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briefs

Infant, mother killed in fire

Times Staff Report
McCARR – A Pike County woman and her 7-week-old son are dead after a house fire in McCarr on Saturday. According to the police report, officials discovered the bodies of Heather Smith, 26, and her son, Ethan Smith, inside the burned home. Both were pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Coroner Russell Roberts. The fire is under investigation by the Kentucky State Police and the results of the autopsies are pending. Foul play is not suspected at this time.

Woman killed in Pike wreck

Times Staff Report
SHELBY VALLEY – A Jenkins woman was killed Saturday in a single-vehicle accident on U.S. 23 at Shelby Valley. According to police, Sherrae Zizmont, 20, lost control of her 2003 Ford truck and overturned. Zizmont was pronounced dead by Pike County Coroner Russell Roberts. The accident is under investigation by the Kentucky State Police.

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Prison recruiting female guards

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER
WHEELWRIGHT – On the heels of the most recent claims of misconduct and talks of possibly moving out Hawaiian inmates altogether, Otter Creek Correctional Center in Wheelwright has put out a call for applications for female correctional officers. The medium security prison, which

has long been the focus of numerous cases filed by female inmates against male officers, now says it has a shortage of female officers and will be holding three job fairs this coming week. The first fair will be held Tuesday in Hazard, with another the following day in Pikeville and a third taking place on Thursday in Prestonsburg. The fairs will all take place between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the respective employment offices for the three loca-

tions. Prison spokesman Steve Owen said a staff shortage and a state monitor's report helped push the prison's parent company Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) to seek a balance in the number of female officers to male officers at the facility. Otter Creek currently houses more than 400 female inmates from both Kentucky and Hawaii, but the large majority of the prison's officers are

men. Owen spoke earlier this week of the past allegations and, in some instances, cases that have ended in decisions against past male officers. "We are very committed to making sure we're operating a safe and secure institution, and we take any of those allegations seriously," said Owens. Kentucky State Police information

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ON THE ROAD



photo by Sheldon Compton

Big Sandy Transportation Maintenance Coordinator Carol Likens boards the van that started providing Floyd Countians a public transit system Monday. The service will have no restrictions for who can board and will charge \$1 per stop.

County starts bus service

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER
As of Monday morning, Floyd County again had a public transit system through the efforts of county officials and Big Sandy Transportation. Big Sandy Transportation initiated a 15-passenger van route Monday that will cover the entire county over the course of a full week, with a set

schedule for pickups that would cost passengers a round trip fee of only \$2. The difference between this transportation and what Big Sandy has done in the past? Director Joyce Hinkle said it best. "Well, we've concentrated on those who had medical emergencies and things like that in the past," said Hinkle. "Now this will be available to the

entire public. Even if someone has three cars parked in their driveway, they can still use this system." Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall, who first brought the idea to Hinkle about a year ago, said this is something the county has needed for a long time. "There used to be a bus serv-

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Motion to move case denied

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER
PRESTONSBURG – A motion to move a case involving some 90 Floyd Countians against Frasure Creek Mining was denied following a ruling by Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill. The ruling was filed last week in Floyd Circuit Court and said that the defendants could file a new motion for a change of venue if new evidence were on hand to present or at "voir dire," which would essentially mean the judge or the prosecutors examining prospective jurors to determine their qualification for service. The lawsuit was filed against Grizzly Processing and Frasure Creek Mining after the numerous defendants claimed damages to their homes near a coal washing facility operated at various points by the two companies and nearby roads used in hauling coal to and from the facility.

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Burglary suspect drowns while fleeing

by **JARRID DEATON**
FEATURES WRITER
REGINA – An Elkhorn City man is dead after drowning in the Big Sandy River while allegedly trying to evade capture from police, who were chasing him as a suspect in a burglary on Friday. Walter C. Holbrooks, 37, was pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Deputy Coroner Denver Bailey after his body was located by rescue squad personnel in the Levisa Fork section of the Big Sandy River.

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MAC receives \$20,000 arts grant

Times Staff Report
PRESTONSBURG – The Mountain Arts Center continues to see funding come its way, this time in the form of a grant through the Kentucky Arts Council. The Kentucky Arts Council granted the MAC \$20,000 as part of a recent push in grants to the arts industry in Kentucky totaling \$306,776. The money came to the Kentucky Arts Council through the National Endowment for the Arts. Gov. Steve Beshear presented the check Tuesday morning, saying the money was to preserve

jobs in the arts and cultural sector of the state. "The arts industry in Kentucky has made significant contributions to our commonwealth as well as local economies by generating tax revenue and enhancing cultural tourism," Beshear said. "This federal funding will help preserve jobs within our art industry during this critical time when our nation is facing such a touch economic downturn." Along with the MAC, 17 other arts organizations were given grant money Tuesday, with no other organization being awarded more than the \$20,000 given to the MAC.



From left to right, Todd Lowe, chairman, Kentucky Arts Council; Fred Goble, assistant director, Mountain Arts Center; Gov. Beshear; Marcheta Sparrow, secretary, Tourism Arts and Heritage Cabinet; Keith Caudill, executive director, Mountain Arts Center; Lori Meadows, executive director, Kentucky Arts Council; and Lindy Casebier, deputy secretary, Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet.

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Obituaries

Asa Belcher

Asa Belcher, 91, of Drift, died Thursday, August 13, 2009, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Born August 19, 1917, in Dorton, he was the son of the late George and Pearl Wright Belcher. He was a retired coal miner, and attended the Drift Pentecostal Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jennie (Dot) Martin Belcher.

Survivors include a brother, Lee Belcher of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by a son, Claude Douglas Belcher; three brothers: Lacy Belcher, Ted Belcher, George Jr. (Jack) Belcher; one sister, Lillian.

Funeral services were held Sunday, August 16, at 2 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Dimple R. Crawford

Dimple R. Crawford, age 80, of Hi Hat, passed away Wednesday, August 12, 2009, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

She was born in Wayland, June 19, 1929, the daughter of the late Orville and Myrtle Greene Rose.

She was a retired school-teacher in the Floyd County School System; a member of the KEA and Retired Teachers Association; and a member of the Pine Grove Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Crawford.

Survivors include one son, Michael Paul (Pamela) Crawford of Georgetown; and one daughter, Debra Ann (Pete) Neal of Hi Hat; two brothers: James "Jim" Rose of Martin, and Gary Rose of Ligon; one sister, Shirley Hall of Monticello; three grandchildren: Paul Edward Neal, Mykella L. Crawford, and Bailey Rose Crawford.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, Vernon Rose.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 15, at 1:00

p.m., at Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Rodney Mosley officiating.

Burial was in the Newman Cemetery in Hi Hat, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Brent Rose, Matthew Rose, Paul Edward Neal, Christopher Ross, Rusty Hamilton, and James Tackett.

Honorary: Arvell Crawford, Larry Vernon Rose, Bob Hall, Ricky Hamilton, Ledford Ross, and Melvin Martin.

The family chose Hall Funeral Home to handle the arrangements. (Paid obituary)

Earvin Lee Crum

Earvin Lee Crum, 61, of Martin, died Thursday, August 13, 2009, at his residence.

Born October 24, 1947, in Martin, he was the son of the late Merlin and Elizabeth Conn Crum.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen Spurlock Crum.

Other survivors include a son, Calvin Crum (Cathy) of Versailles; a daughter, Sandra Stevens (Rodney) of Florence; three brothers: Elvis Crum of Hindman, Randy Crum of Lexington, and Dewayne Crum of Auxier; a sister, Denise Porter of Allen; a granddaughter, Emily Irene Crum; and four special grandchildren: Ashley Caudill, Mason Caudill, Payton Conn, and Abigail Conn.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Columbus Crum and Leroy Crum.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 17, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Bob Wireman officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home, with nightly services beginning at 7 p.m. (Paid obituary)

Ellen Mae Gilliam

Ellen Mae Gilliam Derossett, 50, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, August 13, 2009, at her residence.

Born May 4, 1959, in McDowell, she was the daughter of the late James and Rosa Flannery Gilliam. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Ashley Derossett of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Creed Gilliam of David, and Tracie Gilliam of Blue River; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Barry Collins; six brothers: Johnny Gilliam, Kenova Gilliam, Billy Ray Gilliam, Raymond Gilliam, David Gilliam, and Ralph Gilliam; and a sister, Irene Slone.

Graveside services were held

Saturday, August 15, at 3 p.m., at the Gilliam Cemetery, in Wheelwright, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

(Paid obituary)

Mary G. Jarrell

Mary G. Jarrell, age 91, of Banner, widow of Fred Jarrell, died Sunday, August 16, 2009, at her residence.

She was born July 15, 1918, in Pike County, a daughter of the late Lee and Lou Conn Boyd. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church, in Dana.

Survivors include one son, Leo Jarrell of Banner; three daughters: Roberta Gross of Banner, Deborah A. Hall of Paintsville, and Judy Spears of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Luther Boyd of Banner, and John Boyd of Dana; one sister, Goldie Conn of Banner, two grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services of Mary G. Jarrell will be conducted Wednesday, August 19, at noon, in the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church, in Dana, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements. (Paid obituary)

Louis Andrew W. Kapfer

12/21/36-04/29/09

Louis Andrew W. Kapfer, 72, passed away of cardiac arrest in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, on April 29, 2009, with his loving sister by his side.

Mr. Kapfer was born and raised in McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

As an aspiring artist, he attended Carnegie Art Institute for six years during his school years, and at one time, had one of his paintings displayed in the Carnegie Art Museum. Also during his school years, Lou played the violin. Graduating from McKeesport Vocational High School in 1954, he was a First Honor Student and received an award for Perfect Attendance during entire school career. He was responsible for the design of the carousel at the Senior Prom and the design of the graduation program and the caricatures in the 1954 Yough-A-Mon year book. Lou also designed the program for the Fifteenth Year Reunion.

Lou attended Marietta College in Ohio, obtaining his degree in Petroleum Engineering, and upon graduation was drafted into the U.S.

Army. Lou was sent to Korea, where he was cited for meritorious service as Information Specialist, Camp Red Cloud Command Education Center. His perseverance and professional knowledge aided the center to exceed the Eighth United States Army goal for intermediate education. He personally conducted an eighth grade class attaining 100 percent completion by devoting off-duty time to persons requiring special assistance. He also taught Mechanical Drawing as a Military Occupational Specialty. He designed graphic publicity for courses offered at this command and surrounding units and trained a Korean artist in the fundamentals of poster art.

Upon discharge, Lou was a Jr. High School General Science teacher at North Versailles Township and continued studies at the University of Pittsburgh. Lou was president of the Glassport Athletic Association and was responsible for his duties as president, raising funds and all the graphic designs for the organization

which promoted activities for children. In 1961 became employed by Carnegie Natural Gas Company. In 1967, Lou was employed by Equitable Gas Company and remained there until his retirement in 1998. Mr. Kapfer held many executive positions over the years, the latest being Executive Vice President / General Manager of the Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, until his retirement.

Lou was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, a registered Professional Engineer in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and State of West Virginia, a member of the West Virginia Oil and Gas Association, the American Institute of Mining

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Granny, we miss you daily. People tell you it gets easier as time passes, our pain and loss hasn't begun to heal. Things are not like they used to be, nor will they ever be the same. There's not a day goes by, your name is not mentioned.

We miss your smiling face, your laughter and kind words, seeing you sitting on the front porch, or the sound of your feet as you make your way through the house. Granny, your presence is with us daily and our hearts grow fonder of our memories of you each day.

Granny, keep being that bright shining star in the sky; your footsteps and voice that we often hear. Granny, we know your spirit is with us and you're looking after us all.

Written by Patty Fitzpatrick



Card Of Thanks

The family of Victoria Ann Martin would like to sincerely say, "Thank you," to all of our wonderful friends and neighbors who helped to comfort our family during this difficult time. Thanks to those who sent flowers, or came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Clergyman Bob Damron for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and to the staff at Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. To all, we say, "Thank you, and God bless."

THE FAMILY OF VICTORIA ANN MARTIN

Card Of Thanks

The family of Ronald V. Campbell would like to express their sincere appreciation to all who sent food, flowers, or prayers to our family during this difficult time. A special thanks to Clergyman Jerry Manns for his comforting words; the Auxier DAV for the military service they performed; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care. All the love and support that was shown to our family will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF RONALD V. CAMPBELL

Card Of Thanks

The family of Nella Faye Chaffins would like to humbly thank each and everyone who helped in any way during our recent loss; those who sent beautiful floral arrangements, food, and words of encouragement. A special thanks to Clergymen Bethel Bolen, Willie Duff and Randy Osborne for their comforting words; to all the singers for the beautiful songs; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home staff for making our loss a little easier to bear. For anyone who may have helped in any other way, we lovingly say, "Thank you, and God bless."

THE FAMILY OF NELLA FAYE CHAFFINS

Card Of Thanks

The family of Glenda Sue Keene would like to express our appreciation to all who sent flowers, or perhaps said a kind word, and for the prayers that were spoken on our behalf. We especially want to thank Clergyman Ted Shannon for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care. All the acts of kindness will never be forgotten. Thank you, and God bless.

THE FAMILY OF GLENDA SUE KEENE



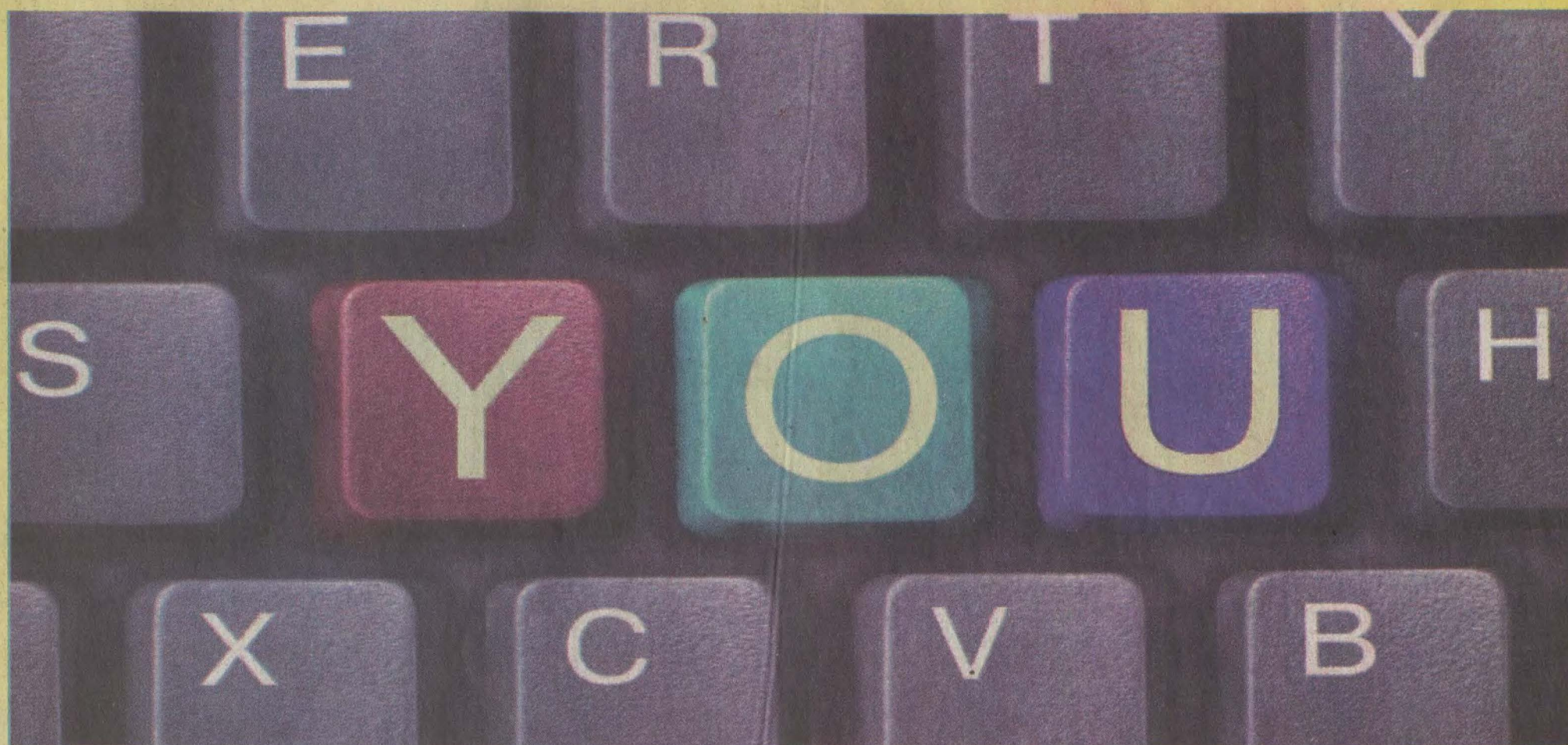
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— Aesop

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Guest View

Lost in the shouting

It didn't take long for the debate over President Barack Obama's push to overhaul the U.S. health care system to degenerate into a depressing brawl:

Critics of the proposal focus on non-existent "death panels," as if Obama's main goal is to systematically kill off unhealthy, unworthy Americans. Supporters say opposition is driven by racial animus, as if there isn't a history in U.S. politics of public resistance to big changes in medical care. Both sides, ridiculously enough, accuse each other of actions with Nazi overtones.

We wish the debate would get back to the basics - specifically, two key claims routinely made by the president, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid.

The first claim is that a health overhaul actually would save vast amounts of money in the long run. In June, the Congressional Budget Office shredded this assertion with a study showing that the two main proposals before the Senate would add \$1 trillion and \$1.6 trillion in debt over the next 10 years.

This led Obama and other Democratic leaders to float a series of trial balloons on what taxes might be raised to cover this gap. When each met a hostile reception from rank-and-file lawmakers, what did the president, Pelosi and Reid do? They went back to their old claims that a health overhaul would save money.

The president said so in comments last week at a New Hampshire town hall. Pelosi and Reid made the assertion in a USA Today column.

The trio need to be pressed on what they know that the CBO doesn't. They also need to explain why just a month ago they implicitly acknowledged there were no cost savings by seeking tax hikes to finance the overhaul.

The second claim is that a health overhaul would not affect individuals who are satisfied with their existing insurance plans.

Really? The day the overhaul took effect, businesses that now provide health insurance at an average cost of 12 percent to 14 percent of payroll would have the option of dropping their coverage and paying a fee equal to 8 percent of their payroll to the federal government, which would provide the benefit.

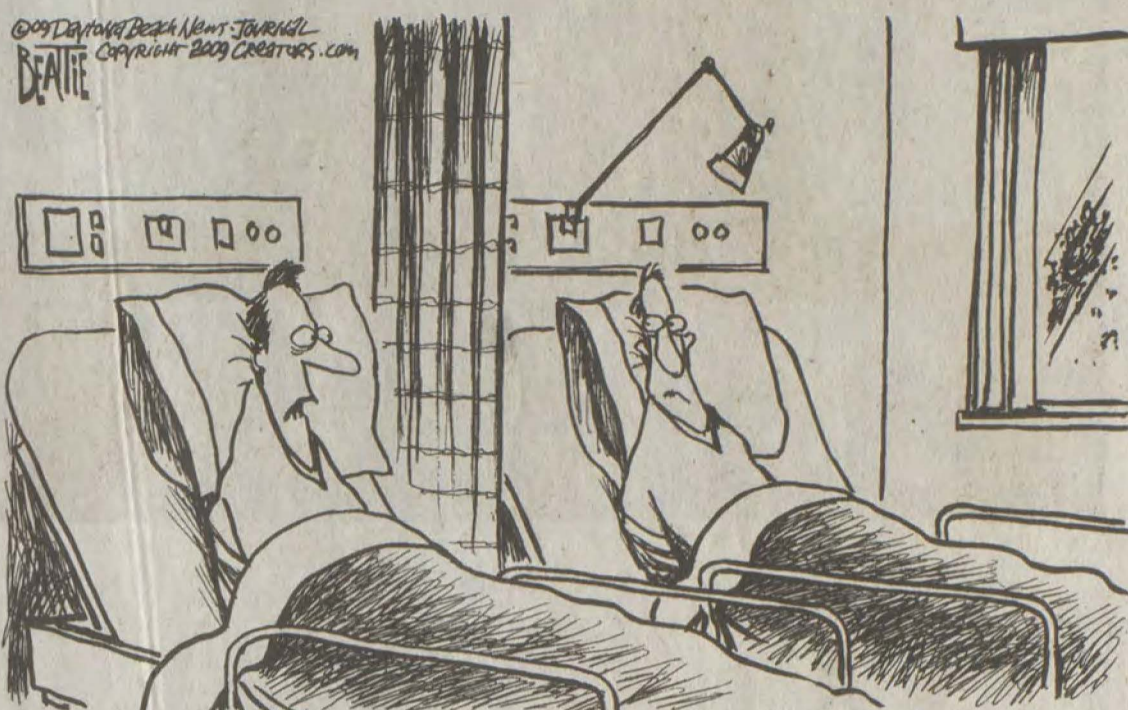
Obama, Pelosi and Reid have to know that this would give businesses a huge incentive to drop coverage, thus affecting millions of Americans who are happy with their existing plans.

The private coverage that did survive this federal assault wouldn't be home-free yet, however. After a grace period of a few years, all health insurance would have to meet federal standards. By every indication, these standards would greatly expand what health plans have to cover, leading to a big increase in the cost of premiums.

This issue and the cost question are what the debate should focus on - not the sideshows. Democrats need to back their claims.

Unfortunately, cable-TV and talk-radio hosts seem far more interested in sideshows than substance. Invoking the specter of death panels, racism and Nazism may help the ratings, but it isn't helping America.

— San Diego Union-Tribune



"If we were as hard to kill off as these loony death panel rumors, we wouldn't need health insurance."

Letters

Investigate golf course

I am a Prestonsburg City Councilman and I am concerned about a situation we had at Stone Crest golf course last fall. It was brought to my attention after the fact that Mayor Jerry Fannin was going to investigate a loss of money due to alleged employee theft.

It seems that a supervisor and possibly three employees were misrepresenting their time cards in order to collect regular pay and overtime pay in excess of their hours worked. Their supervisor was not only aware of this fact, but allegedly approved this infraction. For whatever reason he did this, it was an illegal act.

According to information, the employees routinely worked from 7 a.m. until around noon each day, but wrote in their time as 4:30 p.m., with the blessings of their direct supervisor. This was reported to me by another City Councilman who witnessed the alleged crime at the time.

The situation was somewhat investigated, and some action was taken. Mayor Fannin reported that a reprimand was given and that the city's money would be paid back.

Action after that was sketchy at best. I have never received a clear explanation as to what happened, or how much money was paid back. I was quite assertive that we should take action, as was most of the other city council. But ultimate authority was left with the Mayor.

I have since found out that apparently no money was paid back by this supervisor or these employees. I make the assumption here that this happened for at least a 12-month period, due to the fact that questions about work schedules were not answered throughout the winter months. On several occasions I and several other council members asked how a crew on a golf course could manage to work overtime during winter months, with frozen conditions.

If this happened for this amount of time, then the total amount of city money misappropriated would be around \$38,220. Assuming this was true, why wasn't any criminal action taken? The City council has no authority outside a meeting, the authority to hire, fire, and reprimand lies with the Mayor.

I am asking for an official investigation into the matter. Too many things have been swept under the rug because people don't know about them.

Gormon Collins Jr.
Prestonsburg City Council
Prestonsburg

Standing up for coal

In the district that I represent, coal mining is a critically important source of employment for hundreds of families.

Coal mining paychecks send our children to college, and community, technical and vocational schools. It helps pay mortgages, purchase cars, and buy food, clothes, appliances and other necessary goods for many Eastern Kentucky households.

The benefits of coal miners rival most private companies with good health care and prescription plans that cover spouses and children.

Coal mining is an honest, decent, respectable way to make a living and the people who work in this industry are proud of what they do.

Many are carrying on a family tradition of mining coal and members of those families share a special bond with each other and those who have come before them.

Coal benefits all of us. It provides cheap electricity to Kentuckians, who enjoy one of the lowest electric rates in the United States.

It brings more than \$3 billion into our economy and — until recently — coal mining employed over 17,000 people throughout the Commonwealth.

I say "until recently" because something terrible is happening to Kentucky's coal industry and I am angry about it.

There is a growing surge of anti-coal groups that want to shut down coal mining in Kentucky. They hold rallies and regularly flood the papers with their vicious attacks on coal.

Kentucky's two largest newspapers regularly speak out against coal and highlight negative stories about the industry.

And in Washington, the cap and trade legislation currently being considered could effectively kill Kentucky's coal industry, wiping out thousands of jobs and greatly impacting our families' future.

Kentucky coal is getting beat up on all sides by people who just don't get it.

They steadfastly ignore the good things about coal.

You don't hear about the coal severance tax that is levied on each ton of coal mined and then returned to coal-producing counties to lay water and sewer lines and build and repair schools, firehouses and libraries.

You never read about the Kentucky Junior Coal Academy which — in partnership with the Kentucky Community and Technical College System — combines academic and career-technical courses to provide

students with the knowledge and the skills needed for work in the coal industry.

You won't see pictures on the front pages of the reclaimed mine lands that have been reforested or the streams that have been reconstructed.

There weren't stories about the economic boost reclaimed land gave communities when airports, golf courses, community centers, housing subdivisions, correctional facilities and a regional medical center were built in Eastern Kentucky.

This is a shame. What's more worrisome is the startling number of mines and coal companies that have shut down as the price of coal has dropped and other types of energy are being promoted.

A cold day of reckoning will soon dawn on the folks who speak out against coal mining.

When the alternate energies come our way, and people are forced to pay many times more for their heat in the winter, I believe some of the anti-coal forces will sit back and wonder what happened to the good old days of cheap electricity and good paying jobs.

I'll be there to remind them who is at fault.

Until then, I will continue to stand up, support and champion coal mining in Kentucky because it truly is the lifeblood of our communities in Eastern Kentucky.

And I will keep defending the coal industry because I know how bleak our future would be without it.

Hubert Collins
State representative

Say it ain't smelly, Kelly

"Say it ain't so, Joe." That statement was allegedly made following the Black Sox scandal of 1919 in which famed Chicago outfielder "Shoeless" Joe Jackson was found guilty of throwing the World Series and subsequently banned from baseball.

This was the thought that entered my mind last week as I listened to Prestonsburg City Council member Kelly Moore answer questions about property he sold to a local businessman; property which in fact belonged to the city: Say it ain't smelly, Kelly.

During the Black Sox trial, the courts found it difficult to prove Jackson had a role in throwing the Series, because it had never been reflected in his play. Joe had a smoking hot batting average of .375, with 6 RBIs and the Series' lone home run.

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PMC announces bariatric services

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville Medical Center has announced its new bariatric weight loss program.

"We are very pleased to offer this service to the people of Eastern Kentucky, southern West Virginia and southwest Virginia," said Walter E. May, President and Chief Executive Officer at Pikeville Medical Center. "Bariatric services provide a great benefit to people who have struggled with obesity and obesity-related diseases."

Led by Dr. Salvador D. Ramos II, the program will offer Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass, Laparoscopic LAP-BAND Adjustable Gastric Banding Surgery, Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy, Laparoscopic and Open Revisional Bariatric Surgery, Laparoscopic and Open Biliopancreatic with Duodenal Switch, Laparoscopic and Open Management of Internal Hernia and Small Bowel Obstruction, as well as critical care management and nutritional management of bariatric surgical patients.

Performing these surgeries with laparoscopic techniques allows for smaller incisions, which helps patients recover and heal faster.

"Bariatric surgery is a life-changing event, but our commitment to our patients far surpasses the realm of surgery," Dr. Ramos said. "We're committed to seeing our patients



Dr. Salvador Ramos has been introduced as PMC's bariatric surgeon during a press conference Monday.

rediscover their quality of life through not only with the bariatric procedure, but also through a detailed education program and long-term follow-up care."

The Bariatric Weight Loss program at PMC is the most comprehensive bariatric program in the region.

Dr. Ramos is also the region's only full time, on-site bariatric surgeon.

"When I visited Pikeville Medical Center I was impressed with the facility, and the hospital's commitment to cutting-edge technology,"

Dr. Ramos said. "The technology here far surpasses that of larger, metropolitan centers."

The bariatric procedures performed at PMC will do more than assist patients with weight loss. They will significantly decrease, or in some cases eliminate, obesity-related diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, sleep apnea and osteoarthritis.

Obesity, which is defined as a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or above, is a critical health issue across the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention 25.6 percent of Americans are obese.

Dr. Ramos' ultimate reward as a bariatric surgeon is the long-term success of his patients.

"My biggest reward is when I see a patient embrace life, not only through bariatric surgery, but also through a new-found focus on living a more healthy and productive life," Dr. Ramos said.

Pikeville Medical Center plans to offer a wide variety of long-term, follow-up care services for bariatric patients, including local and regional

support group meetings.

"We find that our patients have a much higher success rate when they are involved in support groups," Dr. Ramos said. "This is also very beneficial for people who are inquiring about bariatric surgery."

A 2001 graduate of Midwestern University's Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Ramos completed his internship and general surgery residency at St. James Hospital in Olympia Fields, Illinois and at Wyckoff Heights Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York.

Upon completion of his residency training in 2006, Dr. Ramos completed an extensive bariatric fellowship at the Legacy Health System in Portland, Oregon.

Dr. Ramos has spent the past two years as a bariatric surgeon at the Barix Clinics in Groveport, Ohio. He is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons, the Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons and American Society for Bariatric Surgery.

For more information about the Weight Loss Surgery program at Pikeville Medical Center, please call (606) 218-4811 or visit www.medical-leader.org.

Letters

He also threw out a runner at home plate. These aren't exactly the stats of a man taking a dive.

Councilman Moore, on the other hand, the only defense he could muster was that he didn't know what he was selling. Despite the surveys and the deed descriptions all saying the same thing — that the property he was conveying was not his to convey — he pleaded ignorance. The fact that the property he sold was nearly double the size of the property he purchased was waved away with a magic wand and the "I didn't read the deed" defense. Bear in mind this is also property Councilman Moore lived two doors down from for a number of years, not some obscure wooded lot in the middle of nowhere. By the end of the discussion in Wednesday night's special meeting, doubt was nowhere to be found.

At the conclusion of the Black Sox trial, Jackson was found guilty and banned from baseball along with the other implicated members of the team. Not because anyone could ever prove that his performance was ever less than his best, but because Jackson had prior knowledge of the fix, and never told anyone.

My guess is Councilman Moore will get the same treatment, and be removed from office. Worst case scenario: Moore acted with criminal intent to defraud the city of which he is an elected official. Best case scenario: he is incompetent and inept, and isn't fit to serve in any official capacity.

Jack Latta
Prestonsburg

Turner, Stumbo commend city

We would like to commend Mayor Jerry Fanning and the Prestonsburg City Council for their foresight and leadership in assuming the operation of the Jenny Wiley Executive Golf Course. The golf course is a plus point not just for Prestonsburg and Floyd County, but is easily an asset to the area through its potential to attract guests to the park and our communities.

Visitors' dollars are important to our local economy. Tourism statistics show that every tourism dollar spent turns over seven times in the

community. Visitors spend dollars at our gas stations, restaurants and grocery stores and then those dollars are used to pay employees salaries and taxes and to shop at other businesses and purchase other services.

We are very pleased that the city, under Mayor Fanning and the city council's leadership, has taken over operation of the golf course to maintain it as a vital and sustaining part of our community. This is good news, but that is not where the story ends.

The mayor and council have agreed to allow the course to be used by the Floyd County Schools' golf teams for practices and matches at no charge to the school system or the teams. Barry Hall, golf coach at South Floyd High School, said that last year the

golf team had to be discontinued and that the city's generous gesture is a tremendous benefit to the student athletes. Coach Hall said these young athletes, unlike last year, have the opportunity to play golf as part of a school team.

We applaud Mayor Fanning and the city council for recognizing the benefit the city's offer will have on these young people and for caring enough to allow them this opportunity. Perhaps this generosity will result in a teenager getting involved in golf and that involvement will open doors through a scholarship or from social contacts. Regardless, it will allow these students to have the opportunity to play a sport that they enjoy, and that is always positive. We recognize the value sports and other extracurricular activities can

have on teenagers.

Thank you, Mayor Fanning and the Prestonsburg City Council. You have done well!

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Jones named MaxPreps/ AVCA Player of the Week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

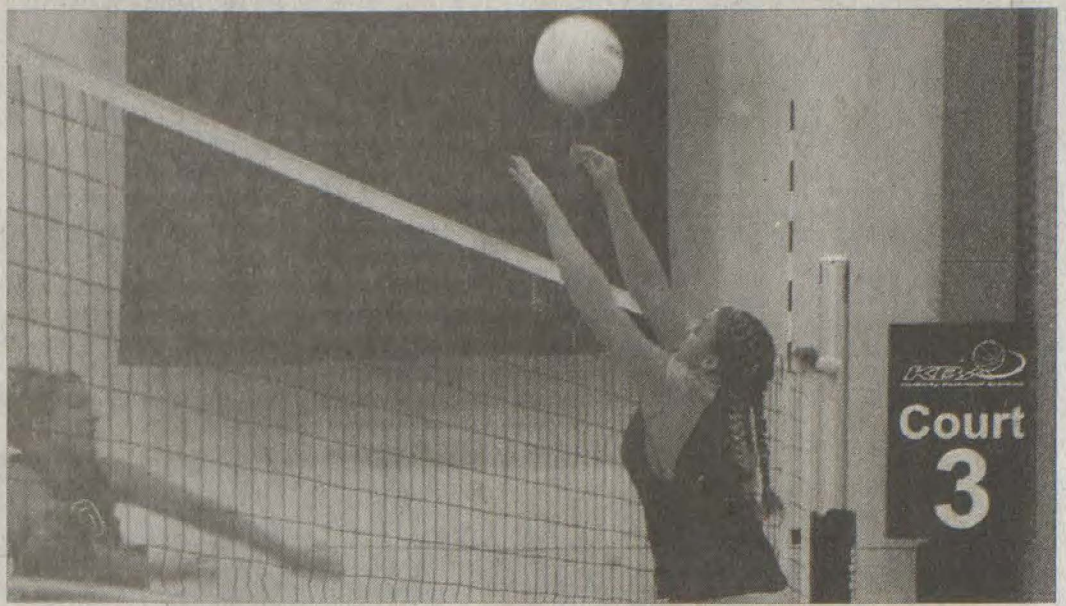
EASTERN – Allen Central High School senior outside hitter/middle blocker Kelsey Jones has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA High School Player of the Week for the week of Aug. 9-16. Jones, who ranks as one of the top high school volleyball players in Eastern Kentucky, recorded 42 kills during the week. Jones averaged 3.2 kills per contest

and recorded 13 digs, seven aces, five assists and 27 blocks.

"It is rare but a pleasure to be able to have a young woman from a small school in Eastern Kentucky be selected Player of the Week by AVCA from the state. Kelsey Jones is one such pleasure," Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard said after learning that Jones had been honored.

The MaxPreps/AVCA High

School Player of the Week Program is a partnership between the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) and CBS Max Preps, Inc. Only athletes whose coaches are members of MaxPreps are considered for the honor. For more information on MaxPreps, go online to www.maxpreps.com. To learn more about AVCA membership, visit www.avca.org



ALLEN CENTRAL SENIOR KELSEY JONES

Floyd players make preseason watch list

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

Nine volleyball players from Floyd County high schools – including three each from Betsy Layne and South Floyd – are touted as KVCA (Kentucky Volleyball Coaches Association) Region 15 Players to Watch. The players to watch list includes additional players from Floyd County schools Piarist and Allen Central as well as East Ridge, Johnson Central and Belfry.

The Kentucky Volleyball Coaches Association (KVCA) Region 15 Players to Watch are: Kes Moore, Jr., S/OH, Piarist; Brianna Bentley, Sr., OH, East Ridge; Beth Anders, Sr., MB, East Ridge; Ashley Young, Sr., OH, Johnson Central; Jesse Bryson, So., Opp, Johnson Central; Audri Ray, Jr., MB, Betsy Layne; Taylor Watkins, Jr., MB, Betsy Layne; Keleigh Wagner, Jr., S/OH, Betsy Layne; Ashley Castle, So., S, South Floyd;

Bailey Hamilton, Sr., MH, South Floyd; Kianna Hall, So., OH, South Floyd; Megan Staten, Sr., OH, Belfry; Kelsey Jones, Sr., MB, Allen Central; Leigh Williams, Jr., S, Allen Central; Amy McCoy, So., OH, Belfry.

AC defeats Pikeville, 2-0

Jones leads Rebels to
non-district win

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Allen Central improved to 7-1 Monday evening, defeating host Pikeville 2-0 (25-20, 25-21). The Rebels made the most of a balanced attack en route to the high school volleyball victory. Kelsey Jones led Allen Central with seven kills on .350 hitting. Tiffany Burdzilauskas and Katie Dingus followed with six kills apiece. Leigh Williams paced the Rebel offensive attack, dishing up 14 assists and one ace. Jaimie Mullins set up five and contributed one kill.

Defensively, Jones blocked four and recorded six partial blocks while Katie Dingus blocked two and registered three partial blocks. Laken Tackett had a block assist for the Rebels.

Julie Halbert and Rebekah Potter had 10 confirmed digs each and Jones and Courtney Hodge stopped nine apiece. Hodge landed three aces and dealt out seven solid serves. The Allen Central squad was down 20-17 in the second set. Jones pounded in three of her seven kills on three well-executed sets from Williams to give the Rebs a 24-20 lead.

Pikeville committed a net violation to help Allen Central seal the victory.



Betsy Layne (above) captured the Food City Summer Slam championship. The Piarist School (below) placed fourth in the Prestonsburg volleyball tournament.

Betsy Layne wins Food City Summer Slam

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG – The 2009 Food City Summer Slam Volleyball Tournament came to a close Saturday night at the Prestonsburg High School Fieldhouse. Host Prestonsburg, Betsy Layne, Allen Central, South Floyd, Piarist, Pikeville, Pike County Central, Belfry,

Phelps, East Ridge, Letcher County Central, Perry County Central, Magoffin County, Ashland, Lawrence County, South Laurel, Middlesboro, Bath County, Whitley County and Harrison County volleyball teams played 40 pool play games and 16 tournament games in two days.

The Betsy Layne

LadyCats defeated the Letcher County Central 25-23 and 25-17 (2-0) to win the Food City Gold Division Championship. The Lady Cats left it all on the court as they played six games on Saturday to win the championship.

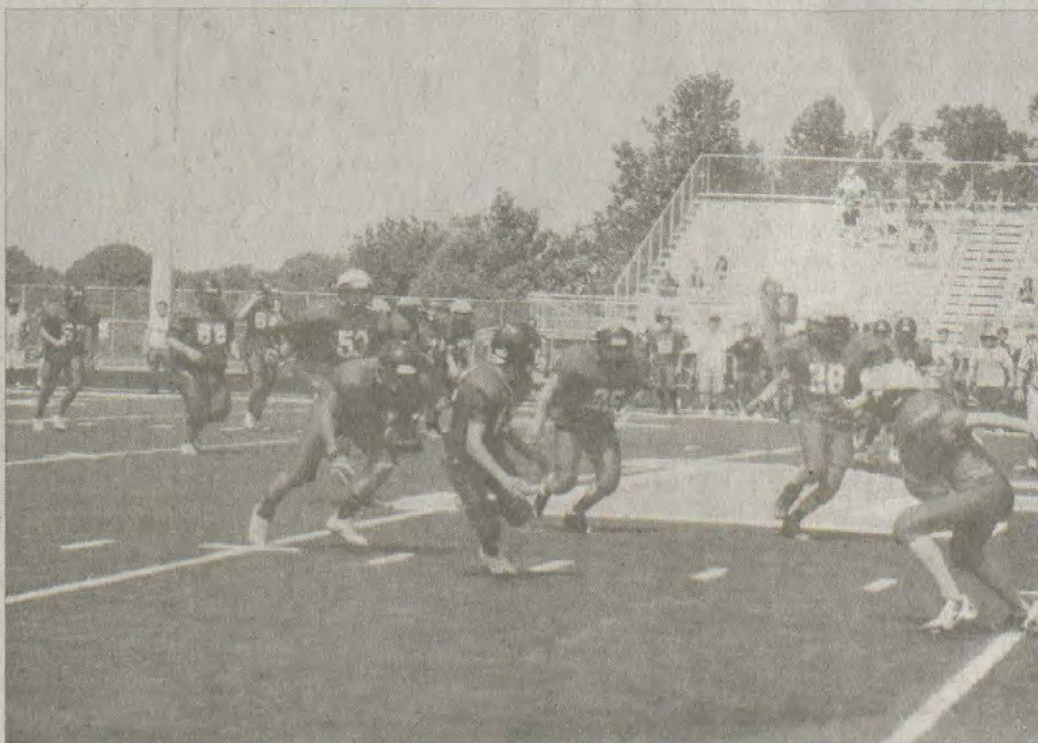
The Silver Division championship match was played earlier in the night as

Harrison County defeated the Piarist School 2-0 (25-11; 25-17) to become the Silver Division champion. Piarist finished fourth in the Prestonsburg-hosted tournament.

The Food City Summer Slam was started last year to promote volleyball in the Mountains and it has become a huge success.



photo by Jamie Howell



SCRIMMAGE SITUATION

Prestonsburg faced Lawrence County and Huntington (W.Va.) over the weekend as part of a three-team high school football scrimmage. The Blackcats will host longtime rival Belfry Friday night in a regular-season opener.

Hicks, McKenzie among feature race winners

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

SITKA – Veteran drivers Terry Hicks (Late Model) and Corey McKenzie (Modified) were two of four feature winners Saturday night at 201 Speedway. Hicks, who qualified second fastest behind D.J. Wells in the Late Model division, outlasted Jamie Ferguson to the finish line.

Scott Lemaster (Bomber) and Alan Osborne (Four Cylinder) also posted feature wins.

A recap of the racing from the Johnson County track follows.

Late Model Qualifying:
11–D.J. Wells, 13.88; 9–Terry Hicks, 13.93; 17–Shannon Thornsberry, 13.94; 13–Jamie Ferguson, 14.05.

First Late Model Heat:
17–Shannon Thornsberry; 10–Paul Harris; 11–D.J. Wells; 81–Brandon Fouts; 99–David Powers; 25–Cowan Kinney; 57–Brittany McKinney; 40–Jimmy Perry.

Second Late Model Heat:
13–Jamie Ferguson; 9–Terry Hicks; 24H–Michael P. Howard; 12D–Daniel Williams; 9–Jimmy Perkins; 19–Jamie Slone; 64–Chris Adams.

Late Model Feature: 9–Terry Hicks; 13–Jamie Ferguson; 17–Shannon Thornsberry; 24H–Michael P. Howard; 10–Paul Harris; 81–Brandon Fouts; 99–David Powers; 12D–Daniel Williams; 19–Jamie Slone; 8–Anthony Adams; 25–Cowan Kinney; 9–Jimmy Perkins; 64–Chris Adams; 57–Brittany McKinney; 11–D.J. Wells; 40–Jimmy Perry.

Open Wheel Modified Qualifying: J17–Jimmy Arnett, 15.61; 35–Jeremy Hayes, 15.73; 33–Corey McKenzie, 15.74; 43K–Kevin Hall, 15.78; 11–Michael P. Howard, 15.83.

First Open Wheel Modified Heat: 33–Corey McKenzie; J17–Jimmy Arnett; 46–Dennis Deboard; 30–William Hensley; 62K–Joel Jensen; 20–Jason Perry; 7A–Warnie Allen Jr.; 00–Michael Butcher; 11–Michael P. Howard; 53–Stanley Haddix.

Second Open Wheel Modified Heat: 43K–Kevin Hall; 21 Jim Barnett; 0–Jimmy Collins; 35–Jeremy Hayes; 2–John Fitzpatrick; 9–Scooter Lemaster; 12–Rick Clark; A17–Alan Salisbury; 4–Gabe Conley; L33–Randall Lester.

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First Bomber Heat: 45–Tim Mason; 3–Scott Lemaster; P20–Ervin Vance; 29–Allen Turner; R17–Don Risner; 4–Reggie Richie; 51–Greg Matthews; P12–Dean Pennington

Second Bomber Heat: 73–Charle Mullett; 15–Colby Taylor; 3–Shannon Richmond; 27S–David Chaffins; 22–Tommy Lackey; 77–Harley Hall; 4J–James Stack.

Bomber Feature: 3–Scott Lemaster; 45–Tim Mason;

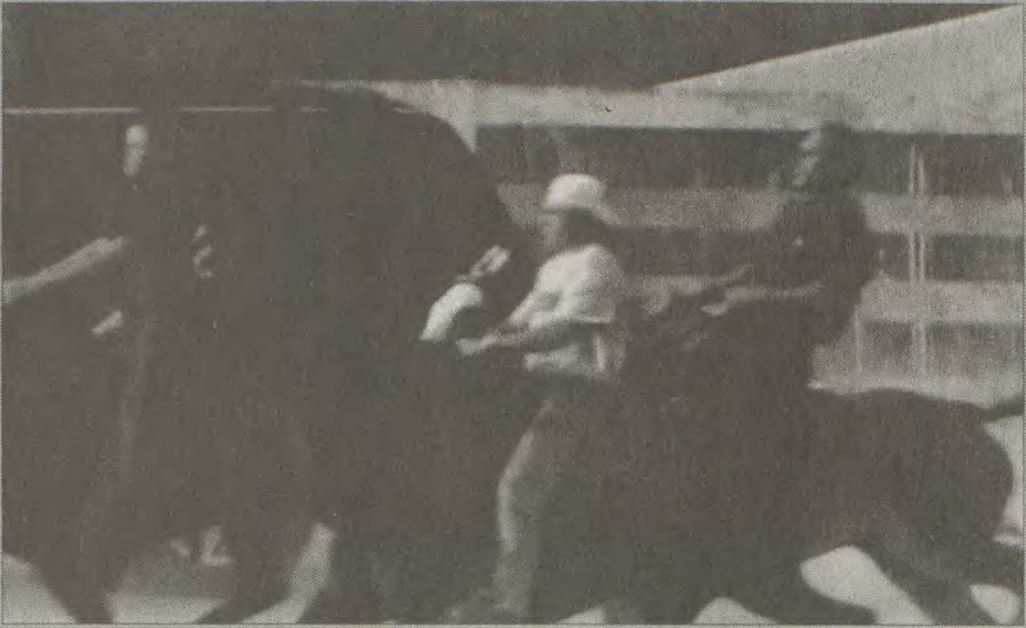
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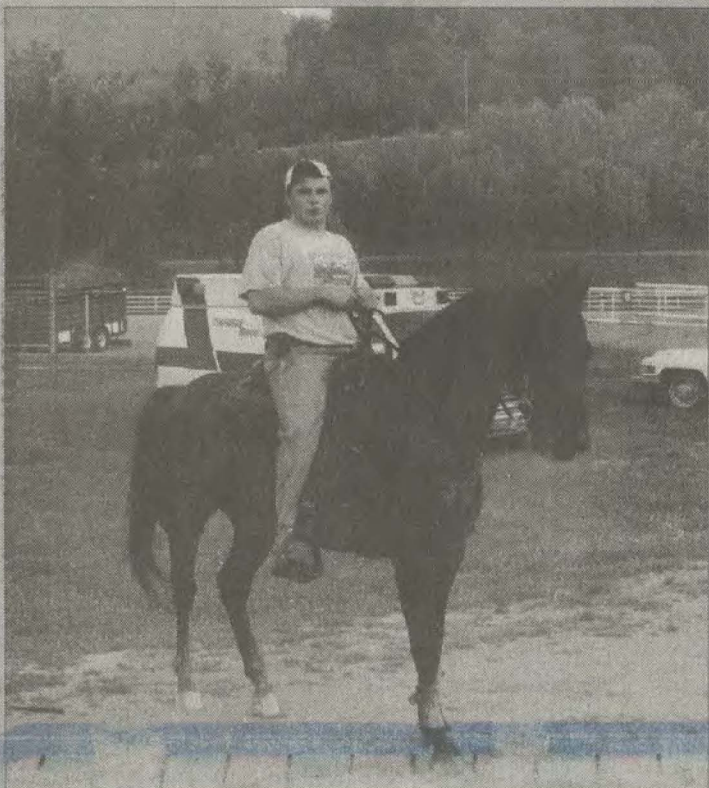
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First Four Cylinder Heat:	30A-Cheyenne Perkins;	
	Second Four Cylinder Heat: Z28-Logan Burke; 30C-James Crowe; 17-Stephanie McKinney; 15-Charles Mullett;	Four Cylinder Feature: 37-Alan Osborne; 18K-DI Henson; D6-Darin Rogers; 9-Ethan Conley; 7B-Bryson Patton; 30C-James Crowe; Z28-Logan Burke; 7K-Kinsey Patton; 17-Stephanie McKinney; 43-Jason Paige.

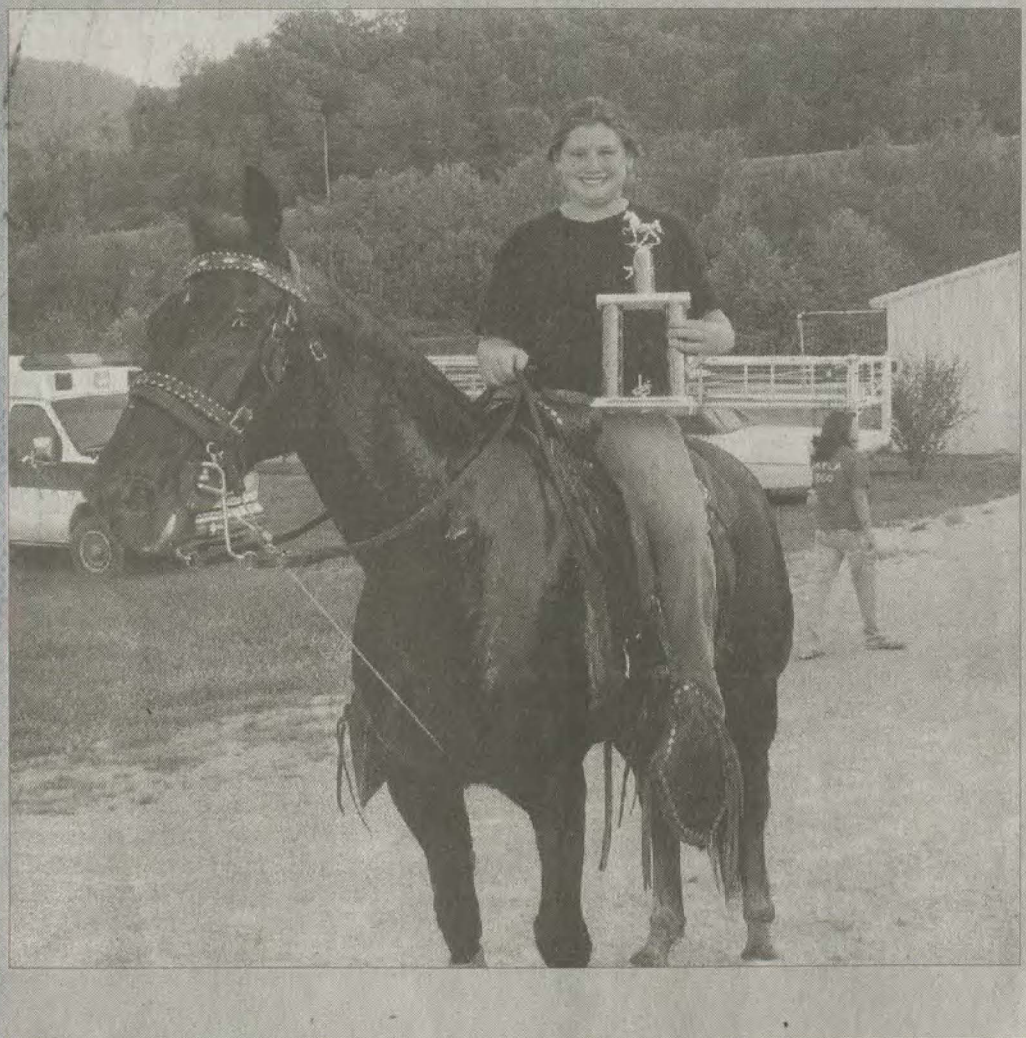
THUNDER RIDGE HORSE RACING



Above: Riders competed in the Open Pace class during the recent under saddle event at Thunder Ridge.



Left: Matt Hensley (pictured aboard Pedro) was the winner in the Open Pace class.



Below: Haley Adams was the winner of the Lady's Pace.



ALLEN CENTRAL defensive back Micah Harlow looked over the Leslie County offense during Friday's scrimmage versus the Eagles and Magoffin County.

FOOD CITY SUMMER SLAM VOLLEYBALL



HARRISON COUNTY (ABOVE) AND LETCHER COUNTY CENTRAL (BELOW) were two of the top four teams in the Food City Summer Slam volleyball tournament. Harrison County finished runner-up to Betsy Layne. Letcher County Central ended the tournament third. The Food City Summer Slam wrapped up Saturday at the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse.



Brooks evaluates scrimmage film

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – Following Sunday afternoon's practice, University of Kentucky Coach Rich Brooks seemed relatively pleased with the evaluation of the film from the team's first major scrimmage held Saturday.

"The first-string defense and the first-string offense actually executed pretty well, maybe ahead of my expectations," Brooks said. "The very good thing is that we're throwing and catching and actually running the ball halfway decent. That part's encouraging and now we have to get to playing with better tempo on defense. The defense did not perform up to the standard I expect."

Brooks said that one of the positive elements of the evaluation was the performance of

junior-college transfer DeQuin Evans at defensive end.

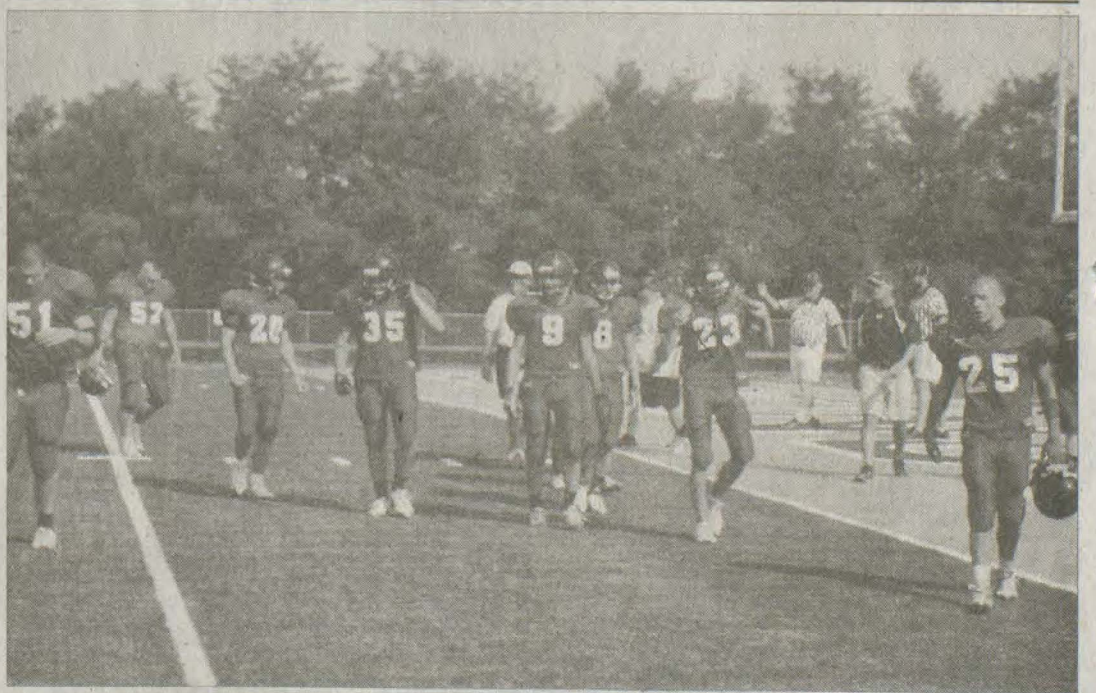
"DeQuin Evans has made a real serious move," Brooks said. "He's still not 100 percent on that hamstring (injury) but it's very obvious what he brings to the table and it's pretty impressive – quickness, speed and effort. I think three guys, Evans, (Collins) Ukwu and (Chandler) Burden, on an every-down situation we can count on (at defensive end). Taylor Wyndham is good on pass rush but is still a little light on the run game. (Greg) Meisner is doing some decent things but he's a little light on the run game, too. I feel pretty good about three of them right now and (we're) continuing to see how it all shakes out. We have three weeks left, a lot of things could change."

On the injury front, Brooks noted that several players are dealing with various sprains and strains. The coach said that wide receiver Randall Cobb has a sore back and hip and did not finish Sunday's practice. Wide receiver Michael Harper continues to be evaluated after injuring his back, hip and knee while twisting awkwardly during a tackle in the scrimmage.

Brooks said that the team followed up Saturday's scrimmage with a good effort on Sunday.

"It was a pretty good practice," Brooks said. "They were moving at a good tempo. That's a very good thing from today."

The Wildcats returned to the practice field Monday. They are preparing for the season opener on Sept. 5 versus Miami University.



photos by Jamie Howell
PRESTONSBURG COACH JOHN DEROSSETT (left) guided his team through its only scrimmage session of the preseason Saturday. The Blackcats played well in a preseason outing against Lawrence County and Huntington.

Cluney chosen as Mature Worker of the Year

by D.L. DAVIS
BSACAP

There's an old saying that claims things always get worse before they get better. No one knows this any better than John Cluney.

Born in New Orleans, the 60-year-old Cluney spent most of his life in Louisiana, never imagining he would one day be living in Johnson County. But his wife's failing health was aggravated by Louisiana's stifling heat and suffocating humidity, so it was decided in 1998 that they would return to Mrs. Cluney's native Kentucky, where the air was far milder in comparison.

John spent the next two years caring for his beloved wife. But despite all efforts, she died the day after Thanksgiving in 2000. John was devastated. Not only had he suffered a tremendous personal loss, but he was also dealing with finances that were in ruins. He had been barely making ends meet, working an odd job here and there. His home was literally falling apart, and his only transportation was an old beat-up van that actually used more oil than gas. With no money and barely a roof over his head, John was desperate.

While in Prestonsburg one day looking for work, John went to the state Office of Employment and Training. Since he was a Vietnam veteran, the agency's veterans' affairs representative told John about the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). Administered locally by Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, the program is funded by the National Council on Aging, and helps seniors 55 and older supplement their income by providing paid training while preparing them for work in private industry. Not only do senior participants learn skills, they also earn money for it!

John met with BSACAP staff to complete an applica-



Paintsville Mayor Bob Porter presented Cluney with a proclamation.

tion and confirm his eligibility. Once that was out of the way, they set about finding him a training site they felt would suit his needs. John had worked at a variety of jobs over the years, but had never quite found his niche. But things were about to change.

John's first training site was The Salvation Army in Paintsville, where he was assigned a number of duties that included picking up donations at homes, preparing food boxes for delivery, sorting donations, etc. The training site helped ease him back into the workforce, with his constant contact with the public helping take his mind off his own problems. John also saw firsthand that there were others with even worse problems, and he began to appreciate how

fortunate he was to have an opportunity to change his situation.

As part of John's training, he met regularly with BSACAP staff, who was making every effort to find him a suitable permanent job. Knowing of John's military service, staff arranged for him to complete an application for

SEI, a national security firm headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama with an office in Pike County. Later, staff set up an interview for him, and John was hired for a part-time position at 24 hours a week. But as luck would have it, another employee quit right after John was hired, and his hours were increased to full-time, with

benefits, including life and medical insurance.

SEI's district manager, Mr. Sal Grasso, says John has been "an exemplary employee, with nothing but devotion to his duties and to our clients." Grasso notes that SEI has hired other SCSEP participants and says the program sends him nothing but great employees.

For John, whose life was in shambles just a few months beforehand, things were looking definitely looking better: he was now making money at a good paying job, had been able to buy a reliable vehicle, and was no longer broke.

Because of John's tremendous efforts to change his life, which is no easy task for anyone, his fellow participants in the SCSEP recently voted him 2009 Mature Worker of the Year. Held at the U.S. 23 Country Music Highway museum, John was honored at

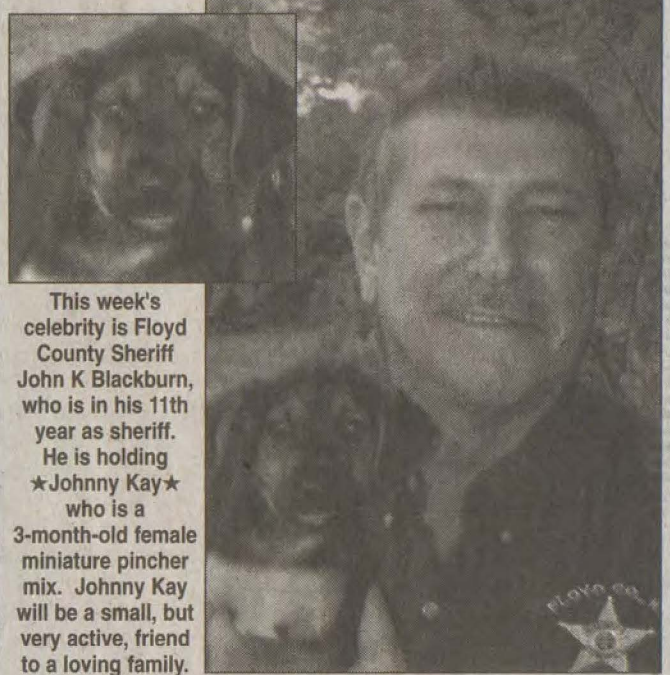
a luncheon by his peers, and recognized by none other than the mayor of Paintsville!

John says that he had been looking forward to turning 62. "I often thought that if I could just reach that age, I would retire. But now with all that's happened to me since I started working and I have a job, I really like, I think I've changed my mind!"

If you would like more information about the Senior Community Service Employment Program, contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program office in your county, or call (606) 789-3641.

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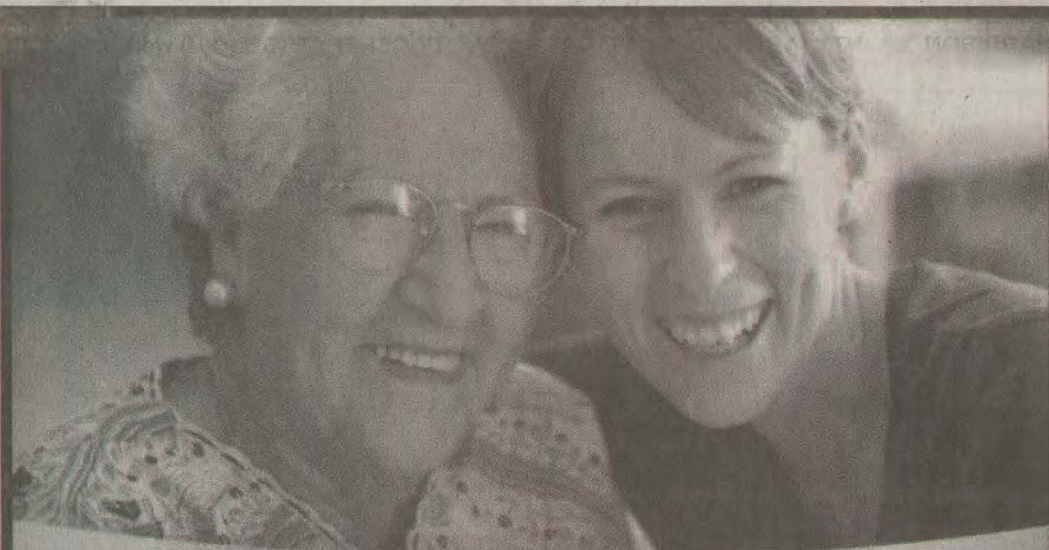
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Chamber of Commerce welcomes new board members

PRESTONSBURG — John Willoughby, director of human resources of East Kentucky Network, has been installed as the new Chairman for 2009-10 for the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber welcomed new board members Henry Webb, superintendent of Floyd County Schools; Stephanie Damron, director of marketing and

public relations at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Misty Turner, Left Beaver branch manager of Citizens National Bank; Libbi Hall, CrossRoads Foundation; Robert Allen, senior vice president of First Commonwealth Bank; and Rick Hughes, of Hi-Tech Signs & Graphics.

Other officers for the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce include Russ

Barker of McDowell ARH, vice chairman; Nancy Johnson of Big Sandy Community and Technical College, secretary; Thomas Rainey, Carl. D Perkins Job Corps Center, treasurer; and Trish Cieslak of The Perfect Setting Café & Catering, past chairman.

Other members of the Board of Directors include Kelli Hall, Big

Sandy Community and Technical College; Joshua Byers, Floyd County Times; Jerry Kanney, Interstate Natural Gas; and Tammy Mullins, Food City.

"The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce board of directors represents a very diverse group of individuals that need to be commended for their efforts to improve the business oppor-

tunities and economic growth of Floyd County and the Big Sandy Region," said Mandy Stumbo, director of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. "This group of people is the extraordinary group that is leading Floyd County toward a bright future, both economically and socially. I thank each of them for their time, commitment, and support of our chamber."

Med school recruiting 'patients' for new program

PIKEVILLE — "I have terrible, pounding headaches," the young woman tells the student-doctor. Looking at her chart he asks, "How often do your headaches occur?" A tired expression on her face and hint of worry in her voice, she begins to answer the questions that will help him determine the cause of her pain.

Today, she's complaining of headaches, nausea and a sensitivity to light. On her next "visit" she just might be experiencing heart palpitations, a nagging cough or something more as a participant in the Standardized Patient and Human Model program at the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine.

"We are excited about what this new program has to offer our students," said Peter Zajac, D.O., associate professor of Family Medicine and director of the medical school's Clinical Skills Training and Evaluation Program.

As part of the curriculum and clinical experience in medical schools across the country, Zajac said the use of standardized patients and human models helps students

master good physician and patient relationships and allows them to develop patient history and physical examination skills.

A standardized patient is a person willing and trained to portray an actual patient with a specific medical history and physical exam findings. Human models serve as an actual patient for physical examination.

PCSOM is recruiting individuals from across the region to participate in the program, which is being coordinated by Susan Wetzel. Standardized patients and human models receive compensation for their training and services and must be 18 or older to apply. Candidates should have flexible schedules and an interest in medicine and medical education, according to Wetzel, who is leading recruitment and training efforts.

Participants in the program will receive training based on their role as either standardized patients or human models. Standardized patients, for example, will learn how to portray patients with specific

medical problems. Case scenarios will vary, from a typical headache, sore throat, upset stomach or back pain.

"The response to our program has been a positive one," said Zajac. "If one is community service oriented, interested in the health care profession, has a desire to help train medical students become competent professionals, has a flexible schedule and would like to earn some additional income, then we are interested in having them participate."

Applications are being accepted and available at jobs.pc.edu. For more information, contact Susan Wetzel at (606) 218-5445 or dwetzel@pc.edu.

The Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine was established in 1997 with a mission to provide men and women with an osteopathic medical education that emphasizes primary care, encourages research, promotes lifelong scholarly activity, and produces graduates who are committed to serving the health care needs of communities in Eastern Kentucky and other Appalachian regions.

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Food stamp program to get \$2.9 million improvement

FRANKFORT — As part of a continued effort to provide assistance to families struggling to make ends meet, Governor Steve Beshear announced Tuesday a \$2.9 million plan to help modernize the state's food stamp program.

"As the state's food stamp caseload is growing, we are renewing our commitment to more efficiently serve these families," Gov. Beshear said. "This investment in updated technology and human resources will improve services for food stamp customers."

Updates will be made to software and equipment, which will eliminate paper waste and increase fraud detection. The advancements will improve employee accuracy and streamline the application process so staff can devote more time to client interviews, reducing the time it takes to get food stamps to eligible applicants.

"We are investing these one-time dollars in projects that will have a lasting benefit for years

to come," Gov. Beshear said. "Not only is this stimulus money modernizing the state's food supplement program, but it's also creating jobs."

Interim workers will be hired and enhanced training will be provided to current staff.

The funding will go to the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act), also known as the federal stimulus package. The CHFS Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) administers the state food stamp program, which is funded by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service.

CHFS Secretary Janie Miller said the additional money will maximize her agency's efforts to serve the public who use food supplements.

"Good nutrition is essential

for children to achieve their physical and developmental potential," she said. "Food supplements are enabling Kentucky families and seniors to make better food choices in the grocery aisles. This one-time stimulus funding allows us to implement the service enhancements we need to move forward to better serve our customers."

The food stamp program's changes are scheduled to be implemented by this fall.

Secretary Miller said food stamp customers are accustomed to a high quality of service. For the past three years, Kentucky has ranked in the top 10 state programs for the highest percentage of timely processed food stamp applications and the top 10 for access, meaning staff is effectively reaching a high percentage of Kentucky's families and children who are eligible for the program.

Many Kentucky senior citizens may be eligible for food stamps and not know it, Miller

said. "These benefits can increase seniors' food purchasing power and ease the limits of a fixed income."

Food supplements are a good way to infuse money into Kentucky's communities because it goes to businesses that employ local workers.

When families can use food stamps, it opens up their available income for other necessities, like child care, health care or other necessities that also puts money back into the economy.

In April 2009, stimulus funding increased food stamp

benefits to most households by 13.6 percent. Food stamps benefits are provided monthly to qualifying individuals and families on electronic benefits transfer (EBT) cards. EBT cards work much like debit or credit cards, and account funding is updated automatically.

Nursing homes to launch 'Compassion Fund'

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Two Prestonsburg nursing homes are joining to launch a funding program on Thursday to help those who are unable to meet basic financial needs without assistance.

Riverview Health Care Center and Prestonsburg

Health Care Center will be launching the Compassion Fund, with the event starting at 9 a.m. at Riverview and 1 p.m. at Prestonsburg.

"The Compassion Fund grew out of the desire to provide assistance and alleviate suffering of our employees and communities," said Missy Allen, administrator of Riverview Health Care. "The community and Signature HealthCARE employees are eligible to apply for awards if the recipients have experienced an unexpected, catastrophic event beyond their control and must be unable to meet the basic financial needs without assistance."

"We have a lot of flooding issues around here. When we have an employee that has a crisis of this nature, we take up money and food and do what-

ever we can do to help. Our company wants to be able to provide financial assistance to those who need it."

According to information provided by Signature HealthCARE, the Compassion Fund Board of Directors appoints a seven-person selection committee composed of facility employees with staggered terms, to review applications and determine awards in accordance with certain criteria. Donations can be raised through voluntary employee payroll deductions, annual campaigns, fund-raisers, community supporters, business partners and donations of time from professionals in the community.

Both Compassion Fund launch events are scheduled to last for two hours.

Bus

ice in Floyd County back in the late 1970s," said Marshall. "And I just thought this was something that could help our citizens."

The system went into service Monday morning, with operation hours from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The service will exist as a pilot program for several months, said Marshall, but if it goes well the next move would be to possibly make a move from commercial van to actual bus service. Marshall also added that if funding were needed in the future to keep up with any growth that might happen, the county would be there to help as much as possible.

But for now, this system is funded for good long while, according to Hinkle. She says

federal and state grants are in hand now to see the service continue "for the next several years."

Those hoping to use the transit system must call (800) 444-7433 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at least 24 hours prior to their transportation need. Once riders call the toll-free number, they will then be required to ask for Dail-A-Ride or press 1, Hinkle said.

The total fee per stop is \$1, so a trip to a destination and then back home would be a total of \$2, and will also be offered on a door-to-door basis if roads allow, Marshall said.

Those coordinating the new service say that seating may be limited and that all trips will be scheduled on a "first come, first serve basis."

"If someone at Melvin, for instance, wants to use this

service for a doctor's appointment at McDowell ARH, then they would schedule their appointment on a day when the service runs to Melvin," Marshall said.

A day-to-day schedule will be posted in all post offices throughout the county and also at the county courthouse, Marshall said.

According to that schedule, pickups will take place on the following days at the following locations:

Monday — Abbot, Katy Friend, Town Branch, Lancer, Mining Camp Branch, Water Gap, Middle Creek, Route 114 and West Prestonsburg.

Tuesday — Old Allen, New Allen, Emma, Endicott, Cow Creek, Sugar Loaf, Dixie/ Goble Roberts, Highland Heights, Corn Fork, Lancer, Auxier, Mays Branch,

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Spradlin Branch.

Wednesday —
Weeksbury, Melvin, Wheelwright, Bevinsville, Hi Hat, Price, Spewing Camp, McDowell, Minnie, Drift, Hunter, Printer, Martin Area (Route 122 side), Arkansas Creek/ Cracker Bottom.

Thursday — Wayland, Lackey, Stone Coal/ Garrett, Bosco/ Eastern, Maytown (Langley), Warco, Martin Area (Route 80 side), Bull Creek Left/ Right, Hippo, Pyramid, David/ Blue River, Stephens Branch, Bucks Branch.

Friday — Ligon, Teaberry, Mud Creek, Grethel, Honaker, Harold, Betsy Layne, Stanville, Ivel, Dana, Dwale.

Lawsuit

The motion to have the case moved was filed on behalf of Bonnie and Richard Crisp, and some 90 other defendants, some of whom the plaintiff's attorney, Ned Pillersdorf, felt would certainly warrant a change of venue.

Some of the defendants named among the 90 are Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall, Assistant County Attorney Stacy Marshall and former Floyd County Schools Supt. Gene Davis.

"The notoriety of these individuals in Floyd County is substantial," Pillersdorf argued in his motion this past July, "and given the status of Doc Marshall as a top elected official, the head of county government, it is a given that he is well-known and enjoys popular support in the county or else he would not have been

elected in the first place."

Pillersdorf went on in his motion to say that "empanelling a jury free of jurors who know or know of Doc Marshall and helped to elect him as judge-executive is virtually impossible."

Pillersdorf expressed surprise following the judgment not to move the case, but

offered no further comment.

Other reasons stated as to why moving the case out of Floyd County would be best for a fair trial included that the coal companies "official and political associations" would cause problems, in addition to the "sheer number of plaintiffs" in the case, according to the motion.

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Prison

officer Trooper Mike Goble spoke to media Monday, saying that there had not only been several cases of sexual misconduct investigated at the prison, but also death investigations.

Less than a year ago, a female employee brought a handgun into the prison and shot herself in one of the facility's administration offices.

One thing Owens says will

be a focus if and when a higher number of female officers are hired will be keeping them at the job, as turnover rates at the prison have been traditionally high for Otter Creek.

As an incentive for prospective female officers who might visit one of the three job fairs this week, the prison has offered a \$1,000 sign-on bonus.

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Drowning

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According to the police report, Kentucky State Police Post 9 in Pikeville received a call of a burglary in progress in Elkhorn City. The officers were advised that the suspect left the scene in a white van, and the officers located the van and attempted to stop the vehicle.

Holbrooks allegedly left the vehicle and fled on foot, ignoring numerous requests to stop by the officers and jumping into the river. CVE Officer Keith Justice said that he saw Holbrooks drop below the surface of the water and never resurface.

Holbrooks' death is currently under investigation by the Kentucky State Police.

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Obituaries

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Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers, National Society of Professional Engineers, the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers, the Society of Petroleum Engineers and the Pittsburgh Geological Society. While living in West Virginia, Lou served as Director/Treasurer of the Lewis County United Fund, President of the Lewis County Civil Service Commission, director of the Weston Medical Service, Inc., a member of the Lewis County Rotary Club, and a member of the West Virginia Loyal Order of Moose.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Anna and Louis Henry Kapfer of Las Vegas, Nevada, formerly of North Versailles, Pennsylvania. He is survived by his sister, Lorraine Kapfer and nephew, Robert Van Groski, both of Las Vegas, Nevada, and nephew and great-nephew, Vincent Van Groski and Alexander Van Groski, both of Scottsdale, Arizona. He also leaves behind many cousins in the McKeesport, Port Voe, Elizabeth, and Duquesne areas.

Over the years, Mr. Kapfer was involved in many civic organizations and known for his compassion for those in need. His artistic ability and talent never went unnoticed and many people were in awe of his oil paintings, charcoals, and pastels. He was a multi-talented individual and enjoyed art and mastering the computer.

Lou did not have children of his own, and became the mentor, advisor, and father figure to his two nephews: Vincent and Robert. He will be missed forever by them. He was more than a brother to Lorraine, acting as her mentor, advisor and her best friend. They spent hours talking about sports, politics, and enjoyed sparring about many subjects. A day did not go by without them talking on the phone. Lorraine went to Kentucky to be by his side when he became ill, and stayed with him for five months until his death. Lou and his sister shared a closeness and a bond—a bond of memories of family, of love that will never cease, not even in death.

At the time of his death, Lou was preparing to permanently move to Las Vegas, Nevada, to live near his sister and nephews, but passed away before reaching this goal. However, his final resting place will be Las Vegas, where there will be a private family gathering.

Local arrangements were entrusted to the Carter Funeral Home, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. (Paid obituary)

William Harold "Butch" Nelson

William Harold "Butch" Nelson, 59, of Dwale, died Sunday, August 16, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born February 14, 1950, in Dwale, he was the son of the late Reynold and Sally J. May Nelson. He was a disabled mechanic.

Survivors include one brother, Tommy Glenn Nelson of Dwale; four sisters: Phyllis Davis, Patricia Dillon and Joy Adams, all of Prestonsburg, and Anna Sue Gaskin of Danville; two special nephews: Jeff Nelson and Thomas Jordan Nelson, and several nieces and

nephews. In addition to parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, David Ray Nelson; and two sisters: Brenda Nelson and Betty Linda Nelson.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, August 20, at noon, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral, in Martin, with Gordon Fitch officiating.

Burial will be in the Dwale Community Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Ronnie Stone

Ronnie Stone, 45, of Hueysville, died Wednesday, August 12, 2009, at St. Joseph Martin.

Born August 6, 1964, in Martin, he was the son of Ronald Stone and the late Lorene Shepherd Griffith. He was a delivery driver.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Prater Stone.

Other survivors include one son, Josh Stone of Hueysville; one brother, Morgan Stone of Silver Lake, Ohio; and three sisters: Lori Ann Stone and Cindy Murphy, both of Martin, and Vicki Miernik of Garfield Heights, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by a brother, George Douglas Stone.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 15, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Glenn Adkins officiating.

Burial was in Gethesmane Gardens, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

William Joseph (Bill) Spradlin

William Joseph (Bill) Spradlin, 65, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, August 13, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born September 15, 1943, in Johnson County, he was the son of the late Virgil and Dessie Ratliff Spradlin. He was a disabled school bus driver for the Floyd County School System.

Survivors include two brothers: Robert (Bob) Spradlin of Prestonsburg, and David Spradlin of Harold; two sisters: Dorothy Sue Howell and Patsy Spradlin, both of Prestonsburg; his companion, Audrey Ratliff of Prestonsburg; numerous nieces and nephews; and his companion's children and grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Virgil Eugene Spradlin; and a sister, Ruby Jewello Spradlin.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 17, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Gordon Fitch, Bill Collins, and Hedgel Golden officiating.

Burial was in Gethesmane Gardens, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

Ouch ... Ahhh, that feels good!

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

Sad news: I have almost reached acceptance of the fact that, alas, I'm allergic to jalapeños.

I can only conclude this is yet another a "benefit" of advancing age, because in my salad days, there was nothing I loved better than a hot, hot, hot pepper. My newsroom buddy Margaret and I--when we could scrape together the requisite buck or two--used to go out for great lunchtime nachos, piled high with sliced jalapeños. We referred to this meal as "falling in love," because afterwards, we'd always get that burning sensation deep in our hearts, but it was worth it!

These days, though, just cutting a jalapeño in the kitchen has the same effect on me as a blast of tear gas; I have to stagger, gasping, eyes streaming, into the dining room to escape, because all of a sudden, there's no oxygen in the kitchen ... very strange!

Still, you don't forget your long-ago loves, and I still carry fond memories of peppers I have known and digested (more or less successfully). So I was excited to read recently that another old culinary buddy, the cayenne pepper, could find a whole new purpose in life as a fungus-fighter, not just in agriculture, but in the world of medicine as well.

In the past decade, scientists with the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) have reported that cayenne pepper contains antifungal plant compounds within the saponin chemical family. As a result, in 2001, ARS patented a pepper saponin extract called CAY-1 that has fungicidal properties.

More recently, ARS scientists have published findings showing that CAY-1 looks like a winner in lab experiments pitting it against several fungal pathogens that attack grapes (all you wine drinkers out there, say "Thank you!"). The scientists say CAY-1 doesn't play around; it begins killing microorganisms within 10 minutes of application.

The saponins inflict a grisly death on the fungal organisms. First, they attach themselves to the fungal cells' walls, and then cause the cell contents to begin to leak. As you can imagine, cell death comes quickly after that.

The saponins also get inside the fungal cells and throw a few chemical "monkey wrenches" in the cells' internal signaling pathways, in turn damaging the mitochondria, the real "powerhouses" that provide the energy for various cellular processes.

For their studies, the ARS scientists isolated members of 10 fungal "families" collected from diseased grapes grown in a hot, humid environment. Some of these fungi were primary pathogens--ones capable of causing infection--whereas others were tag-along secondary pathogens that leap in to infect the plant once its defenses have already been compromised by stress, injury or other infection.

Then the scientists threw CAY-1 into the ring.

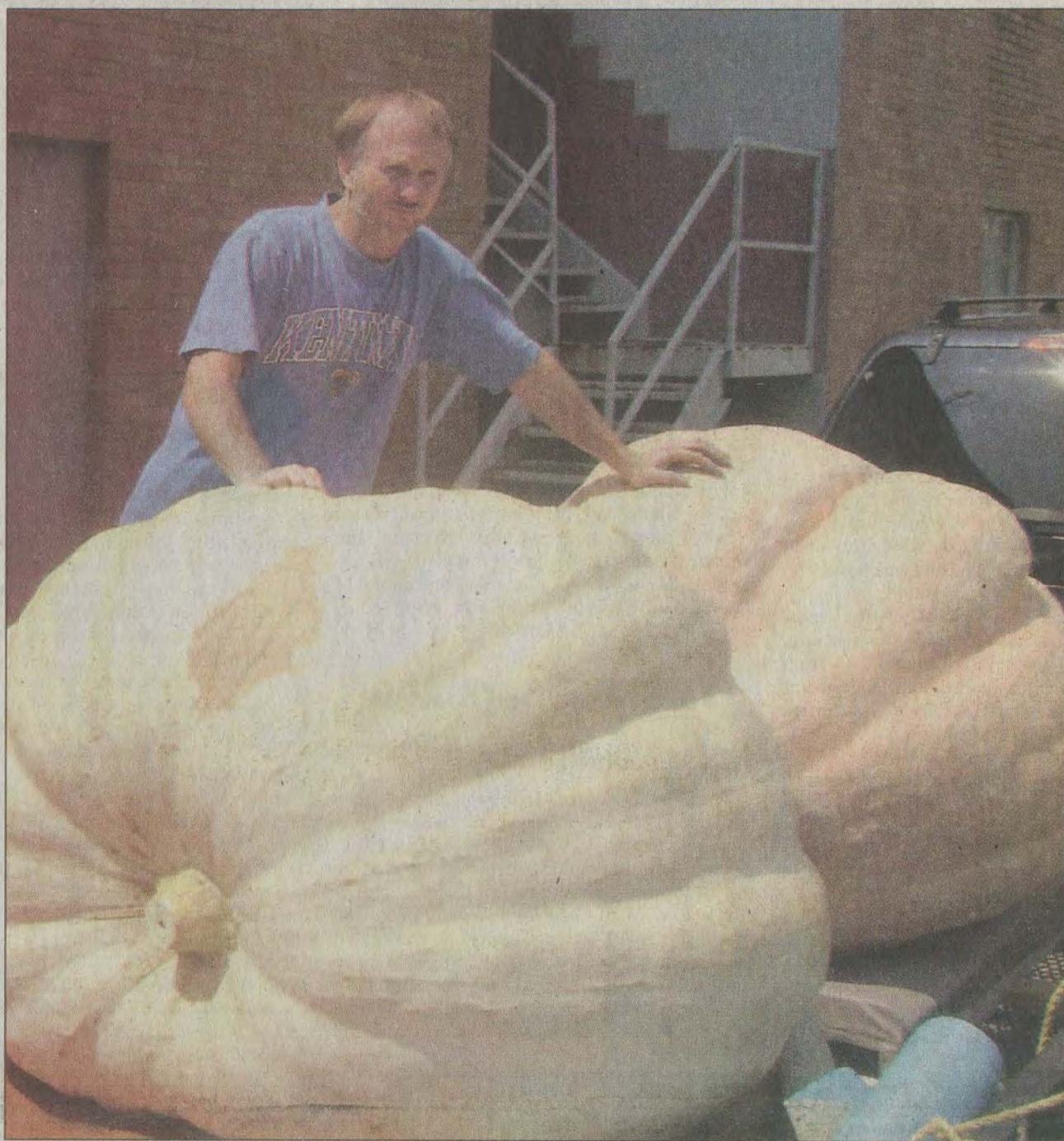
It turned out that CAY-1 was lethal during the spore germination phase of seven of the 10 fungi, but wasn't as effective against the dormant spores. Still, that's a pretty promising start, and CAY-1 could well turn out to be a useful tool against fungal invaders in crops such as grapes.

So that covers the agricultural side of things; where does the medical side come in?

The ARS scientists have collaborated with doctors at the National Institutes of Health to study CAY-1's performance against a couple of fungal pathogens of skin: *Microsporum canis* and *Trichophyton rubrum*. These nasty customers can infect the skin of immunocompromised patients--which could include folks who have to take immunosuppressant drugs to keep their bodies' natural defenses from rejecting a transplanted organ.

Good news here: CAY-1 was active in the laboratory against 18 isolates of these two fungi. Earlier work by the

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Dwight Slone brought his two giant pumpkins by the Floyd County Times last week before heading to the Indiana State Fair and taking second place.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

GREAT PUMPKINS

Slone's giant pumpkin takes second place at Indiana State Fair

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Dwight Slone has done it again, and this time his giant pumpkin took the second place award at the Indiana State Fair over the weekend.

Slone, whose largest pumpkin weighed 1,126 pounds, was just a few pounds shy of the first place winner, which came in at 1,145 pounds. The winning pumpkin was grown by fellow Kentuckian John Van Hook, of Somerset. It was the second year in a row that Kentuckians took the top prize in the giant pumpkin contest at the Indiana State Fair.

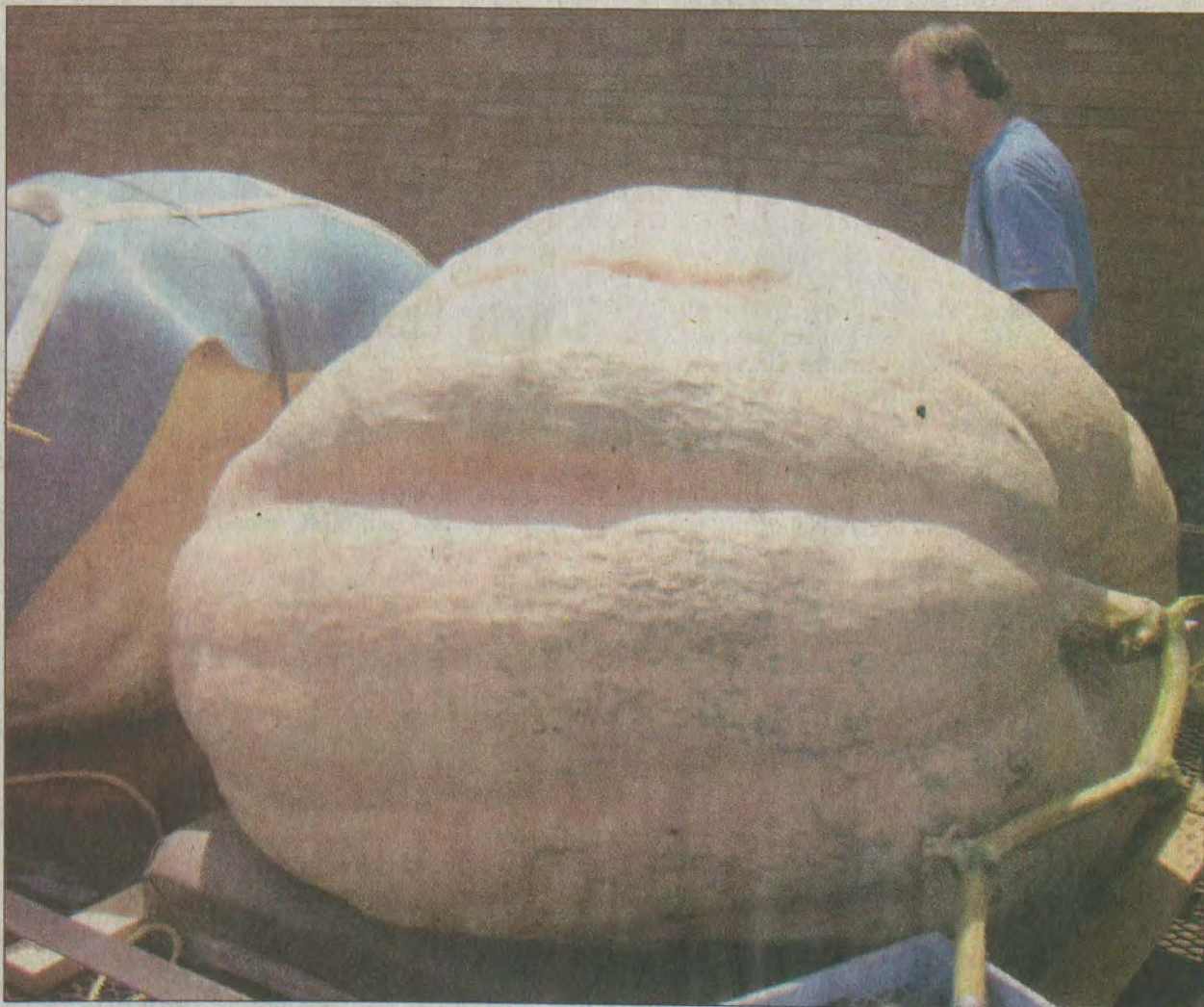
"I'm pretty happy," Slone said. "My pumpkin was the biggest one as far as size goes, but it didn't weigh as much."

Last year, Slone grew two large pumpkins with the largest topping the scales at 708 pounds. Slone also had a second pumpkin at this year's fair that weighed over 800 pounds.

The pumpkins that are entered into the competition have the weigh over 200 pounds, so Slone takes special measures to ensure that his produce gains the necessary bulk.

"I use mostly organic fertilizer, compost piles, kelp, pretty much just a lot of organic material to grow my pumpkins," Slone said. "This kind of pumpkin, the Atlantic Giant, have the potential to grow huge."

It was at a state fair years ago that Slone decided to try his hand at growing giant pumpkins.



"I just saw one at the state fair and thought that I would like to try that," Slone said. "I've farmed for most of my life and thought I would give it a try."

Slone's second place pumpkin will be on display at the Indiana State Fair until Sunday. After that,

Slone isn't sure what he will do with the pumpkin, but he knows he wants to get the seeds out of it for next year.

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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(August 13 and 18, 1999)

The Floyd County School System, with a new superintendent and a new bus schedule, began the new year yesterday. Yesterday was Superintendent Paul Fannings first experience at running the system on a day-to-day basis with students in attendance.

The halls at Allen Elementary were filled with students, parents and teachers on Tuesday night, as the school had its "Back to School Night" sponsored by the Allen Family Resource Center.

Twelve employees at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital will lose their jobs as a result of budget cuts. They are among 190 staff members at the not-for-profit, 10-hospital system, whose positions are being eliminated.

The Appalachian Regional Commission and the US Army Corps of Engineers have agreed to provide \$630,000 to the Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission to extend sewer service to an estimated 300 residences and businesses on KY 404 to the community of David.

Because of the laying of utility lines, Spradlin Branch Road, north of Prestonsburg, will be closed to general traffic, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., until the project is completed. Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission is doing the construction.

Music-Carter Hughes and WMDJ radio will give every student who has perfect attendance during the first nine-week grading period, an insulated travel lunch cooler.

James David Howell, 30, of Toler Road, Harold, was sentenced to serve five years in prison on six separate offenses, Wednesday. Howell reached a plea bargaining agreement with the commonwealth's attorney's office that traded multiple pleas of guilty to six of seven charges, for lesser degrees held against him.

Harold Jr., and Sherry Blocker of Weeksbury, say their 16-year-old daughter Brandie has been missing since July 24. The young woman apparently left home about 3 a.m., on the 24th, with her boyfriend, Greg Russell, 20, who, according to Kentucky State Police, is wanted by law enforcement officials in Tennessee, where he allegedly jumped bail on a rape charge.

The Adams Middle School Site Based Decision Making (SBDM) Council met Monday night with a regular agenda, but the public comment portion of the meeting took up a large portion of the meeting. Parents and teachers were in attendance to support and question the dress code that has become a controversial issue at the school.

Marijuana plants found Monday on the river bank at Tram, were just a breath away from harvest. In fact, Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn, said the 20 plants ranging between 7 and 12 feet tall, were among the largest he has seen. They have a street value of about \$60,000.

Regional leaders met at the Mountain Arts Center, yesterday to discuss the direction the Prestonsburg Community College version of the Rural Community College Initiative (RCCI) should take.

While last Friday's storm was raging through the county, Betsy Layne Elementary was celebrating a return to school with a dance in the Dome, according to Sandy Boyd, school administrative assistant. When the heavy lightning from the storm came through Betsy Layne, it apparently struck a power converter on a nearby pole, Boyd said. This strike caused a power surge in the Dome's exhaust fan and combined with the moisture, the fan burst into flames. There were no injuries.

There died: Charlie Allen, 86, of Hi Hat, Wednesday, August 11, at the residence of David and Brenda Case; Denzil Tackett, 74, of Miamisburg, Ohio, Monday, July 5; Darrell Lafferty, 75, of Gibsonton, Florida, Monday, August 9, at his residence; Martha Elizabeth Laven May, 97, of Allen, Tuesday, August 10, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; Alton Stephens, 82, died Friday, August 13, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana; Amon Prater, 69, of Mentone, Indiana, formerly of Prestonsburg, Friday, August 13, at his residence; Dollie Hall Kendrick, 73, of Warren, Michigan, formerly of McDowell, Wednesday, August 11, at St. Johns Oakland Hospital, Madison Heights, Michigan; Bennie

Garfield Slone, 72, of Estill, Monday, August 16, at the Berea Hospital; Elmer G. Hicks, 79, of Aurora, Indiana, Monday, August 16, in Dearborn County Hospital; Claude Stamper Sr., 76, of Pikeville, August 14, at his residence; Mary Coleman Hale, 75, of Upper Arlington, Ohio, Saturday, August 14, at Riverside Methodist Hospital; Fred Hall, 56, of Pinetop, Sunday, August 15, at Hazard ARH; James Arnold Goble, 46, of Lexington, Saturday, August 7, at his residence; Everett "Big Everett" Robinson, 66, of Martin, Monday, August 16, at the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; Estill Stegall, 67, of Hi Hat, Friday, August 13, in McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Charles Lee Rimbart, 53, of Detroit, Michigan, Wednesday, August 4, at Henry Ford Hospital; Sylvia Bradley, 75, of Lima, Ohio, Thursday, August 12, at St. Rita's Medical Center; Clifford "Cliff" Dexter Daniels, 14, of Beaver, Wednesday, August 4, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; McDowell; Donald G. Roberts, 60, of Lackey, Thursday, August 12, at the McDowell Hospital; Hazel McCoy Shuler, 91, of Grayson, formerly of Floyd County, at the Carter Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Grayson; Hillard Brown, 84, of St. Mary's Ohio, formerly of Knott County, Tuesday, August 10, at the Valley Nursing Home at St. Mary's.

Twenty Years Ago

(August 16, 1989)

A Pikeville woman, Tedi Vaughan, has been appointed general manager of Jenny Wiley Summer Music Theatre. She replaces Jim Deaton, who announced in the spring that he planned to resign at the end of the current theatre season. With about two weeks left to file, few residents of Floyd County's incorporated communities have indicated a formal intent to run for office. So, far, only nine persons have filed for a combined total of about 30 municipal offices in Allen, Martin, Prestonsburg, Wayland and Wheelwright.

A 44-year-old Harold man was the victim of a hit and run driver, Friday night, when he apparently attempted to walk across US 23 at Stanville. Walter Franklin Sturgill was pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson.

Although Garrett Elementary is structurally sound enough to allow students to attend school there this year, the campus gymnasium will be closed to virtually all athletic events.

Effective September 1, what is believed to be Kentucky's largest sign company will be located in Floyd County, when the merger of Dick's Signs and Jerry's Signs becomes official. The new company is called Unisign.

There died: Mary Grace McGuire Allen, 58, of West Prestonsburg, August 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Lloyd Dutton, 69, of Weeksbury, August 15, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Rev. Phil Fraley, 76, of Floyd County, August 10, at Riverview Manor Nursing Hospital; Jessie Belle Howard, 73, formerly of Allen, August 10, at Mercy Hospital in Owensboro; Joe M. Hunt, 32, of Thurman, August 12; Eunice G. Jessen, 84, of Warwick, New York, mother of Rev. Timothy Jessen of Prestonsburg, August 6, in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania; Jackie Mullins, 47, of Weeksbury, August 9, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Walker Paul Slone, 67, of Beaver, August 14, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Opal Stanley, 58, of Bypro, August 12, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Walter Franklin Sturgill, 44, of Stanville, August 11, at Stanville; Earnest Terry, 79, of Lackey, August 10, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Lizzie Slone Tolliver, 67, of Bevinville, August 10, at her residence.

Thirty Years Ago

(August 15, 1979)

Residents of the Goble-Roberts addition quizzed city officials today about the possible location of a Job Corps there.

The Floyd Fiscal Court made emergency arrangements to pick up garbage itself, while awaiting a permanent plan.

The Floyd Board of Education approved a \$9,360,262 general budget which will absorb

the \$208,000 deficit left at the end of last year. The new Carter Funeral Home building will be completed by January 1, officials say.

Fiscal court considered a compromise plan for rerouting a controversial road at Cliff.

The first group of diaster assistance checks for victims of the July 15 flooding in eastern Pike County have been dispensed.

There died: Ranie Elliott, 81, of Ligon; Malcolm Sexton, 60, formerly of Floyd County; Vince Slone, 84, of Littcarr; Perry Musick, 81, of Tram; Estill Lee Carter Sr., 72, of Pikeville; James Richard Dixon, 23, of Cow Creek; Clinton Slone, 67, of Mousie; John Hicks, 60, of Garrett; Wilse Meade, 62, of Abbott Creek, and Myrtle Tackett Cole, 69, of Puntagorda, Fla., formerly of Floyd County.

Forty Years Ago

(August 21, 1969)

Directors of the Big Sandy Community Action Program voted Monday evening at their meeting at Prestonsburg Community College to limit the VISTA organization at work in this county to personnel from this county.

The fifth local option election to be held in Floyd County since the repeal of Prohibition will be held Saturday.

Use of the First Baptist Church basement as temporary classroom space for Martin Elementary students was discontinued this week because surface water had entered the rooms and ventilation was poor.

Funeral rites for Charlie Hall, who was killed last Thursday morning in an exchange of gun shots on Mud Creek, near the mouth of Toler, were held Sunday at the home at Galveston.

There died: Goble Branham, 68, Sunday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Elder Dewey Bryant, 69, of Melvin, Monday, at Prestonsburg; Elijah B. Ward, 86, Tuesday, at the home of a daughter at Lancer; Dosha Leedy, 59, of Betsy Layne, Tuesday, at Prestonsburg; James Ousley, 56, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Dinwood, Monday; Myrtle Blackburn, 55, of Allen, Sunday; Helen Pack Hammonds of Water Gap, August 13, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital.

Fifty Years Ago

(August 20, 1959)

The State Department of Education approved this week the emergency need of teachers in the Floyd County school system, and teachers for the positions were being issued books and supplies, Thursday, for school opening, Monday.

The city council voted at its Monday night meeting to hold the line on the number of taxicabs permitted to operate in Prestonsburg to 11. B.F. Reed, Drift mine operation, told a Senate labor subcommittee, Tuesday, that large coal operators are interested in eliminating the small mine owner.

Floyd County's school system will receive additional funds, this year, through distribution of state money under the Minimum Foundation Law, it was announced Wednesday.

There died: Ivan E. Reed, 58, well-known Drift coal operator, Wednesday, at a Huntington, W. Va. hospital; Cecil B. Boleyn, 64, of Garrett, Friday, at Ary; Nancy F. Smith, 64, of Thomas, Thursday, at her home; Willie Sword, 78, Sunday, at his home at Amber; Catherine Crum Smith, 72, Wednesday, at her home at Ivel; Mary Adkins, 76, Monday, at her home at Harold.

Sixty Years Ago

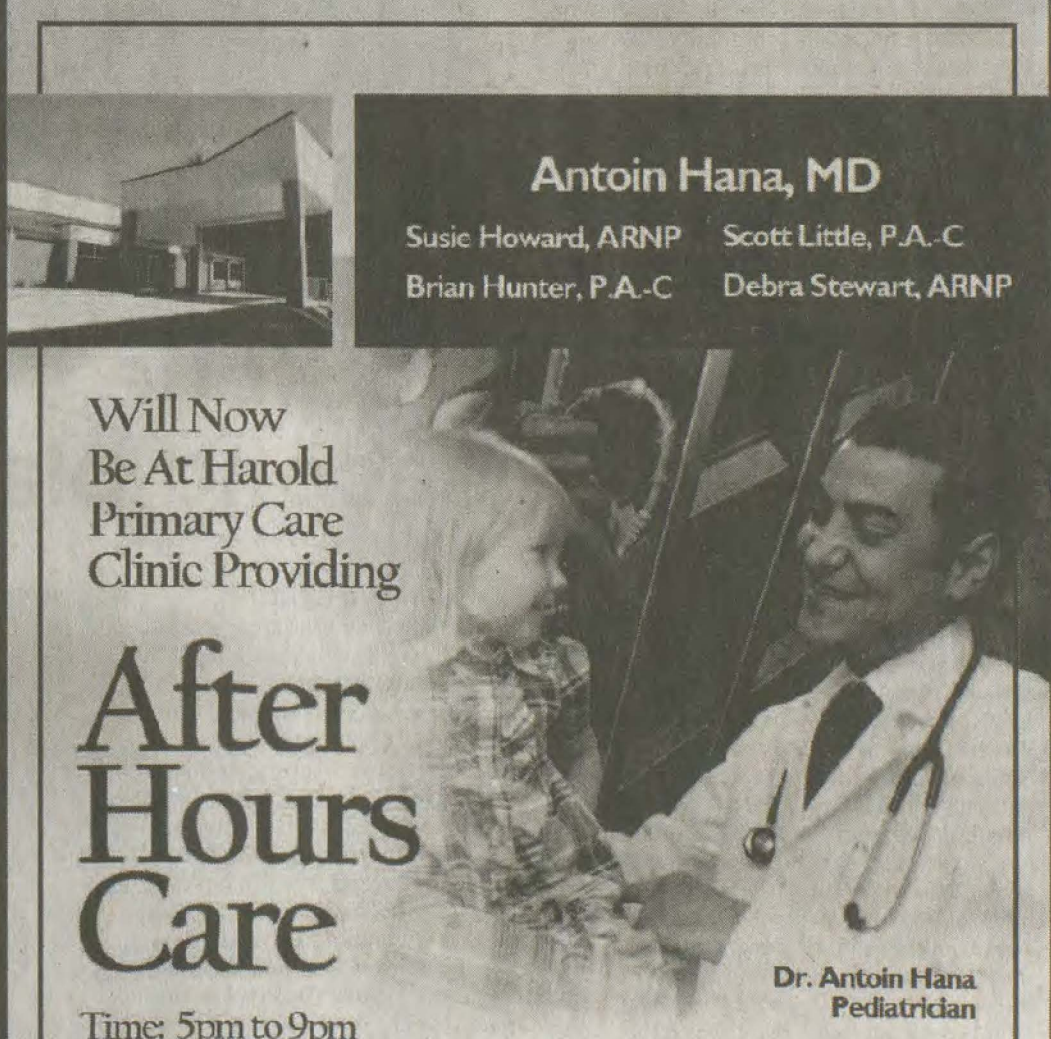
(August 25, 1949)

Two Floyd County men were held in jail here temporarily, Sunday and Monday, after they had fired blasts from shotguns, which wounded three men.

Leo Combs, 17, of Rock Fork, was killed in a truck accident, Saturday night, near Handshoe. Tuberculosis claimed its 24th victim this year in Floyd County at noon, last Thursday, while the TB mobile unit, sponsored by the Elks in the state, was visiting various points in the county in an effort to combat the dread disease.

A general attack on the Democratic nomination of Duran Moore, Martin merchant, to the office of County Court Clerk was opened.

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Two factors have contributed to their growth. The first factor is their belief of a strong mandate from God from Mark Chapter 16 and verse 15 which states "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The second factor comes from Acts Chapter 2 and verse 17. "It shall come to pass in the last days, saith God I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh."

God Bless, see you next Wednesday.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Elizabeth Hunter Scott family reunion is set
The descendants of Elizabeth Hunter Scott will be having a family reunion, and would like to locate the family of Preacher John Marshall of Martin. All Marshalls are all welcome to come. The reunion will be held at the Dewey Lake Spillway, Shelter No. 4, on Saturday, September 26, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. For more information, call Sandy Meade Scrimager, 859-519-8953. Bring a covered dish. Come and have fun.

Parsons Family Reunion set for Sunday, Sept. 6
The Parsons Family Reunion for the descendants of Isaac and Louisa Parsons will be held on Sunday, September 6, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Isaac Parsons Cemetery, located on Parsons Branch Road, off Rt. 979, in Floyd County. Bring a covered dish. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m. All family and friends are welcome. Call Mrs. E.J. Parsons at (865) 426-7585, or Ray Parsons (313) 383-7262 for more information.

Fall Class Schedule
Classes begin week of September 14, 2009.

Basic Computer Class
Mondays, 9 a.m.-noon—5 to 6 weeks
Instructor: Gordon Scott
Thursdays, 9 a.m.-11 a.m.—5 to 6 weeks
Instructor: Dan Bell
Thursdays, 5 p.m.-8 p.m.—5 to 6 weeks
Instructor: Jerry Hatfield

The Hidden Secrets of Windows
Computer class, Mondays, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.—5 to 6 weeks
Instructor: Frank Richter
(Windows class requires students bring a IGB jump/thumb drive)

All Computer Classes Cost \$30 non-refundable
•One computer per family—students must meet income guidelines and not have a computer of their own.

Quilting Class
Mondays, 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.—8 weeks
Instructor: Nancy Froshcher
Cost: \$20

Sewing Class
Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.—8 weeks
Thursdays, 5:30-8:30 p.m.—8 weeks
Instructor: Donna Woods
Cost: \$20

Make and Take Class (Healthy Cooking)
Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-noon—4 weeks—Sept. 16, 23, 30 and Oct. 7.
Instructor: Judy McGuire
Cost: \$10 non-refundable

Sewing Machine Cleaning & Minor Repair Class
Class instructed by Blaine from Allied Sew & Vacuum Repairs/Blaines Guns & Bows September 22 at 6:30 p.m.
Cost is \$7.00 for the one-day class
Brushes and oil will be available for purchase.
Bring your own sewing machine. This is an opportunity to learn to clean your machine and learn how to do minor adjustments. The purpose of the class is to learn how to care for your sewing machine. Only those who bring a machine can attend class.
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Mathias Hughes & Lydia Margaret Baldrige Family Reunion
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Big Sandy Civil War Round Table to meet August 29th, from 12-3 p.m. at Ponderosa, Paintsville. Big Sandy Civil War Round Table. All invited.

Eastern Ky. Genealogy Society Sept. 18, 19, 20
Eastern Kentucky Genealogy Society, Friday 5-10 p.m., Folk Music of Time Period; Saturday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Folk music of time period. Saturday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Guest speakers: Ed Hazelett, 9:30 a.m.; Robert Baker, 2 p.m.; Sunday, 8-11 a.m. breakfast. General discussion, books to be sold.

PHS Class of 1969 to hold class reunion
The Prestonsburg High School class of 1969 will hold a class reunion on Saturday, September 5, at Jenny Wiley State Park, May Lodge. Dinner will be from 6 p.m., till 8 p.m., in the dining room in lower level. The reunion will be upstairs behind check-in desk at lobby, from 5 till 11:30 p.m. Hope everyone will be able to attend.
P.S. If reservations are needed, the number for May Lodge is 1-800-325-0142.

Shepherd Family Reunion
The Shepherd Family Reunion will be held Monday, September 7, starting at noon at Dewey Lake, Shelter No. 4. Cookout, please bring some food and drinks. Also bring something for kitchen or bathroom for ticket basket. Any questions, call: 377-0519.

Feed the Children event for low-income flood and disaster victims
Must have a voucher, which will be given out on US 23, at Old Mullins School, Pikeville, Friday, August 14, 9 a.m. until noon. (Vouchers are limited, approximately 400).
Giveaway is Friday, August 28, 9 a.m. until noon.
Must have a voucher at time of giveaway.
Sponsored by local food agencies and churches.
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Christ United Methodist 21st Annual Golf Scramble
Christ United Methodist Church, in Allen, will have their 21st annual Golf Scramble on Saturday, September 19, at Allen Stumbo Park, Paul Hunt Thompson Country Club, in Allen. Proceeds go to Wesley Christian School Scholarships. First 80 players blind draw ABCD players shotgun, 9 a.m. start time. \$50 entry fee per person. First place: \$1,000.00; 2nd place: \$500; third place, \$200. (Will be determined by number of players). Many other prizes.
For more information call: Frankie Francis, 358-9417; Lowell Marcum, 874-2917; Ricie Derossett, 874-9514; Dr. Ken Lemaster, 874-2344, or 2624; Allen Park Clubhouse, 874-2837.

McDowell High School Class of 1974 reunion
McDowell High School Class of 1974 reunion will be held Labor Day Weekend, Friday, September 4. Classmates get together at 6 p.m., Saturday, September 5, dinner will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the McDowell Elementary Cafeteria. Contact: Ella Spradlin at 606-297-2335.

"Signs for Survival" Hands-on training course
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This class is free of charge!
Classes will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning July 21. Classes will begin at 6 p.m. Refreshments will be served each evening. For more information, or to register for these classes, contact:

Rachel Little, Agency Trainer
Champion Supports & Services, Inc.
Phone: 606-432-8666, ext. 306
Email: rachelittle@yahoo.com
Registration is limited!

Highlands Regional Medical Center Community Calendar August 2009 GED Classes
Aug. 13th, 17th, 24th, 31st
Floyd Room - Basement of the Highlands Regional Hospital, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

GED Classes
Aug. 11th, 18th, 25th, Floyd Room - Basement of the Highlands Regional Hospital, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sr. Advantage Meeting
Aug. 11th
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ACLS Providers Class
August 22nd & 23rd
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Living Well With Diabetes
Aug. 27th
Meeting Rooms A & B, Highlands Medical Office Building, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

2009 PHS Varsity 9th Annual Football Cheer Clinic
Saturday, August 15
11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Cheer Fundamentals w/ a "Game Plan" emphasis, refreshments, t-shirt, cheer pre-game at the first home game on Friday, August 21. Prestonsburg Blackcats vs. Belfry Pirates
Fee: \$25 All Summer Camp attendees receive a \$5 discount.

OutPatient Drug Treatment Program and Education
Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse.
Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208.
www.drugsno.com

Duff Kindergarten Registration
Kindergarten registration will be every Wednesday, from 9:00-12:00 at James A. Duff Elementary. Call the school at 358-9420 or 358-9878 for the required items necessary for kindergarten registration.

Higher education begins here

The Kentucky Adult Education Learning for Life program offers GED, Adult Learning, Tutoring and College Preparation classes. These classes are managed by Big Sandy Community & Technical College. All classes are free to anyone 16 years old or older.
Along with GED preparation, we offer adult learning, tutoring and college preparation for people who have high school diplomas or GED equivalent who want to continue their education. The (GED) classes are offered at various locations throughout Floyd County five days a week, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Evening classes are also available from 5-8 p.m. at some locations. There are no

registration fees; all classes and materials are free.

For more information about the times and locations of these classes, call 606-886-7397, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information about home study for your GED is also available. Please call today, our instructors are waiting to assist you!

Reunion/Memorial to be held in 2010
Old House Hollow, "Bristle Buck", East McDowell, to be held in 2010. For information. Send a post card to 47 Frasure Creek Road, McDowell, KY 41647, or e-mail: patricia466@hotmail.com; also Post Card, P.O. Box 431, McDowell, KY 41647.

Auxier Community Center
Free GED classes, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 10 a.m.-12.

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting
Support group for Guardians of Autistic Children will meet the first Thursday of every month at the Haven of Rest, 1601 Airport Road, Inez. Call 606-298-0520 for information.

Free Bible Lessons
Write to: Bible Way Outreach Ministry, P.O. Box 3371, Kingsport, TN 37664. Lessons completely free of charge to all interested.

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!
The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. Call 889-0303 for more information.

Need Help With Home Repairs?
The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help! We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you, or someone you know, are low income and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by our office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8-4.

Democratic Woman's Club meets at May Lodge
The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club meets the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m., at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park.

Need help with addiction?
Lifeline of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:
Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.
Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.
Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.
Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.
Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

For more information, call Shirley Combs at (606) 434-8400, or Tom Nelson at (606) 478-2836.

Hope in the Mountains

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

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

Prestonsburg Rotary Club
Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Made From Country at Heart. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354.

UNITE

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

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

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

'Earn While You Learn'

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

Senior employment program

Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?
If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

Looking for a Support Group?
•Floyd County Alzheimer's

Support Group meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times.

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

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

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

Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

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

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

A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Stone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

Science

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ARS and NIH researchers had already shown that CAY-1 is slightly active against certain Fusarium species that cause disease in plants and humans.

Where does this all get us? It shows that a natural compound from something as simple as cayenne pepper could work as an antifungal in both agriculture and medicine. The same destructive pathogens that cause problems in agriculture--such as the fungal culprit Aspergillus and

Fusarium--can also be lethal infectious agents in certain humans.

That's why I say, when it comes to those hot peppers: Even if you can't eat >em, you've gotta love >em!

The Agricultural Research Service is the chief in-house scientific research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. You can read more about ARS discoveries at http://www.ars.usda.gov/news.

Yesterdays

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Saturday, by the contest suit filed against Moore by the Rev. Dewey Fraley, of Auxier; Jarvis Allen, the present holder of the office, David Martin Jr., and B. L. (Bev) Sturgill, all four of whom finished the race above Fraley in the voting.

Alonzo Jones, 34, of West Garrett, a coal driller for the Utilities Elkhorn Coal Company, died Wednesday morning, at the Beaver Valley Hospital as result of injuries received earlier in a mine slatefall.

Seventy Years Ago

(August 17, 1939)

Compulsory reduction of relief rolls of the Works Projects Administration in Kentucky to comply with the 1939 Appropriation Act, passed recently by Congress, will result in approximately 850 persons being dropped from WPA rolls in this county by the end of this month, The Times learned Thursday.

After having received notification that their ranks would shortly be depleted to the number of 60 or thereabouts, Abbott Creek WPA workers were accused of firing more than 100 rifles, shotgun and revolver shots at the scene of WPA road operations above Bonanza, Friday.

Final, though unofficial, tabulation of Kentucky's primary election vote shows that Lt. Gov. Keen Johnson defeated John Young Brown for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination by 34,867 votes.

Two business establishments opened for business here last week; Fred's Market, located next door to the Ben Franklin Store on Court Street, and the City Bargain Store, owned by J.E. Ball opened in the building formerly occupied by the Cash Hardware on Third Street.

There died: Chester Music, 39, Tuesday, while at work in The Elk Horn Coal Company mines at Wayland; Lois Hurt, 15, of Weeksbury, Sunday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Cleve Shepherd, 45, at her home at West Prestonsburg, Monday; Green Sexton, 89, of Drift, Tuesday, at Martin.

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- 2001 Jeep Cherokee \$4,295
- 2000 Ford Windstar \$2,895
- 2000 Plymouth Voyager \$2,995
- 1994 Chevy 1500 Blazer \$3,295
- 2002 Loaded Chevy Malibu \$3,400
- 2003 Windstar \$2,650
- 1999 Chevy Cavalier \$2,200
- Call 886-2842.

\$4850.00 convertible, 57016 miles, manual, 6 cylinder, blue color with black interior, rare factory ht. more details at: 503-213-3247 or email: kimvernos@gmail.com

For Sale: 2005 Chevrolet Truck L.E. Crew cab. 83,000 miles. New tires. (white) Also a 1998 BMW 528 loaded. 134,000 miles. Call 606-886-2163.

2007 Ford Fusion SEL for sale. 41,000 miles. V6 3.0 L. engine. Automatic with lots of extras. Asking \$14,000. Serious inquiries only. Call 606-285-9868 or 606-791-3206 ask for Jenny.

EMPLOYMENT

Employees needed to steam clean heavy equipment must have valid driver's license and up to date surface papers. MET papers is a plus. Call Monday thru Friday between 9:00am and 5:00pm. 606-886-1759.

Prestonsburg Health care center currently has an opening for a billing clerk. Long term care. Medicare and medicaid billing experience needed. We offer competitive pay and benefits. For more information please call 606-886-2378.

Want to help people? Transit drivers needed. Sandy Valley Transportation Services Inc (SVTS) is seeking qualified applicants

for the position of a Transit Driver in the Floyd County area. Senior citizens welcome. Must be 21 years old, pass drug test, DOT physical examination, driving history, conviction record and other qualifications listed with the Application for Employment. Phone 1-800-RIDE / 7433, or write to SVTS at 81 resource Court, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653-7850 for an Application for Employment and more information. SVTS is an equal employment opportunity employer M / F / D / V.

Webb Medical Group now has an opening for a medical receptionist/clerk to work week-ends at the after hours clinic. Friday/Saturday and Sunday. Experience preferred. 606-874-0009.

Health care assistant wanted. Polite non smoker to assist patients and clean surfaces. Reply in own handwriting. PO Box 933, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653.

Help Wanted. Part-time retail, perfect for lady who doesn't want to work full time. Some dusting, sweeping, stocking, computer checkout, other retail duties. Call 886-9995 for further info. Retail experience preferred. Pay will depend on experience.

Mystery shoppers! Earn up to \$150 per day. Undercover shoppers needed to judge retail & dining establishments. Experience not required. Call 877-341-3504.

ANIMALS

Siberian Husky puppies for sale. CKC registered. \$250. Call 606-422-0047.

WANTED

Looking for nice lady. Between the ages of 65 - 72 ? Only serious inquires only. Hoping to lead to marriage. Call 8868660.

Furniture

ALLEN FURNITURE ALLEN, KY Furniture, used appliances, living / bedroom suits, bunk beds, and lots more! Call 606-874-9790.

Miscellaneous

4 plots at Davidson Memorial in flat section. \$400 call 606-226-7777 or 606-886-3113.

Used kitchen cabinets for sale. 11 maple cabinets with various lengths. Plus sink cabinets. sold as set \$500 OBO. Call 606-889-9510.

For sale: 1994 Pro Craft boat. 18ft fiber glass with a 150 hp Mercury. Motor guide trolling motor with a alpine stereo. Custom cover. In excellent condition. Asking \$6,500. Call Randy Smith at 606-452-4263 or 452-4115.

Real Estate

House

3 Br, 2 ba house for sale. City water, city sewer located in a nice subdivision at the mouth of Abbott. Call 606-438-9184.

For Sale: 5 acres more or less with a 1991 16 x 80 mobile home with 3 br, 2 bath. Ready to live in. Good location 1/2 mile from town and school in Campton area in Wolf county. If interested please call 606-263-4082 or 606-362-5518 or 606-362-5141 ask for Janet.

Split- Foyer home and 2+ acres in Prestonsburg, 1/2 mile off Rt 80. 420 ft road frontage with blacktop driveway. 2 car attached garage, 2 storage buildings, 2 decks and hot-tub. Privacy, 3 br, 2 baths, family room with fireplace insert, heat pump / ac. More info call 874-0084.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on August 28, 2009, at 11 a.m., at First Guaranty Bank, 39 Triangle Street, Martin, Kentucky.
2001 GMC Jimmy, Serial No. 1GKDT13W11226718
 All items are sold "as is where is". Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are made with the seller. Announcements at the sale take priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees.
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Commercial building or lease. 2400 sq ft. bldg. Hillside Center Dr. Between Glynview Plaza & Mt Arts Center on hill. Serious inquires only. Call 886-2163.

50 X 90 Building 18 ft tall for rent. Located at Martin. \$500 a month. 606-285-3368.

Office space for rent. 3,000 sq ft, 2 bath. 10 individual rooms suitable for professional office. Call 794-6204 for more information. Located on 1320 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. Downtown from Jerrys.

Business space for lease in Prestonsburg. 606-791-3663.

Rentals

APARTMENT

Large 2 br, 1 bath apartment for rent. Quite neighborhood downtown Prestonsburg. No pets. \$600 plus utilities. \$150 deposit with 1 yr lease. Call 886-8303.

Apartment for rent. Located above Unisign on US 23 at Ivel. 2 br,

1 bath. \$400 month plus \$400 deposit. 1 year lease. No pets. Call 606-478-8100.

Large apartment for rent. Located on US 23 at Stanville. 2 br, 2 bath. Walk in closet. Large living room area. 1 yr lease. NO PETS. \$650 per month plus \$650 security deposit. Call 606-478-8100.

Nice 1 br apartment for rent. Partially furnished. Located on Ky Rt 321 between Highland hospital & Davis market. Central heat / air with washer / dryer hookup. \$395 month. References and deposit required. Seniors welcome. Call 789-5973.

Houses for Rent

Commercial building for lease or rent. 2400 sq ft. bldg. Hillside Center Dr. Between Glynview Plaza & Mt Arts Center on hill. Serious inquires only. Call 886-2163.

Large house for rent. 4 br, 2 1/2 bath. With fireplace, family room & no inside pets. 8 miles from Prestonsburg. \$800 per month \$800 deposit. Call 886-8366.

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dryer, refrigerator & stove. South Lake Dr, Prestonsburg. Private lot, completely remodeled. Storage shed & carport. \$395 month plus \$395 deposit. References required. No pets and no HUD. Call 889-9570.

3 Br, 2 ba mobile home for rent. Convenient but secluded from main rd. Call 704-873-6696.

New doublewide for rent. 3 br, 2 bath. Walk in closets. Minutes from Prestonsburg. Rent & deposit required. Call 606-226-0380 or 606-262-7764.

2 br mobile home for rent. Washer / dryer hookup. Central heat and air. Minutes from Prestonsburg. \$400 month plus \$400 deposit. Call 889-0036.

2 Bbr furnished Mobile home for rent. Includes washer and dryer. Just off the Mtn Parkway on old 114. Call 886-8724.

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Hamilton, Keathley Enterprises, LLC, Joseph C. Akers, Alvin & Bonnie P. Osborne, Burblene Henderson, and The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The amendment will underlie land owned by Robert & Sheila Murphy, Maggie Howell, Paul and Mylessia Little, William Carter & Donna S. King, Jimmy Tackett, Joseph C. Akers, Alvin & Bonnie P. Osborne, Keathley Enterprises, LLC, Carmel and Marie Clark, Arnold Turner Jr. et al., and The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will use the contour and auger method of surface mining. The amendment 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, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex,

U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
Permit No. 836-5510
836-5510

Increment Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13
In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase 1 & 2 bond release on permit number 836-5510, Increment Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13 and Phase 2

bond release on Increment Number 10 which was last issued on 03-07-2005. The application covers an area of approximately 55.56 acres and underlies and additional 1,003.24 acres located 2.90 miles northwest of Hueysville in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 1.5 miles northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7 and located in Salyers Branch of Salltick Creek. The latitude is 37° 30'45". The longitude is 82° 53'06". For Increment No. 1, approximately 0 percent of the original

bond amount of \$8,100.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 2, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$32,400.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 3, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$51,800.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 4, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$11,900.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 5, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$21,200.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 6, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$7,800.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 7, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$15,700.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 9, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$38,800.00 is

included in the application for release. For Increment No. 10, approximately 25 percent of the original bond amount of \$15,000.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 12, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$104,000.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 13, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$72,900.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 16, approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$36,700.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 22, approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$68,700.00 is included in the application for release. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by October 14, 2009. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for October 15, 2009 at 9:00 AM, or soon thereafter as may be heard, at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by October 14, 2009.

application covers an area of approximately 389.30 acres located 4.5 miles northwest of Hueysville in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 1.8 miles northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7 and located in Plummer Branch and Raccoon Branch of Salltick Creek. The latitude is 37° 30'52". The longitude is 82° 53'34". For Increment No. 9, approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$32,300.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 10, approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$47,600.00 is included in the application for release. For Increment No. 16, approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$68,700.00 is included in the application for release. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by October 14, 2009. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., October 15, 2009. The Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Floyd County Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by October 14, 2009.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
In accordance with the provisions of KAR 350.093 notice is hereby given that AEP KENTUCKY COAL, L.L.C., 251B Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501 has applied for Phase II release on Permit Number 877-5022 which was last issued on 5/10/04. The application covers an area of approximately 36.56 surface acres and 1181.99 underground acres, for a total of 1218.55 acres. The operation is located 2.0 miles Southwest of David in Magoffin County. It is approximately 1.0 miles east from SR 7 junction with SR 542 and located 1.5 miles east of the confluence of Molly Branch and Licking River. The bond now in effect is \$101,300 approximately 25% of the original bond of \$233,000 is included in this application for release. Reclamation work performed includes, grading and seeding completed on 10/26/04. Written comments, objections and requests for public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by October 14, 2009. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., October 15, 2009. The Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Floyd County Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by October 14, 2009.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 836-5511, Renewal
In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has filed an application for renewal of a permit for an underground mining operation, located 2.6 miles southeast of McDowell, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The proposed operation will affect a surface disturbance of 4.40 acres and will underlie an additional 1,142.00 acres, for a total permit acreage of 1,146.40 acres. The operation is located 1.5 miles southeast from KY 680's junction with KY 1929, and located 0.11 miles south of Hall Fork. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37 26'58" and longitude 82 42'00". The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation and Klein and Doris Stumbo. The operation will underlie land owned by Sam Eversole, Klein and Doris Stumbo, Loretta Sue Newman, David Akers, Dorothy Bentley, Brenda Moore, Earl Evans, John B. Newsome, Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation, Mary Howell, Anna Newsome, Cecil

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
Permit No. 836-0335
Increment Nos. 9, 10, 16, 22
In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase 1 bond release on permit number 836-0335, Increment Numbers 9, 10, 16 & 22 which was last issued by October 14, 2009.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
Permit No. 836-0335
Increment Nos. 9, 10, 16, 22
In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase 1 bond release on permit number 836-0335, Increment Numbers 9, 10, 16 & 22 which was last issued by October 14, 2009.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Ronald J. Wright, P.O. Box 474, Prestonsburg, KY, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environment Protection Cabinet for Placement of Fill. The property is located, Big Branch, Bull Creek. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

Invitation to Bid
The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, Prestonsburg, KY, is accepting bids for a drainage project to correct storm water drainage issues. The deadline for bids will be August 26th, 2009. Late bids will not be accepted. A mandatory meeting to be held at the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center is tentatively scheduled for August 27th, 2009. For more information, please contact Stacy Pierce at (606) 886-1037 ext. 185 or Paula Davis at (606) 886-1037 ext. 104, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

Notice of Public Hearing 2010 Plan
The Housing Authority of Floyd County has developed the 2010 Plan. It is available for review at the following locations:
Central Office at Warco Apartments
402 John M. Stumbo Drive
Langley, KY 41645
The Authority's Website:
www.floydcountyhousing.com
The Authority's business hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 402 John M. Stumbo Drive, Langley, KY. Anyone requiring assistance for hearing or sight impaired may contact this agency at 606-285-3833 (voice) or 1-800-247-2510 (TDD). If you require special accommodations, please notify the Floyd County Housing Authority 72 hours in advance.
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Hamilton, Dula Kentucky 41653, has filed an application for renewal of a permit for an underground mining operation, located 0.5 miles southwest of Craynor, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The proposed operation will affect a surface disturbance of 2.0 acres and will underlie an additional 194.08 acres, for a total permit acreage of 196.08 acres. The operation is located 1.5 miles southwest from the junction of KY 979 and Mink Branch Road, and is located 1.5 miles southwest of Mink Branch. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°25'53" and longitude 82°40'22". The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Chester Newsome. The operation will underlie land owned by Chester Newsome, Blaine Slone, Joseph Slone, Joseph Mining Company, Inc., Sue Hall, John Hall, The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, and Donna Terry. 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 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5512, Renewal
In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg,

Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

between Cow Creek and Buffalo Creek. The proposed permit is located on the Lancer and Thomas USGS 7 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the Area surface mining methods. Surface owners affected within the permit area are: Emogene Ward, Bill Frank Caldwell & Linda Caldwell, Woodrow & Lora M. Burchett, Denzil Allen, Janice B. Allen, and the Hatton-Allen Insurance Agency, Billy G. & Lucille L. James, and John Burchett. The application has been filed for public inspection at the DMRE Prestonsburg Regional Office located at 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0327
In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that CAM MINING LLC, P.O. Box 1169, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502 has applied for a permit for surface mining and reclamation operation affecting 377.0 acres located 0.75 miles north of the community of Woods in Floyd County, Kentucky. The proposed operation is approximately 1.5 miles south of the KY 3385 junction with KY 194 and

BY VIRTUE OF Order of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 9th of May, 2009 in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 3rd day of September, 2009, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Frasure Creek, containing 25 acres more or less, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an elm tree at the mount of a drain of the left side of Frasure Creek, running up with the drain to a marked hickory to the back of a flat; thence up the hill to a marked chestnut oak on the point; thence up the hill to a marked rock; thence up the hill to a marked pine on the center of the ridge to Lot # 4 & 5; thence down the hill with the division line between Lot # 4 & 5 to the upper end of Charles Newsome line; thence down the creek to the beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Curtis Tackett and Veda Tackett from Oscar Osborne and Mary Belle Osborne by deed dated August 20, 1980, and

recorded in Deed Book 250, Page 28, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 04-CI-984 LARRY MOORE PLAINTIFF VS. GLENN MOORE, SHERRY MOORE, and G & L BAR and CARRY OUT, INC. DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Order of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 29th of July, 2009 in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 3rd day of September, 2009, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

DEBRA ALLEN PLAINTIFFS VS. DENNIS RAY ALLEN and LORAIN ALLEN, His Wife ROGER SLONE and NORENE SLONE, His Wife DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 29th of July, 2009 in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 3rd day of September, 2009, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Henpen Creek Road which is exactly 15 (fifteen) feet above my smoke house at the point opposite said smokes house; thence running past said smoke house and up the hill on a straight line to the top of the hill; thence down the creek with the L.A. Johnson line to where the L.A. Johnson line runs down the hill; thence with said line down the hill to the Mack Little line and with said line to the Henpen Road; thence with said road up the creek to the point of beginning, so as to include all land, buildings and contents thereof within said boundary. Being part of the same property conveyed to Levi Tackett and Vina Tackett, recorded in Deed Book 125, Page 133, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Also referenced is the Affidavit of Descent of Melvina Tackett recorded in Deed Book 236, Page 483, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

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Beginning on a white oak stump at Martin L. Johnson line; thence a straight line crossing Henpen Branch to a horn bean at foot of point; thence up the center of point to top of same to Isadore Johnson's line; thence running around the center of point with said line to Lee Johnson's line to spur at head of drain; thence down the drain with said line to a stone at the road; thence running with said road to a marked stone; thence running around the hill to a sycamore bush; thence a straight line across the bottom to a locust post; thence to Henpen Branch to Martin L. Johnson's line; thence a straight line with the said line to white oak stump at the beginning, so as to include all the land in said boundary. There is excepted from Tract II that property described in Tract I above. Being part of the same property conveyed to Levi Tackett and Vina Tackett, recorded in Deed Book 125, Page 133, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Also referenced is the Affidavit of Descent of Melvina Tackett recorded in Deed Book 236, Page 483, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Beginning at a point on the Henpen Creek Road which is exactly 15 (fifteen) feet above my smoke house at the point opposite said smokes house; thence running past said smoke house and up the hill on a straight line to the top of the hill; thence down the creek with the L.A. Johnson line to where the L.A. Johnson line runs down the hill; thence with said line down the hill to the Mack Little line and with said line to the Henpen Road; thence with said road up the creek to the point of beginning, so as to include all land, buildings and contents thereof within said boundary. Being part of the same property conveyed to Levi Tackett and Vina Tackett, recorded in Deed Book 125, Page 133, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out herein below.

TERMS OF SALE:(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2008, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the costs of sale and for the master commissioner. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Public Notice

Upon and on this date after publication of this notice, I Margaret A. Smith will no longer be responsible for any debts incurred by anyone other than myself.



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