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briefs

11 killed on state roads last week

FRANKFORT — Preliminary statistics indicate that 11 people died in 10 separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, August 24, through Sunday, August 30.

Ten of the crashes involved motor vehicles and seven of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Single-fatality crashes occurred in Boone, Clay, Edmonson, Graves, Harlan, Henderson, Logan and Perry counties. Crashes in Graves and Henderson counties involved the suspected use of alcohol.

A double-fatality crash occurred in Breckinridge County and neither victim was wearing a seat belt.

One motorcycle fatality occurred in Ohio County and the victim was wearing a helmet.

Through August 30, preliminary statistics indicate that 502 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2009. This is 18 fewer fatalities than reported for the same time period in 2008.

There were 410 motor vehicle fatalities and 220 of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Twenty-two pedestrians have been killed. Fifty-seven fatalities involved a motorcycle and ten fatalities involved an ATV. Fifty-one crashes involved a commercial motor vehicle. A total of 108 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

No local cases of swine flu confirmed yet

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

With recent studies saying approximately half of the U.S. population will contract swine flu this winter with between 30,000 and 90,000 dying from the strain, health departments across the nation are working extra hard to both educate the public and treat patients accordingly, while, at the same

time, focus efforts to keep panic and rumors to a minimum.

When reports surfaced Monday that a possible case of swine flu had cropped in Prestonsburg, it was news to the Floyd County Health Department.

Thursa Slone, director of the health department, referred to the report as rumor, saying she knew this would happen when school started back.

"We knew this would happen because all summer long there have been reports nationwide of swine flu," Slone said Monday. "At the current time, any influenza A that comes back is going to be considered H1N1, or swine flu, as it's been called, because type A influenza is not here this time of the year."

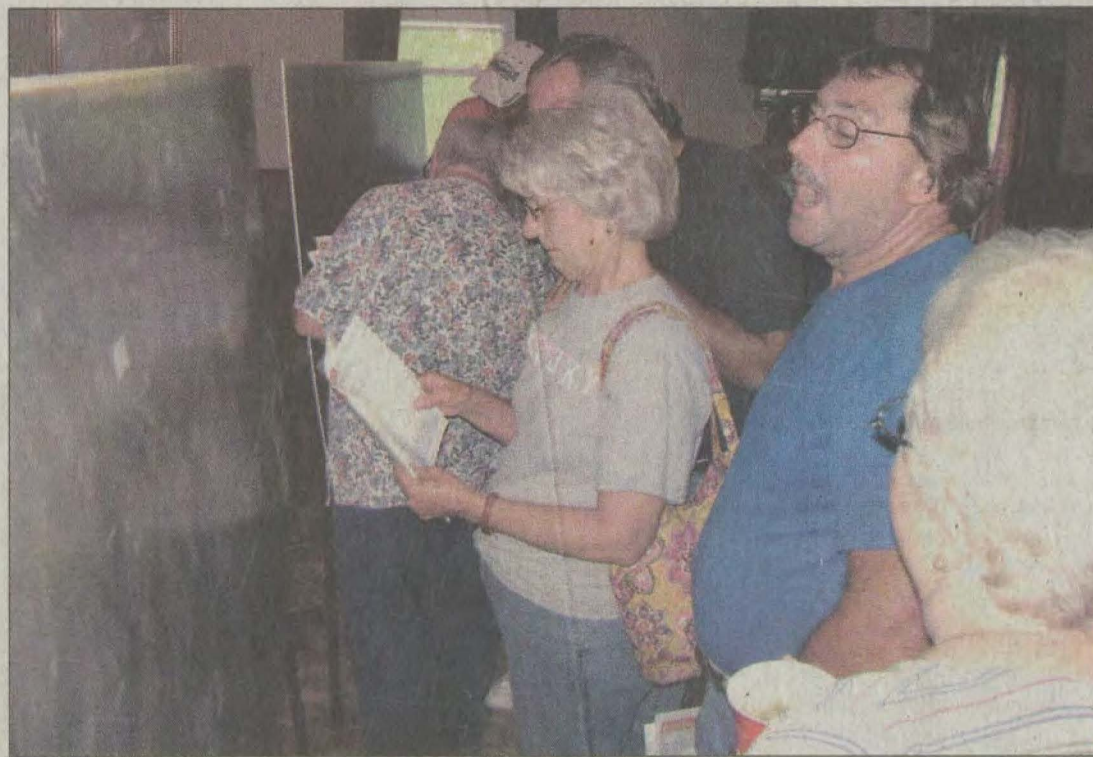
Slone says there are currently fewer than 10 cases of type A influenza in

Floyd County and that not all of those cases will be sent off for further confirmation.

"If they tested everybody for swine flu that comes up type A positive, it's be a long list," said Slone. "We haven't sent any of the cases of type A we have off and I'm not hearing that the hospital has reported any cases."

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GETTING THE FACTS



photos by Jarrid Deaton

Citizens from Magoffin and nearby counties got a chance to view design plans and voice comments and concerns about the proposed widening of the Mountain Parkway during a meeting at the Lakefront Church of Christ on Thursday.

Crowd gathers to hear plans to widen Mountain Parkway

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

SALYERSVILLE — Close to 200 people crowded the Lakefront Church of God in Magoffin County on Thursday for a special presentation by officials from Highway District 10 of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways regarding the proposed widening of the Bert T. Combs Mountain Parkway in three counties.

"This is an important milestone that we are at," said Corbett Caudill, branch manager

(See **PARKWAY**, page eight)



Floyd County leaders and officials, including Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall, Citizens National Bank President Dennis Dorton and Prestonsburg Director of Economic Development Brent Graden attended a presentation concerning the proposed widening of the Mountain Parkway in Magoffin County on Thursday.

Large boulder crashes through Martin home

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — A boulder that crashed through a Caney Fork trailer in Martin Friday was caused by a blast at a nearby mine, said a representative with the Office of Mining and Reclamation (OMR).

Greg Weddington with OMR said Monday that all operations at Frasure Creek Mining Company had stopped after a large boulder crashed through the home of Bill Tussy Monday.

The mine was located directly behind Tussy's trailer and the mining company had paid for accommodations for both Tussy and his wife, as well as three other families who were forced to leave their homes following the incident.

(See **BOULDER**, page twelve)

Mongiardo has plans for Senate

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Make no mistake about it. Kentucky's Lt. Gov. Dan Mongiardo is running for U.S. Senate.

And he has plans. It's no surprise that Mongiardo would be prepared. He is after all a veteran of the U.S. Senate race, having faced outgoing Sen. Jim Bunning five years ago in what turned out to be a closer race than many expected.

But for now, Mongiardo, a former state senator born and raised in Hazard, has his sights set not on Bunning, but Jack Conway, Kentucky's current attorney general and his Democratic opponent.

In looking forward there are a number of things Mongiardo says will weigh heavily for him when it comes time to campaign. Among those will be the so-called cap-and-trade issue, something he stresses Conway favors.

(See **MONGIARDO**, page eight)

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Today

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Tomorrow

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Dignitaries honor Gearheart at dedication

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

HAROLD — Amid a host of dignitaries, all of whom spoke about Paul R. Gearheart during the bridge dedication in his honor Monday, when it came time for the man himself to speak, there was a slight country twang in his voice, a folksy finish to the words that somehow prefaced the simple message he shared.

"I've been here 56 years trying to do the right thing all the time," Gearheart told those gathered outside the communications company he founded more than half a century ago. "I've always just tried to give good telephone service," he continued, then,

pausing, added, "I don't think you missed any calls."

The remarks were simple and direct and helped to illuminate the stories from those speaking earlier in the afternoon about the man who started the now thriving Gearheart Communications Inc. and brought telephone, cable access television and a host of other services to the mountains of Eastern Kentucky and surrounding states Virginia and West Virginia.

Among those speaking Monday were former governor and newly appointed Pikeville College President Paul Patton, Speaker of the House

(See **GEARHEART**, page eight)



Paul R. Gearheart was honored Monday as officials unveiled a sign naming the old Harold bridge as the Paul R. Gearheart Bridge. Gearheart founded a telephone company in 1953 that has grown into Gearheart Communications Inc. and services customers across the state as well as parts of Virginia and West Virginia.

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Obituaries

Pricie Kidd Case

Pricie Kidd Case, age 76 of Manton, Michigan, formerly of Dana, wife of Thomas Eugene Case, passed away Monday, August 24, 2009, at her residence.

She was born October 18, 1932 in Honaker, the daughter of the late Mack Kidd and Vesta Hughes Kidd. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Thomas Eugene Case; one son, Darryl Case; three daughters: Charal Cowser of Vaughn, Washington, Carol Krajenke, and Diane Kubbe, both of Port Huron, Michigan; two brothers: Otis Kidd of Stanton, and John Kidd of Manton, Michigan; one sister, Dean Rudd of Norwalk Ohio; 10 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Pricie Kidd Case were conducted Saturday, August 29, at 1:00 p.m., at the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church, in Dana, with Clergyman Steve Case, and Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Conn-Case Cemetery, in Printer, with Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Howard Franklin Conn

Howard Franklin Conn, age 56, of Langley, passed away Monday, August 31, 2009, at Cabell Huntington Hospital, in Huntington, West Virginia.

He was born April 8, 1953, in Martin, the son of Polly Conn of Printer, and the late Harlie Conn. He was a coal miner, and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors, in addition to his mother, include three sons: Howard Franklin Conn Jr., of Pikeville, Shawn Green (Denise) Conn of Langley, and Shane Lee (Becky) Conn of Lewisburg; five brothers: Johnny Conn, Harlie Conn Jr., Merlin Okie Conn, and Clyde Conn, all of Printer, and Willard Ike Conn of Pikeville; three sisters: Noreie Frazier and Juanita Branham, both of Printer, and Theda Hackworth of Martin; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, September 3, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Roy Robinson, and other Church of Christ ministers, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Conn Cemetery, in Printer, with the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is after 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Lawrence Flanery

Lawrence Flanery, 70, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, August 26, 2009, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

Born April 20, 1939, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Creed C. and Barbara A. Bradley Flanery. He was a retired welder for Ameri-Kan in Warsaw, Indiana; and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church in Warsaw.

He is survived by his wife, Loujean Brown Flanery.

Other survivors include two sons: Randall S. Flanery (Leigh Ann) of Lake Wales, Florida, and Keith C. Flanery (Carrie) of Syracuse, Indiana; two daughters: Bernadette Ousley (Ron) of Claypool, Indiana, and Lisa L. Wilson (Mike) of Tram; three brothers: Alex Flanery of Columbia City, Indiana, and Marvin Flanery and Curt Flanery, both of Claypool, Indiana; three sisters: Cassie Bradley of Warsaw, Indiana, Millie Prater of Rochester, Indiana, and Janavee Prater of Roann, Indiana; 20 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers: Orris Flanery, Lloyd Flanery, Arnold Flanery, and Creed Calvin Flanery; and two sisters: Tealie Spears and Evelyn Flanery.

Funeral services were held

Saturday, August 29, at 11 a.m., at the Middle Creek Baptist Church, in Blue River, with Essie Allen officiating.

Burial was in the Family Cemetery at Conley Fork, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was Thursday, August 27, at 6 p.m., at the funeral home; and Friday, August 28, at 1 p.m., at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Maurice Ray Hall

Maurice Ray Hall, 72, of Topmost, died Thursday, August 27, 2009, at King's Daughters Hospital, in Ashland.

Born April 24, 1937, in Knott County, he was the son of the late Milton and Rosetta Caudill Hall. He was a retired coal miner; a member of the U.M.W.A.; and a U.S. Navy Korean War veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Zelphia (Becky) Piper Hall.

Other survivors include a son, Phillip Ray Hall (Beth) of Belleville, Michigan; four daughters: Lisa Kay Abbott of Dexter, Michigan, Brenda Williams and Michelle Hall, both of Michigan, and Teresa Hall of Indiana; two brothers: Tony Hall of Rose City, Michigan, and Randall Hall (Eula) of Topmost; two sisters: Peggy Allen (Ronald) of Westland, Michigan, and Pamela Justice of Alderson, West Virginia; 14 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Karen Hall; and a brother, Kenneth Hall.

Funeral services were held Sunday, August 30, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Martin Branch Freewill Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Joe Hall Cemetery on Dry Creek in Topmost, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Mona Hall

Mona Hall, age 83, of Teaberry, widow of Bill W. Hall, passed away Monday, August 31, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born December 5, 1925, in Floyd County, the daughter of the late Joel Hamilton and Polly Hall Hamilton. She was a homemaker and a member of the Samaria Regular Baptist Church, in Teaberry.

Survivors include six sons: Roy (Lois) Hall, Roger Hall, and Ronnie Hall, all of Teaberry, Michael (Patsy) Hall of Meta, Emmitt (Anita) Hall of Hi Hat, and Shirley Stanley of Trenton, Michigan; five daughters, Joyce (Palmer) Hamilton of Harold, Loretta (Jimmy) Mitchell, and Alva (Gary) Mitchell, both of Beaver, Goldie (Hobert) Keathley and Sherry Sammons (Dan), both of Teaberry; one sister, Oma Brown of Gibraltar, Michigan; 21 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, three brothers: Burt Hamilton, Eugene Hamilton, and William J. Hamilton; and four sisters: Josie Isaacs, Elsa Stanley, Nannie Newsome, and Alva Jean Newsome.

Funeral services for Mona Hall will be conducted Thursday, September 3, at 1:00 p.m., at the Samaria Regular Baptist Church, at Teaberry, with Regular Baptist Ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Ike Roberts Cemetery at Grethel, with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is after 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, at the church.

Pallbearers: Brad Hamilton, Davy Mitchell, Chad Mitchell, Billy Keathley, Shaun Keathley, Cody Hall, Nathan Hall, Jason Hall, Brian Sammons, Nick Rackey, Chris Rackey, and Brad Stanley.

(paid obituary)

Madge Nester Hicks

Madge Nester Hicks, 78, of Hueysville, died Friday, August 28, 2009, at the Knott County Nursing Home.

Born December 25, 1930, in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late James and Susan Allen Nester. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Upper Salt Lick United Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rex Hicks.

Survivors include four sons: Lawrence (Roxie) Hicks, Clarence (Tammy) Hicks, and Timothy Hicks, all of Hueysville, and Jasper (Barbara) Hicks of Garrett; five daughters: Becky (Charles) Keathley, Mima Sue (Ernest) Bolen, Nancy (Mark) Sparkman, and Betty Sue (the late Gregory) Wicker all of Hueysville; and Eliza (Terry) Ray of Williamston, South Carolina; one sister, Beckie Compton of Hueysville; 22 grandchildren, and 24 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three infant children; and five brothers: Jessie Nester (infant), Frank, Willie, Jake and Cleve Nester; three sisters: Emily Howard, Minnie Conley, and Lonie Nester; and two grandchildren: Paul Hicks and Brandon Prater.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 31, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Brothers Larry Patton, Cullen Caudill, Jimmy Hall, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Hicks Family Cemetery, (Bark-Camp Fork), in Hueysville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home, with services nightly at 7 p.m.

(Paid obituary)

Shawna Renea Leslie

Shawna Renea Leslie, the daughter of Shawn and Chevona Whitaker Leslie, of Hager Hill, was stillborn, Friday, August 28, 2009, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

Survivors, in addition to her

parents, include two brothers: Shawn Allen Leslie of Hager Hill, and Curtis Michael Leslie of Prestonsburg; her maternal grandparents, Von and Dolly Whitaker of Prestonsburg; and her paternal grandparents, Ollie and Terri Leslie of Hager Hill.

Graveside services were held Monday, August 31, at 4 p.m., at Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg, with Kenneth Prater and Doug Parsons officiating.

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

(Paid obituary)

Nellie Gray Porter Logan

Nellie Gray Porter Logan, 87, of Lynchburg, Virginia, died Saturday, August 29, 2009.

She was the wife of the late Stanley Tye Logan.

Born in Coeburn, Virginia, she was a daughter of the late William King Porter and Blanch McCloud Porter.

In addition to her husband and parents, Nellie was preceded in death by four brothers, and two sisters.

She is survived by her children: Stanley Tye Logan Jr., and his wife, Diane, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Dennis Porter Logan, and his wife, Patti, of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Ann Shannon Shaw, and her husband, David, of Forest, Virginia, and Margie Bob Meak, and her husband, John, of Vienna, Virginia, 13 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, one great-great-granddaughter.

Nellie will be remembered as a loving and caring person, of strong faith. She dedicated her life to serving others, putting their needs before hers. She loved music and especially loved to sing. Life for Nellie came full circle; she came to Lynchburg as a young child and grew up at the Odd Fellows Home. She moved to Wheelwright, where she met her husband and raised her four children. Once the children were grown, they moved to Cambridge, Ohio, where they worked and lived for 20 years. After her husband's death, she moved back to Lynchburg to be close to her children and grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held, in Harriman, Tennessee.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to The Society of St. Andrew, 3383 Sweet Hollow Road, Big Island, VA 24526, (800) 333-4597, or (434) 299-5956, www.endhunger.org/memorials.htm. A gift that helps feed the hungry.

Tharp Funeral Home & Crematory, Lynchburg, is assisting the family, 434-237-9424.

Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.tharpfuneralhome.com.

(Paid obituary)

Louise Shepherd Moore

Louise Shepherd Moore, 79, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, August 29, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born October 6, 1929, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Tony and Bertha Marsilette Shepherd. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Calvary Freewill Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.

Survivors include three sons: Lacy Patrick of Kenton, Ohio, and Leo Patrick and Tony Patrick, both of Lima, Ohio; two daughters: Betty Shepherd of Alger, Ohio, and Jackie Hurt of Prestonsburg; a stepson, Daniel Moore of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Robie Shepherd of Magoffin County, and Jobie Shepherd of Floyd County; two sisters: Loretta Newsome of Prestonsburg, and Viola Moore of Lima, Ohio; 14 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren, and five great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Homer Patrick; a sister, Oma Shepherd; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held

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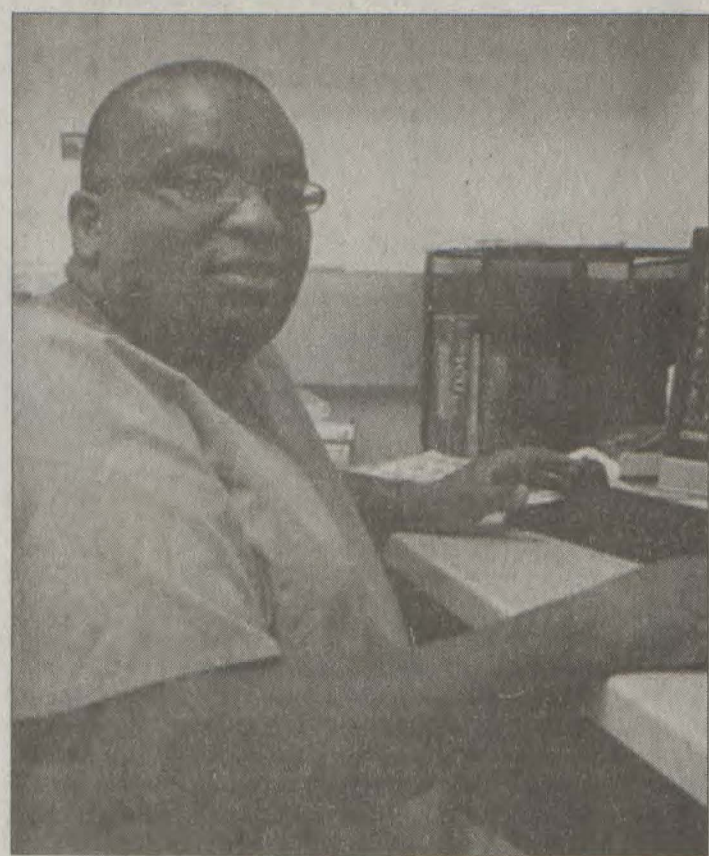
THE FAMILY OF IRENE WHITT TURNER

Card Of Thanks

The family of Quentin Henry Scott 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 Clergyman Bethel Bolen for his comforting words; 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 QUENTIN HENRY SCOTT

Local physician's foundation supports Kenyan students



Dr. Andrew Mutiso

More than 20 years ago, Dr. Andrew Mutiso, a physician in the Highlands Regional Medical Center Emergency Room, came to the United States, from Kenya, with all of his mother's life savings, and followed the footsteps of his sister, who had gone to school in Kentucky.

Along with his college acceptance to the University of Kentucky, he was awarded a scholarship that allowed him to send all of the money brought with him back to his mother in Kenya.

Dr. Mutiso made the decision to become a doctor after an accident involving his oldest sister, Ester, caused her to suffer permanent neurological damage and medical complications. He said "I was frustrated there was nothing I could do to help [her]." So, his sister inspired him to attend medical school. Sadly, Ester passed away just two months prior to the completion of his residency.

He was greatly affected by

his sister's death; it was a significant event that led him to search for a way to celebrate her life. This resulted in his establishment of the Mutiso Foundation.

Originally, the Foundation was formed to help support school-aged girls in Nairobi who were considered second class citizens, but it soon grew to do much more. Dr. Mutiso became interested in supporting the Nairobi School, but wanted to help in a way that would change people's lives right now. He didn't want to have to wait to see the impact of his efforts.

Today, the Mutiso Foundation supports five boys and two girls at the Nairobi School. Without the Foundation, these children wouldn't be able to afford their tuition and fees, clothes or supplies. Since public schools do not exist in Kenya, Dr. Mutiso is giving them an opportunity they otherwise wouldn't have.

"The Foundation gave me a real purpose in that I could effectively change these boys and girls lives with so little," said Dr. Mutiso. He emphasized that he wanted his efforts to affect people's lives right now, and for that effect to result in lifelong success.

His efforts do lead to success for these young students in Nairobi. All of the boys are at the top of their class (which may have something to do with the reward system built into the Foundation for good academic performance). Two of the first boys who were supported through the Foundation have since graduated from the Nairobi School. One is in law school, and the other one will be starting law school in a year.

"Watching these boys grow grounded me", Dr. Mutiso said. It reminded him how much you have to work each day.

Highlands Health System is recognizing Dr. Mutiso for his

generosity and his genuine effort to give back by helping these students in Nairobi, Kenya. The Mutiso Foundation is operated through the Kentucky Christian Foundation and Mwaki Ester Foundation. More information can be found online at www.mutiso-foundation.org.

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Obituaries

Monday, August 31, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Shawn Blair, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Brushy Bill Cemetery, in Gunlock, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)



In Loving Memory Covon Parsons

10/22/1940 - 8/27/2009
 Covon Parsons of Marietta, Ohio, a minister in the Church of Christ, died at 3:30 A.M. Thursday, August 27, 2009, at Marietta Center.

He was born on October 22, 1940, at Drift, KY to the late George and Opal Kidd Parsons.

He was a 1958 graduate of

McDowell High School.

Covon first married Jean Litteral. He is survived by his second wife, Susan Schafer; three stepchildren and one foster child.

Three brothers survive, Bernie Parsons (Debra) of Lloyd, KY, Kerner Parsons and George Parsons, Jr. both of the Ashland, KY area. Mr. Parsons also has two sisters, Bonnie Osborne (Alvin) of McDowell, KY, and Bea Coriell (Mike) of Raceland, KY.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers Nolan Parsons and Dwight Parsons.

Memorial services will be held on September 5, 2009, at 1:00 p.m., at Pinehurst Christian Church.

The family will receive friends at 11:00 a.m. there.

Condolences may be sent to hadleyfuneralhomes.com.

(Paid obituary)

Shelba Jean Hall Williamson

Shelba Jean Hall Williamson, 70, of Mt. Sterling, died Saturday, August 29, 2009, at her residence.

Born February 7, 1939, in Bevinsville, she was the daughter of the late Ballard and Carlita Jones Hall. She

was a homemaker, and a member of Ball Branch Old Regular Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Epp Williamson Jr.

Other survivors include one son, James Earl (Melanie) Williamson of Olive Hill; three daughters: Anna Marie (Ronnie) Spears of Martin, Linda Sue (T.I.) Hamilton of Banner, and Denise Lynn (Mike) Covey of Jeffersonville; four sisters: Hester Pugh of Frenchburg, Eva Leigh Bradley of Jackson, Michigan, Anna Faye Watts of Mt. Sterling, and Mary Jane Spencer of Frenchburg; 16 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Bobby and Vester Hall.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, September 2, at noon, at the Mt. Sterling Old Regular Baptist Church, in Mt. Sterling, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

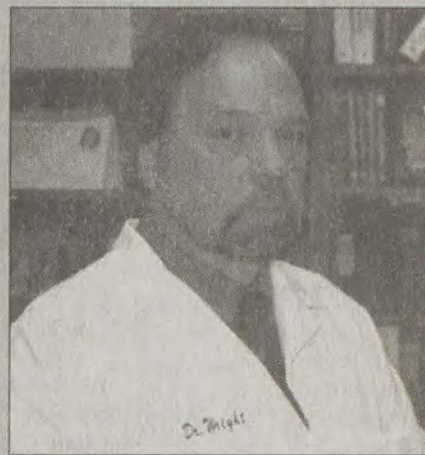
Burial will be in the McGuire Cemetery, in Jeffersonville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was after 6 p.m., Sunday, at the funeral home; and after 4 p.m., Monday, at the church.

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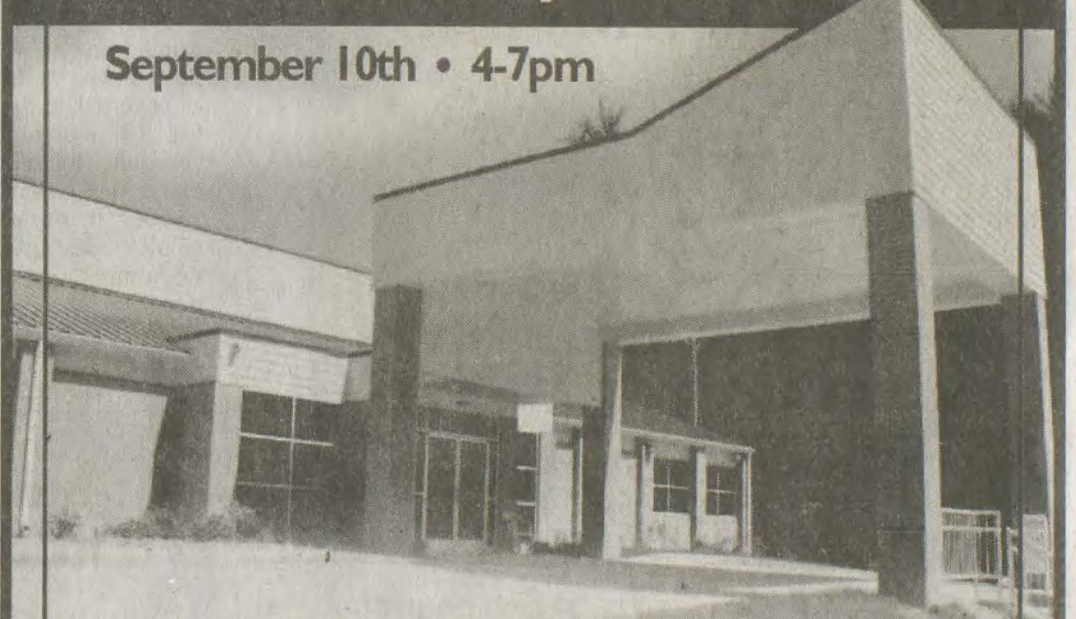
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I have a very close doctor friend who had an assignment to visit grade schools in their city. They carried a partial lung of a smoker and non-smoker. They encouraged small children to never start smoking. Medical science is telling the public what I believe the churches have the same obligation. I Corinthians, chapter 3 and verse 16 states: "Know ye not you are the temple of God?"

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Our View

Hope for new road springs anew

The informational meeting held last week concerning a proposal to widen most of the Mountain Parkway to four lanes was a classic example of good news and bad news.

First, the bad news: The project is nowhere near beginning, much less completion. There has been no effort to move utilities or acquire right-of-way for the improved road, and no design work has begun. In fact, there is no money set aside to get any of these things underway. So for all intents and purposes, the modern highway linking Eastern Kentucky to the central part of the state remains a dream.

But there is good news, too. At least state officials are finally talking, seriously, about the project.

Oh, there has been talk in the past — lots and lots of talk, over the course of lots and lots of decades. Most of it has come during election season by one upstart politician or another, seeking to grab a few votes out of the mountains with a perennial promise to modernize the road. And much as the flowers of spring wither and fade away under the heat of summer, so too have those oft-repeated promises after the ballots have been counted.

This time, however, feels different. For one, there is no election this year. For another, the words come not from hopeful politicians, but from the bureaucrats who will ultimately be tasked with seeing the job to completion.

In other words, state government appears, finally, to be taking seriously the matter of widening the Parkway.

It might still take many years before we see the first shovel of earth turned, maybe a decade or even decades before we can drive along a safer, modern highway. But at least it appears the effort has moved from the realm of political promise to actual project. That in itself is a reason for renewed hope.

But this is no time to relax if this project is ever to become a reality. Instead, it is time to hold our leaders' feet to the fire and turn up the heat.

— The Floyd County Times



Guest Column

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

We know from the state Budget Office report released late last month that state officials are predicting stagnant revenue growth throughout the rest of this year and the first three months of next year. But have recent state revenue losses impacted those predictions?

More than likely.

Kentucky is seeing growth from a few revenue streams, but our economy is not making the major recovery some economists are seeing at the national level. One reason, as I explained last week, is weak growth in employment and personal income that Kentucky officials expect to continue well into the current fiscal year. Revenues from sales and use tax receipts, individual income tax, property tax and other income streams that are directly tied to employment and personal were down—some way, low down—in the fourth quarter of the last fiscal year and will have to show some major improvement before state officials are liable to change their predictions.

A closer look at tumbling state revenues from the fourth quarter of FY 2009 shows the most significant losses occurred in the areas of sales and use tax, individual income tax and corporate income taxation—historically the state's largest revenue sources. If revenue is closely tied to employment, it probably comes as little surprise that the biggest drop in revenue among these three revenue

streams was in the area of individual income tax receipts.

Individual income tax revenue took a massive loss between the fourth quarter of FY 2008 and the fourth quarter of FY 2009 with a \$197.6 million—or 17 percent—drop in receipts. The state Budget Office report stated that all components of the tax, including declarations, net return, withholding and fiduciary, posted declines in the last quarter of FY '09 compared to a year ago.

The second worst drop in revenue seen in the fourth quarter was a \$47.9 million loss in corporate income taxes, reflecting a 38.3 percent decrease for the quarter. Final revenue figures show that the state received only \$77.1 million in corporate income tax in the fourth quarter of 2009—much less than the \$125 million collected in the fourth quarter of FY 2008. State officials said the reductions were caused by "expectations that corporate profits would remain weak."

The third biggest loss in revenue during the fourth quarter of FY 2009 was in sales and use tax revenues, which fell three percent for a total loss of \$21.3 million as unemployment grew and wages stagnated. A lack of disposable income caused consumer spending to drop off, harming this important state revenue stream. Losses in the sales and use tax area were offset somewhat by a new sales tax on package alcohol sales, which the state Budget Report said brought "a small infusion of receipts". That new revenue stream was created during the 2009 General Assembly last spring.

The decrease in revenues from these major sources has no doubt hurt programs and services throughout

state government. So have losses from other revenue streams. Property taxes—another indicator of economic growth—were down in the fourth quarter of FY 2009 by 4.5 percent, along with state Road Fund receipts (down 2.1 percent from a year before) which were affected by a yearlong decline in motor vehicle usage taxes. Usage tax receipts were down 16.5 percent from a year earlier due to lagging motor vehicle sales, according to the report.

Not every source of revenue took a nosedive, however. The fourth quarter of FY 2009 saw increases of 11.1 percent in the LLET (Limited Liability Entity Tax on business) thanks to enhanced collections by the state. Other growth areas were in coal severance taxation—up 12.7 percent due to strong coal prices—along with a 101.7 percent increase in the state cigarette tax for fourth quarter 2009 receipts of \$82.8 million. The increase in the cigarette tax doubled the tax rate of cigarettes from 30 cents to 60 cents a pack.

An important thing to remember about the recession and the changes it has wrought is that hard times will not last forever. A financial "checklist" I read some months back from the investment advising firm Edward Jones said it best: "Be patient," it read. "No one can predict when a bear market will end, but history has shown that turnarounds can happen quickly and unexpectedly. So be patient."

Next week, we will wrap up our look of the state Budget Office report by reviewing the report's detailed outlook for the state's immediate economic future. For now, enjoy the rest of summer and the start of what I hope is a great school year.

Letters

Stop the madness

As a resident of the city of Prestonsburg and a two-time city council member of Prestonsburg, it is very alarming to me to see the so-called leadership of our community continually placing such a blight on our city.

As it stands today, your mayor has had the allegations of election finance irregularities made public and, in furtherance, had those same allegations affirmed into actual civil and/or criminal charges by the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance. This, joined with Councilman Kelly Moore selling off a piece of the city's (and its taxpayers') property as his own in a seemingly deceitful land deal, should show the voters of this community that its leadership needs to head in a new direction.

What is each one's claim for defense? Ignorance, a simple "I didn't know." Wow, it looks as though they have the same representation advising them of what to say in their defense. You see, your mayor has claimed "ignorance" on many previous occasions prior to his latest setback.

Consider these three separate instances of claiming ignorance after the fact, where the state auditors had been asked to assist local citizens in their complaints. These actions have range from raiding the funds of the tourism commission, his use of city taxpayer monies in areas deemed impermissible, such as donations to groups "not in the interest of all citizens," and also for not obeying city ordinances for procedural procurement of professional services. His "it is my town" attitude and not caring about the laws and ordinances that he even signed just adds to the belief of his nickname on the streets as "Teflon Jerry," as a take on Mafia crime boss

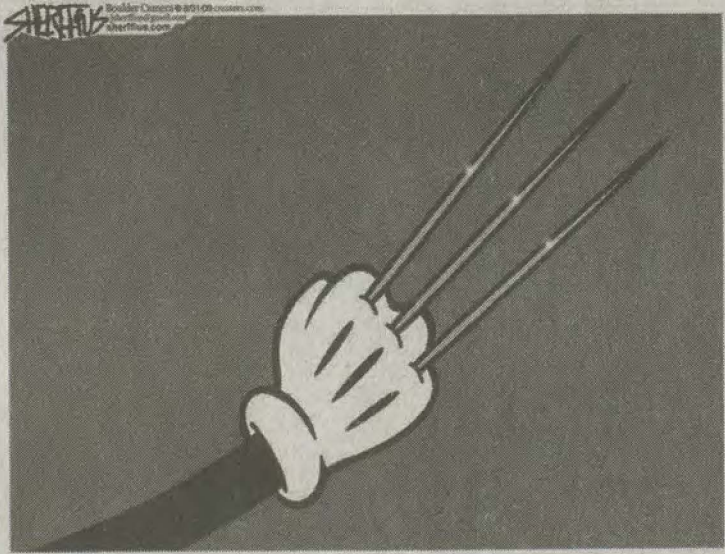
John Gotti's "Teflon Don" nickname, who seemingly never could have criminal charges stick.

It would seem that the constant use of "I don't know" is okay as a defense if you are apparently protected by someone, as Jerry has never had to deal with any consequences. Maybe that same shield will also shelter Councilman Moore from liability for his actions.

A fun fact, though — Kentucky state law does not allow for claiming of ignorance as a defense in any matter. KRS 501.070 specifically states "that ignorance or mistake as to a matter of fact law does not relieve criminal liability." And now we have two separate leaders who have used the claim of ignorance as a reason for their actions.

Lies and deceit seem to rule the day in Prestonsburg. Quit election ignorance. Stop the madness!

C.E. "Shag" Branham
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Hurley named vice president at Pikeville College

PIKEVILLE — On behalf of the Board of Trustees at Pikeville College, President Paul Patton announced that James Hurley has been named vice president and special assistant to the president.

Hurley, of Pikeville, has been the principal of Belfry Middle School for the past five years. As an educator, he has served in numerous leadership and administrative roles, including as assistant principal, dean of students, teacher and athletic coach.

"Pikeville College has many things to offer to the young people of Eastern Kentucky," said Patton. "We want to make sure they are fully aware of the advantages

we can provide. I've employed James Hurley to communicate the attributes of Pikeville College to the schools, students and parents in our service area of central Appalachia. With his background, he can relate to and connect with the students who could benefit from an experience at Pikeville College."

A graduate of Pikeville College, Hurley earned his master's degree from Indiana University, Rank I from the University of Kentucky and his superintendent's certification at Morehead State University. He is currently working on a doctorate in educational leadership at Ohio University.

Hurley serves on the board of directors of the Kentucky Association of Secondary School Principals, on the executive board of the Kentucky Association of School Administrators, is chairman of the East Kentucky Fellowship of Christian Athletes and a member of the board of directors of the Pikeville Area YMCA. He is also a deacon and Sunday School teacher at the First Baptist Church in Pikeville.

Hurley and his wife, Tina, a Pikeville College alumna, have two sons, Drew and Carter.

"Belfry Middle School will always be a special place,"

said Hurley. "I am very thankful for the opportunity that the Pike County School System provided and the memories we will take with us."

"I also feel very blessed and want to thank God for the opportunity that Gov. Patton and the board of trustees have given me," Hurley said. "As part of the college family, Tina and I look forward to being servant leaders, especially for our students, faculty and staff, fellow alumni and our community. Under Gov. Patton's leadership, I believe that Pikeville College's best days are ahead."

Pikeville College is an independent, four-year liberal arts and sciences college in



James Hurley

an integral role in the educational, economic and cultural development of its service area for more than a century. Recently named one of the top 20 medical school's in the nation in rural medicine by U.S. News and World Report, the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine was established in 1997 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.

Local physician participates in medical mission

In early July, Dr. John Furcolow, of Paintsville, joined 14 others from Northern and Eastern Kentucky on a medical mission trip to Panao, a town high in the Andes Mountains of Peru.

The town was chosen by a missionary living in the country who felt this town was in particular need of the medical services provided through the mission group.

For four days, the group of 18 Americans and 41 Peruvians were able to see 1,605 patients. Their ages ranged from as young as infants to as old as 90, and many traveled a tremendous time and distance to be seen.

Dr. Furcolow described the numbers of people waiting for medical services; he said, "The lines were long each morning when we started

and some of them were still there the next morning when we returned." While some were seen for out of the ordinary conditions such as parasitic disease or typhoid fever, many were seen for things considered very routine by our standards such as high blood pressure.

The local reception of the mission trip demonstrates the extent to which these medical services were needed in the area. "We hoped that our visit there had improved their way of life, even if that improvement was temporary," Dr. Furcolow said.

The group indeed helped to improve many lives. Some finally received needed vitamins and medications, while others were saved by having critical infections treated.



Dr. John Furcolow examined patients in the Peruvian town of Panao, during a medical mission trip in July.

The ABCs of deducting educator expenses: IRS offers tips on tax savings for teachers

With the school year and back-to-school sales in full swing, teachers and other educators should save their receipts for purchases of books and classroom supplies. These out-of-pocket expenses may benefit educators when they file their 2009 taxes in 2010.

"Many teachers dip into

their own pockets for classroom supplies," said IRS Spokesperson, Jodie Reynolds. "This is such an important and valuable deduction for so many teachers and educators. We want to make sure they have the records they'll need to benefit from it."

The educator expense

deduction allows teachers and other educators to deduct the cost of books, supplies, equipment and software used in the classroom. Eligible educators include those who work at least 900 hours during a school year as a teacher, instructor, counselor, principal or aide in a public or private elementary or secondary

school.

Eligible educators may subtract up to \$250 of qualified out-of-pocket expenses, whether or not they itemizes their deductions on Schedule A. If married filing jointly and both taxpayers were eligible educators, the maximum deduction is \$500. However, neither spouse can deduct

more than \$250 of their qualified expenses.

The IRS suggests that educators keep records of qualifying expenses in a folder or envelope noting the date, amount and purpose of each purchase. This will help prevent a missed deduction at tax time.

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Pikeville College Army ROTC supports ACS event

PAINTSVILLE — Pikeville College Army ROTC Cadets recently participated in the FAITH Runner's sponsored "Run, Walk, or Crawl" trail event held at Paintsville Lake on the Paintsville Kiwanis Trail.

Cadets Brysen Perry, Matthew Doyle and Dakota Moore participated in the 10K event and finished in 58 minutes or less. Future cadet Kaitlyn Harper and ROTC instructor Cpt. Danny Prater participated in the 5K event. Sgt. 1st Class Jacob Goble of the Kentucky Army National Guard set a water station at the halfway point of the event.

The FAITH Runners organization raises money for the American Cancer Society in its fight against colon cancer. For more information on the organization, contact Jamie Salyer at faith_runners@yahoo.com.

Pikeville College added the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) to their curriculum last year. The mission of college ROTC is to mold young Americans into leaders as commissioned officers for the U.S. Army, National Guard, and U.S. Army Reserves. ROTC provides cadets with leadership training as well as the intellectual foundation needed for future military or civilian success.



Pictured, from left, Brysen Perry, Danny Prater, Kaitlyn Harper, Matthew Doyle, Dakota Moore and Jacob Goble.

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Feds, Sesame Street launch swine flu prevention campaign

The Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Education and Sesame Workshop, the nonprofit educational organization behind Sesame Street, have teamed up to launch a new, national public service advertising campaign designed to encourage American children and families to practice healthy habits and to take steps to prevent the spread of the 2009 H1N1 flu virus. The PSAs featured in this campaign can be viewed on www.flu.gov.

During the spring, the Sesame Workshop produced four different versions of a television PSA featuring Sesame Street's Elmo and Gordon explaining the importance of practicing healthy habits such as washing your hands, sneezing into the bend of your arm, and avoiding contact with your eyes, nose and mouth. They have now been reformatted to promote www.flu.gov, the federal government's one-stop website for all the latest information on the new H1N1 virus and the seasonal flu. The PSAs will be distributed nationwide and will be supported in airtime donated by television stations.

"We are thrilled to partner with Elmo, Gordon, and Sesame Workshop

again to emphasize the steps kids and their parents can take to stay happy and healthy this school year," said Secretary Sebelius. "Younger children and their parents are some of the people most at risk from the new H1N1 flu virus and with schools starting back up again and the weather starting to get colder, we need to do everything we can to get these important messages about how to prevent the spread of the flu out there.

"The first day of National Preparedness Month is a great reminder that personal preparedness starts at home and these PSAs promote simple things we can all do to stay healthy and safe," said DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano.

"We want to keep our children safe, healthy, and learning. By practicing prevention, close monitoring and common sense, we can help prevent the spread of H1N1 and seasonal flu among children and young people this year" Secretary Duncan said. "Having Elmo and our friends at Sesame Street help get that message out there will be a tremendous help."

"Sesame Street's Elmo can be a powerful messenger in delivering simple, yet compelling messages that teach a child to wash their hands and cover

their mouth this flu season," said Gary E. Knell, President and CEO, Sesame Workshop. "These vital prevention messages must be part of a larger flu strategy and Sesame Workshop is proud to be partnering with the Department of Health and Human Services to ensure that parents and their young children receive the information they need to stay healthy."

In late May, Sesame Workshop first partnered with the Department of Health and Human Services on a new PSA campaign focused on the importance of providing parents, teachers and children with accurate information about how to practice healthy habits, highlighting proper hand washing and simple everyday actions that lead to staying healthy and keeping germs away. The PSAs are an extension of Sesame's Healthy Habits for Life initiative, which helps young children and their caregivers establish an early foundation of healthy habits.

On a global scale, Sesame Workshop was the first nonprofit to respond to the flu outbreak in Mexico, with the immediate creation of four PSAs featuring the beloved Muppets of Plaza Sésamo and several Mexican celebrities who donated their time to the cause. The flu prevention messag-

ing has reached millions of children and their families both in Mexico and the United States.

The PSAs are part of an initiative to provide practical steps recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to help prevent the spread of the flu virus and other infectious disease, including:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Keep your distance from others if you are sick.
- When possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick, and don't send your children to childcare or school if they are sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing and sneezing.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

The Department of Health and Human Services will be distributing the PSAs via satellite to television stations nationwide later this afternoon. Feed information will be sent out later today.

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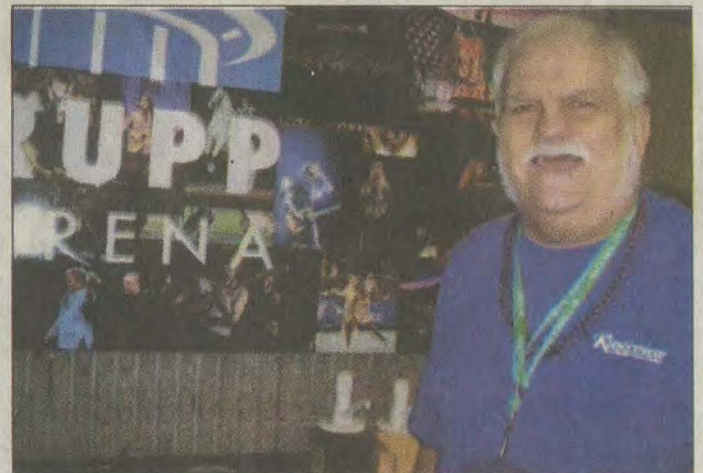
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Arthur Hurd showing his "big catch" while on a fishing trip at Jenny Wiley.



Ladies Red Hats enjoying good food and fun at Jenny Wiley Lodge.



Missie Crider, QOL Director, left; Jessica Hackworth, RN, right; and Riverview residents enjoying a helicopter ride.

Despite spending many years and millions of dollars, Eastern Kentucky still faces challenges in drawing tourists

by JOHN JAMES SNIDOW

Ever since Daniel Boone and other pioneers came through Cumberland Gap, Kentucky has been a destination for those looking to get away from America's urban areas and get closer to the great outdoors.

Today, Lake Cumberland attracts the "Ohio Navy" of houseboats that descend on the lake each summer via Interstate 75. The Bluegrass Region's well-bred horses and just-as-well-bred bourbon whiskeys attract a substantial out-of-state following. Western Kentucky, with its big lakes and national recreation area, brings in millions of tourism dollars each year. But as Labor Day draws close, vacationers make their end-of-summer plans, and Kentucky's mountain foliage begins to turn colorful. Eastern Kentucky still wonders when it will become a tourism hub.

Census data show that Kentucky's Appalachian coal counties have significantly fewer food and accommodations establishments — bellwethers of a healthy tourism economy — and on the average, generate about 30 percent less money from tourism than the other regions.

Eastern Kentuckians agree the region has incredible natural beauty that is able to sustain all kinds of business. The key question is whether the tourists agree. Are people really willing to spend their money and scarce vacation time in eastern Kentucky? If so, how many, and how much? While many political leaders push tourism as the key to the region's development, others caution that such hopes are more flights of fancy than realistic plans for the future.

State Rep. Rocky Adkins of Sandy Hook, floor leader of the House's Democratic majority, says that during his years as a representative the General Assembly "passed \$130 million in bond issues to bring new attractions to Eastern Kentucky." Much of this money was used to build the state-park golf courses at Grayson Lake, Yatesville Lake, Pine Mountain and elsewhere.

Adkins recalls that when the legislature was planning to fund these courses, then-Gov. Paul Patton hauled him into the governor's office and asked him to defend using

public money to build golf courses. "I said, 'Governor, it's not about playing golf. It's about having those parts of the puzzle you need to recruit tourism and other industry.'"

But the golf courses didn't turn out to be what Adkins and others really wanted. "We've seen increased at sales at the local stores around the parks, but what we really wanted was a Marriott-type company to locate here," he said. "We haven't seen that yet."

Peter Hille, director of Berea College's Brushy Fork Institute, says Kentucky's government hasn't done enough to attract those kinds of developments. "West Virginia and North Carolina have non-profits and tourism boards that are spending tons of money to promote their states," Hille said. "You just don't see enough of that in the coal counties here."

University of Louisville economist Paul Coomes agrees. "North Carolina and West Virginia are both really killing Kentucky in tourism," he says. "We don't have a real-estate magnet here. We have golf courses, but no second homes or hotels there. Where does someone go for a four-day golf outing and have some parties with their friends? Not Kentucky, that's for sure."

To attract those second-home buyers, Adkins wants to use Kentucky's reservoirs and their golf courses to create waterfront vacation communities, an approach that has worked well for communities on Tennessee Valley Authority lakes in Tennessee and Alabama. "Kentucky has miles of undeveloped coastline, and we need to be using them," Adkins says. "We need to develop our lakefronts to attract people from out of the state and to attract real estate development."

However, Kentucky's lakes are run mostly by the U.S.

Army Corps of Engineers, which owns the lakeshores and discourages their development, to protect water quality. Adkins says he and others are "working with the COE to change that. It has to be done right, but if this happens, it will have huge economic impact for the region."

To better compete with Kentucky's neighbors, the administration of Gov. Steve Beshear is also looking to tourism — of a higher octave. In fact, "adventure tourism" on motorized vehicles forms a large part of Lt. Gov. Daniel Mongiardo's platform in his campaign for the Democratic nomination to the U.S. Senate. "Adventure tourism absolutely can provide an economic base on which to found a sustainable economy," said Mongiardo, a Hazard physician. "We can build ATV, hiking and horseback trails here, all across the state, that will bring tourists and their money here."

Gil Lawson of the state Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet says "The adventure tourism initiative can create a new market in lots of communities — hiking and biking, ATVs, restaurants and service industries will spring up to cater to these visitors," and Kentucky's central location, within a day's drive of two-thirds of the country's population, gives it an advantage over regions that rely on air travel. "Even in bad economic times, there are enough unique places in Eastern Kentucky to attract people to the region."

Beshear agrees. "Adventure tourism has proven to be successful in any number of areas around the country," the governor said when asked about it this summer. "When you look at the beauty and resources we have in Eastern Kentucky in our mountains and in our streams, it is a natural fit. If people are going to enjoy the outdoors,

there is no better place to do it than here."

But those who want to transition the region's economy from coal to tourism argue that the environmental and landscape damage from mining causes prevents tourism development. "Our mountains are the assets that we have in this region, and we have to stop destroying those assets with mountaintop-removal mining," says University of Kentucky historian Ron Eller, author of a new book on the modern Appalachian economy.

Coal advocates preach caution. Mongiardo defends mountaintop removal, and state Sen. Robin Webb, D-Grayson, says that while recent initiatives like the elk herd developed on reclaimed mines "bring in people, and they spend money here," she worries about the economy-wide effects of moving to a tourism-based economy. "Coal miners in my district make \$70,000 a year," she says. "You can't just move from those types of jobs to seasonal service jobs at low wages with no benefits. The tax effects alone would be pretty bad."

And that's just the beginning, Webb says. "The incidentals to coal mining are huge. You've got river, rail, truck drivers, barges. If you've got 14,000 mining jobs, you've also got guys selling lubricants, tires and everything else to them. You don't get those with tourism."

Additionally, as former Patton and others point out, the Appalachia of West Virginia's and North Carolina's tourist-heavy regions is very different from the Appalachia of

Kentucky. "For starters, our mountains are much smaller," he says. "Pikeville is not much higher than Lexington." In fact, the only Kentucky features that meet the geological definition of "mountain," at least 2,000 feet above the surrounding terrain, are the Pine, Black and Cumberland mountains, which occupy only a small portion of southeastern Kentucky. What most Kentuckians call "the mountains" is largely the Cumberland Plateau, so heavily eroded over millions of years that it is mountainous. And unlike almost every other mountainous region in the world, Eastern Kentucky's mild climate and relatively low elevation prevent the development of skiing and other alpine sports.

But some say those issues are not insurmountable. "Take

for example the areas around Hendersonville and Brevard" in North Carolina, Coomes says. "Those areas . . . are not on top of the mountains, but they have cold streams and vistas, and they have more population now than 20 to 30 years ago because of tourists and second homes. Mountains or not, as this country becomes more affluent, there will be tons of people who want to visit and retire in beautiful places. Kentucky could be one of them because we really do have beautiful places."

This is the third in a series on the Appalachian economy by John James Snidow, a native of Ashland and 2009 economics graduate of Harvard College, for the Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues, based at the University of Kentucky.

The Floyd County Animal Shelter PET OF THE WEEK



This week's celebrity is Prestonsburg Little League President Rick Hughes who volunteered slightly more than one billion hours to the little league this past season. President Hughes is with HOMER THE HUSKY.

Homer is a 7-week-old male husky mix who has five playful brothers and sisters available for adoption at the shelter.

The Floyd County Animal Shelter is located at Sally Stephens Branch in West Prestonsburg Phone 886-3189

Sevetta Little, RN, has recently joined the team at Highlands Home Health to serve as a liaison making the transition from inpatient care to in home care a more seamless process. To accomplish this, Little will be working closely with physicians, department staffs, discharge planning, and Highlands Regional Medical Center patients. Many of the patients treated in the Medical Center still require care beyond discharge, and Highlands Home Health is there to deliver it. The new Home Health Discharge Liaison will enhance the quality of this care by providing better channels of communication and care delivery after an inpatient stay.



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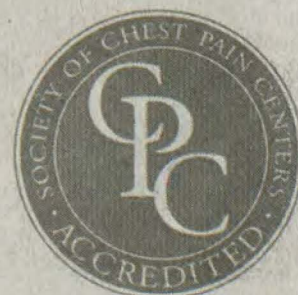
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PCSOM students attend national meeting

PIKEVILLE — Students Sonbol Shahid-Salles, Cindy DeMastes, Rachel Thomas and Sarah Banks represented the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine this summer during the quarterly meeting of the Council of Osteopathic Student Government Presidents

(COSGP). The meeting is held annually prior to the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) House of Delegates Meeting in Chicago, Ill. COSGP is made up of student government association presidents from all 28 osteopathic medical schools and

represents the voice of all students. Shahid-Salles serves as COSGP Chair. DeMastes is the COSGP National Programs Representative. Thomas is serving as PCSOM's SGA president and Banks is second vice president. The Council discussed

many important student issues, including health care reform, graduate medical education, the Visiting Student Application Service, and resident work hours. COSGP hosted the National Osteopathic Student Caucus (NOSC), which facilitates the discussion between medical

students on issues currently being discussed by the AOA and results in the formation of a "national osteopathic student opinion." The NOSC was transcribed online with a live chat discussion board to allow

participation from students not present in Chicago. COSGP will meet again in October in New Orleans, La., at the AOA Convention and Scientific Seminar.

Mongiardo

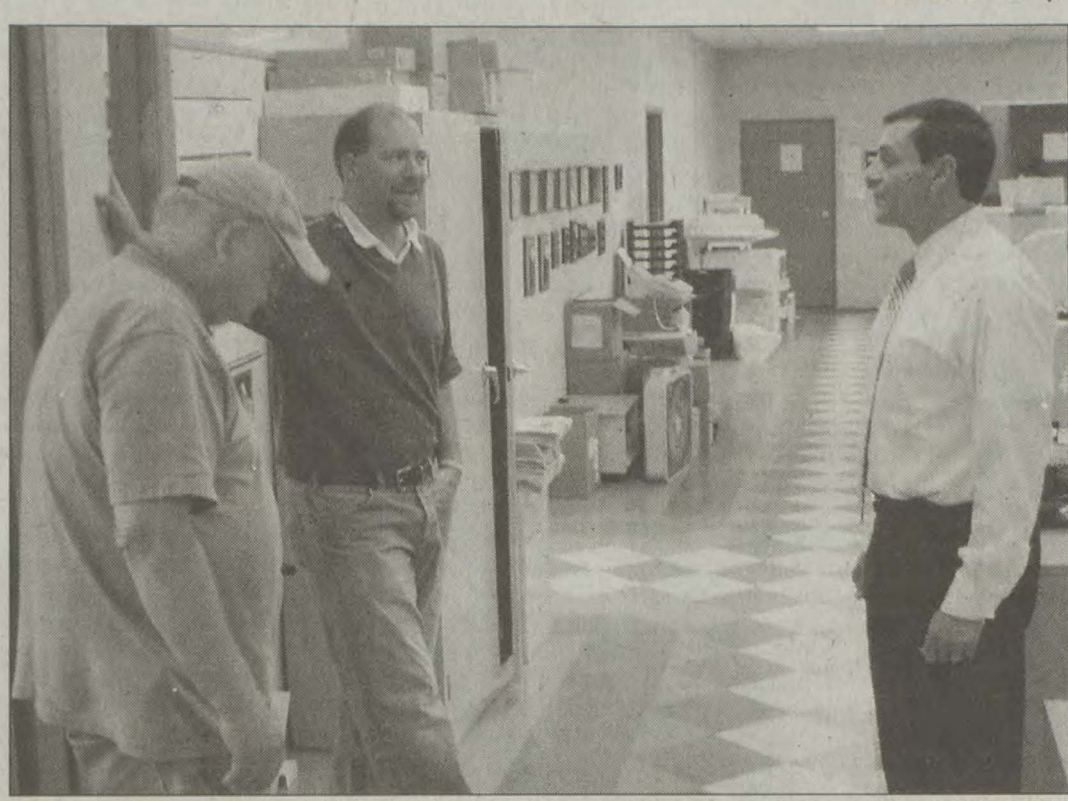
"This will result in a massive energy tax on coal," Mongiardo said. "Kentucky will lose thousands of jobs across the coalfields and it will worsen the atmosphere and our families can't tolerate that. I think this is the brightest time for coal as we attempt to decrease our dependence on foreign oil."

But an issue that is close to his heart is the state of health care. In addition to the fact that Mongiardo is a physician, he also recalls the death of his brother at ARH hospital in Hazard as a turning point for him in wanting to see health care improved. Mongiardo sees the problem from the approach.

"What we have is a sick-care system, when what we need is a well-care system," he said. "Right now, no matter how you pay for it, it's way too inefficient."

Other aspects of health care reform Mongiardo said would be included in his agenda were he to assume the vacant seat left by Bunning would be issues of portability, so that health insurance could move with the individual from job to job, and also increased competition for providers.

Adventure tourism is another issue Mongiardo has pushed since his time in the state Senate. The focus, much of the time, has been for trail development, such as those currently in use in Knott County and the trail system being devel-



Lt. Gov. Daniel Mongiardo, right, spoke with newspaper carrier Wendell Patton, left, and Times Publisher Joshua Byers during a visit to the newspaper's office Friday.

oped in Floyd County. The long-term goal, he says, is a multi-purpose trail system spanning the entire state.

"Just this past week in Crocketsville there was over 25,000 who came out for the second annual trail ride there," Mongiardo said Friday. "And Crocketsville isn't a place you find without looking for it ... We have discovered that people from all over want to some make use of our trails."

In addition to trail systems, Mongiardo also envisions water trails that could build on natural assets within the state.

"About the only thing we don't have is saltwater," he added, "but then the way you look at that is that there's no sharks in Kentucky."

Beyond these concerns, Mongiardo says he is also keeping his ear to the ground on current issues surrounding the drug problem that contin-

ues to grow across the state, saying that as early as this week he intends to visit Florida to take part in testimony before a grand jury about the effects of what has been called the "Florida pipeline" on prescription drug abuse Kentucky. One thing he plans to bring up during that trip would be the need for Florida to set up a narcotic tracking system similar to the kind already in place in Kentucky.

Parkway

er for the Project Development Branch with the Kentucky Department of Highways District 10. "We're excited to see this many people here and we are very interested in your questions and comments."

The project will include the conversion of the current two-lane undivided Mountain Parkway between Exit 57 in Wolfe County and Exit 75 in Magoffin County into a four-lane divided highway. The entire project will include a 17-mile stretch through Wolfe, Morgan and Magoffin counties. The plans also include the reconstruction of Exit 57, Exit 60 and Exit 72, along with a new exit for Middle Fork Road.

Aerial photographs of the area showing an outline of the project were displayed at the presentation, and those in attendance were encouraged to offer their comments on the

planned project. After considering all of the comments, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet personnel will compile an environmental impact assessment and complete the first phase of design for the project.

Due to the lack of current funding by the General Assembly, there is no scheduled timeframe for the final design of the project, acquisition of property needed for right-of-way, relocation of utilities or construction.

The photographs and plans that were displayed at the presentation may be viewed at the District 10 office in Jackson. Comments on the proposed project will be accepted until Sept. 11, and may be addressed to Corbett Caudill P.E. Project Manager, Kentucky Department of Highways, P.O. Box 621, Jackson, Ky. 41339.

Boulder

Tussy, his wife and other family members were not injured as a result of the falling boulder.

The boulder crashed through the bedroom of the trailer, according to Tussy's family members, but Tussy and his wife were not home at the time.

Frasure Creek Mining was issued what is referred to as an

"imminent danger cessation order" and will be required to submit a mediation plan before blasting at the site again.

Weddington said the first priority was that of safety, saying none of the families had been able to return home as of this past weekend as the area was still being checked to make sure it was safe.

Flu

Currently, the health department's policy is to only send off type A specimens taken from pregnant women, people who are ill enough already to be hospitalized and people who live in long-term care facilities and who must be housed together.

But, despite the fact that no cases of swine flu have been confirmed in the county, Slone says she and others at the

health department remain concerned to urge people what should be done to prevent the spread of swine flu or any other virus that might make its way through the region this winter season.

"The message is get your seasonal flu shot now, it's available today, and the H1N1 vaccine is suppose to be available by October," Slone said, adding that the H1N1 vaccine will recommended for peo-

ple ages 6 to 24, pregnant women and adults who have respiratory and chronic disease problems.

Common things all people can do to help prevent spreading a virus this coming season are to wash their hands, cover their coughs, keep a distance from others if they are running a temperature greater than 100 degrees and also to see a doctor early if they do have a temperature.

Gearheart

Greg Stumbo, state Sen. Johnny Ray Stumbo, state Representatives Leslie Combs and Hubert Collins and Judge-Executives R.D. "Doc" Marshall and Wayne T. Rutherford, of Floyd and Pike counties, respectively.

Stumbo told stories of mending old political wounds with the very thought of his surname and Gearheart when he first ran for public office, saying that Gearheart later went on to become a strong supporter of his thereafter, while Rutherford recalled the trials of seeing the local entrepreneur get the green light to move forward with a company that would bring together numerous other cable companies scattered across the region at the time.

Sara George, public information officer for the Kentucky Department of Highways District 12 Office, the office that hosted the event and officially named the old Harold bridge after Gearheart Monday, also spoke of Gearheart's hard-fought battles to see cable service simplified and ultimately expanded for area customers as a former newspaper editor during the time.

"He was a perfect gentleman," George said. "And these were some of the most hostile public meetings I had ever covered ... He never raised his voice and eventually he won them over. Eventually the folks became believers."

George referred to the turmoil that had embedded itself

within the large customer base that was served by dozens of different cable companies, complaints she said Gearheart had simply inherited but managed nonetheless as he worked to combine the companies in the early stages of the consolidation period.

Always included in remarks from all speakers Monday was Gearheart's wife, Elaine, who joined her husband at the podium and during the unveiling of the sign

Monday. Patton made reference to both in his remarks.

"Their initiative, like most Eastern Kentuckians, has been truly outstanding," said Patton.

Marshall read the official proclamation issued by the Floyd County Fiscal Court, adding personal comments of his own, saying Gearheart was "a man who has done so much for this county," adding that "he and his wife are such special people," while Rutherford said Gearheart's influence

reached even beyond the field of communications in the last half century.

"You made government more transparent, and that's the way it ought to be," Rutherford said, referring to Gearheart's efforts to televise public meetings. "We have a better place to live, we are trusted more as government bodies, and it's all because of the foresight of Paul and Elaine."

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Blackcats pummel Paintsville, 49-0

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Host Prestonsburg scored two or more touchdowns in each of the first three quarters Friday night and didn't have any trouble turning back Paintsville as the two longtime rivals renewed their rivalry. Prestonsburg kept Paintsville out of the endzone, blanking the Tigers 49-0.

Prestonsburg scored twice in each of the first three quarters. The Blackcats led 14-0 at the end of the first quarter and carried a 28-0 lead into halftime.

Prestonsburg led 49-0 when the third quarter ended.

Josh Craynon led a balanced Prestonsburg rushing attack. Craynon rushed eight times for 103 yards.

Austin McKinney rushed seven times for 40 yards and one touchdown.

Sophomore Joseph Jamerson also rushed for a touchdown in the border rivalry high school football game.

As a team, Prestonsburg rushed 30 times for 211 yards, averaging seven yards per rushing attempt.

Prestonsburg quarterback

Michael Burchett completed nine-of-11 passes for 1888 yards and four touchdowns.

Jamerson led the Blackcats in receiving. The sophomore hauled in five catches for 117 yards and two touchdowns. McKinney grabbed three catches for 55 yards and one touchdown. Craynon also had one touchdown reception for the Blackcats.

Defensively, McKinney and Alex Griffith each had seven tackles for a tenacious Prestonsburg unit.

Prestonsburg will visit Breathitt County this Friday for

a matchup versus the Bobcats (1-1). Kickoff for the annual KRMC Honey Bowl is set for 7:30 p.m.

Blackcats move up to third in AP poll: Prestonsburg (2-0) is ranked third in the latest Kentucky Associated Press Class 2A high school football poll. Fort Campbell is ranked first with Corbin listed second. The rest of the top 10 includes Green County (4), Danville (5), Louisville DeSales (6), Murray (7), Monroe County (8), Newport Central Catholic (9) and Covington Holy Cross (10).

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

Friday's scores

Horn Lake, Miss. 33, Johnson Central 20 (Big Sandy RECC Bowl)

Belfry 28, Boyd County 14 (Pike County Bowl)

East Ridge 32, Phelps 14

Knott County Central 40, Lewis County 0

Allen Central 62, Jenkins 0

Prestonsburg 49, Paintsville 0

Betsy Layne 35, Burch, W.Va. 22

Magoffin County 52, South Floyd 22

Saturday's scores

Covington Holy Cross 32, Pikeville 14 (Pike County Bowl)

Shelby Valley 35, Pike County Central 13 (Pike County Bowl)

Bobcats bench Burch, W.Va.

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BURCH, W.Va. — Betsy Layne evened its record to 1-1 Friday night following a 35-22 win over host Burch, W.Va. in a Kentucky-West Virginia high school football matchup. The Bobcats went out in front early on and held off the host team. Betsy Layne led 19-0 when the first quarter ended.

Casey Adkins led Betsy Layne offensively. In an outstanding effort, Adkins rushed 16 times for 235 yards and three touchdowns.

Korey Jarrell rushed eight times for 46 yards. Nathan Martin compiled 33 yards on a pair of carries for the Bobcats.

Martin was also effective through the air, completing five-of-seven passes for 102 yards and two touchdowns.

Adkins, Korey Jarrell and Bronston Jarrell hauled in the catches for the Bobcats.

Defensively, Adkins recorded a team-high 12 tackles for visiting Betsy Layne. Austin Hall followed with 10 tackles for the Bobcats. Korey Hall had eight tackles as Betsy Layne secured the non-district win.

The Bobcats opened the season at home with a loss to Bishop Brossart.

PC volleyball opens season in Tenn. tourney

TIMES STAFF REPORT

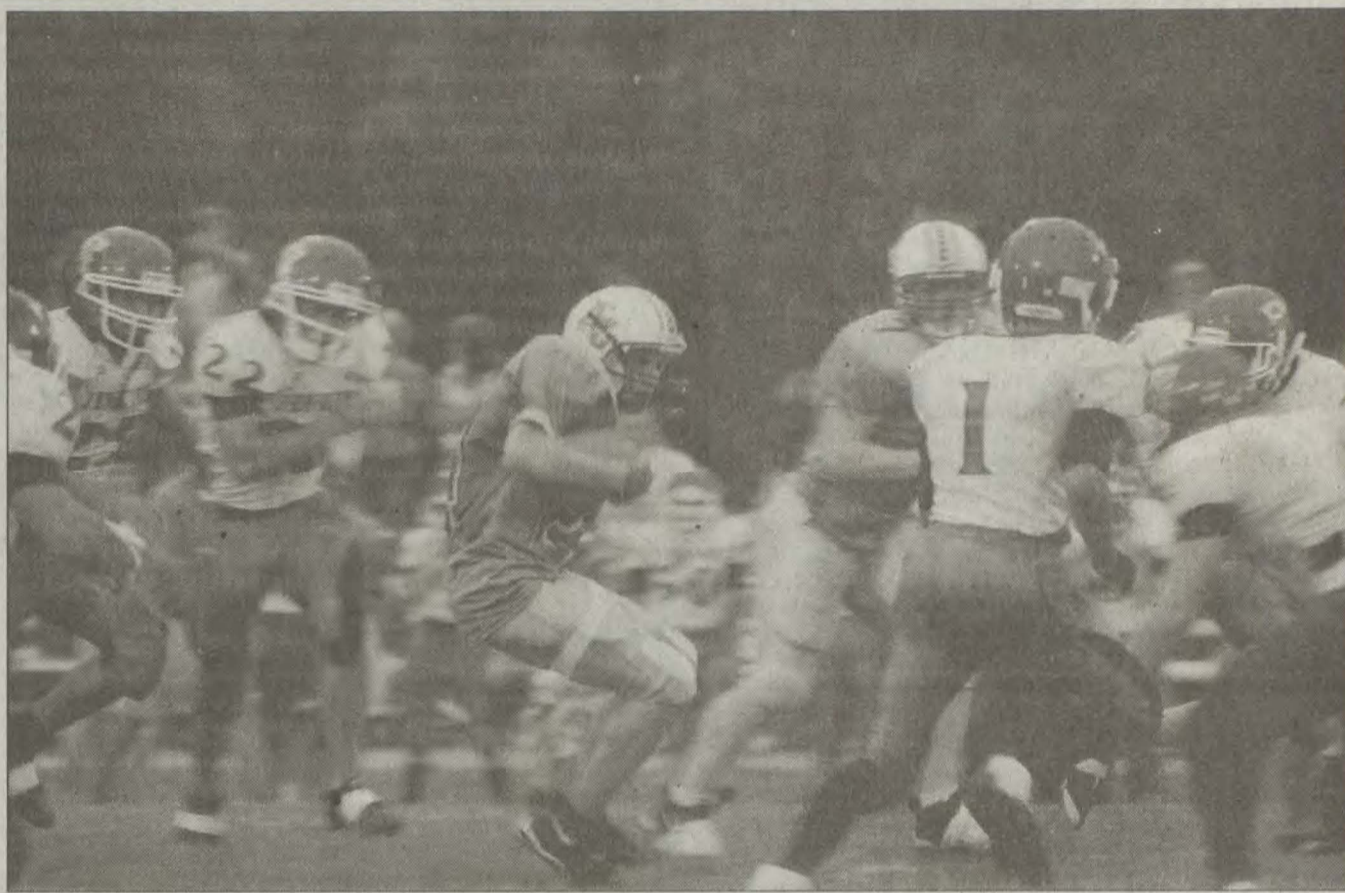
PIKEVILLE — The Pikeville College volleyball team opened the 2009 season in the Volleydewg Classic at Cumberland University in Lebanon, Tenn. Pikeville went 1-3 in the tournament.

Oakland City 3, PC 0: The young Lady Bears took one on the chin in the opener, falling 25-16, 25-17, 25-8. Senior Kristal Daniels led the offense with nine kills and recorded the only solo block of the match on the defensive side of the net. Junior Leah Harris had four kills as well. Sophomore Shelbi White recorded 16 digs, while freshman Brittany Hodge had seven.

PC 3, St. Catharine 0: In a preview of future Mid-South Conference action, Pikeville knocked off the Patriots 25-17, 25-11, 25-15. Five Lady Bears had at least four kills, led by freshman Holly Hyden's seven. Freshman Brooke Parrott, who had 20 assists, also recorded kills on all four of her attempts. White had 14 digs while Hyden added 10.

Cumberland 3, PC 0: The host improved to 3-0 on the season with a Saturday-morning win over Pikeville, taking the match 25-17, 25-16, 25-14. Seven different Lady Bears contributed to their 20 kills, led by Harris with five. Parrott had 18 assists while Hyden added 11 digs.

St. Catharine 3, PC 1: The Patriots won the rematch to take the consolation game on Saturday afternoon, winning the match 18-25, 32-20, 25-16, 26-24. Senior Elizabeth Mosley had four kills in the loss and nine digs to lead the team in both categories. Pikeville was credited with no blocks in the loss.



TRAVIS ATKINS was one of four Allen Central running backs to rush for over 100 yards in the season-opener versus Jenkins. Allen Central defeated the Cavaliers 62-0 in the opener.

Rebs rout Jenkins in season-opener, 62-0

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — Four different Allen Central running backs rushed for over 100 yards as the Rebels made a statement in their season-opener Friday night. Allen Central secured an early lead and never faltered en route to a convincing 62-0 win over visiting Jenkins.

Hunter Crowder led Allen Central on the ground, rushing 10 times for 152 yards and two touchdowns. Travis Atkins followed with 145 yards and one touchdown on a dozen carries. Justin Jackson rushed eight times for 137 yards and three touchdowns in the Allen Central victory.

Mickey Parsons rushed six times for 105 yards and one touchdown.

Chris Stumbo aided the Allen Central rushing attack with two touchdowns.

Allen Central used a diverse rushing attack in its season-opening contest. Josh Handshoe rushed for a pair of touchdowns and Micah Harlow contributed one score.

Allen Central was sharp from start to finish. Defensively, Allen Central

didn't allow Jenkins much.

"We came out and looked crisp and clean, which is one of the things that worried me," said Allen Central Coach Jeremy Hall. "They had one game under their belt and we did not. I think our scrimmages really helped us in that area. We had a couple of injuries, so some younger players got a chance to step up and did. I was very impressed with our sophomore class on defense. We had several players that played like veterans. Micah Harlow and Sheldon Rice, really stepped up at the outside linebacker positions. Travis Atkins stepped up and made some really good carries for our team, ending the game with 145 yards rushing."

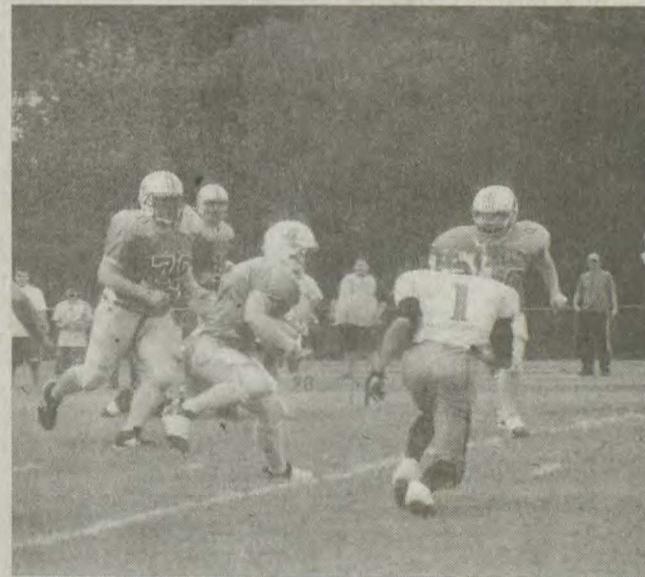
Allen Central features several weapons in its versatile offensive attack.

"I think everyone thought that we were just the Crowders," Hall added. "I think we showed Friday that we have several really talented players. We lost Logan Crowder on the second play of the game with a strained shoulder. Mickey Parsons and Travis Atkins really

(See REBELS, page ten)



MICKEY PARSONS



JUSTIN JACKSON

photo by Tony McGuire/
Hazard Herald

PRESTONSBURG SENIOR DEFENDER/MIDFIELDER DEVIN CLIFTON (33) is pictured in action against Hazard Saturday. Host Hazard defeated the visiting Blackcats 4-2 in the boys' high school soccer contest. More images from the game appear on Page A10.



Lady Cats open All 'A' 2-0

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — The Betsy Layne Ladycats opened play in the 15th Region All "A" Classic over the weekend. Betsy Layne went 2-0, posting hard-fought wins over Shelby Valley and South Floyd. The Ladycats blanked Shelby Valley 2-0. Betsy Layne held off district counterpart South Floyd 2-1 in a closer match.

The Ladycats started the tournament off early with a quick victory over Shelby Valley.

Cecelia Ray (two aces, one kill); Savannah Meade (one ace); Keleigh Wagner (six assists); Tayler Akers (three aces, one kill); Taylor Watkins (one ace, two kills); Allie Meade (two aces, three assists, five kills) and Audri Ray (three kills) played key roles in Betsy Layne's win over Shelby Valley.

The Ladycats then faced host South Floyd. Betsy Layne got off to a slow start and the Raiders were able to claim the first game 25-17. The Ladycats won the second game 25-16. Betsy Layne held off South Floyd late for a 25-23 win in the third and final game.

Cecelia Ray (two aces, two kills), Savannah Meade (six aces); Wagner (one ace, 14 assists, five kills, four digs); Akers (one ace, one dig)

Watkins (two aces, eight kills, three digs, three blocks); Allie Meade (11 assists, three kills, two digs) and Audri Ray (five kills, one dig, four blocks) paced the Ladycats in the win over South Floyd.

Rebs blank Pikeville, advance in All 'A' tournament

HI HAT — The Allen Central volleyball team defeated Pikeville Monday night in the second round of the 15th Region All "A" Tournament at South Floyd's Raider Arena. The Rebels topped the Panthers in two games, 25-18 and 25-20, and advanced to the winners' bracket semifinals matchup with Betsy Layne.

Freshman Ciara Jones led Allen Central with 13 kills on 94-percent hitting and registered three digs in the win.

"Ciara stepped up and absolutely answered the call — she had a fantastic night," said Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard. Her sister, Kelsey Jones pounded in six kills, two service aces, seven digs, returned 26 point attempts while committing one error, and blocked three and had seven partial blocks. Katie Dingus also slammed in six kills, landed two service aces, and had three partial blocks and two digs. Mandy Howard shot in five kills, set up a kill, and earned a dig. Courtney Hodge slapped in four kills and had a service ace. Hodge paced the Rebels defensively with 12 digs and returned 29 point attempts without an error. Junior Leigh Williams pitched in with 19 assists and a kill, landed a service ace, and dug up one. Fellow setter Jaimie Mullins dished up 13 kills and skidded in two aces. Libero Rebekah Potter dropped in two service aces and dug up six without an error. She also returned 17-of-18 Panther point attempts. Julie Halbert dug up 17 and returned 11 point attempts. Tiffany Burdzilaukas had a kill and dug up two.

Tune up your bow before archery deer season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Around this time of year, I glance up at my calendar and suddenly realize archery deer season is almost here. Rifling through a closet full of camo, boots and hunting equipment, I pull out my compound bow and feel guilty that I haven't shot it since last year.

I'm not the only one. Lots of hunters pick up their bows just before deer season. Thankfully, I work with some dedicated bowhunters who remind me not to just dust it off and climb into a tree stand. Hunters like Jennie Richardson. The world champion archer's competition bow is honed like a well-tuned sports car year-round, but in late summer she tunes up her family's hunting bows before they all take to the woods.

The first thing she checks is the string and cables. "The more heat in the area where you store your bow, the more the string and cables can stretch," Richardson said.

"One of the things I check is the nocking point, to make sure it hasn't changed since last year," she said, referring to the point where a shooter places the arrow on the bow string. "If it has changed, that means the string or cable has stretched."

Bill Mitchell, the foreman for Taylorsville Lake Wildlife Management Area and a frequent bowhunter, advises hunters to check for frays, separated strands, and excessive wear on the serving — the nylon string wrapped around

the bow string for protection. Ideally, he said, hunters should have let off the draw weight at the end of last season before putting their bows away. This takes some of the stress off the limbs during storage. He recommends hunters change their bow strings every three years for safety. Year-round shooters, he said, might want to change their strings every year.

"Before you change the string, take some measurements: where on the string the nocking point is — how far above or below center — and the same with the peep sight," Mitchell said. "You want to be able to emulate those measurements on the new string."

For hunters who don't have a bow press or don't feel comfortable changing their own string, archery shops will usually do this as a free service or for a small fee. While the string is off the bow, ask the technician to pull the axles out of your bow and re-grease them.

After checking the string and cables, Richardson looks for splinters on the bow's limbs, and loose screws where the sights, stabilizer and arrow rest attach to the bow.

"I'm going to do a visual observation to make sure the limbs are intact, the rest is secure, the bolts are tight," she said. "Due to the warming and cooling of the weather, if you don't store your bow in a constant temperature, things can move."

Next, wax the string and cables to protect them from moisture and wear. Go ahead

and crank down your bow's draw weight if everything else appears in good working order. You may need to start with a lower draw weight than you ended with last year — it often takes a few weeks of practice to re-build muscle. Start out slowly to prevent soreness and poor shooting form.

"For the person like me who pulls the bow out of the closet each year, you don't want to over-indulge in practice," Mitchell said. "The old saying is 'practice makes you good; good practice makes you perfect.'"

Shoot just a few arrows at a time, and stop before you get tired. Ending on a good note is not only good for your confidence, but also for your accuracy.

"You don't want to end when you've missed the target and your arrow has gone out into the field," said Mitchell. "You want to end with a group of arrows inside the space of a tennis ball, and say 'Now, it's time to go in for supper.'"

Kentucky's statewide archery deer season opens Sept. 5. For complete hunting regulations, pick up a copy of the 2009-10 Kentucky Hunting & Trapping Guide, available at fw.ky.gov and wherever hunting licenses are sold. Hunters should also be sure to visit fw.ky.gov to print an updated page 3 of the guide. The updated page clarifies equipment regulations for holders of valid concealed carry deadly weapon permits.



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PRESTONSBURG remains one of the newest boys' high school soccer programs in Eastern Kentucky.



Wildcats conduct final scrimmage

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The final preseason scrimmage for the latest edition of the University of Kentucky football team featured some nice performances by the Wildcat running backs, coinciding with some poor tackling by the second- and third-team defensive units, Coach Rich Brooks said Saturday afternoon.

The Wildcats scrimmaged for one hour, 45 minutes on the artificial field-turf surface at the Tim Couch Practice Fields, a similar surface on which the team will play the season opener in Cincinnati's Paul Brown Stadium.

The format featured the first-team offense against sec-

ond-team defense, second-team offense versus first-team defense, and the third-team units against each other. All facets of special teams were practiced, along with goal-line and two-minute drills.

"We had a lot of big, long scoring plays today, except against our first-string defense, they did not give one of those up," Brooks said. "Some sloppy tackling, some big plays. (Donald) Russell and (Dakota) Tyler made some good runs as well as Derrick Locke broke a long one and didn't get caught today. Moncell Allen ran well. Alfonso (Smith) broke a good run. I thought the backs performed pretty well."

Kentucky will take on the

Miami RedHawks on Sat. Sept. 5 in Cincinnati. The game will be a live telecast on ESPN beginning at noon.

New SEC TV Shows: The beginning of the new Southeastern Conference television contract means more opportunities to see the league. Here are the new weekly shows highlighting the SEC:

— SEC Gridiron Live — Wednesdays at 10 p.m. ET on Fox Sports South, Fox Sports Southwest, Fox Sports Houston and Sun Sports. The hosts are Charles Davis, Randy Cross, David Pollack and Cassidy Hubbarth.
— SEC Weekly — Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. ET on ESPN. Hosts are Cara Capuano and Matt Stinchcomb.

Rebels

stepped in and shined, giving the offense a little bit of a new look and a new excitement to some young players. Jackson and Hunter Crowder both played very well on the offensive side of the ball, putting up over 100 yards rushing and multiple TDs.

"Defensively we were very

aggressive. We got some big play out of our defensive secondary. Sheldon Rice our outside linebacker had a great game leading the team in tackles with six solos and one assist."

Allen Central didn't show any signs of rust after having Aug. 21 as the open date on its

schedule.

"Overall, I was very impressed with our level of play, especially from our younger guys," Hall said. "We do have several improvements that we are going to have to work on in the next couple of weeks, as we go into a stretch of very tough games."

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State football game times finalized

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Game times for the 2009 Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl were approved by the KHSAA Board of Control at a special August meeting.

The action begins on Friday, Dec. 4 at 11 a.m. central time with the Class 4A championship. The Class 2A championship follows at 3 p.m. with the Class 5A championship game scheduled to kick off at 7 p.m.

Saturday's contests will also kick off at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. The Class 3A championship game will be played first, followed by the Class 1A title game. The Class 6A championship will be the final game of the weekend.

All games will be played at the newly renovated Houchens/L.T. Smith Stadium on the campus of Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green. The

Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl will be played at WKU in 2009 and 2010 after more than 30 years in Louisville.

Hype Student Leadership Conference a big success: The annual HYPE/KHSAA Student Leadership Conference enjoyed one of the largest turnouts in its nine-year history as 461 students participated.

The conference held on Wednesday, Aug. 26 Heritage Hall in Lexington, featured teamwork exercises, sportsmanship initiatives and the chance to discuss current issues. Following an opening address from KHSAA Commissioner Brigid DeVries, students participated in breakout sessions that included leadership presentations by former University of Kentucky basketball player Cameron Mills and the Kentucky National Guard. Students also had a chance to get hands-on team building

experience through activities organized by UPS. Sarah Funston, a softball player for Morehead State University and a college facilitator at the National Federation of High Schools conference, challenged students to think critically and determine what qualities are common to good leaders.

Conference organizer Butch Cope has patterned the conference after the annual NFHS Student Leadership Conference in Indianapolis and has seen the effect the experience has had on Kentucky's student ambassadors when they return home to put on their own event.

"We've been at capacity each year and we're looking at ways of expanding it or taking it regionally to get even more people involved," said Cope. "We license and train coaches and officials, so this ties right back into our overall mission of helping student-athletes."

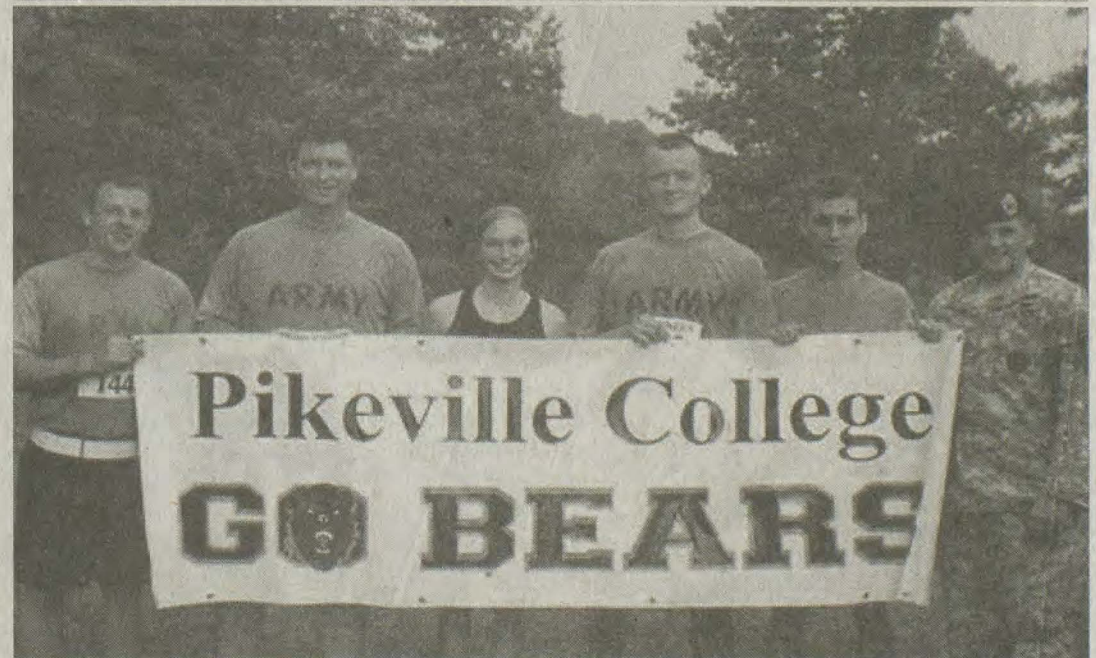
Pikeville College Army ROTC supports ACS event

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE — Pikeville College Army ROTC Cadets recently participated in the FAITH Runners sponsored "Run, Walk, or Crawl" trail event held at Paintsville Lake on the Paintsville Kiwanis Trail.

Cadets Brysen Perry, Matthew Doyle and Dakota Moore participated in the 10K event and finished in 58 minutes or less. Future cadet Kaitlyn Harper and ROTC instructor Cpt. Danny Prater participated in the 5K event. Sgt. 1st Class Jacob Goble of the Kentucky Army National Guard set a water station at the halfway point of the event.

The FAITH Runners organization raises money for the American Cancer Society in its fight against colon cancer. For more information on the organization, contact Jamie Salyer at faith_runners@yahoo.com.



Beaver Junction Motocross Race Results

DWALE — Beaver Junction Motocross hosted riders from numerous Eastern Kentucky counties Sunday. The track is scheduled to host its next raceday Sunday, Sept. 6. Beaver Junction Motocross race results from this past Sunday follow.

50 Jr.: 1. Tyler Osborne; 2. Connor Thacker; 50 Sr.: 1. Cameron Crider.
C/D Unlimited: 1. Austin Withem; 125 C: 1. Joe Bush; 125 B: 1. Cory Qualls; 85 Open: 1. Brady Prater, 2. Austin Osborne, 3. Gavin Belcher.
65 Open: 1. Dawson Hamilton, 2. Matt Belcher, Tyler Bowling (Non-Scored); 65 Sr.: 1. Dawson Hamilton; 125 D: 1. Alvin Withem, 2. Sabrina Arnett; 250 D: 1. Jason Rattliff; 125 AM 2 Stroke: 1. Austin Withem; 85 Jr.: 1. Jordon Haggins, 2. Dalton Withem, 3. Dawson Hamilton, 4. Kolby Adkins, 5. Gavin Belcher; 85 Sr.: 1. Brady Prater, 2. Austin Osborne; 50 Open: 1. Tyler Osborne, 2. Cameron Crider; 70-110 Auto: 1. Zack McClellan, 2. Chance Francis; 250 C: 1. Joe Bush, 2. Marcus Walters, 3. Austin Withem; 65 Jr.: 1. Tyler Haggins, 2. Zack McClellan, 3. Austin Bartram, 4. Memphis Withem, 5. Matt Belcher, Tyler Bowling (Non-Scored).

Sensational Snacktivities at Home

FAMILY FEATURES

Getting creative with snack time is an activity the whole family can enjoy. And when it comes to making delicious, fun and contemporary treats, the Jellymongers have turned fun into an art form.

The Jellymongers, Sam Bompas and Harry Parr, are big fans of JELL-O gelatin and are masters when it comes to using it to create spectacular works of art. They have achieved worldwide recognition for their eye-catching sculptures and monuments from their native England. According to Bompas and Parr, making JELL-O creations is a perfect way to have fun in the kitchen. They have put together a few quick tips for some sensational snacks that can be tried at home:

- Everyday home items can be used to create fun shapes — the only limit is your creativity! Try setting JELL-O in ice cube trays, cupcake pans or reusable plastic containers.
- When making the gelatin, stir in fruit or substitute juice for some of the water for an extra fruity creation.
- Looking to give your gelatin a firmer set? Try adding KNOX gelatin to help your shapes and molds keep their form. Perfect for bite-sized snacks!
- To easily release a masterpiece from its mold, dip mold in a bowl of hot water for a few seconds. Wet a sturdy plate, place on top of the mold and invert. The JELL-O will slip out onto the plate for display.

"JELL-O gelatin has a great collection of snack ideas that are fun to make, and even more fun to eat," says Bompas. "These everyday snacks are easy to do at home and take 20 minutes or less to prepare."

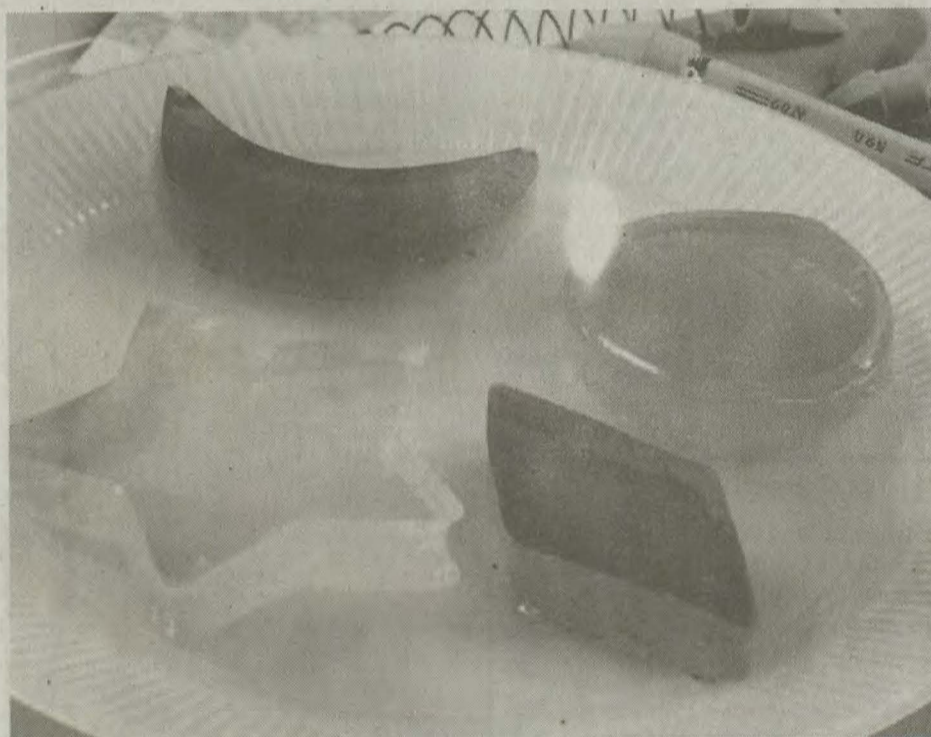
The classic JELL-O JIGGLERS recipe serves as a wonderful "snacktivity" for small hands. From moons and stars to racecars and footballs, you can create endless, fun shapes with a pan of gelatin and cookie cutters. Finger Gelatin is another bite-sized snack idea, perfect for parties or an afternoon treat.

It's mix and match time! Unleash inner creativity with Jellin'-Melon, by combining your favorite fruit and gelatin flavor. Try chilling lime gelatin in a hollowed out cantaloupe for a refreshing citrus treat. With all the possible combinations, this makes for an extra special snack time treat.

For more information, creative recipe ideas and special savings, visit www.jello.com.



London's St. Paul's Cathedral
by Bompas and Parr



JELL-O JIGGLERS



Finger Gelatin

"Jellin'-Melon" Snacks

Prep Time: 15 min. plus refrigerating
Makes: 8 servings

- 1 cantaloupe, or other melon, cut lengthwise in half
- 3/4 cup boiling water
- 1 pkg. (3 oz.) JELL-O Lime Flavor Gelatin
- 1/2 cup cold water

REMOVE seeds from melon halves; cut thin slice from bottom of each half. Scoop out melon flesh, leaving 1-inch-thick shells. Place upside-down on paper towels to drain.

ADD boiling water to gelatin mix; stir 2 min. until completely dissolved. Stir in cold water. Refrigerate 15 min. or until slightly thickened. Pour into melon shells.

REFRIGERATE 3 hours or until gelatin is set. Cut into wedges.

JELL-O JIGGLERS

Prep Time: 10 min.
Total Time: 3 hours 10 min. (incl. refrigerating)
Makes: 2 doz. or 24 servings, 1 JIGGLER each

- 2 1/2 cups boiling water (Do not add cold water)
- 2 pkg. (6 oz. each) JELL-O Gelatin, any flavor

STIR boiling water into dry gelatin mix in large bowl at least 3 min. until completely dissolved. Pour into 13x9-inch pan.

REFRIGERATE at least 3 hours or until firm.

DIP bottom of pan in warm water 15 sec. Cut into 24 decorative shapes using 2-inch cookie cutters, being careful to cut all the way through gelatin to bottom of pan. Lift JIGGLERS from pan. Reserve scraps for snacking. Store in tightly covered container in refrigerator.

Finger Gelatin

Prep Time: 20 min.
Total Time: 1 hour 20 min.
Makes: 12 servings, about 12 squares each

- 3 pkg. (4-serving size each) JELL-O Raspberry Flavor Gelatin
- 4 envelopes KNOX Unflavored Gelatin
- 4 cups boiling water

MIX both gelatins in large bowl; stir in boiling water until completely dissolved.

POUR into 13x9-inch pan. Refrigerate 1 hour or until firm.

CUT gelatin mixture into small squares. Store in tightly covered container in refrigerator.

"Jellin'-Melon" Snacks Courtesy of "Woman's Day Magazine"

Layered Mousse Bites

Prep Time: 10 min.
Total Time: 3 hours 10 min.
Makes: 9 servings

- 2 1/2 cups boiling water
- 2 pkg. (3 oz. each) JELL-O Strawberry Flavor Gelatin
- 2 cups thawed COOL WHIP Whipped Topping

ADD boiling water to gelatin mixes in medium bowl; stir with whisk for 2 minutes until completely dissolved. Stir in COOL WHIP until well blended.

POUR into 8-inch square pan.

REFRIGERATE for 3 hours or until firm. Cut into 36 pieces.

Patriotic Parfaits

Prep Time: 10 min.
Total Time: 4 hours 10 min.
Makes: 9 servings

- 2 cups boiling water
- 1 pkg. (6 oz.) or 2 pkg. (3 oz. each) JELL-O Berry Blue Flavor Gelatin
- 2 cups cold water
- 1 tub (8 oz.) COOL WHIP Whipped Topping, thawed, divided
- 1 cup fresh strawberries, halved

ADD boiling water to gelatin mix in large bowl; stir for 2 minutes until completely dissolved. Stir in cold water. Pour into 9 parfait or dessert glasses.

REFRIGERATE for 4 hours or until firm.

SPOON 2 cups COOL WHIP over desserts; top with berries and remaining COOL WHIP.

Juicy Gelatin

Prep Time: 5 min.
Total Time: 4 hours 5 min.
Makes: 4 servings

- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 pkg. (4-serving size) JELL-O Strawberry Flavor Sugar Free Gelatin
- 1 cup cold orange juice

STIR boiling water into gelatin in medium bowl for at least 2 minutes until completely dissolved. Stir in orange juice.

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and Shirley Paige, Purvis and Ruby J. Hamilton, Daniel C. and Kathleen Newsome, Richard Hamilton et al., Arnold Turner Jr. et al., Maggie Hamilton, Keathley Enterprises, LLC, Joseph C. Akers, Alvin & Bonnie P. Osborne, Burlblene 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 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, 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/Permit No. 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 applica-

tion 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 Saltlick 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 \$11,900.00 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.

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 with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, 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 on 07-2-2009. The 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 Saltlick

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 \$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 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 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 with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by October 14, 2009. This is the final advertisement of this application: All comments, objections or requests for a conference or hearing must be received within 30 days of the day of this notice.

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 sur-

face 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 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 Mine 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.

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 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.

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 the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.
(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.
(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County

Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2009, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent city and county ad valorem taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) 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.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd M a s t e r C o m m i s s i o n e r

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
CASE NO. 08-CI-1109
CHUCK ALLEN and 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 smoke 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.

Beginning at a point on the Henpen Creek Road which is exactly 15 (fifteen) feet above my smoke house at the point opposite said smoke 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.

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

Also referenced is the Will of Levi Tackett, recorded in Will Book C, Page 425, 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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(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

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Joshua K. Lawson. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is COUNTRY'S ROADHOUSE. The nature of the business will be DANCING, POOL TABLES, DJ's, LIVE BANDS, AND RESTAURANT, location is 11037 US 23 HWY. SOUTH, BETSY LAYNE, KY 41605. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than September 17, 2009, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated, and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.
Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for September 17, 2009, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.
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Conway warns senior citizens not to fall for 'grandparents scam'

FRANKFORT — Attorney General Jack Conway is warning Kentuckians about a phone scam that targets grandparents. Conway's Office of Consumer Protection has received calls from concerned consumers about the so-called "Grandparents Scam," also known as the "Emergency Scam." At least one victim in Kentucky was conned out of \$6,000.

"Sadly, senior citizens are often targets of these types of fraudulent schemes," said General Conway. "My office is committed to fighting the financial exploitation of the elderly, which can have as devastating an impact as physical abuse." The "Grandparents Scam" preys upon the love and concern grandparents have for their grandchildren in order to

obtain money. In a typical scenario, the victim will receive a frantic phone call from someone claiming to be their grandchild who is in Canada. The caller says that they are in an emergency, usually having been arrested or involved in a car accident, and need money to post bail or pay for car repairs or medical bills. The caller then requests that the victim send money to them through a money transfer company, usually in an amount of several thousand dollars. The scammers don't identify themselves by name, simply saying, "It's me, your favorite grandchild," leaving the victim to guess at the caller's identity. Once the victim does that, all

the caller has to do is affirm that identity. Callers also request that their victims keep the phone call a secret and act quickly to wire the money. Concerned and eager to help, victims often don't attempt to make contact with other relatives to verify that their grandchild is in Canada. This scam originated in the early '90s, prompting the creation of the Canadian Anti-Fraud Call Center (CAFCC), but has become more common of late, with 128 incidents reported to the CAFCC in 2007 and more than 350 in 2008. But despite the increase in frequency, the scammers are often difficult to track down, because often the calls don't

originate from Canada at all, but from countries overseas. In order to prevent this type of scam, Kentuckians are urged to verify the caller's identity. Rather than providing the name of a grandchild, instead ask for the caller's name. You can also ask a question that only the grandchild would know, such as the name of their childhood pet. Also, only wire money to trusted friends. "Wiring money is one of the most common ways consumers lose money to con artists. Scams are frequently conducted using money trans-

fer services and the funds are rarely recoverable," cautioned General Conway. Consumers who suspect they have been a victim of a scam can call the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Hotline at 1-888-432-9257 or visit <http://ag.ky.gov/civil/consumerprotection>.



Highlands Regional Medical Center congratulates Dovie Berndt, LPN, August Employee of the Month, on her second time receiving this honor. The Employee of the Month award was presented to her at a small gathering on Monday, Aug. 10. Dovie works on the second floor of the Medical Center and has been serving at Highlands Regional Medical Center for 24 years. Dovie is spoken highly of by her peers. "She is always looking for ways to improve patient care. I look up to this person because she is a good nurse, but also because she never hesitates to help the other staff members," a fellow employee said commenting on Dovie's exemplary presence in the workplace. They went on to say "I have never seen a nurse work as hard as Dovie."

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The family of Annette B. Tackett wishes to express our sincere appreciation to friends, relatives, and neighbors, in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, floral arrangements, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Dr. Anthony Stumbo and staff; Pastor Steve Richardson and family; the sheriff's department for assisting with traffic control; and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

God Bless.
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In Loving Memory of our Grandmother
Zada Artrip Shannon
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Mom-Ma, it's been 15 years since you left us, and we miss you just as much as ever. Our memories are so precious to you. They remind us how you gave so much of yourself to everyone. Your devout devotion to God is being carried on through us all. You were such a loving and giving grandmother. No grandchildren anywhere, could ask any more.

Love you always,
Sandy, Connie, Dicky, Kim, Jeff, Dicky Joe,
Scott, Jimmy, and Jason

In Loving Appreciation
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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

A well-deserved 'fate worse than death'

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

Red imported fire ants -- can't live with 'em, can't get rid of 'em. Or can we?

Thanks to the scientists at the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), the answer to that second question looks increasingly like, "Yes, we can!" (Hey, Mr. President, hope you don't mind if we borrow your catchphrase.)

Red imported fire ants have been plaguing parts of this country since they landed in Mobile, Ala., in the 1930s. But the scientists at ARS have been waging war against these pests for more than two decades now, in an effort that's reached from the States to South America and back, and they've come up with some powerful weapons.

Scientists at ARS' South American Biological Control Laboratory in Hurlingham, Argentina, have made well over 340 field trips in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay to study the fire ants and their natural enemies, covering some 350,000 kilometers of territory in the process.

The South American-based ARS scientists have swapped findings and expertise with ARS scientists at the agency's Center for Medical, Agricultural and Veterinary Entomology in Gainesville, Fla., with fruitful results.

In the past decade, the ARS scientists have released tiny flies called phorid flies -- natural enemies of the fire ant in the ants' native South America -- with devastating results for the ants. The female phorid fly has a very nasty habit: She dive-bombs the ant and jabs it with a needle-like tube. When she pierces the ant's body with that tube, she's actually laying an egg inside the ant.

When the egg hatches into a maggot a few weeks later, the maggot starts eating the fire ant from the inside out. Finally, it tunnels into the ant's head, which eventually falls off, allowing the new phorid fly to emerge and go hunting for fresh prey in the form of more fire ants. But don't worry; if you're not a fire ant, there's no reason to fear these flies, because they're harmless to animals, humans, and insects other than the fire ants.

If you want to have a little bit of gruesome fun, check out the videos -- complete with cool soundtracks -- online at <http://www.ars.usda.gov/is/video/vnr/phorid.htm>. You can watch phorid flies in hot pursuit of fire ants, and see a baby phorid fly pop out of a dead ant's head. Viewer discretion advised: These are not for the squeamish!

As if the phorid flies themselves weren't a horrendous enough fate for the fire ants, the ARS scientists have come up with a new twist on the nightmare. They're looking into pairing the phorid flies with the microscopic pathogens *Kneallhazia solenopsae* and *Vairimorpha invictae*, known as microsporidia. These types of pathogens have been associated with localized declines of 53 to 100 percent in fire ant populations in Argentina. The idea is to use the phorid flies to carry the pathogens right to the fire ants.

The scientists say the data so far indicate that while *V. invictae* hasn't been successfully transmitted to phorid flies effectively, *K. solenopsae* looks like a winner. The ARS scientists were able to infect phorid flies with *K. solenopsae* without harming the flies. The next step is determine whether the infected flies are able to infect the red imported fire ants with the microsporidia.

K. solenopsae not only reduces the size of the fire ant colony, it also reduces the number of reproducing ants and affects the survival of the fire ant queen.

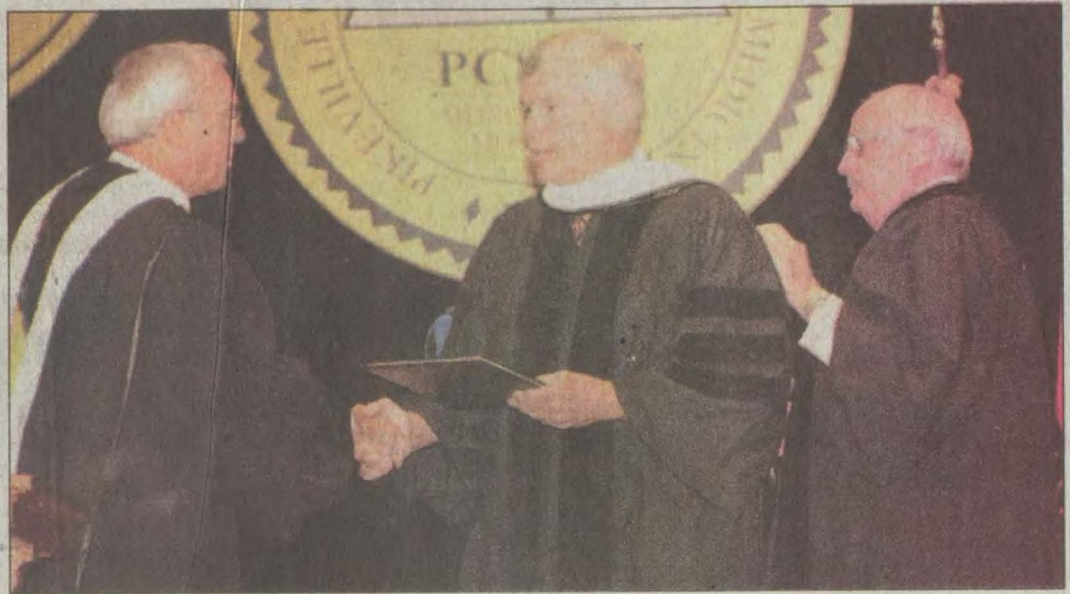
Fire ants are a mystery in many ways, as it turns out. It's always been thought that fire ants weren't a domi-

Pikeville College celebrates 121 years

PIKEVILLE -- William J. Baird III is presented with an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree by Pikeville College President Paul E. Patton during the College's Opening Convocation.

Baird was recognized for his special interest and leadership in improving educational opportunities for students, and for his lifetime efforts to demonstrate, through ideas and deeds, the humanity of all peoples, no matter their station or lot in life.

In his message to the campus family, Baird said his will always be thankful for the education he received at both the Pikeville College Training School and the undergraduate College.



Pictured, from left, Patton, Baird and Terry Dotson, chairman of the board of trustees at Pikeville College.

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by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

Carl Jarrell, Jr., known to many as "CJ the DJ," has released a new album featuring an array of bluegrass royalty, and the album is already getting great reviews from local and regional radio stations.

Jarrell, who grew up near Prestonsburg and still lives in Floyd County, started exploring the world of music at a very early age.

"I started singing at age 4," Jarrell said. "When I was growing up, we always had music around the house. We had an old floor-model record player back in the '70's, and my mom always had bluegrass and country music playing. We'd have Ralph Stanley for breakfast and Loretta Lynn for supper. I've traced my family lineage and found that our family was related to the famous Carter Family and Stanley Brothers. Most all my relatives, uncles and cousins could play and sing. On summer evenings, you could hear the banjos ring off the hill-sides."

The new album, titled "Music Among Friends," features Ralph Stanley, Doyle Lawson, Jack Greene and Melvin Goins. The album was recorded at Big Appal Studios and produced by Danny Huff on the Big Appal Music label.

"It's something I've wanted to do for a long time," Jarrell said. "I've got several duets on the album with some of my long-time country and bluegrass friends."

Along with being an accomplished musician, Jarrell is also a well-known radio personality with 20 years in the broadcasting business.



Kentucky State Police Trooper Mike Goble, public affairs officer for KSP Post 9 in Pikeville, explains traffic signals to children at the Safety Town exhibit at the Kentucky State Fair in Louisville. The exhibit teaches children basic safety rules as they ride tricycles through a miniature city featuring traffic lights, stop signs and buildings.

photo by Les Williams, KSP Media Relations Branch

YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(Aug. 27 and Sept. 1, 1999)

A 17-year-old driver who led officers in a pre-dawn chase on U.S. 23, in Floyd and Johnson counties, was transported to the Big Sandy Detention Center in Paintsville, where his friends Melinda Brooks, 21, and a 15-year-old juvenile both of Busy, in Perry County, had already been taken.

The Route 23 Cultural Heritage Network, in existence since June of this year, met at the Hindman Settlement School on Tuesday, to make plans and exchange information about local events for visitors and tourists to the eight counties along the U.S. 23 corridor.

Tim Maynard, 19, of Johns Creek, is the proud recipient of a NASCAR Dream package, sponsored by the Dream Factory of Prestonsburg, and the Miller Coal Company of Hazard. He and his family are in Bristol, this weekend, for NASCAR racing activities.

The US Department of Agriculture, Rural Development wing is lending \$183,200 to Mountain Comprehensive Care Center to expand its facility at Minnie and to purchase a building in Prestonsburg.

A cooperative, educational and economic endeavor, between the county and the public school system, attracted some questions from Floyd County Board of Education members at their regular meeting, Monday night. Board members took a cautious look at the aquaponics project that has been scheduled for South Floyd High School.

Sykes Enterprises, the Tampa-based company, with the assistance of regional and state dignitaries, broke ground Monday, for a 42,500-square foot building at the Mossy Bottom Industrial Park in northern Pike County, close to the Floyd County line.

The Floyd County Grand Jury handed down an indictment on August 16, against James Mitchell Howell, 44, of Prestonsburg. Howell was indicted on two separate first-degree rape charges, both Class A felonies, one count of sexual abuse, a class D felony, and one count of persistent felony offender, a class C felony.

Dennis Lafferty of Cliffside, in Prestonsburg, has filed suit against Bryco Arms, a gun manufacturer based in Costa Mesa, California. According to attorney Brent Turner, Lafferty purchased a Jennings model 9 nine-millimeter pistol in 1998. When Lafferty starting shooting the gun, it went into a fully automatic mode, and shot him in the hand. The complaint claims that the accident, was caused by negligent design or manufacture of the gun.

It would take a miracle to avert a strike by Highlands Regional Medical Center employees, including registered nurses, at this late date, according to Kathy McCormick, administrative organizer for the union that represents the hospital workers. Eric Keathley, a 14-year-old Betsy Layne High School freshman, spent a week in Huntsville, Alabama, this summer attending the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Academy.

There died: Ike Conn, 83, of Martin, Tuesday, August 25, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin; Anny Howell, 75, of Dana, Tuesday, August 24, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg; Harold D. Yates, 59, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, August 24, at his residence; Charles Frank Bennett, 97, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, August 24, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Gregory Wayne Bailey, 47, of Hueysville, Monday, August 30, at the Dickenson County Medical Center, Clintwood, Virginia; Lee Akers, 91, of Grethel, Sunday, August 29, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Hazel Beatrice Case, 77, of New London, Ohio, Sunday, August 29, at Gaymont Nursing Center in Norwalk, Ohio; Laurel Janice Gilde, 59, of Georgetown, Thursday, August 19, at the Georgetown Community Hospital; Joetta Adkins, 78, of Arkansas Creek, Martin, Saturday, August 28, at her residence.

Twenty Years Ago

(Aug. 30 and Sept. 1, 1989)

Floyd County school officials, teachers and parents received a pleasant surprise, this week—students' basic skills test scores are up since last year and are above what projections indicated they would be. Floyd County scored 47.2 district-wide, 2.8 points below the national norm, and 154th out of the state's 177 school system.

The University of Kentucky Board of Trustees recently approved a \$20.5 million bond sale, and \$3.1 million of this will be set aside to help fund the construction of a new science building at Prestonsburg Community College.

Beginning this week, members of the Auxier Volunteer Fire Department won't have to call each other when local residents report a blaze. The department recently received 12 beepers and two two-way hand-held radios, and assistance from the Prestonsburg Fire Department, as well.

Prestonsburg's "Going for the Gold" in Kentucky's municipal equivalent of the Olympics. The city is seeking a fifth consecutive year as a Certified City, which will make it a Gold Certified City, designated by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

There will be a sea of purple this weekend as more than 1,000 alumni of the now-defunct Martin High School gather for their annual reunion. The theme is "Come Home to Martin, Part II. The Saga Continues."

There died: Solomon "Dee" Adkins, 75, of Hueysville, August 26, at his residence; Callie M. Branham, 61, of Willard, Ohio, formerly of Wayland, August 22, at Firelands Community Hospital in Sandusky, Ohio; Barzell F. "Sock" Brown, 83, of McDowell, August 26, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; James William Hunter, 66, of Taylor, Michigan, formerly of Martin, August 27, at Riverside Osteopathic Hospital in Trenton, Michigan; George (Bud) Lafferty, 77, of Water Gap, August 26, at his residence; Nora Lewis, 75, of Prestonsburg, August 24, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Icy Little, 68, of David, August 24, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Dora Mulkey, 77, of Martin, August 26, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; James Thedford Reeves, 66, of Melvin, August 27, at University of Cincinnati Hospital; Enoch Spears, 81, of John's Creek, August 28, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ogden Armour Stewart, 70, of Irvine, California, formerly of Langley, August 14, at a hospital near his home; Geneva Joseph, 71, of Prestonsburg, August 28, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Katherine Gibson Tackett, 65, of Prestonsburg, August 29, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; William Thomas Conley, 60, formerly of Bonanza, recently, at a Veterans Hospital in Seattle, Washington.

Thirty Years Ago

(September 5, 1979)

The purchase of Wheelwright by Mountain Investments Inc., continues, despite the questions of property ownership. Some Wheelwright residents are believed to have purchased their homes from prior owners of the town, but apparently never had the deeds registered.

Congressman Carl D. Perkins and Democratic gubernatorial candidate John Y. Brown Jr., spoke to a group of about 500 miners and their families this past Labor Day.

The Floyd County Fair begins this week, with Ron and Ellen Daniels, country-rock singers, to perform Saturday.

At the annual UMW Labor Day celebration at Archer Park, District 30 officials predicted a possible strike in 1981.

Bail has been set at \$50,000 for 63-year-old West Prestonsburg man, Robert Craft Sr., after being charged with first degree assault of Capt. Keith Lawson, 32, of the Prestonsburg police force.

A roof-fall in the Wagner Brothers Coal Company mine at Grethel, last Friday night, claimed the life of Sandy Bray, 28, of Fords Branch, Pikeville.

There died: Boomer Prater, 92, of Garrett, at the Appalachian Regional Hospital, Hazard; Isaiah Conn, 72, of Arkansas Creek, near Martin, at his home, Sunday; Lillie Clark Kidd, 67, of Harold, Saturday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Darrell Joe Stephens, 16, of Dwarf,

fatally shot on Combs Branch in a hunting accident; Albert Ramey, 74, of Water Gap, Saturday, at his home; Leander Jack Burchett, 75, of McDowell, Monday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Burley Thompson of Lima, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, August 13; Julie Greene Dixon, 82, of Miners Branch near Water Gap, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Burley Thompson of Lima, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, August 13; Julie Greene Dixon, 82, of Miners Branch near Water Gap, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Edith Baldrige Elkins, 72, of East Point, Sunday, at her home; Rhoda G. Reed, 74, of Dayton, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, August 27; and Henry Preston "Buck" Scaif, 76, of Stanville, well-known eastern Kentucky historian, and former Floyd County Times news writer, Sunday, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington.

Construction of 78 low-rent housing units proposed for the Goble-Roberts Addition of Prestonsburg must await final approval of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, it was said this week.

There died: Rebecca Ellis, 59, Wednesday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Herbert Baldrige, 68, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; John Ousley, 87, of Risner, Monday, at Paintsville.

Fifty Years Ago

(September 3, 1959)

The Floyd Fiscal Court approved a budget of \$1,984,798 for the Floyd County Board of Education, during the fiscal year which began July 1.

Average daily motor traffic entering or leaving Prestonsburg on the south end of town is 4,800, according to a recent compilation of figures.

Population studies made before and after work to remove shad and rough fish from Dewey Lake offer conclusive evidence that the program, carried on by the Division of Fisheries, should be continued this year, according to Bernard Carter, director of the division.

(See YESTERDAYS, page four)

Forty Years Ago

(September 4, 1969)

The sale and use of marijuana, centering mainly in the Prestonsburg area, are specific targets of a current probe of the Floyd Circuit Court Grand Jury.

Floyd County's Edward P. Hill will become chief justice of the Kentucky Court of Appeals when it convenes for the fall term, next Monday.

Healthy Living With DIABETES

Saturday, September 12, 2009
9:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

Highlands Regional Medical Center
Medical Office Building
Meeting Place A and B - First Floor

- Heart Healthy Breakfast
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For Registration: Debbie Ousley, RN-BC, CDE

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Saturday, September 12th, 2009 starting at 7:00am

Historic Downtown Prestonsburg, Kentucky

All proceeds benefit Visit www.active.com for registration.

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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.

Little Mud Community Development program announces reunion

The Little Mud Community Development program announces that Spruce Pine Elementary Reunion and Community Homecoming will be held Saturday, September 5, at 6 p.m., at the Little Mud Community Center, (formerly Spruce Pine Elementary). Everyone please bring a covered dish of your choice. Local bands; all musicians welcome. Everyone Welcome! Free Food!

Joseph & Frances Henson Reynolds family reunion is set

The Joseph & Frances Reynolds family reunion will be held Saturday, September 19, at 10 a.m., at Jenny Wiley State Park, at the Pines. If you have any questions, please call: Wanda B. Reynolds Harmon, 606-874-9104, or Lucille Reynolds Bush, 606-478-5595.

Dwale Post Office offers Homecoming Cancellation

The Dwale Post Office has a special cancellation for the upcoming celebration of Dwale Homecoming. Beginning Saturday, September 5, you can get your postcards and/or letters cancelled with the special cancellation. Come and support your local post office and community by taking home a piece of history in the making. The special cancellation stamp will be available for 30 days. Your request can also be mailed to: Dwale Homecoming Station Postmaster, R.O. Box 9998 41621.

Dwale Homecoming planned Saturday, September 5

The Dwale Homecoming will

be held Saturday, September 5. Memorial services is 1 p.m.; dinner is 2 p.m., at the Dwale Shelter. All are welcome.

Morrison Reunion planned Sunday, September 6

The Morrison reunion is Sunday, September 6, at 10 a.m.-? at Shelter No. 4, at the Dewey Dam spillway. Please plan to attend and bring a covered dish. All family and friends welcome.

Kenneth Warren Huffman Memorial 36th Annual Tennis Tournament

September 4-7, 5:30 p.m., Friday-5:30 p.m., Monday, at Bob Amos Park, in Pikeville. Proceeds to benefit a 2009-2010 graduating high school senior in the 15th region in getting an education while playing college tennis. A Mountain Tennis Circuit Event. Entry deadline is 5 p.m., August 30.

Visit our tournament web page at: www.mtcctennis.org or www.piketennis.org or call Lee Smith at 606-205-2751 or Ron Compton at 606-794-1762. Or you can send an e-mail to: huffmanmemorialtournament@hotmail.com

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.

Second Annual Old Time Camp Meeting day is set

The Second Annual Old Time Camp Meeting day will be held at the Stumbo Park, at Allen, on September 19, from 10 a.m.-?. Gospel singing and worship serv-ice. Free hamburgers, hot dogs and soft drinks.

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.

National Recovery Month celebration is planned by New Beginnings

New Beginnings, in Dryden, Virginia, a treatment facility for Substance Abuse, will have a celebration in recognition of National Abuse Recovery Month on Saturday, September 19, and Sunday, September 20, from noon to 6 p.m. Everyone who supports recovery is invited to attend. There is no charge for admission. There will be live music, guest speakers, food, and fun, also door prizes and raffle tickets for great items. Don't forget to bring your lawn chair or blanket. Questions? Call 276-546-4300.

Eighth Annual Eastern Genealogy Conference

The 8th annual Eastern Kentucky Genealogy Conference will be held September 18-20, at the Ramada Inn in Paintsville. This event, which promotes the research and preservation of eastern Kentucky Family History, offers a wealth of information for any family historian with ties to eastern Kentucky. The conference provides both the novice and veteran researcher the opportunity to connect with others researching the same surnames and many "brick walls" have been broken down as a result of these connections. The Kentucky Historical Society, Kentucky Genealogical Society and several Eastern Kentucky Historical and Genealogical Societies will be represented as well as numerous researchers from across the country. The complete agenda, registration and contact information are available on the conference web site: www.ekygc.com

Become a Volunteer with Victim Services Program

You are more likely to be hurt by someone whom you know rather than be assaulted on Kentucky's streets by a total stranger. Learn to assist victims of sexual assault, child abuse and domestic violence by becoming a Volunteer with Victim Services Program. Call today to receive an application for our free training program. Call the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-4323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

The Auxier Center 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 Rieter

(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

Froschquer

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.

Space is limited! Call 606-886-0709 today for reservations.

21 South River Street, Auxier, Kentucky 41602

The Auxier Center a program of Hand in Hand Ministries

Mathias Hughes & Lydia Margaret Baldrige Family Reunion

The family and their descendants of Linda E. Hughes (m) Jake Marsillett; Mary Darcus Hughes (m) John Wright; Sarah (Sally) Hughes (m) James Marsillett; John Malcolm Hughes (m) Sally Johnson; James (Jim) Henery Hughes (m) Ida Marsillett, will be held September 6, starting at 10 a.m., at the home of Delmer and Dearl Faye Holbrook, 143 Holbrook Hollow Road, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, phone 606-886-8481.

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.

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.

Highlands Regional Medical Center

Community Calendar August 2009

GED Classes

Aug. 24th, 31st

Floyd Room - Basement of the Highlands Regional Hospital, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

GED Classes

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

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

(See CALENDAR, page four)

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Dewey and Winnie Ousley, of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the engagement of their granddaughter, Miss Mallory Anne Ousley, daughter of Bill Crider II and the late Sandra Ousley Shepherd of Prestonsburg to Mr. Randall Justin Kidd, son of Samantha and Edward Clark III and the late Randy Joe Kidd, of Harold. The couple plan to wed on Sept. 5, at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church.



Ray and Bobbie Lynn Jones, of Melvin, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their son, Jason Ray, to Heather Lynn Meece, daughter of Anita Jane Baldwin, of Paintsville. The couple will exchange vows on Sept. 26, at 2:30 p.m. at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church. The reception will be held at the church immediately following the ceremony. The custom of an open church will be observed. The couple will reside at Melvin following the honeymoon.

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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: patricia.466@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 889-8260 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 Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

Science

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nant species in their native territory, but more recent studies by the ARS scientists have shown that's not the case.

In studies of more than 100 ant species in natural and modified environments in northern Argentina, the fire ants proved to be the most numerically and behaviorally dominant, winning 78 percent of interactions with other ants, even against their most fierce competitor, *Pheidole obscurithorax*. And in battles with the Argentine ant, *Linepithema humile*, the fire

ant won 80 percent of the time. Sounds like when -- not if -- the red fire ants finally go down in defeat, no one in Argentina will cry for them ... and we sure won't miss them here!

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

The fund-raising drive to continue with the training or education of Floyd County's retarded children will be launched Monday evening, September 14, with a kick-off dinner at the Prestonsburg High School.

The home of Mr and Mrs. Edgar Wright of the Winchester section near Emma, burned down Friday evening.

There died: Ethel Fraley, 17, of Stratton Branch, Sunday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Polly (Dove) Frasure, 78, last Wednesday, at her home at Langley; Andy Newsome, 67, of Pike County, formerly of Floyd County, August 26, at home.

Sixty Years Ago
(September 8, 1949)

"Floyd, Pike and Harlan counties in Kentucky, and Cook County in Illinois, have the name of being the country's most lawless," Circuit Judge Edward P. Hill told the grand and petit juries, Monday morning.

As Prestonsburg's garage shutdown entered its second week, Wednesday, the Hughes Motor Company and H.B. Ranier, doing business as the Prestonsburg Lincoln-Mercury Sales, and the City Auto Exchange, filed petitions asking of Circuit Judge Edward P. Hill, restraining orders to halt picketing of their places of business.

Preparing for the Circuit Court action they instituted to incorporate the section from the present lower limits of Prestonsburg to the highway bridge at Cliff, and thus forestall annexation of that area by the city of Prestonsburg, 26 residents of the community met last Thursday night, organized a city government and decided on the name, North Prestonsburg, for the proposed municipality.

Even the most ardent movie buffs are not likely to remember the "flick" featured this week at the Martin Theatre—"Calamity Jane and Sam Bass," with Yvonne DeCarlo and Howard Duff.

There died: Hiram Carroll, 63, Sunday, at his home at Blue Moon on Mud Creek; James Hale, 76, veteran mail carrier, Sunday, at the home of a daughter on Abbott Creek; Harvey May, 87, last Wednesday, at the home of a daughter, near Dwale; Minnie Conley, 24, Saturday; Sallie Fitzpatrick, 85, Monday, at

the home of a daughter, near Lackey; Joseph E. Slater, 83, formerly of Betsy Layne, Friday, at his home at Ashland.

Seventy Years Ago
(August 31, 1939)

A six-year-old girl and her mother were wounded by shotgun fire, the child seriously at Dwale, Monday afternoon, and a Middle Creek man was stabbed and seriously injured during a poker game, Saturday.

Republicans of the Seventh Congressional District met at the courthouse here Friday, with Judge King Swope, Republican nominee.

One death was reported at Tram, this week, as a result of infantile paralysis, and Dr. Marvin Ransdell said he had been notified of one other case on Mud Creek. Also one new case of typhoid was reported.

Largest catfish catch of the season was a 16-1/2 pounder by Robert Crothers near Emma.

Advertised prices—outside paint, gallon, \$1.69; RC Cola, six for 25 cents; breakfast bacon, lb. 14 cents; Maxwell House coffee, lb. 25 cents; lard, 8 lb. pail, 67 cents; men's work shoes, \$1.45; ladies silk hose, 19 cents; wallpaper, double roll, 19 cents.

Two-day, three-night escorted tour to the New York World's Fair on the C&O Railway's George Washington, round trip cost \$44.15 in coach, included meals going, three nights in hotel, two admissions to the fair, reserved seat for Billy Rogers Aquacade, guided tour of Radio City, NBC studios and Observation Roofs, yacht cruise around Manhattan and lectured bus tour, plus service of travel escort.

There died: Mandy Auxier May, 69, of Cliff, at home last Friday; Ruth Meek, 32, former post-mistress at Auxier, at her home Monday; Walter Jackson Howell, 16, son of Farmer and Belle Stratton Howell, of Mossy Bottom, at home Sunday; Billie Adkins, two-year-old son of Lawrence and Nettie Scaf Adkins, of Tram, at home Wednesday; Cora McGuire, 33, of Ligon, Thursday; Johnny Osborne, 28, at Wheelwright, Saturday; B.J. Hunter, of Stephens Branch, at home, Saturday.

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