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RECC rates going up 7 percent

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Customers with East Kentucky Power Cooperative (EKPC), which includes those with Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (RECC), will see increases in their monthly bills following a settlement to allow the company to raise wholesale rates.

Kentucky's Public Service Commission accepted a settlement Tuesday permitting the company to raise their rates by an average of \$5.60 each month.

Officials with EKPC applied to the public service commission for the settlement on Oct. 31, 2008, in order to increase its annual revenue by \$59.5 million, or about 7 percent. The settle-

ment was submitted to the commission for review on March 13.

The new rates went into effect on April 1 and take effect at the same time as EKPC begins producing power from its newest generating facility, a 280-megawatt unit at its Spurlock plant in Mason County.

The increased rates are intended to pay for the new unit, according to an

announcement this week.

In recent years, a the company says a shortage of generating capacity and unscheduled shutdowns at its generating facilities have forced EKPC to purchase large amounts of power from outside sources. This additional generating capacity afforded by the new unit

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briefs

Norman to be inducted April 24

FRANKFORT — Gurney Norman, who has been appointed by Gov. Beshear as Kentucky Poet Laureate for 2009-2010, will be formally inducted on Kentucky Writers' Day at 11:00 a.m. E.D.T., Friday, April 24, 2009, in the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort.

Over the past thirty years, Norman has been a major force in the literary and cultural renaissance throughout the state and region. Norman is best known for his work "Divine Right's Trip" and "Kinfolks: The Wilgus Stories." Presently the Director of the University of Kentucky Creative Writing Program, Norman will soon complete his thirtieth year teaching at the university.

The Kentucky Poet Laureate is appointed by the governor to promote the literary arts in Kentucky. The word "poet" in the position's title is interpreted in its broadest sense to include persons whose accomplishments are in any literary form.

The Kentucky Arts Council has also launched a Kentucky Poet Laureate Web site at: <http://www.artscouncil.ky.gov/Poet/Poet.htm>, which includes a biographical sketch of Gurney Norman, a selected short story, his

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NEW MAN IN TOWN



New University of Kentucky men's basketball coach John Calipari (right) fielded questions alongside UK Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart (left) and UK President Lee Todd (not pictured) during Wednesday's press conference.

photo courtesy of The Cats' Pause

UK introduces new coach to Wildcat faithful

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — Big Blue Nation faithful have been able to rest easier since Wednesday morning. The country's winningest NCAA Division I men's basketball program is back in good hands. The University of Kentucky named John Calipari the 22nd head coach in UK men's basketball history during a press conference held Wednesday morning at the Joe Craft Center. Calipari agreed to an eight-year contract worth \$31.65 million plus incentives. An additional \$200,000 buyout was paid to the University of Memphis.

Before accepting the UK job, Calipari spoke with former Kentucky coaches Joe B. Hall, Eddie Sutton, Tubby Smith and Rick Pitino. The new Wildcats coach plans to guide the UK basketball program back to prominence.

"Our goals will be to make the entire Commonwealth, the entire Commonwealth, proud of this team, proud of their program, proud of their team by our work on the court and our integrity off the court," said Calipari. "I cannot tell you how excited I am to be here, how hard the decision was because of what I left behind. And you have to understand, I left a lot behind."

Calipari wasn't about to pass up the chance to coach the tradition-rich Kentucky program, saying "Did I plan on doing this? No. But I'll tell you what. This opportunity is one that if I had passed on, three years from now, I didn't want to live a life where I regretted. Why didn't I do this, to be in the best situation to coach basketball in the country, maybe the world, to coach basketball right here in Lexington."

The 2009 Sports Illustrated National Coach of the Year, Calipari led Memphis to an NCAA Sweet 16 appearance and a 33-4 record this season. Calipari also led

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Attorneys say money woes dangerous

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

FRANKFORT — Funds are running out for the Department of Public Advocacy, a group of attorneys that represent those who are not able to afford private legal representation.

Almost \$5 million was set aside for the department by the House and Senate, but the bill did not go through by the end of this year's session.

Howe Baker, directing attorney for the Department of Public Advocacy in Paintsville, said that the lack of funding would be catastrophic for both the organization and the courts.

"The effect will be catastrophic," Baker said. "It will create chaos in the courts. My caseload is about 500 cases a year, and I have three staff attorneys. We represent district, circuit juvenile and drug courts. In eastern

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Johnson man charged with having moonshine

SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Johnson County businessman was cited at Reno's in Prestonsburg and now faces charges in Floyd District Court later this month after officers said they found him with moonshine.

Alcohol control officers allege Billy R. Fannin, 43, of Van Lear, was found drunk with three quarts of moonshine and a bottle of liquor in the parking lot of the Prestonsburg restaurant.

According to the arrest citation, Fannin, who is employed by Fannin's Plumbing of Paintsville, had a quart each of strawberry,

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Judge stresses importance of accurate census

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County officials have officially recognized the upcoming 2010 U.S. Census by signing a proclamation Wednesday and stressing the importance of an accurate population count for the county.

Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall and Andi Sluss, a partnership specialist with the Census Bureau, visited Wednesday and spoke of the upcoming head count and its importance.

"It's so important for us to get an accurate head count," said Marshall, who added that his wife once worked as a census taker. "It's important for our citizens and it currently holds a great deal of economic importance."

Some \$300 billion in federal and state funding is given out each year based on census data, a fact that Marshall said makes this seemingly routine exercise far more important than many might think.

"I feel this census could show that

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Andi Sluss, a partnership specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau, joined Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall as he signed a proclamation Wednesday to help promote awareness about the importance of the census to communities and citizens.

photo by Sheldon Compton

2 DAY FORECAST

Today
Showers, wind
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Tomorrow
Sunny
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Obituaries

Richard Lee Bevins

Richard Lee Bevins, 46, of Wellington, died Sunday, March 29, 2009, at his residence.

Born January 1, 1963, in Chicago, Illinois, he was the son of Leeman Bevins Jr., and the late Mary Reed Bevins. He was a disabled x-ray technician, and a licensed firearms dealer.

He is survived by his father, and his paternal grandmother, Lacy Bevins.

In addition to his father and paternal grandmother, survivors include a son, Thomas Bevins of Pikeville; a daughter, Tiffany (William) Jarrell of Prestonsburg; a sister, Sandra Bevins (Eddie) Griffith of Prestonsburg; a grandson, Isaac Jarrell; two nephews: Nathan Hall and Timothy Griffith, both of Prestonsburg; and a great-nephew, Braxton Cody Hall.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Leeman Bevins Sr., and his maternal grandparents: William Jennings and Elsie Reed.

Funeral services will be held Friday, April 3, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with William Jarrell officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Zinia (Hall) Collins

Zinia (Hall) Collins, age 80, of New London, Ohio, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday morning, April 1, 2009, at MedCentral Hospital in Mansfield.

She was born February 11, 1929, in Drift, the daughter of the late William "Tack" and Lizzie (Case) Hall.

On a brisk February weekend, Zinia met the love of her life, William Lloyd Collins, a man in uniform on a short leave from the Army. Three weeks later, on March 16, 1946, they were married in

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an angel in disguise"

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granddaughter, and all
your family and friends

Pikeville, and shared more than 63 wonderful years together.

She performed custodial care for New London Savings and Loan for 13 years, and spent six years as a seamstress at C.E. Ward Company in New London. Her most important role though, was that of a loving wife, mother, and homemaker.

A woman of deep faith, She attended the Hartland Center Community Church, and was a member of the Little Dove Old Regular Baptist Church in Trace Branch.

Everyone knew that the kitchen was Zinia's domain. In it, she created many masterful dishes. Every meal was made from scratch and a whole lot of love. Her recipes were impossible to duplicate, because she could never give you exact measurements; she would just grab what felt right, and say, "it takes about this much." No one was allowed to leave her home on an empty stomach; it was demanded you eat, especially the fresh pie or other dessert just out of the oven.

Zinia's hands were those of a doer and creator. Many intricate quilts were designed by those hands and given as gifts. She and Bill planted and cared for a plentiful vegetable garden every year. When it was time to harvest their goods, she spent many hours and days canning their produce. She also loved to tend to her beautiful flower gardens.

A special place existed in Zinia's heart for each member of her family and friends. Many decades of holidays, celebrations, and family get-togethers were held in her home. To her, family was always the most important thing in life. We are all very blessed to have known such a loving and caring woman as our wife, our mom, our sister, our grandma, our friend.

Zinia will be dearly missed by her husband, Bill; her five children: William (Uari) Collins Jr., of Wichita Falls, Texas, Bob (Jeanene) Collins of Wellington, Ohio, Delores (John) Kline of New London, Ohio, Michael (Debbie) Collins of Lexington, Ohio, and Garry "Beak" Collins of New London, Ohio; six brothers: Audis "R.B." (Gladys) Hall of New London, Ohio, Billy (Madelyn) Hall, Earl (Annaleigh) Hall, Carl C. (Dottie) Hall, Kadous (Nancy) Hall, and Walker Hall, all of Kentucky; a sister, Alice (Samuel) Boyd of Kentucky; 13 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and loved ones.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Curt and Vardie Hall; and a sister, Margie Hunter.

Zinia's family will greet friends from 2-4 p.m., and 6-9 p.m., on Friday, April 3, at Eastman Funeral Home, 200 W. Main St., New London, and on Saturday, from 10 a.m., until the time of services celebrating her life at 11 a.m., with Pastor Todd Froehlich officiat-

ing.

Burial will follow in Ashland County Memorial Park.

If desired, memorial contributions, may be made to Hartland Center Community Church, 100 Clifton Street, New London, Ohio 44851.

Online condolences are encouraged, and may be expressed to her family at www.eastmanfuneralhome.com

(Paid obituary)

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Joey Stephens

Joey Stephens, 51, of Martin, died Tuesday, March 31, 2009, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

Born March 7, 1958, in Martin, he was the son of Aldene Bayes and the late Johnnie Stephens. He was a water distribution manager for the City of Martin; a member of the Martin Volunteer Fire Department; and the National Guard.

He is survived by his wife, Twyla Slone Stephens.

In addition to his mother and wife, survivors include two sons: Nicholas and Cory Stephens, both of Martin; two daughters: Kathryn Stephens of Martin, and Sarah Tuttle Taylor of Forrest City, North Carolina; three brothers: Larry Stephens of Richmond, and Timothy and Greg Stephens, both of Wayland; a sister, Rhonda Christianson of Kendallville, Indiana; and five grandchildren: Emily, Jesse, Madison, Tyler Lee, and John David.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Natasha Stephens; and two brothers: Ricky and Roger Stephens.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 4, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. Speakers will be family, and members of the community.

Burial will be in the Lackey Cemetery.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Dora L. Ward

Dora L. Ward, 73, of Chillicothe, Ohio, passed peacefully to be with her Savior in heaven forevermore, on Tuesday March 31, 2009, at home with her family, after a yearlong battle with a brain tumor.

She was born March 22, 1936, in Dema, the daughter of Bart T. and Margaret Gayheart Mead.

On March 4, 1953, she married Glendon C. Ward, who preceded her in heaven on May 26, 1997.

She was a member of Mt. Tabor Community Christian Church for 39 years, where she served as a custodian for 26 years; nursery keeper for 16 years; president of the Ladies Missionary Society for 15 years; vice-president for two years; secretary/treasurer for two years; and Sunday school teacher for the new converts class for 11 years, helping many new Christians learn about and understand God's Word. She loved music, especially bluegrass gospel, and was a member of the Mt. Tabor Church Band, where she enjoyed playing her mandolin.

She was a wonderful and supportive mother, wife, and Christian, who devoted herself wholeheartedly to her God, her family, and her church.

She is survived by her three children: daughter, Karen Cydrus and partner Tim Krafthefer; son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Tammy Ward; and daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Stephen DePugh, all of Chillicothe; four grandchildren: Traci (Shane) Haubeil, Katrina (Jason) Robinson; Kathryn Cydrus and Anthony Ward, all of Chillicothe; one step-granddaughter Melissa (Randy) Hanson, of Belle Center, Ohio; eight great-grandchildren: Lauren, Brice, Ronnie, Emily, Isabelle, Dalton, Meredith and Phoebe; sisters Velma Glea Ward, of Chillicothe; Patricia (Russell) Newman of McDowell; Vivian (Drexel) Hall, of Shepherdsville; Ann Hasch, of Louisville; a brother Ted (Patricia) Meade, of Louisville; her mother-in-law Lillie Ward, of Chillicothe; her brothers-in-law Edward Howell, of McDowell; and Earl V. Ward, of Ezel; and a multitude of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors, whom she dearly loved. Her closest friends were her church family, and Everett and Donna Blanton.

She was also preceded to heaven by her Mother and Daddy; two sisters Sally Junella Mead and Geraldine Howell; her brother-in-law, Franklin D. Ward; and her father-in-law, Russell Ward.

She was a bright and shining star to everyone who knew her and loved her. She always felt so unworthy and unnecessary, but that humbleness was part of what made her so special and so wonderful. She will be greatly missed, but we look forward to seeing her again in Heaven.

Many thanks go out to the staff of Southern Care Hospice Program. And a special thank you to Dr. Dan Colopy, Debbie Basye, RN, and aides Pam Butler and Lisa Schaeffer, who provided comfort, care and support, in Dora's last months.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday,

April 4, in the Mt. Tabor Community Christian Church, 6043 Mt. Tabor Rd., with Rev. Rick Hartley officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

Dinner and gathering will follow the burial at Mt. Tabor Fellowship Center.

Friends may call from 5-8 p.m., Friday, at Haller Funeral Home, 1661 Western Ave., Chillicothe.

Her online guestbook is available at:

www.HallerFuneralHome.com

(Paid obituary)

Special tax break available for new car purchases this year

INDIANAPOLIS — The Internal Revenue Service announced today that taxpayers who buy a new passenger vehicle this year may be entitled to deduct state and local sales and excise taxes paid on the purchase on their 2009 tax returns next year.

"For those thinking about buying a new car this year, this deduction may give them a little more drive to make their purchase this year," said IRS Commissioner Doug Shulman. "This deduction enables taxpayers to buy now and get cash back later on their tax returns."

The deduction is limited to the state and local sales and excise taxes paid on up to \$49,500 of the purchase price

of a qualified new car, light truck, motor home or motorcycle.

The amount of the deduction is phased out for taxpayers whose modified adjusted gross income is between \$125,000 and \$135,000 for individual filers and between \$250,000 and \$260,000 for joint filers.

IRS also alerted taxpayers that the vehicle must be purchased after Feb. 16, 2009, and before Jan. 1, 2010, to qualify for the deduction.

The special deduction is available regardless of whether a taxpayer itemizes deductions on their return. The IRS reminded taxpayers the deduction may not be taken on 2008 tax returns.

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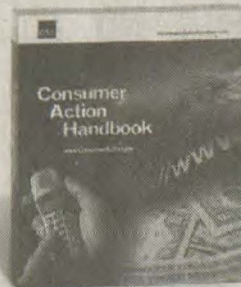
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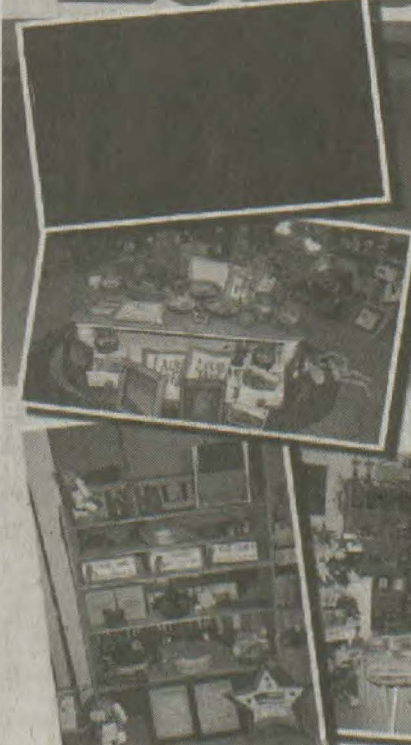
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Melissa Dawn Wells, 37, of East Point, to John Loyd Spears, 35, of East Point.
Monica L. Newsome, 26, of Allen, to Christopher L. Kidd, 23, of Allen.

Civil Suits Filed

Community Trust Bank Inc. vs. Darvy Hamilton; complaint.
Tosha R. Mollette vs. Mark B. Patton; petition for health-care insurance.
January Stanfield vs. Tabitha Sims; petition for health-care insurance.
Lendmark Financial Services vs. Jonathan Collins; complaint.

Capital Alliance Financial LLC vs. Wanda B. Garrett; complaint.

Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Jean Stephens; complaint.

Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Terry R. Skaggs; complaint.

Capital Alliance Financial LLC vs. Angela Kidd; complaint.

Community Trust Bank vs. Robert Castle; complaint.

Citibank South Dakota, N.A. vs. Michelle L. Bragg; complaint.

Small Claims Filings

Sandra Brookover vs. Melissa Goble; debt collection.

Alan K. Howell vs. Garrett Ward; debt collection.

Connie Sexton vs. C.T. Corporation System; debt collection.

Charges Filed

Homer Johnson, 54, Bevinsville; harassment.
Jeffery A. Collins, 46, Prestonsburg; harassment.

Billy R. Fannin, 42, Van Lear; three counts any charge not covered by these codes.

Amanda Adkins, 18, Banner; harassment.
Rodney W. Maines, 51, West Decatur; Penn.; alcohol intoxication.

Frank James Conley, 35, Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication, criminal trespassing, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.

Terry Lee Rowe, 49, Langley; hindering prosecution or apprehension, fleeing or evading police.

Stacy Marie Spriggs, 30, Bevinsville; theft by deception.

Barbara Kilbourne, 55, Eolia; harassing communications.

Thomas Parsons, 18, Hueysville; illegal possession of legend drug.

Emil J. McDonald, 20, address unlisted; alcohol intoxication.

Delmas R. Hall, 46, Wayland; theft by deception.

Randall L. Yates, 38, Martin; theft by unlawful taking, alcohol intoxication.

Samuel J. Bailey, 24, David; operating a motor vehicle while license suspended or revoked, criminal trespassing.

William D. Howell, 35, McDowell; alcohol intoxication, leaving the scene of an accident/ failure to render aid or assistance.

Shane David Mosley, 27, Minnie; operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, trafficking in marijuana.

Jason Lee Boyd, 27, Prestonsburg; theft by deception.

Property Transfers

Linda Carol Caudill to Archie Justice and Linda Justice, property located at Bevinsville.

Jeffery Collins to Larry Collins and Linda Collins Gibson, property located at Cow Creek.

Shannon Collins to Gormon Collins, property not listed.

Betty Flanery to Columbia Gas, property not listed.

Irma Groves to Miranda Ann Prater, property located at Penhook Branch.

Robert Groves to Miranda Ann Prater, property located at Penhook Branch.

Beverly Faye Hall to Archie Justice and Linda Justice, property located at Bevinsville.

Charles Jeff Hall to Archie Justice and Linda Justice, property located at Bevinsville.

Debbie Ann Hall to Archie Justice and Linda Justice, property located at Bevinsville.

Lanny P. Hall to Archie Justice and Linda Justice, property located at Bevinsville.

Morgan Rae Hall to Archie Justice and Linda Justice, property located at Bevinsville.

John D. Hamilton to Rexal Hamilton, property not listed.

Homesales Inc. to William D. Steele property not listed.

Virginia Hughes to Charles Ray Hicks, property not listed.

Virginia Hughes to James Luther Roberts, property located at Brush Creek.

Cheryl Little to Gail Martin and Jerry Martin, property located at Bull Creek.

Scott Little to Gail Martin and Jerry Martin, property located at Bull Creek.

Prudential Relocation Inc. to Donald R. Spiggle and Laura A. Spiggle, property not listed.

Jerry Robinette to Michael Hammond, property located at Ivel.

Loretta Robinette to Michael Hammond, property located at Ivel.

Edith Steele to Ginger Rae Steele and William Dale Steele, property not listed.

William D. Steele to Ginger Rae Steele and William Dale Steele, property not listed.

Edger Tackett to Darlene Tackett and Edger Tackett, property not listed.

Johnny Thomsbury to Ollie James Slone, property not listed.

Linda Thomsbury to Ollie James Slone, property not listed.



Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, right, joined Governor Steve Beshear recently for the signing of House Bill 383, which requires high school coaches to complete a 10-hour course in emergency planning, heat and cold illnesses, emergency recognition, head injuries, neck injuries, facial injuries and principles of first aid. Beginning in 2009-10, at least one person who has completed the course must be at every high school practice and competition.

Many changes coming out of ended session

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky General Assembly's 2009 session gavelled to an end last week, capping 29 days of legislative activity that included the passage of bills on school testing reform, drug screening and treatment for felony offenders, and tracking for payday lenders.

More than 700 bills were introduced in the two legislative chambers this year, including legislation to plug shortfalls in the state budget.

Measures sent to the governor to be signed into law include the following:

■ CATS testing. Senate Bill 1 overhauls the state's end-of-year school accountability exams, eliminating writing portfolios as well as arts and practical living exams. Those elements would be retained as school programs, however.

■ Drug diversion. SB 4 directs jail officials to screen certain drug abuse offenders as soon as they are booked. Judges can then order outpatient drug counseling, while serious addicts can volunteer for inpatient treatment. Those who complete a follow-up program and stay clean can have the felony wiped from their record.

■ Penal code. Senate Joint Resolution 12 continues a study of the state's criminal laws, putting it under the jurisdiction of the legislature's Interim Joint Committee on Judiciary.

■ Personal services. SB 22 requires home health agencies and other personal service

businesses to conduct criminal background checks on their employees and bans anyone convicted of abuse, drug crimes, or sex crimes from being hired.

■ Flags. SB 33 requires all U.S. and Kentucky flags purchased by state and local governments to be made in the U.S.

■ ATVs. House Bill 53 requires all-terrain vehicles to be titled, just as motor vehicles are.

■ Oil and gas. SJR 67 directs a study of potential benefits from oil and gas exploration on state lands.

■ Local government pensions. HB 117 allows employees in the County Employees Retirement System to phase in their health care payments over 10 years, just as the state government does.

■ Budget revisions. HB 143 deals with state budget shortfalls with 4 percent cuts for most state agencies. The Medicaid program, corrections and SEEK funds for schools were protected from the cuts. Higher education received 2 percent cuts. The budget revision plan also uses some of the state's "Rainy Day" funds to close the budget gap.

■ Revenue. HB 144 will generate additional revenue for the state by doubling the state's tobacco tax, increasing the tax on cigarettes to 60 cents a pack, and extending the state's 6 percent sales tax to retail alcohol sales.

■ Sex offenders. HB 315 bans convicted sex offenders

from MySpace, Facebook, and other social networking sites where minors are allowed. It also requires them to register their e-mail addresses, screen names, and other online IDs with state authorities.

■ School days. HB 322 allows school districts to ask the Education Commissioner to waive 10 school days from the school calendar due to school closings caused by the winter ice storm and the windstorms caused by last fall's Tropical Storm Ike.

■ Gasoline tax. HB 374 sets the current gas tax of 22.5 cents per gallon as the new base, rather than allowing it to fall with gas prices on April 1.

■ School athletes. HB 383 requires high school coaches to become certified in student safety. Beginning next school year, one certified coach must be present at every practice and game.

■ Payday lending. HB 444 sets up a database to enforce the state's two loan/\$500 maximum on payday loans. The bill also puts a 10-year moratorium on new payday lending stores.

■ Student loans. HB 480 mandates that when money is tight, the state restricts access to new loans by the Best in Class program, which forgives loans for teachers who enter the fields of math, science, and special education. Current teachers whose loans need forgiveness would have priority in the program, which will also add nurses and public-service attorneys to the program.

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Guest View

The case for community college only gets better

Natalia Kolesnikova, an economist for Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, last week published a study showing that for students interested in a "a route of upward economic mobility" community colleges are an incredible bargain.

That's not news to most graduates of the two-year programs at community colleges in St. Louis or to employers who have hired them. Once regarded as the poor relatives of four-year colleges and universities, community colleges have improved steadily over the years. As costs of higher education have escalated, affordable education available at community colleges has become an even bigger bargain. That should worry, and maybe even light a fire under, the four-year colleges.

The St. Louis Fed study confirmed that community college campuses are more racially diverse, on average, than their four-year counterparts. They are home to more first-generation college students and attract a greater concentration of older students — 35 percent of their students are 30 or older.

Community college attendance brings long-term economic benefits. Workers with an associate's degree earn more than their peers with a high school diploma; minority students experience the greatest gains.

In St. Louis, black men with an associate's degree earn on average 13 percent more, while the return for black women is a stunning 43 percent increase — a fact the investigator attributes to a high concentration in nursing and other health care training.

The national media focused on a "dog bites man" aspect of the study — an unexplained statistical anomaly referred to as the "community college penalty." Students who obtain a two-year associate's degree and continue on to earn a bachelor's or advanced degree at a four-year school earn less per year on average than peers who started at a four-year institution.

Kolesnikova said there aren't enough data to explain this discrepancy, but speculates it could be because community college students often come from poorly performing elementary and secondary schools. She said that's a disadvantage that "affects their educational and labor market outcomes throughout their career."

Still, community colleges deserve credit for putting "disadvantaged" students on a positive track — even though it might not yet have resulted in full wage-earning parity. And there's reason to think the "penalty" will diminish as community college campuses attract a growing share of the nation's best-prepared and highest-achieving students.

Unlike many four-year schools, community colleges are not in a figurative arms race to build the flashiest student center or recruit celebrity faculty members. They focus on the basics. And one key basic is tuition cost.

The average community college costs in Illinois are 28 percent of those at the state's four-year public institutions and 11 percent of private four-year colleges and universities. In Missouri, community college tuition and fees are 36 percent of what public colleges and universities charge, and 14 percent of the costs at private colleges and universities.

Community colleges already enroll 46 percent of the nation's undergraduate students, according to the Fed study. As long as community colleges stay focused on fundamentals and keep costs affordable, those numbers will grow.

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Guest Column

Commodity speculation: It's the bankers again

by BEN LILLISTON
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Public outcry over giant AIG bonuses has members of Congress and the White House falling over themselves to demonstrate their anger at Wall Street abuses. Less publicized, but equally worthy of outrage, is deregulated or unregulated commodity futures trading that contributed to huge price hikes in food and gas prices, and chaos on our country's farms when the commodities bubble burst.

Commodity speculation by well-known Wall Street players, such as Merrill Lynch, and the lesser known, such as AIG, affected more than U.S. supermarket aisles and gas pumps. In 2008, the world's hungry increased by an estimated 75 million people, while over 60 countries experienced riots when food and energy prices shot up.

Commodities exchanges, such as the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT), are perhaps the least regulated of all financial markets. Traditionally, trading in agriculture commodities has been tied to real world supply and demand, and has been used by grain traders and country elevators to manage price risks.

But a series of deregulatory changes by Congress and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) over the last 10 years opened the door for well-heeled players. They entered these markets and transformed how commodity exchanges had historically worked. Instead of

managing price risks, these speculators, who don't use or trade actual agriculture or energy commodities, were out to drive prices up and profit from their investment.

A decision in 2000 allowed companies like Goldman Sachs to enter commodity markets and buy and sell without limits. Then in 2004, Henry Paulson, the chief executive officer at Goldman Sachs and later Treasury Secretary, successfully petitioned the SEC to exempt the big banks-Lehman Brothers, Morgan Stanley, Bear Stearns and J.P. Morgan—from keeping large enough money reserves to cover their trades. Soon after, these big name banks released billions of dollars of their reserves onto commodity markets for speculation.

The financial giants then set up and bet hundred of billions of dollars on commodity index funds that undermined traditional price risk management tools, such as those used by country grain elevators. For example, the most-traded index fund, set up by Goldman Sachs/Standard & Poor's, bundled together up to 24 commodities, including agriculture, oil and gold. That fund rose 238 percent from 2003 to 2007. From 2003 to July 2008, money invested in commodities index funds increased from \$13 billion to \$317 billion.

The commodity bubble acted much like the housing bubble. Suddenly in 2007 through mid-2008, prices for agricultural commodities like corn, soybeans and wheat shot up. Though not entirely attributable to speculation, from 2006-07 corn prices were up 50 percent, soybean prices 60 percent and wheat prices 50 percent. A marketing consultant estimated in 2008 that approximately 31 percent of the CBOT price of corn was due to financial speculation - having nothing to do with supply and demand. The U.N.'s Food and Agriculture

Organization estimates that price volatility for corn was 30 percent, soybeans 40 percent and wheat 60 percent beyond what could be accounted for by supply and demand.

While companies like Cargill and Archer Daniels Midland saw their profits skyrocket, farmers struggled because their costs for fuel, fertilizer, seed and equipment also rose. Researchers from Tufts University found that for mid-sized farmers, increases in costs wiped out gains from farm sales.

The spike in oil prices mirrored agricultural commodities and high gas prices sent shockwaves throughout our economy. In January, "60 Minutes" documented how the price of oil shot up \$25 a barrel in one day—without any change in physical supply and demand.

Fortunately, not all of Congress is ignoring the damage caused by excessive speculation in commodity markets. Rep. Collin Peterson (D-Minn.), the Chair of the House Agriculture Committee, has introduced legislation to limit how much speculators can trade, require greater reporting of private contracts, and demand separate agriculture and non-agricultural trading data. Peterson's efforts for tougher regulation are stalled in a current fight with the House Banking Committee over who has jurisdiction over commodity exchanges.

If we want to prevent the type of runaway speculation that drives up prices at the supermarket or at the gas pump, we need to focus some of our AIG outrage toward policy change and strengthen regulation of commodity exchanges.

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Kentucky state parks offer many events during April

FRANKFORT — With spring here and the flowers and trees in bloom, the Kentucky State Parks are gearing up with plenty of outdoor events and activities.

Camping, hiking, canoeing, wildflowers, mountain biking, and more are all on the calendar for April at the Kentucky State Parks. And if you prefer to stay inside, our 17 resort parks all have great food at their restaurants and state park historic sites offer tours of historic homes, pioneer forts and other sites that tell about Kentucky's past.

Camper Appreciation Week

Kentucky State Park Campgrounds will be open in April and campers can get two nights for the price of one during the weekend of April 24-26. Many parks are planning special events such as cookouts, children's activities, and

naturalist programs. Visit www.parks.ky.gov to find out more about campground events and to make reservations.

Earth Day and Earth Week

Many state parks are planning special events related to Earth Day, which is on April 22. Events include clean up days, hikes, nature programs, geocaching, wildflower walks, and more. Check with your favorite park to see what's on the calendar.

State Park Adventures

When it comes to adventure tourism, the Kentucky State Parks have something for you. Hiking, canoeing, fishing, camping, mountain biking and wildlife viewing -- these are just some of the activities you can take part in at a Kentucky State Park. Check www.parks.ky.gov to find out more about adventure

Easter Buffet - April 12

Our resort parks will be offering an Easter Buffet on April 12 from noon until 8 p.m. The menu includes choice roast beef carved on line, baked Kentucky country ham, roast leg of spring lamb, golden fried catfish, garden vegetables and a variety of desserts. The price for adults is \$16.95, while children age 12 and under are \$7.95 (prices include beverage).

Spring Fling Rates

Selected state resort parks are offering a \$50 a night lodge room rate on Sunday through Thursday through May 21. The coupon is available at www.parks.ky.gov and is good at the following parks: Blue Licks Battlefield, Buckhorn Lake, Carter Caves, Greenbo Lake, Jenny Wiley, Kenlake, Pennylic Forest, and Rough River. There are a limited number of rooms available for this offer.

Golf

The great spring weather is a perfect time for golf in Kentucky. The state parks have 19 courses across the state that offer great play and beautiful scenery. Four of our 18-hole courses -- Grayson Lake, Pine Mountain, Dale Hollow, Yatesville Lake -- have received national awards from Golf Digest as "Best New Affordable. Public Courses." The state parks also offer reasonably priced lodging and golf packages. Visit www.parks.ky.gov and click on "golf."

Daniel Boone-Fort Boonesborough

This year is the 275th anniversary of the birth of Daniel Boone. To honor the famous explorer, Fort Boonesborough State Park near Richmond will be holding several special events. One of the first is Saturday, April 11, with the first "Boone at Noon"

program. Curator Jerry Raisor will discuss "Daniel Boone and Land Acquisition" at noon. For more information about this and other Boone

events call the park at 859-527-3131 or visit www.parks.ky.gov and look for the Daniel Boone logo at the bottom of the page.

Norman

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engagement calendar and a brief history of the Kentucky Poet Laureate position, including past Kentucky poets laureate.

Kentucky Writers' Day presented by the Kentucky Arts Council in the Capitol Rotunda will also offer readings by Kentucky past poets laureate Jane Gentry Vance, Sena Jeter Naslund, Joe Survant and Richard Taylor. Kentucky state Poetry Out Loud National Recitation Contest first-place winner Barbara Gooding of Western Hills High School in Frankfort and second-place winner Torie DiMartile, Beechwood High School in Fort Mitchell will recite selected poems. Recipients of the Al Smith Individual Artist Fellowships

in writing will also be recognized for their achievements. Following the ceremony, a reception will be held on the mezzanine level of the Capitol to welcome Gurney Norman as Kentucky's new Poet Laureate and to honor all Kentucky writers. This event is free and open to the public.

Other Kentucky Writers' Day activities include "Turning the Page: A Celebration of Kentucky Writers' Day and the Governor's School for the Arts" from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. on April 24th at the Kentucky Center in Louisville and the perennial Kentucky Writers' Day Celebration at Penn's Store in Gravel Switch, Ky., which will be celebrated on April 19 and April 24, 25 and 26.

Rates

will decrease the need for such purchases.

Instead, the company says because the costs of those outside purchases were being handed down to charges against customers, the new unit at Spurlock is expected to result in cost savings in the future.

According to the public

service commission, penalties and environmental compliance costs imposed against the EKPC and higher interest expenses due to the need to borrow money have left the company in "precarious financial condition."

In December 2008, the commission directed EKPC to submit a comprehensive man-

agement audit, saying the utility's worsening financial problems raised questions about its continued viability. The year before, in May 2007, EKPC filed what is known as a "plan of remedy" intended to restore compliance with certain requirements of a loan from Rural Utilities Service, a federal agency which lends

money to electric cooperatives at favorable interest rates.

That plan, according to the public service commission, anticipated applications for "multiple rate increases over several years," adding the settlement reached this week represents the first of those planned increases.

Coach

Memphis to the 2008 NCAA title game. Memphis' 38 wins in 2007-08 made Calipari the winningest coach for a single season in NCAA history. He was named Naismith National Coach of the Year for a second time in his career thanks to the effort. Calipari is only the second coach to receive the honor multiple times since the award's inception in 1987.

The Tigers' 147 wins the last four seasons made Calipari the winningest coach in a four-year span in NCAA

Division I history. During that same time, Calipari guided the Tigers to four straight 30-win campaigns becoming the first coach in NCAA Division I history to record four-straight 30-win ledgers. His 104 victories in the last three seasons are the second-most in NCAA Division I history in a three-year span.

The outpouring of support for Calipari has come from various individuals, including numerous former players. Calipari will bring an immedi-

ate style of play change to the UK program.

"Obviously the style of play is going to change from day one," former UK player Scott Padgett commented. "The demeanor is going to change and I think the attitude and confidence level will change. When you bring in a guy like John Calipari, you have confidence in him because he has the track record and the background to know he's going to steer you in the right direction."

Funding

Kentucky, we pick up most of the cases because people can't afford legal representation. Right now, we already have cases set for July and beyond."

If the Department of Public Advocacy fails to receive the funds, Baker predicts a significant drop in legal representation.

"There will be so many people that will be without legal representation," Baker said. "We need \$4.7 million just to

get through the fiscal year. Next year, this whole war, this battle, will start again."

Officials with the department are currently in contact with Gov. Steve Beshear in an attempt to get things moving forward with the proposed funds.

"To not give us the money we need is like giving somebody a car that gets 10 miles to the gallon on a 30 gallon tank and then tell them to drive it

600 miles," Baker said. "All we are trying to do is protect the rights of the accused."

The Department of Public Advocacy is an independent agency attached for administrative purposes to the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet headed by J. Michael Brown, secretary. The department is a statewide public agency providing public defender service in all 120 counties in the state as well as the appellate courts.

Moonshine

apple pie and grape flavored moonshine, as well as an open bottle of Crown Royal.

Fannin was cited on three counts of possession of an

alcoholic beverage by ABC Officer John Adkins.

Adkins said he spotted Fannin drinking from one of the quarts of moonshine in the

parking lot and then later discovered the rest of the alcohol.

He will now face arraignment on the charges on April 22.

Census

we have more people in Floyd County than was counted during the last census," Marshall said. "Not to say anything about census takers, but many times in this area counts are based on the average number of people in a household. That average is not always the case."

The census has long been considered a vital study that helps planners determine where to locate schools, day care centers, roads, hospitals and many other businesses.

Also, the statistics from the census is used to make decisions concerning business growth and housing needs, as well as providing the data used to determination of Congressional representation.

On Wednesday, Marshall signed a proclamation to partner with the U.S. Census

Bureau for the 2010 census.

Part of that partnership will be to support the goals and ideas the bureau is currently advancing by spreading the word to the community, encouraging citizens to take part in events and initiatives to raise the overall awareness of the importance of the census.

According to the 2000 census, Floyd County was home to 42,441 citizens, 16,881 households and 12,272 families.

However, Marshall feels that number will greatly increase in the upcoming count.

"I feel we'll get numbers saying there are about 65,000 in Floyd County," Marshall said, but added this would take a careful approach by census workers rather than making too many assumptions.

The U.S. Constitution sets out that a census must be taken at least one time every 10 years.

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safety belts alone are 4 times more likely to suffer head injuries than kids in car seats and booster seats. In addition, children 4-7 who use booster seats are a whopping 59% less likely to be injured in a crash than those only restrained by a safety belt. Booster seats raise your child up so that a safety belt (designed for adults) will fit and protect them properly. Remember, 4'9" is the magic number. Until then, kids really need to be in a booster seat. Booster seats work like...well, you know.

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Floyd County Devotional Page

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Devotional Spotlight



Spurlock Bible Church
Jim Stephens
Pastor

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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Attention Church Organizations, send in a picture of your church, pastor, or youth leaders.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 6:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.

New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.

Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

BAPTIST

Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.

Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.

Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church, Mousesy Ky; Worship Service, 9:30; Every third Sat. and Sun. of each month; Roger Hicks, Pastor; Ralph Howard, Asst. Pastor. Contact Kermit Newsome 606-377-6881 for more information.

Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.

Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.

Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-9863, ext. 67267.

Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.

Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.

Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.

Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.

Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner; Service: Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Jim Fields, Minister.

Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Church every Sun. Morning 11:00 a.m.; Wed. evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; First Sat. evening

Service, All Welcome 7 p.m. Pastor Mark Hunt, 606-478-2698

Faith Bible Church, an independent Baptist Church, located on 1428, between Allen & Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bob Wireman.

Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Eqpt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Elder Donnie Patrick, Minister.

First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.

First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.

First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Jerry C. Workman, minister.

Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Willie Crace, pastor; Assist. Larry Patton. Phone 358-4275.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Trusty.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chad Blair, Pastor.

Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.

Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Woship, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter

Left Beaver Regular Baptist Church across from Garth School; 4th Saturday & Sunday 10:00 am, Odd Saturday 6:00 pm.; Gary Compton, Pastor.

Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.

Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon; Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, (Indian Bottom Association) Services: 1st Saturday & Sunday of every month 9:30 a.m., 3rd Sunday 9:30 a.m., Odd Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.

Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.

McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.

Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; William L. Hunt, Minister.

Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.

Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry Manns, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.

Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Phillip Ramey, Pastor.

Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.

Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.

CATHOLIC

St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Damron, pastor.

CHRISTIAN

First Christian, 660 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School,

10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.

Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.

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Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.

Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers.

Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Willie E. Meade, Minister.

Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.

Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

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Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mitchell, Minister.

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Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.

Community United Methodist, 147 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Nealey St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Glen "Sandy" Douglass, Rev.

Elliot's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Phillip T. Smith, Minister.

Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Profit.

First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m.; Youth Service 6 p.m.; Rev Jim Adams, Pastor.

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Free Pentecostal Church, Dwale; Services Saturday, 6

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Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

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International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

Rising Son Ministries, 114 Rising Son Lane, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653; Sunday, 11

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dents must complete a Go Higher Grant application and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Grant applications are available at www.kheaa.com. The FAFSA may be submitted online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. There is no deadline for applying, but students are

encouraged to apply as quickly as possible because funding is limited.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, visit www.GoHigherKY.org. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O.

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Fields earns academic honor

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HAZARD – Prestonsburg High School senior Linsey Fields landed a spot on the WYMT Girls' All-Academic Team following the 2008-09 basketball season. The reigning Floyd County Conference Player of the Year, Fields gives a strong performance in the classroom in addition to the basketball floor.

Other WYMT Girls' All-Academic Team members are Kendra Russell, Harlan County; Emily Wireman, Johnson Central Morgan Cox,

Lawrence County; Shannon Bays, Letcher Central; Jasmine Hall, Phelps; Kayla Pennington, Pike Central; Victoria Gilley, Pineville; Shelbie Phelps, Pulaski County; and Holly Jones, Williamsburg.

Here is the WYMT Boys All Academic Team: Andy Blank, Buckhorn; Matthew Mitchell, Clay County; DJ Wilson, Clay County; Zach Mullins, Knott County Central; Nick Smith, Middlesboro; Jared Robinson, Riverside Christian; Zach Smith, South Laurel; Ben Prewitt, Whitley County;

Mikey Storms, Whitley County.



LINSEY FIELDS

Pugh homers twice in MSU win

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD – The Morehead State University baseball team scored in every inning it came to the plate except the sixth and defeated Shawnee State 21-10 Wednesday afternoon at Allen Field.

Shawnee State (13-15) led early in the contest by scores of 3-0 and 8-4 before Morehead State (8-17) rallied with three runs in the third inning to take the lead for good in the nonconference contest.

Among the Eagle offensive highlights were Paintsville High School graduate Daniel Pugh, Michael Bottoms and Andrew Deeds each had five runs batted in. Pugh and Deeds had two home runs apiece and Bottoms also had a round tripper. Pugh and Drew Lee each had four hits, and Lee tied a school-record with three doubles in one game. J.D. Ashbrook, Bottoms, Taylor Davis and Deeds all had three hits.

Freshman lefthander Tyler Hineman (1-0) earned the win in relief by pitching scoreless baseball for four and two-thirds innings.

Logan Crabtree, Brian Ramey, Michael Roelker and Adam Wamsley each had two hits for the Bears. Ramey and Roelker both hit home runs.

Kyle Compton (1-3), the third of nine Shawnee State pitchers to take the Allen Field mound, absorbed the loss

Head Cat Cal can recruit and coach

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

I'm sure some of you, maybe my parents at least, are checking this section out today to see what I thought about Kentucky's hiring of John Calipari. I have thoughts, but there will be time for that later.

Let it be said that first and foremost I think this: John Calipari can recruit and he can coach. There is apparently no reason to think this will happen, but unless the program winds up on probation and has to give these wins back, it will be a perfect marriage. The guy can do it.

I was also impressed with how comfortable he felt, and his



Rick Bentley



JOHN CALIPARI

knowledge of the situation. I particularly liked his repeated use of the term "commonwealth," something we take for granted here but keep in mind all states aren't commonwealths; in fact, only two or three of the 48 or 50, whatever we have these days, use the term. He'd obviously done his homework.

But instead of an evaluation, I thought I'd share with you my favorite of the words spoken by

(See CAL, page two)

Signups set for P'burg spring flag football league

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG – The Prestonsburg High School football program will once again offer a spring flag football league for players in grades K-6. Signups for the league are scheduled for April 6 from 5-8 p.m. at the PHS Fieldhouse. There is no registration fee.

Games will be played each Monday night at the PHS Fieldhouse. The league schedule is as follows: April 13 (Week 1): Games, 5-8 p.m.; April 20 (Week 2): Games, 5-8 p.m.; April 27 (Week 3): Games, 5-8 p.m.; May 4 (Week 4): Games, 5-8 p.m.; May 11 (Week 5): Games, 5-8 p.m.; May 18 (Week 6): Games, 5-8 p.m. (cookout, pictures, football).

For more information on the spring flag football league, call James DeRossett (794-3631), John DeRossett (794-3636) or contact them at the high school (886-2252).



Dance Etc. Elite Teams continued to dominate during the EDA Nationals held recently in Myrtle Beach, SC.

Dance Etc. Elite Teams shine at EDA Nationals

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Dance Etc. Elite Teams from Dance Etc. Studio of Dance in Prestonsburg traveled to Myrtle Beach, SC, recently to compete in the EDA National Dance Team Championships. The 87 dancers from the Prestonsburg-based school had an amazing showing at the Championships and came home with numerous titles and hardware.

The Dance Etc. Pee Wee Elite Team which is made up of dancers in grades two through four took first-place honors in Youth Prep Pom, Jazz, Lyrical and Hip Hop.

The Dance Etc. Jr. Prep Team which is made up of dancers in grades four through six took first place honors in Youth Pom, Jazz,

Lyrical and Hip Hop.

The Junior Elite Team which is made up of seventh-ninth graders took first-place in Jazz, second-place in Pom and Hip Hop and third-place in Lyrical.

The Senior Elite Team which is made up of ninth-12th graders took first-place in Pom, Jazz and Lyrical and second-place in Hip Hop.

Fifty-three dancers from Dance Etc. were selected as All-American dancers and invited to participate in the halftime performance of the 2010 Pro-Bowl in Miami, Fla.

Twenty-six dancers from Dance Etc. also competed in individual competition at Nationals with great success. In the Mini Solo category, Celeste Turner was the champion with Kaitlyn Wright as the first runner-

up. In the Youth Solo category, Savannah Little was the champion with Makanna Mason as the first runner-up and Sara Roberts second runner-up. In the Junior Solo category, Kristany Setser was the champion with Megan Towles first runner-up. In the Mini Duo category, McKinly Smith and Mackenzie Castle were the Champions. In the Youth Duo, Savannah Little and Kaleigh Kendrick were the Champions with Makanna Mason and Madison Smith taking first runner-up and Olivia Davis and Olivia Burchett claiming second runner-up. In the Junior Duo, Kristany Setser and Julie Adams were the champions with Megan Towles and Carlee Smith taking first runner-up and Micaela

Wicker and Lexi Bowling taking second runner-up. In the Junior ensemble category, Cassidy James, Courtney Skyles and Paige Ward took first runner-up honors.

All four Elite teams have now qualified for the U.S. Finals in Cincinnati on April 25. The teams will close out their season with the first annual "Elite Showcase" to be held at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg on Sunday, May 3 at 2 p.m. The teams will perform all of their team routines as well as solos duos and trios. The public is invited to the performance. The performance is free to the public. For more information on the Showcase or about classes at Dance Etc., call the studio at 886-3111.

Magoffin blanks Lady Rebels

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

SALYERSVILLE – Visiting Allen Central struggled offensively on the road Tuesday evening against 15th Region rival Magoffin County. The Lady Rebels faced a solid Magoffin County team. Host Magoffin County grabbed an early lead and never faltered, defeating Allen Central 6-0 in the high

school softball matchup.

"We didn't hit the ball good at all," said Allen Central Coach Don Burke. "Magoffin has a very good defensive team. They are well-rounded and solid. I mean to take nothing away from them but we played horrible."

Allen Central had split two previous games before venturing to Magoffin County. The Lady Rebels drubbed Knott County

Central 17-1 in three innings following a season-opening loss to East Ridge. In an opener, East Ridge shut out Allen Central 5-0.

Allen Central pitcher Shea Spurlock held her own in the road game versus Magoffin County. Spurlock recorded eight strikeouts and didn't issue a walk.

"Shea Spurlock told me before the game she didn't want a walk the whole game and she did it," added

Burke. "She is setting goals for herself with her pitching and seeing them through."

Allen Central (1-2) was back on the softball diamond Thursday evening on the road in Prestonsburg. Host Prestonsburg (3-2) had won two of its last three games before taking the field Thursday versus Allen Central. The Allen Central-Prestonsburg game ended too late to make this edition.

Young Bobcats open season 0-2

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – First-year head coach Ricky Thacker is mentoring a relatively young Betsy Layne High School baseball team. The Bobcats are 0-2 following losses to East Ridge and Phelps. East Ridge edged Betsy Layne 4-3 in nine innings in a season-opener. Phelps scored early and often on Monday in

Betsy Layne's home opener, defeating the Bobcats 22-3.

Betsy Layne returned two seniors from last season's team and acquired another one following tryouts. Brendan Watkins (1B/P), Adam Slone (3B/OF) and Brandon Tackett (LF/P) make up the Betsy Layne baseball program's senior class.

In the season-opener, Betsy Layne starting pitcher

Brandon Mulkey went eight innings, getting a no-decision. Mulkey is a junior who also plays the role of designated hitter for the Bobcats.

Betsy Layne struggled Monday night against Phelps. The Hornets defeated the Bobcats in five innings, making the most of 13 Betsy Layne errors.

Other members of the Betsy Layne baseball team

include juniors Nathan Hall (1B/2B) and Shane Case (C); sophomores Jason Case (1B/OF), Nathan Martin (OF/P) and Brandon Jarrell (RF); freshmen Austin Hughes (OF), Kory Jarrell (INF/P), Andrew Roberts (OF/P) and Dylan Watson (OF/P); and eighth graders Michael Henson (INF/OF/P), Kannon Newsome (OF/P), Eric Prater (OF) and Tyler Lewis (1B/P).

Paintsville holds off Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – Betsy Layne scored 10 or more runs for the third straight game when Paintsville visited on Monday for an early-regular season matchup. But the Lady Cats couldn't remain in the win column. Instead, Betsy Layne had a two-game win streak snap. Paintsville took advantage of a Betsy Layne lineup minus some usual starters. In the end, Paintsville outlasted Betsy Layne 13-10.

Early on, Betsy Layne played like a team on a mission. The Lady Cats led 6-1 in the fifth inning. Paintsville plated six runs in both the sixth and seventh innings. The Lady Cats produced four runs in the bottom half of the seventh inning before falling short.

"Paintsville had some really good hits," commented Betsy Layne Coach Gloria Mullins. "However, we lost our heads and made silly mistakes. We had two starters out. That really hurt us and the team felt the affects due to us having to move several players around. Hopefully this won't be a problem again."

Betsy Layne had 43 at-bats. The Lady Cats scored their 10 runs on five hits, including one triple. Betsy Layne stole 23 bases and drew 16 walks.

Megan Hamilton was the leading hitter for Betsy Layne, driving in a pair of runs. Hamilton had the triple for homestanding Betsy Layne. Amby Tackett and Lindsey Martin drove in one run apiece for the Lady Cats.

Paintsville scored its 13 runs on 16 hits.

Casey Ross pitched six innings for Betsy Layne, facing 33 batters. She had one strikeout and one walk.

Keturah Tackett pitched the last of the seventh inning, facing eight batters. She finished with two strikeouts and a pair of walks.

"As a team we are ready to move on to the next game and not make the same mistakes," Mullins added.

Betsy Layne will venture to Shelby Valley today for its next game.

The Betsy Layne-South Floyd game scheduled for Wednesday has been rescheduled for April 30.

Beaver Junction Motocross Remaining 2009 Schedule

- Round 2 – April 5
- Round 3 – April 11
- Round 4 – May 10
- Round 5 – May 31
- Round 6 – June 7
- Round 7 – June 28
- Round 8 – July 26
- Round 9 – Aug. 9
- Round 10 – Sept. 6
- Round 11 – Sept. 27
- Round 12 – Oct. 4
- Round 13 – Oct. 11
- Round 14 – Oct. 25

UK Football: Wildcats open spring practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – Clad in helmets, jerseys and shorts, the Kentucky football team was greeted by sunny skies and cool temperatures as the Wildcats went through their first day of spring practice Wednesday morning at the Nutter Training Center.

Taking the field for the first time since Jan. 2, when UK defeated East Carolina in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl, the Wildcats showed excellent spirit and purpose.

"It was a pretty good day for the start of spring ball," Kentucky Coach Rich Brooks said. "I think assignment-wise, except for some young players, I think everybody knows what they're doing and things went pretty well today."

"This is the fun time of my job, being on the field with these young men, and trying to get them better at their positions and techniques. There is great enthusiasm among our team and now we have to polish things and get better."

Full evaluation, of course, can only happen when the full pads are on, but one facet that can be judged in jerseys and shorts is the team's athleticism. Brooks is happy with what he sees in that department.

"It's a long way from what it was when we got here (in 2003)," Brooks said. "We don't have very many guys who can't run and that includes our linemen. Overall, the preparation and conditioning are pretty good for this team."

Warford out for spring: Coach Rich Brooks announced that cornerback Paul Warford has sustained a broken bone in his foot and will miss spring practice. The injury is expected to heal in time for Warford to participate in summer workouts.

A junior from Richmond, Warford was a starter during the 2007 season. He is attempting to regain his regular role after redshirting the 2008 season.

Thurmond returns: Perhaps the most gratifying moment of Wednesday's opening practice was simply seeing linebacker Brandon Thurmond on the field.

A junior from Rex, Ga., Thurmond was in action for the first time in two years since sustaining three injuries on the same knee since the spring of 2007. He will participate in non-contact drills during the spring while his knee continues to heal.

"It was magical, honestly," Thurmond said of returning to practice. "I love it with all my

heart I'm just out there having fun."

"I made sure that I am physically, mentally and emotionally ready to actually become a factor and take part in what's about to happen this year. I want to be flawless in my reads, coverage, (and) being able to know my responsibilities. Even though I won't be able to take part in physical contact, having those mental reps (repetitions) and making sure I'm in position to make a play, when I'm actually able to have contact it'll be natural and I can contribute."

"It was good to see Brandon running around," Coach Rich Brooks said. "He covered well in 7-on-7 and showed good movement, so I'm pleased. We just have to keep our fingers crossed that when we ratchet it up he'll be ready to go."

Spring Practice Calendar: Practices are open to media and fans. Practices held at the Nutter Training Facility unless noted otherwise. Practices might be moved indoors to the Nutter Field House in case of bad weather. A breakdown of the remaining spring practice sessions follows.

UK FOOTBALL SPRING CALENDAR

Friday, April 3 9-11:15 a.m. (confirmed)

Saturday, April 4 2-4:30 p.m. (tentative)

Monday, April 6: 9-11:15 a.m. (tentative)

Wednesday, April 8: 9-11:15 a.m. (tentative)

Friday, April 10: 9-11:15 a.m. (tentative)

Saturday, April 11: 10-11:40 a.m., Commonwealth Stadium (tentative)

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Wednesday, April 22: 9-11:15 a.m. (tentative)

Friday, April 24: 9-11:15 a.m. (tentative)

Saturday, April 25: Blue/White Spring Game, 1:30 p.m., Commonwealth Stadium

Calipari as he met the commonwealth for the first time. From time to time, I'll comment on the quotes. Have a great weekend.

– On his first team meeting: "I said, 'If you don't go to class, if you don't wanna do the tutorials, if you don't wanna treat people right, we will meet when I come back and we'll figure out where you're gonna go.'"

– On Coach Cal: "I'm a regular guy, folks. I do not walk on water. I do not have a magic wand. I'm not the grand poobah. I'm not the emperor. That's not what I want to be, nor do I choose to be that. We're regular people."

– Please note the quote inside the quote here, and I'll meet you on the other side: "If we do our job and we win and it's something special ... if I've done my job, 10,000 people will say, 'without me, they couldn't have done it.'"

I could be wrong. He could have meant this all about himself, as it would read without the single quotes and as I've seen it printed elsewhere. But when I heard it initially this is how I took it, and when I reviewed it later I felt the same way. His point: If he's successful, 10,000 other people will say they were responsible. I like that.

– This exchange with a female reporter from Memphis, who I believe identified herself as Janice Broach: Reporter: "On Friday at Wilson Air in Memphis, you told me you would not be leaving the University of Memphis."

Cal: "Did I say that?" Reporter: "Yes you did. You stood right in front of me. What happened?"

Cal: "I don't ... Did I say that?"

Reporter: "Yes! It's ... we have it on camera."

Cal: "You have it on camera?"

Reporter: "Yes, we have it." Cal: "Then I must have said that."

– About his relationship with Rick Pitino, and again, I'll meet you on the other side: "This thing about we hate each other? It is so crazy ... But why bother with it? We're in different leagues. He and I will get along fine. This is the commonwealth's team. What he's done at Louisville in the Big East has been phenomenal."

My reaction: It's the right thing to say, but I don't know if I'm buying what he's selling here.

– On his knowledge of the team: "I know Jodie (Meeks) scored a ton against Tennessee. I saw that game. I know

Patrick Patterson, how good he is, and (Darius) Miller ... but I'm going to be honest folks, I don't know the team very well. I told them, 'I am excited about this opportunity.'"

– In my estimation, this is easily the best and funniest line of the conference: "They tell me Richie Farmer, who scored against us, is like the Secretary of Agriculture. They take care of these kids. Is that right? The guy scored baskets, he's gonna be governor! It's crazy!"

(Bullet) On mail, and being questioned: "If you send me mail that does not have a return address on it, it will not get to me. A return address, I will always respond. Usually in handwriting, a hand-written note. But if it doesn't have a return address it's not even opened, even if you were being kind to me."

"I've been wrong before. I think it was '77, 1977, something like that. Maybe '78. Do they question coaches here? Do they?"

– About his dribble-drive offense: "I just told the team, 'If you cannot play, come and see me because this isn't the right program. Cause I can't hide you.'"

– About how he'll handle recruiting. Meet me on the other side: "We've got to go out, look at who's out there.

Continued from p1 I'm here because I can recruit the best of the best here. That's why I'm here. I would love to get the best players in Kentucky that can come here and perform and play. No question about it. We want those guys. But we can go get who we need.

"I don't know what the culture has been here the last three, four, five years, but I know what I want our culture to look like. And changing a culture takes time."

The line about recruiting the best of the best was fantastic. It was dynamic, a little on the arrogant side maybe, but friends, the truth is the truth. The guy, or some of his guys, can flat get it done.

– More about his team meeting and how the players will treat people: "I asked the managers, 'How these guys treat you? They treat you good?'"

– On how he'll deal with the recruits: "I will watch every one of those kids play and then I'll be honest with them. I'll be honest with them. If they're good enough to play here and help us win national titles, I want you here. If they're not, I'm going to tell them. I'm just going to be honest. This will not be for every player in the country. This will not be for every player in this state."

UK recruit Hood named Mr. Basketball

Madisonville standout wins award despite playing for losing team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – University of Kentucky men's basketball signee Jon Hood has been named Kentucky's Mr.

Basketball as announced by the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation, which presents the annual award.

Hood, who signed with the Wildcats in November, is the 16th Mr. Basketball from the state of Kentucky to sign with the Wildcats. Kentucky has signed the last two Mr. Basketball award winners, including Darius Miller, the

2008 winner. Hood, who was also named the Gatorade State Player of the Year, averaged 29.4 points, 12.9 rebounds, 3.3 assists and 3.1 blocked shots as a senior and scored 1,880 career points. He will receive the award and the No. 1 jersey, as the top player in the state, at a news conference in Madisonville at 2:30 p.m.

FCT ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Brandon Mulkey, Betsy Layne

Megan Hamilton, Betsy Layne

Sportsplex Upcoming Events Schedule

April 4-5: EKBA/YBOA State Qualifying Tournament

April 10-12: BCI Boys and Girls Tri-State Invitational

April 17-19: BCI Boys and Girls Super Showcase

April 25-26: EKBA/YBOA Regional Tournament

May 1-3: BCI Boys and Girls Appalachian Mountain Challenge

May 9-10: EKBA/YBOA State Qualifying Tournament

May 15-17: BCI Boys and Girls Northeast Super Regional

May 30-31: EKBA/YBOA State Tournament

MSU summer shootout dates set

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD – The Morehead State women's basketball program will be hosting two, one-day summer team shootouts this year. The camps will be held on June 9 and June 16 on campus at MSU.

Each camp is open to the

first 24 teams, with certified officials and trainers working the event. Teams will be guaranteed at least four games on full-size courts. The events are open to high school varsity and junior varsity teams or split varsity teams.

The cost to attend the shootouts is \$250 per team per session, or \$25 per athlete,

with a minimum of eight athletes required to field a team and a maximum of 12. A deposit of \$100 is due by May 31 to hold a spot for the event.

For more information, or to register a team, call MSU Assistant Coach Harry Elifson at 606-783-2191 or email h.elifson@morehead-state.edu.

Pitino recaps latest season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE – Louisville men's basketball head coach Rick Pitino met with members of the media on Tuesday at the Yum! Center to recap the Cards' 2008-09 season. The Cards (31-6) had their season end following a 64-52 loss to Michigan State in the Midwest Region final on March 29 at Lucas Oil Field in Indianapolis, Ind.

Louisville entered the NCAA Tournament as the No. 1 seed overall after winning both the BIG EAST Conference regular season (16-2) and tournament championships, knocking off No. 18 Syracuse 76-66 to claim their first conference title in their fourth season competing in the BIG EAST. It was only the second No. 1 seed ever attained by the Cardinals. U of L went on to defeat No. 16 seeded Morehead State 74-54

and No. 9 seeded Siena 79-72 in Dayton, Ohio, and beat No. 12 seeded Arizona 103-64 in the Midwest Regional semifinal in Indianapolis.

The Cards reached their second consecutive Elite Eight and third in five seasons. Louisville attained their first ever Associated Press No. 1 ranking at the conclusion of the regular season, while also earning the No. 1 spot in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll.

College Softball: Union sweeps Pikeville

Compton, Adkins suffer losses for visiting Bears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBOURVILLE – Union College used two outstanding pitching performances en route to a home sweep of Pikeville College. The Lady Bulldogs won the first game 5-0 followed by a 3-1 win to complete the day.

The first game saw Sarah Driver go the distance for her second shutout of the season. She scattered six hits over the seven innings and struck out three batters. Driver was also 1-for-2 at the plate with a walk.

Freshman Abby Sears threw her 13th complete game of the year in the second contest. She struck out 11 Lady Bears which is her second double-digit strikeout total of the season. Sears allowed one unearned run on three hits. With the bat she

was 2-for-2 and scored twice.

Both Lady Bulldog pitchers own identical 7-6 records on the season.

Union's record went to 15-12 after the sweep and Mid-South Conference member Pikeville moved to 12-16.

The Lady Bulldogs completed a season sweep over Pikeville. Union took both games at Pikeville on March 11.

Union scored all five runs in game one in the third inning. With two outs and runners on the corners, Bethany Outland singled to right field which allowed Alice Blausler to come home. Ashley Tatman followed with another RBI single to right to score Lee Davis. Sears then tripled to right field and came home thanks to a Pikeville error. Before the error Tatman and Outland touched home and Sears' run made it 5-0.

Union grabbed the second game's lead thanks to a RBI single from Sherry DeVault in the fourth inning. Sears scored the run after her double to left field.

Pikeville answered with a run in the top of the sixth when Krista Kouns delivered a RBI single to right field allowing Corey Huston to

touch home.

The Lady Bulldogs used another DeVault hit in a rally the next half inning with two outs. After Tatman walked, Sears singled through the right side and Tatman advanced to third with Sears also advancing to second on the throw. DeVault came up and singled to right field once again to give Union the go-ahead run and an insurance run making the score 3-1.

DeVault finished the game a perfect 3-for-3 with all three RBIs. The three hits are a season high for the sophomore while the three RBIs ties her season best.

Whitney Compton suffered the loss going four innings, allowing five runs on five hits with five strikeouts in the opening contest. Katie Parsley went 2-for-2 in game one.

Pikeville stranded 10 runners on base in the opening game. Three Lady Bulldogs were left on base during the contest.

Marissa Adkins was the game-two loser in a relief appearance. She went two innings and allowed two runs on two hits. Three Pikeville players recorded a hit apiece.

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DINNER DIVA

Soup making

Spring might be springing but it's still quite cool outside. The daffodils are trying to convince us it's warming up and maybe it is on occasion, but we still have cold days, rain (and snow) and sadly the last days of soup making before the weather becomes too warm.



Leanne Ely

So let's make some soup! Understanding the basics of good soup will get your soup kicked up several notches and make you the undisputed queen (or king) of soup at your house!

Okay, let's break it down. First up, mire poix. Say that with me—meer uh pwah. All that is, is onions, carrots and celery all chopped up; the basic beginning of any good soup. I like the onion to be the lead veggie and the celery and the carrot about the same amounts, so for a pot of soup (using a quart of broth), I'll use a large onion (about the size of a softball) and one rib of celery (about 8 inches long) and a carrot about the same size. Chop it up (no need to mince) and sauté it in the bottom of your soup pot before introducing the broth. You want the veggies to start to release their aromas, their colors to intensify and in the case of the onion, you want it to become translucent.

Now it's the broth's turn. I like homemade chicken broth like everyone else. I don't always have it, but I always have several quarts of low sodium chicken broth hanging around in my well-stocked pantry (have I told you lately that a well-stocked pantry is a girl's best friend?). My current favorite broth is Wolfgang Puck's Low Sodium Roasted Chicken Broth. It's the bomb and lends a wonderful, homemade flavor to your soups.

Anyway, now that we have the basics, let's have a recipe, shall we? This is one soup you're going to love...enjoy!

Pistou Vegetable Soup

- Serves 12
- 1 pound dried white beans, cooked
 - 1 tablespoon olive oil
 - 1 large onion, chopped
 - 1 carrot, chopped
 - 1 celery rib, chopped
 - 4 cloves garlic, pressed
 - 4 potatoes, diced
 - 1 can (28 ounce) tomatoes, juice and all with tomatoes chopped
 - 1/4 head cabbage, shredded
 - 8 leaves kale, shredded
 - 6 cups chicken broth, canned or homemade
 - 1 teaspoon thyme
 - Salt and pepper to taste
 - jarred pesto
- Puree half the beans in your food processor and set aside. In a large pot, heat olive oil and sauté onion, carrot and celery till translucent. Now add the garlic and potato and sauté another 2 minutes. Add tomatoes and their liquid, beans, bean puree and seasoning. Let simmer 5 minutes. Add chicken broth to the mixture (sooner if it seems to be drying out). Add cabbage and kale, correct the seasoning and simmer until veggies are completely tender. Serve with a dollop of pesto (either homemade or readily prepared from a jar) on the top.
- Per serving: 114 calories, 2g fat, 6g protein, 19g carbohydrate, 5g dietary fiber, 0mg cholesterol, and 419mg sodium.



MOVING MESSAGE

Highway caravan on US 23 brings attention to work zone safety

Highway crews representing the state work force assigned to nearly 30 eastern Kentucky counties will come together this coming Monday, April 6, for a Work Zone Safety Road Rally.

A fleet of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Kentucky State Police and other agency vehicles will parade south on US 23 from Greenup to Floyd County on Monday, calling for increased safety for the maintenance and construction workers who repair and pave our roads as well as motorists who drive through these work zones.

The rally is part of National Work Zone Safety Week undertaken each year by state governments and the transportation industry.

"We hope it will be a reminder that thousands of highway workers will be out in force this year, and that their lives are in our hands," said Boyd Sigler, director of highway safety programs for the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety. "Work zone safety is a concern for everyone on the road."

Kentucky Department of Highways districts employ dozens of men and women in each county to clear ditches, remove snow, patch potholes, repair bridges and guardrails, install traffic signs and signals, mow state right of way, trim trees, remove debris, repair and replace culverts, and all the other tasks necessary to maintain and improve safety — every season of the year.

In addition, state contractors are already working in several areas — guardrail placement along the Mouthcard-Biggs Road in Pike County and the Midas-Eastern Road in Floyd County, intersection improvement at KY 172 and Stone Coal Road in Johnson County, and the first section of the valley

floor portion of US 119 in Letcher County — and more projects, including new blacktop and new bridges, will get under way this summer.

But no matter what job they do, workers face the same dangers associated with working alongside busy highways.

"Traffic fatalities overall are down in Kentucky this year, and we want to keep it that way," said Kevin Damron, Chief Engineer for Highway District 12. "We had no work zone injuries or fatalities in our district last year, due to the alertness and caution of motorists as well as the safety precautions taken by our crews and contractors. We certainly want to equal that record this year."

In the United States, more than 40,000 people are injured annually in work zones and thousands are killed. Three fatalities and 108 injuries were recorded last year in work zones across the Commonwealth.

The Work Zone Safety Road Rally will begin 9:30 a.m. Monday at the Kentucky Department of Highways District 9 Greenup County Maintenance Facility on US 23. From there, the caravan will travel to Ashland for a 10:30 a.m. press conference.

Other stops include destinations in Highway District 12 — at The Castle at the junction of US 23 and KY 32 and at the weigh station located at the Johnson-Floyd county line, which also features a press conference.

At each stop, Transportation Cabinet crews and other officials will discuss work zone safety issues with the press and public.

Information at these events will include:

- Facts — Statistics and first-hand accounts

from speakers such as Sigler and highway crew members.

- Brochures — Tips for motorists provided by the Federal Highway Administration.

- Projects — A list of upcoming work zones, such as paving or new highway construction.

Events are also being planned in other areas of Kentucky to bring attention to the dangers of work zones. Those include:

- Covington — Monday, 10 a.m. — Buttermilk Pike (KY 371), I-75 Exit 186 at the High Street shopping center. State Highway Engineer Mike Hancock and Chief District Engineer Rob Hans to discuss local projects, and Mrs. Nancy Oney to provide personal testimonial.

- Lexington — Monday, 2 p.m. — Intersection of Harrodsburg Road (US-68) and newly relocated KY-169. Chief District Engineer James Ballinger to discuss local projects and Director of Highway Safety Chuck Geveden to discuss public safety concerns.

- Louisville — Tuesday, 10 a.m. — Westport Road and I-264. Transportation Secretary Joe Prather and Chief District Engineer Matt Bullock will discuss local projects and public safety concerns. A tour of the work zone will be provided to the media.

- Henderson — Wednesday, 10 a.m. CDT — Intersection of US 60 and Dana Drive. Chief District Engineer Kevin McClearn will discuss local projects, Director of Highway Safety Chuck Geveden to discuss public safety concerns, and Chad Larue with the Kentucky Highway Contractors Association will provide a personal perspective.

Music and food at center to Jenny Wiley 'Hillbilly Night'

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

For those seeking to celebrate their hillbilly heritage with fine food and entertainment, The Music Highway Grill at Jenny Wiley State Park is the place to be on Saturday.

Hillbilly Night is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. with a large assortment of country foods to choose from, including lemon peppered pork loin, fried chicken, barbecued ribs,

country ham and chicken and dumplings. A variety of salads and special Appalachian desserts will also be available. The food will be served until 8:30 p.m.

"I always look forward to special dinners out at Jenny Wiley," said Rick Castle, of Harold. "The food is always good and they usually have some kind of entertainment to go with it. It's a good time."

On the entertainment side, traditional Bluegrass music will be per-

formed by the Brushfire Band starting at 5 p.m. and ending at 6:30 p.m. All members of the band are Kentucky natives, and the musical style of the band draws on those Kentucky roots. They have performed for many functions, including festivals and banquets. For nine years, Brushfire has performed at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Lexington before University of Kentucky basketball games.

The price for the dinner is \$16.95

for adults and \$7.95 for children under the age of 12.

In February, the park held an Appalachian "Road Kill" Supper that included a wild game buffet style meal along with folk and country line dancing for entertainment.

For more information on Hillbilly Night, or about Jenny Wiley State Park, call (606) 889-1790, or visit <http://www.parks.ky.gov>.

FLOYD COUNTY



Faith and Family



National Geographic Channel explores mysteries at the heart of Christianity

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Christianity is founded on the belief that Jesus Christ was resurrected after his crucifixion, an event that is celebrated every Easter. But what is straight fact and what is multi-layered fiction in the history of one of the world's largest and most influential religions is constantly debated among

KIM'S KORNER

How much energy does it take to hold a grudge?

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE

Years ago the opportunity came via email to receive daily inspirational quotes, prayers and paragraphs of uplifting words of encouragement from Joel and Victoria Osteen's Ministry. My fingers couldn't click the keys fast enough to register for Osteen is definitely one my favorite inspirational speakers/teachers.



Kim Little Frasure

This week, Wednesday to be exact, "How much energy does it take to hold a grudge?" came popping up on the computer screen and was so good it just has to be shared:

"Do you realize how much energy it takes to be bitter or hold a grudge? We only have a certain amount of energy for each day. If we use it for the wrong purposes, focused on the negative, dwelling on who hurt us, we're not going to have the energy we need for the right purposes. We're not going to make the best decisions. We're not going to be as creative. We're not only doing ourselves a disservice, but we're doing our family and our friends a disservice.

"Remember, you can't control what people do or say. You can only control yourself. If you're allowing others to upset you, then you are giving away your power. The Scripture says, 'Don't let the sun go down on your anger.' The reason many people have no joy or enthusiasm is because they go to bed every night with anger and unforgiveness. When you go to bed like that, with a cluttered mind, focused on the negative, you wake up with the same negative emotions. Don't let anger and unforgiveness block God's blessing in your life. Choose to let those things go so you can live in the peace, joy, and power the Lord has for you.

"A prayer for today: Heavenly Father, today I am releasing every negative thing that has happened to me. I'm forgiving every person who has hurt me. I'm forgiving myself for mistakes I've made and releasing every disappointment so that I can live in Your peace and victory."

"In Jesus' Name help us each and everyone to forgive."

"Til next week, God's blessings.

scholars, theologians and conspiracy theorists. What really happened the day Jesus was crucified? Did the Roman prefect Pontius Pilate send him to his death, or was it the Jewish high priests who called for it? Has Jesus' final resting place been discovered? And what of the Knights Templar, the mysterious Christian crusaders of the 11th century? Did this secret brotherhood participate in decidedly anti-Christian acts?

On Monday, April 6, — six days before Easter — the National Geographic Channel (NGC) premieres three hours of original programming that explore controversial theories that, if true, could unravel mysteries at the heart of the Christian tradition. Each compelling hour features renowned scientists and biblical scholars who dissect archaeological and historical evidence revealing provocative insights that could challenge the faithful, and leave others still believing in the miraculous. Familiar tales and characters are recast in a new light as we investigate conspiracies and cover-ups that some claim have obscured what could be the true history of Christianity.

Premieres include:

In Search of Jesus' Tomb Premieres Monday, April 6, at 8 p.m.

In 1980, archaeologists investigated a tomb outside Jerusalem. They found boxes of bones and a series of names that led to a sensational claim — that this tomb could contain

the remains of Jesus Christ, as well as shocking evidence that he was not resurrected, but had married and even had a son. This radical theory outrages most scholars, who say it's based on conjecture, fantasy and even forgery.

Thirty years later, controversy still rages over the "Jesus Tomb Theory." Using 21st century DNA analysis, scientists may be able to determine if there is a bloodline connecting the remains of two boxes that believers in the theory say are inscribed with the names of Jesus and Mary Magdalene.

Some experts feel the evidence is convincing, based on the tradition of the burial plot, its location and the unique collection of names. James Tabor, chair of the Department of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, believes the finding could be the real deal: "It's not just the names, but the cluster of names. It's not just any Jesus. It's Jesus son of Joseph, [with] a mother named Mary [and] a brother named Joseph." However, many experts dispute the uniqueness of the inscriptions, and their very interpretation. Joan Taylor, senior lecturer, University of Waikato, New Zealand, notes, "People like drama in terms of archaeological discovery and, if someone comes up with this idea that this could be the tomb of Jesus and his family... what greater drama is that?"

With no conclusive evidence that this is the tomb of Jesus, the search for answers,

and the debate, continues.

Secrets of the Knights Templar Premieres Monday, April 6, at 9 p.m.

A secret sect — guardians of Christianity's most valuable relics. A greedy king who will stop at nothing. And an exiled pope caught in between. It's a tale of heresy, betrayal and hidden treasure. Overnight, the most revered Christian warriors become the most reviled criminals. Now, a secret document, hidden for 700 years, reveals the politics and deception that destroyed the legendary Order of the Knights Templar.

In 2003, Vatican historian Dr. Barbara Frale discovered the Chignon Parchment, a document lost for 700 years that revealed shocking confessions of heretical acts by the Christian crusaders. These acts included denouncing Christ, spitting on a cross and intimacy with other male members of the order. But the Templars were renowned for their purity and unmitigated allegiance to Christianity. How and why was their reputation smeared in this way? Were these confessions made under torturous duress?

The Templars were formed in the 11th century to protect pilgrims to the Holy Land. They became famous — and very rich — as custodians of Christian relics. However, when King Philip IV of France went bankrupt, he seized their funds and had them tortured at Chignon Castle. The Templars and their leader, Jacques de

Molay, broke down and confessed to heretical acts. And yet, Pope Clement V absolved them unconditionally because he believed the acts were committed as a test of endurance. According to Frale, "Disciplined and courageous men were needed to fight against the Muslims who used to force their Christian prisoners to renounce their faith." Six years later, de Molay recanted and passionately defended the purity of the order. To this day, the truth behind what is written in the Chignon Parchment is still debated.

Who Really Killed Jesus? Premieres Monday, April 6, at 10 p.m.

The trial of Jesus Christ is a defining moment in history. An epic confrontation between two men: Jesus and Pontius Pilate. One became the face of Christianity. The other is veiled in mystery.

Is Pilate really an innocent man — or is he the man who killed Jesus? According to the Gospels, Pilate reluctantly orders Jesus' crucifixion, then washes his hands of any responsibility. The Christian story acquits Pontius Pilate and blames the Jews in his place. Helen Bond, senior lecturer, New Testament, University of Edinburgh, notes, "People have seen that as the Jewish nation accepting the guilt for Jesus' death, and that has had tremendous repercussions." But historical evidence disputes the Gospel accounts.

Pilate was assigned to

maintain law and order in Judea, and he quickly earned a reputation for brutally suppressing rebellions. It is Caiaphas, the Jewish high priest, who accused Jesus of sedition, of claiming that he is a king and rival to Caesar. Contrary to the Gospels, the clear historical evidence is that Pilate would not have hesitated to execute an agitator accused of sedition. So, why would Pilate be portrayed as ambivalent and the Jews blamed for the death of Jesus? One theory is that the Gospels have an anti-Jewish agenda. According to Tabor at UNC Charlotte, "The Gospels were written after the year A.D. 70. By then a new Christian movement had begun to spread. The Gospel writers had to convince their Roman audience that they were not enemies of Rome." Yet others believe that once he met Jesus, Pilate became a believer. The latter seems unlikely, since Pilate was "recalled" by the empire and stripped of his duties because, ironically, he had ordered too many crucifixions.

In Search of Jesus' Tomb, Secrets of the Knights Templar and Who Really Killed Jesus? (wt) are produced for the National Geographic Channel by CTVC in association with Channel 5 Broadcasting. Executive producers are Ray Bruce and Nick Stuart, and series producer is John Fothergill. For the National Geographic Channel, producer is Tish Bravo and executive vice president of content is Steve Burns.

Why Some People Think Duke Ellington Is a Member of the Royal Family.



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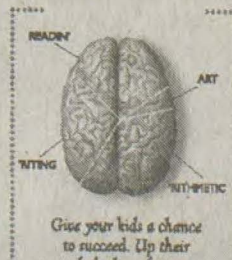
Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington didn't rule over a small English estate. Instead he reigned supreme over jazz institutions like The Cotton Club. He riffed

powerfully on the piano, but it was the full orchestra that he considered his most compelling instrument. He introduced improvisation to his compositions — a process unheard of using a 15-piece orchestra. The result was a different approach to jazz that sparked a revolution and an evolution. His music spread across the world with songs like "Sophisticated Lady," "In a

Sentimental Mood," and "Take the 'A' Train." His historical concert in 1953 at the Newport Jazz Festival has entered the lexicon of legendary live performances. There is no doubt about it, Ellington's brand of jazz has contributed significantly to the American songbook and to the lives of anyone who has ever tapped their foot to a beat.

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Weatherization Crew Laborers

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is seeking Crew Laborers for the Weatherization Program in the following counties: Floyd, Johnson, Martin, Magoffin, and Pike. Duties include, but are not limited to performing energy saving functions to existing structures which includes air infiltration, duct repair, insulation, roofing, ceiling repair, wall and floor repair, window and door replacement, and heat system installation.

Two years of carpentry and construction experience that includes a wide range of general skills and knowledge is required.

The successful candidate must possess the ability to lift/move heavy objects (up to 100 lbs.), bend, stoop, crawl, climb, and perform work in various weather conditions. Candidate must have knowledge of occupational hazards, safety precautions, and be proficient in the proper use and care of power and hand tools. The position will require a valid driver's license and frequent travel throughout the five-county service area.

Qualified applicants may submit a resumé and letter of application to:

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program
 ATTN: Human Resources Manager
 230 Court Street, Paintsville, KY 41240

Closing date for applications is
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The surface area to be disturbed is owned by George Thornsburg, et. al, Evie Thornsburg, et. al, Shade and Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, Chris Damron, Danny Ousley, Rosie Reffett, Craig Ousley, et. al, Betty Litsey, Charles Litsey, Gordon Ousley, Donald and Brenda Ousley, Adrian Bradley, James and Rose Marie Bradley, Ronald and Jackie Bradley, Sally R. Kessie, Charles E. Bradley, Amy Bradley, Abby Bradley, Adam Bradley, Johanna L. Silveus, Kenneth Silveus, Earl and Peggy Stephens and Sianna Risner, Mont Ousley Heirs, Edward L. and Sadie Shepherd, J.T. and Anna Lea Thornsburg, Phyllis Reffett, and Glen Hurd-Estate. The operation will underlie land owned by Shade and Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, Equitrans, and Mont Ousley Heirs.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5495 Renewal

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 1 1/2 mile southeast of Martin, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 7.37 surface acres, and will underlie 507.45 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 514.82 acres.

(2) The proposed operation is approximately 1.0 mile southeast from KY 1428's junction with Arkansas Creek Road, and located 1.1 mile east of Arkansas Creek. The latitude is 37°34'03". The longitude is 82°43'02".

(3) The proposed operation is located on the Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Turner Elkhorn Mining Company, James Sammons and Thurman Akers. The operation will underlie land owned by Norman and Mae Martin, James Johnson, Mexico and Lizzie Spears, Thurman Akers,

Emmit and Clara Conn, J.W. and Emily Allen, Opal M. Boyd, Bradley Akers, Omery Bentley, Fair Bentley Estate, Claude and Mae Ryane, Leonard and Susan Akers, Hexzie Sammons, T.F. Hamilton Jr., John Delong, Lum Click, Tina Meade, Harry and Nadine Stephens, Leonard Conn, and Turner Elkhorn Mining Company.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0306 Amendment No. 2

In accordance with KRS 350.077, notice is hereby given that The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for an amendment for an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.50 mile west of Hi Hat, in Floyd County. The amendment will disturb 61.7 surface acres, and will underlie 3,494.3 acres, making a total area of 3,556.5 acres within the amended

permit boundary. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.50 mile west of KY Route 979's junction with KY Route 122, and located 0.05 mile west of Newman Branch of the Left Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company LLC. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elkhorn Coal Company LLC. The operation will affect an area within 0 feet of Newman Branch public road. The operation will not involve closure of the public road.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5488 OPERATOR CHANGE

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch,

Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 intends to revise Permit No. 836-5488 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The new operator will be Jules Coal Company, LLC, P.O. Box 1325, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

The operation is located 3.92 miles east of Lancer in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 2.94 miles east from State Route 3386-s junction with State Route 3 and is located 0.11 miles southwest of Corn Fork. The operation is located on the Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°40'06" and longitude 82°40'54".

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 or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-9027

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch,

Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a permit for a refuse disposal and reclamation operation affecting 57.26 surface acres located 1.8 miles north of Emma in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.51 miles north from KY 194 Cow Creek Road's junction with KY 1428 and is located on Sand Branch of the Levisa Fork.

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will underlie lands owned by David Akers, Sam Morton, Dorothy Moore, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Don Howell, Linda Hamilton, Clayton Hamilton, Henry R. Keathley, John Keathley, Donna Jerry, Hall Estate, Darrin Carroll, Phil Hall, Flora Preston, Ray Hall, Purvis Hamilton, Curtis Newman, Blaine Slone, Eugene Slone, Thomas Hamilton, Larry Slone, Preston Slone, Ossie Reynolds, Wavis Alley, Mitch Blankenship, Earnestine McKenzie, Charles Baxter, Emil Carroll, and Maze Hamilton.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5440, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that the Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 0.3 mile west of Craynor, in Floyd County. The operation will disturb 2.41

surface acres, and will underlie 537.65 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 540.06 acres.

(2) The operation is approximately 1.15 mile southwest of KY 979's junction with the Mink Branch Road, and is 0.3 mile west of Mink Branch.

(3) The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by

The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will underlie lands owned by David Akers, Sam Morton, Dorothy Moore, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Don Howell, Linda Hamilton, Clayton Hamilton, Henry R. Keathley, John Keathley, Donna Jerry, Hall Estate, Darrin Carroll, Phil Hall, Flora Preston, Ray Hall, Purvis Hamilton, Curtis Newman, Blaine Slone, Eugene Slone, Thomas Hamilton, Larry Slone, Preston Slone, Ossie Reynolds, Wavis Alley, Mitch Blankenship, Earnestine McKenzie, Charles Baxter, Emil Carroll, and Maze Hamilton.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite No. 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or request for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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Sealed bids must be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m., on Monday, April 13, 2009.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Prestonsburg Industrial Corporation, of Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, to place fill material within the floodplain. The site is located along Cliff Road, approximately 0.5 mile from the intersection of KY Route 1428 and Cliff Road, at latitude 37°41'34.42" N, and longitude 82°46'40.69" W. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Fourth Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

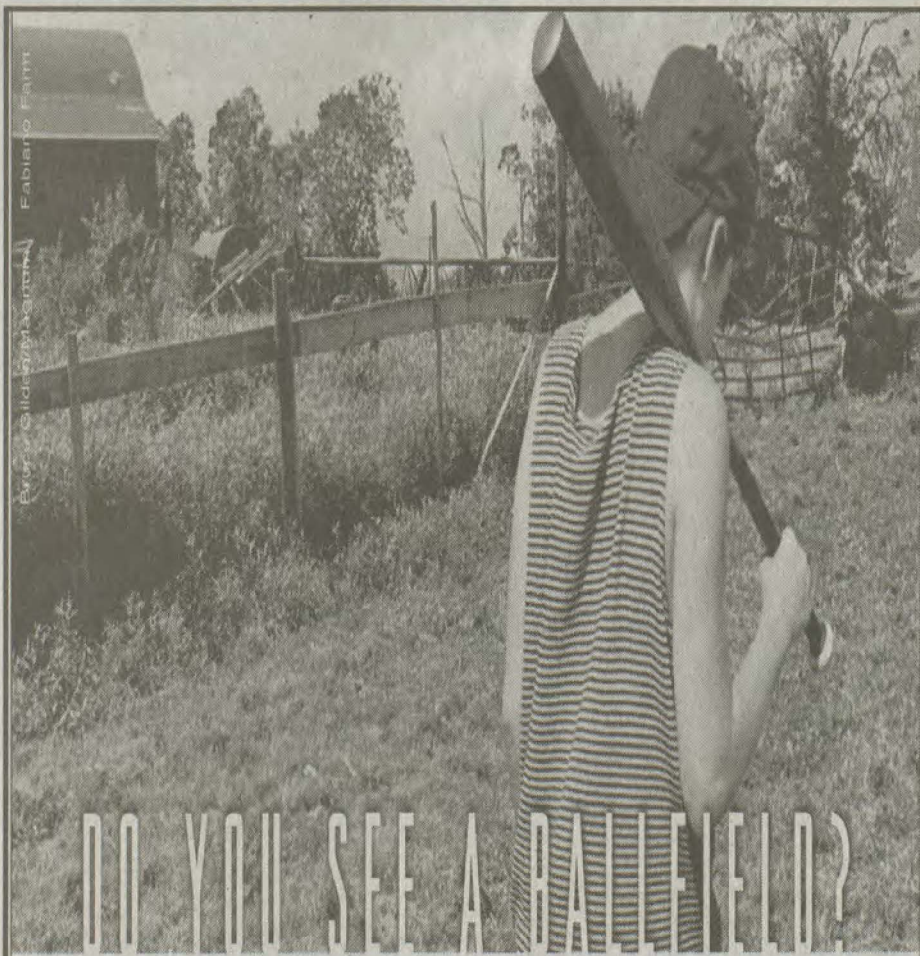


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