins late last week in varsity and junior varsity regular-season finales. The Knights finished the regular-season on a three-match win streak. Piarist's Kes Moore is pictured.

Fifth-ranked Bethel holds off determined Bears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — A scare was delivered by the Pikeville College Bears, but the fifth-ranked Bethel Wildcats held on for the 41-34 win Saturday afternoon at the W.C. Hambley Athletic Complex.

Pikeville (2-4) gave the Wildcats all they wanted on a beautiful if hot afternoon at Wildcat Stadium. Bethel improved to 5-1 winning their fourth straight.

Freshman quarterback Dan Wideman had a huge game for the Bears, gaining 129 yards on 16 carries with two scores. Coming into the game having completed only 42.7 percent of his passes, he hit 16-of-24 for 102 yards and another score.

Pikeville took the lead on the opening drive, going 56 yards on only five plays including the final 32 by Wideman with 12:23 left in the opening period. Kyle Chilton's PAT made it 7-0.

The Wildcats wasted no time in tying the game, as Ronnie Jankovich hit tight end Buck Reed for a 12-yard touchdown on the ensuing drive. Shane Normandin hit the PAT to tie the game with 9:29 left. The Wildcats took the lead for the first time with 14:3 seconds left when Adrian Smith broke free and scooted 73 yards for the score and a 14-7 lead.

It was short-lived. Antwan Surratt took the ensuing kickoff at the nine and raced down the left sideline 91 yards to tie the game as the first quarter ended.

The wild first period was followed by a second quarter that nearly equaled it. Smith scored again on a five-yard run with 11:44 left. This time, Normandin missed the PAT. But Pikeville responded with a 13-yard scoring run by De'von Joseph, the score remained equal: A low snap resulted in a blocked kick to keep it 20-20 with 3:58 remaining.

The first-half scoring ended when Terrance Bell scored from six yards out with 1:13 left to send the teams to the break with Bethel nursing a 27-20 lead.

The Bears tied the game early in the third period when Surratt caught an eight-yard pass from Wideman with 10:07 remaining. Pikeville rolled the dice and went for an on-side kick which was recovered by the Wildcats at the

(See BEARS, page two)



Prestonsburg quarterback Bobby Hughes (2) followed the block of Darrin Lawson (51) during Saturday's game against Beechwood. Chris Schoolcraft (17) is also pictured for the Blackcats.

photo by Jamie Howell

P'burg gives tremendous effort, but falls to Beechwood

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — What ended as a 38-21 loss to the Beechwood Tigers could best be described as a "what if game" for the Prestonsburg Blackcats. Trailing 24-21 with four minutes remaining in the game and driving, Blackcat Coach John DeRossett decided to pull a trick play out for his offensive unit. Unfortunately for Prestonsburg, a hold on wideout Austin Gearheart was not noticed and flagged. Beechwood returned an interception on the play, killing all of Prestonsburg's momentum. Visiting Beechwood pulled away in the final four minutes, defeating the host Blackcats 38-21.

"They've got a special football program at Beechwood," said Prestonsburg Coach John DeRossett. "I'm proud of the way our kids played. At the same time, you've gotta give hats off to Coach (Noel) Rash, his staff and their entire football program. We're already looking forward to going to Northern Kentucky next season for a return game against Beechwood."

The Tigers won without star running back Tommy Bankemper, who had rushed for a team-high 408 yards

and nine touchdowns on 95 carries in five games. Bankemper isn't expected to be back in action until the last regular-season game.

Neico Teipel picked up the rushing load for Beechwood, carrying 23 times for 196 yards and three touchdowns.

Prestonsburg played without senior running back/linebacker Dalton Taylor, a force on both offense and defense.

After jumping out in front 14-0 in the first quarter, Beechwood found itself in a battle. Host Prestonsburg (5-2) reeled off 14 points of its own in the second quarter. The two teams entered halftime deadlocked at 14-14.

"We gave our guys a challenge at halftime," said Beechwood Coach Noel Rash. "Our conditioning really came through in the second half."

After holding host Prestonsburg to a three-and-out situation on the game's opening drive, Beechwood took over on offense at the 10:09 mark of the opening quarter. Quarterback Cody Elliott, playing at less than 100-percent, hooked up with Joe Daniels on a 74-yard scoring pass with 9:04 left in the first period. After Ryan Amelung connected on the extra-point kick, Beechwood led 14-0.

The Tigers returned to the endzone with 5:16 left in the first quarter when

Neico Teipel found the endzone on a 1-yard touchdown run. Amelung's second point-after pushed Beechwood out in front 14-0.

Prestonsburg, however, wouldn't waiver. The Blackcats' work ethic caught the eye of the Beechwood mentor.

"Prestonsburg is a very good football team," Rash commented. "It was a great atmosphere for a high school football game. Prestonsburg knows how to play football. Those kids play extremely hard."

Prestonsburg got into the endzone with 5:50 remaining in the second quarter after senior quarterback Bobby Hughes scored on a 1-yard run.

Following a Beechwood punt, Prestonsburg's Seth Setser scored on a 33-yard run with 2:56 remaining before halftime.

Beechwood (6-1) wasted little time in going out in front in the second half. The Tigers took the opening kickoff and just over two minutes into the half, Teipel returned to the endzone on a 43-yard scamper.

The Tigers held a 21-14 advantage and stretched their lead out to 24-14 when Amelung connected on a 25-yard field goal attempt with 2:56 left in

(See P'BURG, page two)

Allen Elementary to host bass fishing tournament

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN — The Allen Elementary Athletic Department will host its first annual bass fishing tournament on Saturday, Oct. 13 on Dewey Lake at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Boat fee for the tournament is \$75 per boat.

The tournament will feature the following guaranteed prize distribution: First-place—\$1,000; Second-place—\$500; Big Fish—\$250.

Checks should be made payable to Allen Elementary PTO. The boat entries will determine launch position. Entries should be dropped off at Allen Elementary or mailed to the school: Attention Angie Waugh or Chuck Rowe, 112 Eagle Lane, Allen, Ky. 41601.

Kimmel earns record fifth Bill France Triple Crown

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TALLADEGA Ala. — Defending ARCA RE/MAX Series Champion Frank Kimmel continues his quest for a record ninth national championship title, but on Friday at Talladega Superspeedway, it was all about the Bill France Triple Crown.

Kimmel, driver of the No. 46 Pork-Fort Dodge Animal Health-Greenheck Ford, clinched the 2007 edition of the award this weekend, becoming the only driver in ARCA history to earn five Bill France Triple Crown Awards.

Kimmel, who has family ties in Floyd County, ranks as one of stock car racing's all-time winningest drivers.

This past weekend's ARCA RE/MAX 250 marked the third and final leg of the series, which is designed to measure a driver's performance on a diverse array of tracks, including a mile-dirt track (The DuQuoin State Fairgrounds, Sept. 3), a short track (Salem Speedway, Sept. 15) and a speedway (Talladega Superspeedway, Oct. 5).

Kimmel finished fifth at the DuQuoin State Fairgrounds, second at Salem Speedway and second at Talladega Superspeedway on Friday evening. In 2007, Kimmel has posted three wins, one SIM Factory Pole Award, nine top-5 and 15 top-10 finishes. He has led 259 laps in eight races. He is on track to clinch a record shattering ninth National Championship Points Title at ARCA Championship Weekend at Toledo Speedway Friday-Sunday.

Other Bill France Triple Crown award winners include Blake Bjorklund, Brent Sherman, Jason Jarrett, Tim Steele, Bill Baird, Harris DeVane, Bob Hill, Bob Keselowski, Bobby Bowsher, Bill Venturini, Tracy Leslie, Grant Adcox, Lee Raymond and Davey Allison. The Bill France Triple Crown award winner has been honored at the ARCA RE/MAX Series National Championship Awards Banquet each consecutive year since 1984.

Another local tie: Prestonsburg resident Steve Blackburn drives a limited ARCA RE/MAX schedule.



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HONORED: Members of Prestonsburg's 1993 Class 2A state runner-up team served as honorary game captains prior to Saturday's matchup that pitted the current Blackcats versus Beechwood. Former Blackcat head coach Bill Letton (back row, third from right) accompanied his former players.

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Gordon wins at Talladega to become career restrictor-plate leader

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLADEGA, Ala. — It's not in Jeff Gordon's nature to go slow, and asking the four-time series champion to ride aimlessly around in the back of the pack is unheard of.

But with all the unknowns surrounding Sunday's race at Talladega Superspeedway, it seemed to be the safest strategy. Still, he resisted, and even told car owner Rick Hendrick he wouldn't do it.

He apparently had a change of heart, agreeing to turn parade laps for much of the race before surging past Jimmie Johnson on the final lap and holding off his teammate to become the career victory leader at restrictor-plate tracks.

"It was the hardest race I've ever had to be in. I've never had that type of mind-set before," Gordon said. "I've never done that before. I even told Rick Hendrick earlier in the week that some guys were talking about that strategy, and I can't do it — I think we've got to get out there and race and let the chips fall where they may."

"I changed that ... and it was tough because I don't like just going out there and riding in the back. I want to be out there battling for the lead and leading laps."

He parlayed his decision into his 12th career plate win and fifth victory this season, and moved back on top of the points standings. He leads Johnson by nine points with six races remaining in the Chase for the championship.

But it was a bizarre way to do it by Gordon's standards.

Fears over the Car of Tomorrow's plate debut and former Formula One champion Jacques Villeneuve's first Nextel Cup event had the entire field concerned the race would be one big demolition derby.

So Gordon decided he'd

avoid the mess by staying in the back, and found himself yawning in his race car for the first time in his career.

Gordon had a horrible qualifying effort — he started 34th — and it put him at the back, where he never tried to move from. He then suffered a late-race setback when he pulled out of his pit with a hose hanging from his car, earning a pass-through penalty that seemed to take him out of contention.

Still, he sat back, resisting the urge to charge to the front.

"It was terrible, I am telling you that was the hardest thing I've ever had to do in a race car," Gordon said. "I like to think that I have pretty good patience, but that's beyond patience."

"There's just nothing fun about that, but I knew it was the smart thing."

A master at working the draft, Gordon eventually marched toward the front and had moved into the top 15 as the race neared its completion. With six laps to go, he was in the middle of a Hendrick Motorsports charge that saw Johnson, Gordon and Casey Mears surge to the front of the pack.

Gordon was stuck behind Johnson, though, and waited until the last lap to make a move toward the front. He finally jumped up high, squeezing in between Johnson and the Penske cars of Ryan Newman and Kurt Busch.

Just as Johnson tried to block him, two-time series champion Tony Stewart slid onto Gordon's bumper and gave him a huge push into the lead. Gordon led just one lap — the last one — to complete a season sweep at Talladega.

"I wasn't happy with getting passed, but that would have been the situation with anybody," said Johnson, who finished second. "To get that close and not win is a letdown. There must have been stuff going on behind me that I

couldn't see, but Jeff could in his mirror, and he pulled up and got in front of the 20 (Stewart) and was able to take advantage of that push."

Dave Blaney was third in the best finish this year for a Toyota driver. Title contender Denny Hamlin was fourth and was followed by Ryan Newman, who was leading late in his Dodge, and Mears.

Chase driver Kurt Busch was seventh and Stewart, who was in position to win this race very late, had two strategic moves backfire and was shuffled back to eighth.

This race blew open the Chase for the championship standings, as Gordon and Johnson positioned themselves for a Hendrick battle toward the title. Third-place driver Clint Bowyer finished 11th, but fell 63 points behind the leader.

Stewart dropped 154 points out and everyone else is more than 200 points behind.

The entire industry was tense about this race leading up to the green flag because of a combination of the CoT and Villeneuve, who was widely criticized for picking Talladega for his first start.

But Villeneuve, who qualified sixth, dropped to the very back of the pack at the start and stayed out of everyone's way as he quietly finished 21st.

"I'm glad that I didn't create any problems with the drivers," he said. "The finger was being pointed before the race, and that was understandable. The goal was to stay out of trouble and not make enemies."

The garage-wide fear of multiple wrecks because of dangerous driving conditions everyone expected from the CoT didn't materialize until the first big accident with 44 laps to go. And that was more of a fluke than it was a product of Talladega's treacherous racing — Bobby Labonte had some sort of mechanical failure that caused his car to squirt down the track and into Chase driver Kyle Busch.

The contact started an 11-car accident that also collected

title contenders Matt Kenseth and Hamlin, although Hamlin suffered only cosmetic damage.

But it destroyed Busch and Kenseth's cars, and marked the second consecutive week that title favorite Busch found himself in the wrong place. He was wrecked last week by Dale Earnhardt Jr., and has gone from 10 points out of the lead two weeks ago to seventh in the standings, 260 points out.

"It's unfortunate for our Chase chances, but we knew that Talladega was going to be our mulligan, we circled it on the calendar that this was going to be the one we were going to wreck in," Busch said. "The team of course wants to be optimistic, and they want me to be optimistic, but I'm sorry, it's the realism that sets in that you are so far back that it's going to take a lot to get back in this deal."

Trouble also hit Chase drivers Jeff Burton and Martin Truex Jr., who both suffered from engine problems that ended their race early. Truex finished 42nd, Burton was 43rd and both declared their title hopes over.

"I suspect this is just too much for us to overcome regarding the championship," Burton said.

Truex concurred. "Without any freaky luck for anyone else, we're pretty much out of it," he said.

The issues with the engines, built by both Dale Earnhardt Inc. and Richard Childress Racing, put a fear in the other five teams who use the same motors and it came true when Earnhardt's blew up.

Earnhardt, trying to end a 55-race winless streak in his final event at DEI with crew chief Tony Eury Jr., was relegated to a 40th-place finish after leading 31 laps early. Eury is moving to Hendrick Motorsports next week to prepare for Junior's arrival at the end of the season.

"We had a good car, we led some, we got the people on their feet. I thought we could win it," Earnhardt said. "I'm sad for Martin more than any-

thing. We have a gremlin in there."

That "gremlin" had title contenders Bowyer and Kevin Harvick on edge, worrying about the durability of their own motors. Both made it to the finish, but neither had anything to challenge the Hendrick duo.

Gillett Evernham/Crocker win '07 Superspeedway Challenge championship

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TALLADEGA Ala. — Erin Crocker clinched the Hoosier Tire Superspeedway Challenge Championship for her Gillett Evernham Motorsports team Friday afternoon at Talladega Superspeedway, becoming the first female driver in the 55-year history of the ARCA RE/MAX Series to earn the prestigious award.

"It's a really big deal for me," said Crocker. "It's a really prestigious award and it's a huge honor to win it. When you look back at some of the drivers who have won ARCA's superspeedway title, from Davey Allison to Frank Kimmel, it makes it even more special."

"I also think it could really help my career. It means something to be the ARCA RE/MAX Series Superspeedway champion. I'm truly honored to hold the title."

Crocker made her ARCA RE/MAX Series debut at Nashville Superspeedway in 2005, earning the pole award in her No. 98 Dodge Charger and posting a 12th place finish. Since then, the Gillett Evernham Motorsports driver has become a seasoned veteran in ARCA competition, earning 12 top-5 and 16 top-

10 finishes in 25 career starts. She finished second in an ARCA RE/MAX Series race at Kentucky Speedway in 2005 and 2007 and at Kansas Speedway in 2006, joining Shawna Robinson as the highest-finishing females in series' history. She is a 2003 graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, with a bachelor's degree in Industrial and Management Engineering.

Crocker joins prestigious company as a winner of the Hoosier Tire Superspeedway Challenge Title. Frank Kimmel is a five-time Superspeedway Challenge Champion (1998, '01, '03, '05, '06). Other winners include Davey Allison ('84, '85), Lee Raymond ('86), Bill Venturini ('87, '91), Tracy Leslie ('88), Ben Hess ('89), Bob Brevak ('90), Bob Keselowski ('92), Jeff Purvis ('93, '94), Mike Wallace ('95), Tim Steele ('96), Mark Gibson ('97), Chad Blount ('02), Bobby Gerhart ('04), Blake Feese ('04) and Kyle Krisiloff ('04).

The Superspeedway Challenge is a \$62,500 total point fund within the 23-race ARCA RE/MAX Series schedule and includes race events at Daytona, Nashville, Kentucky, Pocono, Michigan, Kansas, Gateway, Chicagoland and Talladega. The ARCA RE/MAX Series has recognized a superspeedway challenge champion each consecutive year since 1984.

Crocker and the Gillett Evernham Motorsports Team will formally accept the 2007 Hoosier Tire Superspeedway Challenge Championship at the ARCA RE/MAX Series National Championship Awards Banquet on Saturday, Dec. 8 at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington. The event is open to the public and tickets are available by calling the ARCA Home Office at 734/847-6726.

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Harrington, pulled in 4th, gets vote of confidence from Petrino

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FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga. -- Five games into the post-Michael Vick era, the Atlanta Falcons already have a quarterback controversy and plenty of grumbling players.

Rookie coach Bobby Petrino insisted Monday that Joey Harrington is still the No. 1 quarterback, but former Jacksonville starter Byron Leftwich is waiting in the wings for his chance to lead the struggling team.

Harrington was yanked early in the fourth quarter of Sunday's loss at Tennessee after completing 16 of 31 passes for 87 yards. Leftwich was even worse, completing just 2 of 8 for 28 yards and tossing a crucial interception with less than 37 minutes to go.

"Our best chance of success is to stay with Joey," Petrino said, having reviewed film of the miserable offensive performance. "I think he understands our offense. He knows what we want to do and how we want to

execute."

Having signed with Atlanta (1-4) only three weeks ago, Leftwich is still learning Petrino's complex system. That was evident by his performance against the Titans.

Even though Tennessee provided one chance after another for the visiting team to pull out the win, Leftwich and the Falcons couldn't take advantage. In the fourth quarter alone, the Titans missed a field goal and gave Atlanta the ball deep in their own territory with an interception and a botched punt.

The Falcons scored zero points, the most troubling sequence coming when they had first-and-goal at the Tennessee 1 with 2 minutes left. Instead of banging it up the middle, Petrino called for a pitch to Warrick Dunn. Albert Haynesworth broke through to knock the ball away from Leftwich, and Dunn had to fall on it at the 9.

Two incompletions and a sack later, the Falcons were done.

Tennessee 20, Atlanta 13.

"If we sit down and talk to [Leftwich] and put it on the board, he knows what the offense is," Petrino said. "It's just a lack of reps, a lack of being under intense situations and executing the plays. That's the problem with missing all the preseason, not having any preseason games with us, and bringing him in when we did."

Petrino has other things to worry about besides the quarterback.

Wayne Gandy, the most established member of the offensive line, went out with a knee injury on Atlanta's next-to-last snap. The 14-year veteran was getting an MRI exam on Monday, but the coach already sounds as though he knows that Gandy's season is over.

"There's no question that's going to be a big loss if he's out," Petrino said. "He has all kinds of experience. He was doing a real nice job of helping our young offensive linemen, a nice job of leading the team."

If Gandy is done, the Falcons will have to go with Renardo Foster, an undrafted rookie, at the crucial left tackle position.

Good luck, whoever is at quarterback.

Then there's Alge Crumpler, a four-time Pro Bowl tight end and one of the team's most respected players. He went off on Petrino after the game, questioning his play-calling and accusing the coaching staff of building for the future by favoring young players over the veterans.

"They keep telling us to trust them, but right now we are 1-4," he said. "Hopefully this week we will figure it out, because I am tired of waiting."

Petrino met with Crumpler on Monday and said they had smoothed over any hard feelings, but it was clear the former college coach is not used to having his players call him out in public.

"There's one agenda here with our coaching staff, and that's to win every

week. That's it," Petrino said. "He understands that I don't like to put things like that out there in the press. I would rather he walk in my office if he has something to say."

Harrington, who already lost starting jobs in Detroit and Miami, must be wondering how much longer he'll be No. 1 in Atlanta.

"Anytime you get pulled, it is frustrating," he said. "Obviously, I want to be this team's starter. If coach makes the decision the other way, I am going to support this team. I have been through these situations before. I think I have played well enough up to this point to deserve a shot at it."

Leftwich got his shot but looked like the neophyte that he is in Petrino's offense. Still, he's confident that a shaky start will not prevent him from taking a bigger role down the road.

"Hopefully I can get out there and play some football," he said. "I would be lying to you if I told you I didn't want to be out there."

Delhomme decides surgery's a must; Carr hurting, too

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. -- Jake Delhomme last week called surgery on his strained right elbow "a last resort."

After experiencing pain trying to throw on Monday, the Carolina Panthers quarterback decided the worst-case scenario couldn't be avoided.

Delhomme will have season-ending ligament-replacement surgery on his elbow next week, leaving the Panthers without their leader on offense and scrambling to find another quarterback.

"Anytime you lose your starting quarterback it's a blow," coach John Fox said.

Originally injured two weeks ago, Delhomme didn't show any improvement when trying to throw Monday. A day earlier he threw briefly on the side while sitting out Carolina's win over the Saints.

"I think [Sunday] he was just trying to see how it felt," Fox said. "Today he really pushed it and experienced some of the same discomfort he had during the Atlanta game."

Fox said Delhomme is expected to recover in time for the start of next season. Delhomme left Bank of America Stadium on Monday without speaking to reporters.

The Panthers are left in a precarious position, as Delhomme's backup, David Carr, is also banged up.

Carr, signed in the offseason as a five-year starter in Boston, sustained a back injury against the Saints and his status for Sunday's game at Arizona is uncertain.

"David is definitely sore," Fox said. "He's still being evaluated."

The only other QB on the roster is undrafted rookie Matt Moore, who completed a 43-yard pass against the Saints while briefly subbing for Carr in the first half. Quinton Porter was signed two weeks ago to the practice squad.

"We obviously know we're going to be doing something," Fox said. "But what that is hasn't been hashed out yet."

Delhomme sustained what the team called a strained right elbow when he was sacked by John Abraham in Carolina's win over Atlanta on Sept. 23. Delhomme stayed in the game

until the next series, when he winced in pain and clutched his elbow after throwing a short pass to fullback Brad Hoover.

Carr replaced him, then started the next two games when Delhomme was listed as the No. 3 quarterback.

Before the injury, Delhomme was off to a quick start. After struggling last season, he completed 64 percent of his passes with eight touchdowns and one interception in the first three games. His passer rating of 111.9 was tied for third in the NFL after Week 3.

As early as last week, Delhomme talked of being hopeful he could avoid surgery. But the pain he experienced Monday made the decision for him.

"Jake is very honest and forthright, a very tough individual," Fox said. "But when you don't have your fastball, it's tough."

Delhomme became Carolina's long-term starter after humble beginnings. He played two seasons in NFL Europe and spent four seasons as a backup in New Orleans where he played in only six games.

But he was signed by Carolina before the 2003 season, then replaced an ineffective Rodney Peete at halftime of the opener. He led Carolina to a comeback win, and remained the starter through the run to the Super Bowl.

The 32-year-old Delhomme, who made the Pro Bowl two years later, started a team-record 60 straight games before missing two games late last season with ligament damage in his thumb.

Now, if healthy, Carr will lead Carolina for the rest of the season.

Carr has completed just over 50 percent of his passes with two touchdowns and two interceptions. He's also been sacked five times in two games.

The Panthers beat the Saints on Sunday in spite of their offense. New Orleans outgained them 341 yards to 243 and dominated time of possession.

So a week after defensive tackle Kris Jenkins said the Panthers had "no heart," they'll be tested again without their fiery leader.

Lineman critical of Green's tackle

HOUSTON -- Miami Dolphins quarterback Trent Green rejoined his team after he sustained a concussion in Sunday's game against Houston and was taken to a hospital.

Green was back in the locker room after the Dolphins' 22-19 loss, with a bandage behind his right ear. He was not made available to the media, but he was expected to fly back to Miami with the team, coach Cam Cameron said.

The 37-year-old Green was sidelined for more than half of last season for the Kansas City Chiefs after sustaining a concussion in the opener.

Cameron doubted Green would play next week when the Dolphins (0-5) face Cleveland.

The Dolphins had the ball at the Texans' 25 on Sunday when Green gave the ball to Ted Ginn Jr. The rookie fumbled, then picked the ball up and reversed field as the defense chased him.

Texans defensive tackle Travis Johnson hit Green in the head with his knee before Ginn was tackled by Anthony Weaver. After the play ended, Johnson stood over Green and taunted him, drawing a 15-yard penalty.

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POISON OAK

And he seldom raised his voice

My bare-foot, bib overall, Huck Finn-like days growing up in a coal camp meant no one was a stranger. Nor did anything happen that was not public knowledge in very short order. News spread faster than a country boy can pick a banjo and minor events usually became major by the time they reached the second or third set of ears.

Everybody knew everybody else, and I was aware of several parents in the neighborhood who were yellers, especially when it came to disciplining their children. It wasn't unusual to hear a parent raise his (or her) voice when attempting to get their children's attention, but one man in particular went a bit overboard and was constantly -- and much louder than was necessary -- lecturing his kids (and anybody else's kids who happened to be within ear shot) about everything from the evils of cowboy movies "with all that shootin' and bangin'" to keeping "their noses stuck in those silly funny books."

Although I never once heard a single one of his children sass him, I think that most of what he said to them just sort of rolled off their backs like an acorn on a barn roof, because he had two boys who ended up sort of bad to drink and were pretty much looked down upon. Most Muddy Branchers were considered dyed-in-the-wool tee-totalers and had no qualms about passing righteous judgment on those evil souls who were known to have a half pint or two stashed away here and there.

I think this man was the only

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KIM'S KORNER

Sometimes you can't help but share an e-mail

As my readers are aware, I often find myself writing about "the tongue" and the problems it can create when unleashed and accompanied by anger, distraction, or frustration.

I received this a few weeks back by email and thought it was worth sharing:



Kim Little Frasure

The Tongue
Your words, your dreams, and your thoughts have power to create conditions in your life.

What you speak about, you can bring about.

If you keep saying you can't stand your job, you might lose your job.

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If you keep saying you can't stand your car, your car could be stolen or just stop operating.

If you keep saying you're broke, guess what? You'll always be broke.

If you keep saying you can't trust a man or trust a woman, you will always find someone in your life to hurt and betray you.

If you keep saying you can't find a job, you will remain unemployed.

If you keep saying you can't find someone to love you or believe in

(See KORNER, page seven)



Hannah Thornsbury and mom, Angie, show off "Angel," an African Bowyer goat in festival dress, complete with beaded bracelets, and "Leopold," a speckled pet rooster.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

First festival pet show purrr-fect

Kids take great pride in their animals

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

"Build it and they will come," as they say, and so they did when owner's and their pets arrived atop Stone Crest mountain for the first annual Jenny Wiley Festival Pet Show, held Saturday afternoon on the grounds of the equine center.

With dogs barking, cats mewing, goats bleating, bunnies hopping, and with even a speckled fowl flapping its wings, one all but half expected Dr. Dolittle himself to appear. "We've got a really good turnout," said Donna Wells, festival chair. "For our first year out, we're really happy that so many people have shown up with their pets."

Toni Kay Ranier, owner of Faux Paws grooming salon, Sugar Loaf, kept the pace as category after category of competitors were announced, walked through the ring, and subsequently rewarded for their efforts. "They're all so cute," she gushed as costumed animals were presented before the judges dressed in their Sunday, and casual, best.

From a patriotic poodle to a mop-haired Welsh corgi with a couple of country-western bedazzled goats thrown in, the assembled group received oohs and ahhs from the delighted crowd.

"I had stitched that costume," said Angie Thornsbury, of the get-up worn by "Angel," an African Bowyer goat handled by her daughter, Hannah. Angie and Hannah attended the event accompanied by family members and yet another pet, "Leopold," a speckled, "spoiled rotten," (according to Angie) rooster.

"We have all kinds of animals," she continued. "And we baby every single one of them...Hannah was thrilled to death to be able to come out this show."

Wells said that she and other committee members hope to see the pet show grow more and more each year. "It's not an AKC show," she said, "it's just something fun for people to come out and show off their pets. We've seen some really cute pets today."

"It's been hectic," said Ranier, "but we've loved it. Next year, it'll be even better."



photo by Kathy J. Prater
Jessie Booth II was all smiles as he posed for the camera with pet duck, "Donald." Jessie received Donald as an Easter present this past spring. Jessie is the son of Jennifer and Jessie Booth.



photo by Kathy J. Prater
Jessica Connors brought pet house rabbit, "Charlie," along to the show.

CRITTER CORNER

Halloween safety tips for pets

A pack of ghosts and goblins at your door can scare your pets, but ghouls are not the only thing to beware of on Halloween. Kellyann Conway, director of animal training and behavior at Animal Planet's Petvideo.com and a certified, award-winning trainer, offers these tips to make sure everyone has a howlin' good time this Halloween.

First, beware of unsafe holiday decorations. Wires and electrical cords are an invitation to your teething pets or those who just like to chew on whatever is available. Use a cord container to prevent wires from being chewed/gnawed. Also, avoid dangling decorations that your pet may become entangled in.

Carving a pumpkin is fun - but placing a candle inside of it may be hazardous to your pet. Candles are easily knocked over and can burn wagging tails, paws and noses. So for-

get the candle and use a glow stick or battery-operated tea light instead.

Keep your bowl of candy up and away from your pets' reach. Most people know that dogs and cats shouldn't have candy - especially chocolate, which is toxic, but even the candy wrappers can be hazardous if swallowed. So remember, no matter how much your pet begs for a sweet, no sharing. If you think your pet has eaten something he shouldn't have, contact your veterinarian immediately.

Before the trick-or-treaters begin, take your dog on a nice long walk. The exercise will help her relax later. Make sure she's on leash during her walk in case you encounter any early trick or treaters. Dogs can easily be "spooked" by costumes, especially those with little people in them.



photo by Kathy J. Prater
This beautiful animal is "Cocoa Clint," a 12-year-old gelding belonging to Warren and Bonita Jarrell, of Printer. His owners share that he loves carrots and apples and that he also loves to travel. "When we get ready to go to a show or on a trail ride and he hears the trailer door open, we open his stall door and he loads himself," they write. Bonita also shares that Cocoa is a "people horse." "He gives kisses and likes to play with your hair. He's a great friend," she says.

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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(Oct. 22 and Oct. 24, 1997)

Rebecca Lynn Howard, 18, of Magoffin County, a former member of the Kentucky Opry Junior Pros, has signed a recording contract with a major recording label...The Holiday Inn and the Prestonsburg Rotary Club are sponsoring their eighth Safe Trick-or-Treat Night at the motel on Sunday, October 26...Floyd County School Board member Ursal Ray Wilcox tendered his resignation, Tuesday, prior to the starting time of the board's regular monthly meeting. Floyd County's Schools superintendent Gene Davis, facing ouster charges from state Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody, announced Friday, that he is retiring his post, October 31...Madeline Hill, 38, of Betsy Layne, was killed, Monday afternoon, when she was ejected from her vehicle which overturned into a small stream along Route 680 at Grethel...Governor Paul Patton was one of several dignitaries who stopped by a 30-year-old dump site on Hunter Branch, Monday, to check on the progress of an effort to clean up the dump. The Floyd County dump was one of 16 illegal dumps targeted as part of a state-wide initiative that addresses renewing pride in eastern and southern, Kentucky...State Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody is urging Floyd County citizens who are interested in children's education to apply for the vacant board seat in District Two. Cody said Tuesday, that he expects numerous applicants for the position from residents interested in education...Basel Moore, of McDowell, and other area residents sifted through a dumpster at Minnie, Wednesday, to get truckloads of metal to sell at a recycling center. Dumpsters have been placed in three locations this week as part of the county's 1997 fall clean-up effort...Floyd County's circuit judges are going to be doing double duty for the next few weeks while District Judge James R. Allen is off on medical leave. Circuit judges John David Caudill and Danny P. Caudill were notified this week that they would be presiding in district court until November 14...Former Bank Josephine president O. Sam Blankenship has filed a lawsuit against former bank executives claiming he was retaliated against for being a whistleblower...The Kentucky State Police are investigating the discovery this week of a loaded shotgun at an illegal dump site in Floyd County. The pistol-grip, 12-gauge sawed off shotgun was found, Monday, by a Job Corps student who was volunteering to help clean up the dump on Hunter Branch, near Drift...Dedication ceremonies were held Monday, at the Archer Clinic in Prestonsburg for the Lenore Leslie Educational Center, a facility Lt. Governor Steve Henry said was vital the Floyd County community...The Floyd County Sheriff's Department has opened an investigation into an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) accident last week, that claimed the life of Guy E. Brown of Garrett...There died: James David Hensley, 66, of Eastern, Thursday, October 16, in Rutledge, Tennessee; Ruth Wright Ratcliff, 80, of Prestonsburg, Friday, October 17, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Charles Goble, 89, of Ivel, Saturday, October 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Sidney T. Bryant, 58, of Kendallville, Indiana, Sunday, October 19, at McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville; Junior Hamilton, 72, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Ligon, Thursday, October 16, at his residence; Madeline Hill, 38, of Betsy Layne, Monday, October 20, in an auto accident on Ky. 680, at Grethel; Fannie May Warrens, 89, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Prestonsburg, Monday, October 20, at her residence; Mildred "Peggy Paige" Wills, 47, of Miamisburg, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Tuesday, October 21, at Sycamore Medical Center, in Ohio; Agalean Pittman, 69, of Euclid, Ohio, formerly of Lackey, Monday, October 20, at the Merida Euclid Hospital in Cleveland; James "Jim" C. Goines, 63, of Printer, Wednesday, October 22, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Millard Hughes, 73, of LaGrange, Indiana, Thursday, October 9, at Lutheran Medical Center in Fort Wayne; Juanita Cox Smith, 68, of Louisville, formerly of Pikeville, Wednesday, October 22, at her residence.

Twenty Years Ago

(October 21, 1987)

A four percent real estate tax increase, and flood insurance reinstatement, were on the agenda for the Floyd County Fiscal Court's last meeting...The O'Daniel Plan, otherwise known as House Bill No. 1, was adopted by the House of Representatives by a vote of 80-to-16, in an effort to revamp the workers' compensation law...The Floyd County Board of Education approved the budget for the fiscal year '87-88, addressing such concerns as taxes, hirings, and transfers...Senators Wendell Ford and Mitch McConnell promised their help on the US 23 project...The home of Tim

and Lois Howard was the site of a strange scene, as a cloud of birds descended into their chimney, and city police were summoned, as the couple tried to rid themselves of the unwelcome "visitors"...A Johnson County couple were arrested for breaking into Sam 'n Tonio's Restaurant...There died: Mary Shepherd, 76, of Harold, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Green J. Slone, 62, of Martin, Saturday, at the Veteran's Administration Hospital at Huntington; Claude D. Leslie, 64, of Emma, last Wednesday, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington...Rachel P. Gardner, 89, of Prestonsburg, Monday...Sally K. Harris Goebel, 77, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, at Jefferson Manor Nursing Home at Louisville...Stephen Wilson II, 12, of Harold, Tuesday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital...Lillie Hall, 92, of Weeksbury, October 10, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital...Elizabeth M. Baker, 94, of Oak Ridge, Saturday...Hersie Marie Pitts, 58, of Lima, Ohio, Monday, at Lima Memorial Hospital...Silas Scott Jr., 48, of Martin, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Loretta Cox, 85, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at her residence...Elizabeth Estep Stone, 79, of Martin, Tuesday, at Our Lady of The Way Hospital...Dakota Crum Conn, 79, of Arkansas Creek, Saturday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital...R.J. Hall, 54, of Ocala, Florida, Tuesday...Victoria Ann Bates, 23, of Freeport, Florida, September 11, from injuries in an automobile accident there.

Thirty Years Ago

(October 19, 1977)

Holdings of four companies headed by Harry Hale Ranier, of Prestonsburg, have been sold to a Houston, Texas firm, for a reported \$30 million, it was announced this week...The Floyd Fiscal Court in special meeting, last Tuesday, directed the county attorney to notify all TV franchise holders that they are to reimburse their customers for any charge of more than a five dollar monthly fee...A fire, which officials believe was deliberately set, Monday morning, at the Floyd County jail, forced the evacuation of prisoners, and resulted in the hospitalization of two persons...The eighth annual Floyd County Red, White, and Blue Day, which has been described as one of the most unusual events in America, will be held here, Saturday, with associated events also scheduled on Friday and Sunday...Little Paint Creek's fish population may have been wiped out by a week-end chemical spill, which, residents say, has the odor of gasoline or kerosene...W. L. Wells, of Auxier, was named receiver of the Auxier Water Company, effective at 4 p.m., Monday, by order of Circuit Judge Hollie Conley...There died: Mrs. Lona Bevins, 93, of Honaker, Tuesday, at the home of her daughter at Grethel; Harry Manuel, 87, of Bonanza, Tuesday, at his home; Russell Hunley, 76, formerly of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, at the Ivyton Coal Company; Johner Lafferty, 85, of Dwale, Tuesday morning, at his home; Cager Spardlin, 84, of Bonanza, Tuesday, at his home on State Road Fork; Mrs. Bertha Akers Hall, 84, formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, in Mallory Taylor Hospital in La Grange; Miss Lee Gearheart, 65, formerly of Floyd County, October 12, in Lexington; Oscar Belcher, 62, formerly of Hellier, last Thursday, at his home in Gloucester Point, Virginia; Arthur Slone, 62, of Ligon, last Wednesday, at Highlands Regional; Mrs. Ruby McCoy Moore, 74, of Melvin, last Wednesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional; Mrs. Esther Evans, 80, formerly of Alma, Tennessee, Monday, at Mountain Manor; Mrs. Vada Bradley, 81, formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, in a Ypsilanti, Michigan, hospital; Virnes Isaac, 50, of Martin, Sunday, at Highlands Regional; Walter Stumbo, 78, of McDowell, Monday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional.

Forty Years Ago

(October 19, 1967)

County Supt. of Schools Charles Clark, took R. Buckminster Fuller, internationally-known architect-designer, on a tour of Floyd County, Monday...Reorganization of the Prestonsburg Fire Department has been affected by the city council, in compliance with a directive from the Kentucky Inspection Bureau...Halloween limits, including a curfew, was set by Prestonsburg Mayor George P. Archer, this week... Married: Miss Margaret Jean Crum, of St. Charles, Mo., formerly of Langley, and Dennis Clark Gibson, of Langley, September 23...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Blevins, a son, Glenn Milford, October 3, at Meriam Kansas; to Mr. and Mrs. Ira Branham of Ligon, a son, October 9; to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mathews, of Ligon, a son, October 12; to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hall, of East McDowell, a son, October 14; to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Howard, of

Mousie, a daughter, October 15...There died: Rev. George Washington Bolen, 77, Tuesday, at his home on Rock Fork, near Garrett; Mrs. Nancy Music Hill, 79, of Abbott Creek, Saturday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Polly Ann Conn, 67, of Martin, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; J. W. (Cud) Rose, 73, of Town Branch, Saturday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Luther Allen, 65, of Garrett, Sunday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Gladys Little, 54, of Bevinsville, Saturday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Nancy Ann Griffin, 22, formerly of Garrett, Saturday, at Kalamazoo, Indiana; George Crager, of Wayland, Friday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Henry Johnson, 63, formerly of Buckingham, last Thursday, in a Louisville hospital; Willard Eden, 63, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Martin, Wednesday, in a Columbus hospital.

Fifty Years Ago

(October 17, 1957)

Flood protection work for Prestonsburg became a virtual certainty, this week, as a spirited drive for the local fund contribution, necessary to get the work done, was within striking distance of the \$22,000 goal...The Court of Appeals ruled, Wednesday, that a special ballot must be printed for the special Senatorial election in this, and the other two counties of the 29th Senatorial district...Twelve residents of Prestonsburg, and two from Toms Creek, are receiving anti-rabies treatment after having been bitten or otherwise exposed to the danger of hydrophobia from the

rabid dogs...The Prestonsburg Youth Center will reopen, Saturday evening, in its new quarters in the basement of the Fountain Korner, it was announced...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Allen of Weeksbury, a son, recently...There died: Grover C. Lowe, 71, last Thursday, at his home, here; Miss Malissa P. Francis, 80, of Prestonsburg, Friday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Rachael Sturgill, 66, Friday, at her home at Lackey; Mrs. Rebecca Campbell DeRossett, 94, of Cliff, Saturday, at the home of a daughter, here; Jeff Frasure, 79, formerly of this county, Sunday, at Albion, Mich.; Sherman Burchett, 85, of Emma, Tuesday, at the home of a daughter on Cow Creek.

Sixty Years Ago

(October 16, 1947)

A funeral ship brought 3,000 war dead back to the U.S. from the Pacific theatre, for burial in home graves, recently. Among the first returned was Pvt. Curtis Lee Sizemore, of Wheelwright...Employees of Kentucky-West Virginia Gas Company are to receive a \$1-a-day pay increase, it was announced, approximately 5,854 men are presently employed in 14 mines in the area...The Sadie Hawkins Day celebration has been set for October 18, with the race set to begin at 6:30 p.m...Married: Carr Watson and Orzie Sparkman, both of Pippa Passes, here, Oct. 9; Mason Arnold, Minnie, and Hermia Johnson, Bevnsville, here, Oct. 10; John L. Taylor and Lillian Steel, both of Betsy Layne, here, recently; Carl Daniel and Glada Blair, both of

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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center
 •YSC will be sending home calendars and newsletters with school events and other information on the last day of each month. Please watch for your student to bring home these items.

•Lending Library available for student/parent use. Pamphlets, videos, books and more on a variety of topics available.

•A nurse from the FCHD is currently available at the school to provide services including: School physicals, immunizations, WIC, well-child exams, etc. Call 886-1297 to schedule an appointment. Child does not have to be a student at AMS to receive services.

•Parents, guardians, and community members interested in volunteering at the school may contact the YSC to schedule a time for Confidentiality Training/Crime Check. Training must be completed each year in order to remain on the approved volunteer list. Call 886-1297.

•The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Services offered to students and families regardless of income. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297.

ACHS
 •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.

ACMS
 •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 informa-

tion, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

Baptist Learning Center
 •Now accepting applications for new students, Toddler I class thru Pre-K class. Located in the First Baptist Church, S. Front Ave., downtown Prestonsburg. Call 886-8681.

Betsy Layne Elementary
 •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.

Duff Elementary
 •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.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Center

•School Hours: 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

•Oct. 11 - School pictures.

•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 information and referrals regarding GED classes, preschool child care, and other programs or services offered to the community.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

•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://iiod.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.

•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.

Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

•Oct. 10 - Dental hygiene program, 1st thru 4th.

•Oct. 15 - Ballet program, 4th thru 8th.

•Oct. 16 - Headstart parent meeting, 12:15 p.m., FRYSC office.

•Oct. 15-18 - Dental screening, 1st thru 4th. Screenings are free; parental consent required. Report will be sent home following screening.

•Oct. 16 - Parent meeting, 1:15 p.m., FRYSC office. Topic: "Back to School." Presenter: Lola Ratliff.

•Oct. 17 - FRYSC Advisory Council meeting, 3:15 p.m., in FRYSC office.

•Oct. 24 - Halloween safety program, K-3rd. Presenter: OLWH.

•Oct. 25 - KIP surveys (6th and 8th grades).

•Oct. 22-26 - Red Ribbon Week. Activities: Monday - Wear red ribbons provided by FRYSC; Tuesday - Wear Hat Day; Wednesday - "War Against Drugs" (wear camouflage); Thursday - Wear Red Day; Friday - Pencil Day "Stay Sharp, Don't Dull Your Mind" pencils provided by FRYSC.

•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.

"Rainbow Junction" Family Center

•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.

Big Sandy Community & Technical College

Adult Education and GED

Monday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC; Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC.

Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Dixie Apartments

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne FRYSC; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - BSCTC.

Thursday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Weeksby CC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC; BSCTC.

6-9 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

Also, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays at Drug Court.

Kay Hale Ross - Manager of Adult Education, 886-7334

Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant

Ron Johnson, Stephanina Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, and Wayne Combs - Adult Education teachers.

Yesterdays

Lowmansville, here, Oct. 11; Clabe Watson and Cora Smith, both of Pippa Passes, here, Oct. 15; Curtis Ousley, Willard, O., and Della Johnson, Goodloe, here, Oct. 15...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Willie B. Boyd, a daughter, Barbara Ann, Oct. 9, at Eastern...There died: Clay Hyden, 43, in an auto wreck near his home at East Point; McKinley Harvey, 18, victim in a car wreck; Miss Estelene Parsons, 28, at Manton; Cpl. Bill Claude Daniels, 33, at San Antonio, Texas; Mrs. Hester Allen, 76, of Wayland; Judge Hi

Pauley, 63, at home in Pike County, last week.

Seventy Years Ago

(October 14, 1937)
 The Floyd County Times is moving its equipment from the present Court St. location, opposite the courthouse, to the former Floyd County Independent building on Third Street. The Times and Independent are now consolidated under the name of The Times...The first portable organ, "toted muleback," years before the railroad, will be used

in a program, presented by Mrs. Edith F. James and Mrs. C. P. Stephens...G.O.P. voters trail Democrats in this county by a margin of 3 to 1...No killings this week!...Part of the old John Graham stable, built 139 years ago at Emma, came to Prestonsburg a few days ago. Nails used in the pioneer structure were hammered out in 1798, in Abingdon, Va., and brought here, horseback, by Ben Burchett, veteran of the Revolutionary War...Married: Miss Flossie Conley and Ted McPeck, both of West Garrett;

John Blankenship and Eunice Adams; Bennie Meadows and Annie Morrison; Freddie Collins, Water Gap; and Mary Coburn, Lancer; Raymond Hall and Irene Powell, both of Water Gap...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wallen, of Water Gap, a

daughter, Sept. 25; to Mr. and Mrs. Claybourne Stephens, of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Linda Sue, Oct. 10, at the Paintsville Hospital...There died: Milton S. Burns, 81, native Prestonsburg man, at his home at Louisa; Daniel Skeens,

83, at the home of a sister; Mrs. Jesse Dillon Lewis, 34; of Banner; Mrs. Lennie Harris, 66, of Drift, October 6, at the home of her son; Mrs. Georgia Goodman, of Dwale, recently at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin.

Korner

you, your very thought will attract more experiences to confirm your beliefs.

If you keep talking about a divorce or break-up in a relationship, then you might end up experiencing one.

Turn your thoughts and conversations around to be more positive and power packed with faith, hope, love and action.

Don't be afraid to believe that you can have what you want and deserve.

Watch your Thoughts, they become words.

Watch your Words, they become actions

Watch your Actions, they become habits.

Watch your Habits, they become character.

Watch your Character, for it becomes your Destiny

"In the search for me, I discovered truth. In the search for truth, I discovered love. In the search for love, I discovered God. And in God, I have found everything."

"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your

good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God." Philippians 4:6

"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ." Philippians 1:6
 'Til next week - God bless!

Critter

While most pets prefer to go au-naturel - some seem to enjoy dressing-up. If your pet will be in costume for Halloween, make sure it's safe and comfortable. Always avoid masks or any other costume parts that might impair his or her vision, hearing or breathing.

Your pets can be easily overwhelmed by trick or

treaters coming and going. Manage your pets by limiting their access to the door. Use a leash or a baby gate or put him in his crate or even in a separate room while the trick or treaters are out and about. Turn on some music to muffle the knocking and doorbell ringing and prepare a yummy chew or catnip toy to help keep him occupied so he knows what a

good boy he is.

Finally, keep your pet inside on Halloween. People have been known to tease, injure or steal pets (and worse) on Halloween.

To find other Halloween and animal care tips, visit the Petfinder.com library at <http://learn.petfinder.com> and www.petvideo.com.

Oak

grown-up I knew at the time that I just flat didn't like. Oh, he was O.K. when he wasn't ranting and raving about some mysterious problem of which only he was aware. I got along fine with his kids, but I sure didn't care much for him. I was just glad that my dad didn't act like this guy.

Fortunately, Dad wasn't much for giving speeches to his children, be they loud or soft-spoken. That was good because as far as I was con-

cerned cowboy movies and funny books were as much a part of my world as were soup beans, cornbread and butter-milk. Dad lived by example and I guess he expected his children to be intelligent enough to pick up the right message without being told more than once.

However, there are exceptions to just about every rule, and the one thing Dad was adamant about (but never got to the point where he'd scream

at one of us) was his feeling that one should not brag on himself.

His feeling was that if you were good at something everybody would already know it. If they didn't know it, you probably weren't as good as you thought you were.

I've always considered that a good piece of advice. That's an idea I've carried all my adult life and it was taught by a man who seldom raised his voice.

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 For more information about tickets, call 606-886-8681.

Sunday

100th Anniversary Worship Service at 11 am

Dr. Stephen Hopkins, former Pastor, will bring the message. Anniversary Choir directed by former Music Minister, Gus Kalos.

All former choir members, youth and adult, are invited to sing in the Special Anniversary Choir during morning worship service. We will practice before the service at 10:15 am.

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