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Inmate indicted for heroin

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

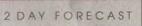
PIKEVILLE - An inmate of the U.S. Penitentiary at Big Sandy was indicted this past week in Pikeville on two counts of possession of contraband in prison.

According to the indictment, inmate Jerry Blewett was found with a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of heroin at the Inez prison on Aug. 9, 2008. In a separate count, it is also alleged that on the same day, Blewett was found with another substance containing a detectable amount of heroin.

If convicted, Blewett could face up to 25 additional years in prison and as much as \$250,000 in

The indictment was returned in open court at U.S. District Court in Pikeville. On the same day, Oct. 15, U.S. District Judge Edward B. Atkins issued orders following two motions for Blewett to be arraigned on the new charges.

Blewett is scheduled to appear for arraignment in Pikeville before Judge Atkins on Oct. 28 at 10:30 a.m.







High: 74 • Low: 52

Tomorrow



High: 67 • Low: 56

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

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Smoke ban takes effect Nov. 1

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - In a little less than two weeks, a new law in Prestonsburg passed months ago will throughout the city will find fewer places they can light up.

The smoking ordinance passed in 5-2 vote, with embattled councilman

August becomes enforceable beginning

That new ordinance, if violated, will see people fined up to \$50 and businesses face up to \$200 for each violation.

A push to gain an exemption by Court officially go into effect and smokers Street Bingo and local VFW centers failed in the weeks leading up to passage of the law as the ordinance passed by a

Kelly Moore absent for the meeting.

However, the final version of the often stalled final ordinance did include amendments.

One amendment that found its way into the new law allows for smoking in outdoor seating sections at establishments, such as the one recently constructed at Reno's Roadhouse. Also the exemptions from the original draft of the

ordinance still stand, allowing for smoking in private clubs, tobacco stores, as well as hotel and motel rooms that were already designated as smoking rooms before passage of the law.

Others points in the ordinance requires smokers to tend to their habit at a distance of at least 10 feet from any

(See SMOKING, page six)

RED, WHITE



photos by Ralph B. Davis Miss Kentucky Mallory Ervin, at greeted youngsters during a chilly Red, White and Blue Festival parade Saturday in Martin. Ervin was the headliner of a parade filled with beauty local queens, as well as public officials. first responders area high school bands, such as the Allen Central High School marching band. above. For more pictures of the parade, see Lifestyles, pages B4 and B5.



Man tackles corruption on website

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

MARTIN - A new website focusing on suspected voter fraud in Floyd County has hit the internet, and its creator, Stan Lee, hopes that the site will expose fraud in the county's electoral

Lee, a former state and federal corrections officer who left that profession to go into marketing, is ashamed by what he calls a "history of political corruption that is internationally known."



(See WEBSITE, page six)

AT&T asking for help in solving copper thefts

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

The rise in the market price of copper is suspected to be a major factor in the recent rash of copper telephone cable thefts in Floyd County.

Officials with AT&T are seeking information leading to the arrest and conviction of those who are responsible for the vandalism of the company's telephone cables.

"AT&T is taking this matter very seriously," said David McFaddin, regional manager of legislative and external affairs for AT&T in Kentucky. "We are working with local law enforcement to ensure that those responsible for the crimes are apprehended and punished."

According to information released by AT&T, nearly 20 thefts have occurred in the past several weeks in Floyd

"Tampering with phone lines that the public uses to

(See THEFTS, page six)

Retiring judge honored by officials, coworkers

by SHELDON COMPTON

STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - A reception to honor the retirement of Floyd County Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill was held this past week at May Lodge at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg.

Caudill served just over 17 years as a circuit judge in Floyd County.

"No one reaches a level of success if they don't have people who care for them, assist them," said Caudill. "I have been very fortunate to have worked with the people I have. I never dreaded going to work while doing this job. I've been a lucky person, and you're the ones who made that luck

Now a resident of Lawrenceburg in Anderson County, Caudill said he would be traveling back to Floyd at various times, as would his wife. In the meantime, he will soon begin traveling the state as a senior judge, offering advice and counseling attorneys and others in the legal profession.

Fellow Circuit Judge John David Caudill, who at times became visibly emotional during the evening, moderated the reception and spoke highly of his colleague.

"I think this should be amended to honor the service that Judge Danny given to the Caudill has

(See CAUDILL, page six)



Retiring Floyd Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill spoke with friends and colleggues during a reception in his honor last week. Caudill has served just over 17 years in the position. He will now spend time touring the state as a senior judge.

photo by Sheldon Compton







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Obituaries

THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

Ralph Luther "Junior" Anderson

Ralph Luther "Junior" Anderson, 83, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, died Wednesday, October 14, 2009, in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Born May 22, 1926, in Pond Creek, he was the son of the late Ralph Sr., and Clovia A. Alten Anderson. He was a World War II Navy veteran; a member of the Baptist Church; and a member of the American Legion Club.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma Conn Anderson.

Other survivors include two sons: Ronald Dwayne Anderson and Ralph Leonard (Kim) Anderson, both of Ypsilanti, Michigan; one brother, Russell (Maxine) Anderson of Ypsilanti, Michigan; one sister, Judy A. (Bill) Slinedruf of Ann Arbor, Michigan; seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and six step great-grandchil-

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers; and one sister, Helen R. Salisbury.

Funeral services were held Sunday, October 18, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Dr. Russell Anderson officiating.

Burial was in the Anderson-Cemetery, Branch), in Banner.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Melvin Ray Hall

Melvin Ray Hall, age 71, of Prestonsburg, husband of Mabel Martin Hall, passed away Sunday, October 18, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Teleconference

to be shown in

Pikeville, Hazard

LEXINGTON — Families

and friends of those who suffer

from memory disorders have

the opportunity to attend an

educational program focused

on supporting the extremely

important role of caregivers in

maintaining quality of life for

their loved ones and for them-

selves at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 22.

the caregiver and healthy tips

to prepare for the holiday sea-

son," will be shown via the

Kentucky Telehealth Network

at the following locations: St.

Owensboro Medical Center in

Owensboro; UK Center for

Excellence in Rural Health in

Hazard; Murray Calloway

County Hospital in Murray;

Pikeville Medical Center

Library in Pikeville; Trover

Madisonville; TJ Samson

Hospital in Glasgow; Western

Baptist Hospital in Paducah;

and Monroe County Hospital

The UK Sanders-Brown

Center on Aging, UK Azheimer's Disease Center,

in Tompkinsville.

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in

Claire

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Regional Medical

Auditorium in

Morehead;

The program, "Caring for

Educational program

through holidays

seeks to help caregivers

late Elisha Hall and Millie Grethel; Gayheart Hall. He was a retired coal miner.

Survivors include his wife, Mabel; a son, Alvin Ray (Debbie) Hall, Prestonsburg; a sister, Ruth "Dee" Howell of McDowell; and a grandson, Tanner Ray

He was preceded in death by his parents; and three brothers: Elmer Hall, Herman Hall, and Haskell Hall; two sisters: Edith Hall Lawson and Ruby Hall Hobson; a sister-in law, Hettie Hall; two brothers-inlaw, James Lawson and Leonard Hobson; and a special nephew, Ron Lawson.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 20, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Regular Baptist ministers offi-

Burial was in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, in McDowell, with the Hall Funeral Home, caring for those arrangements.

Pallbearers were Jim Blevins, Tim Mitchell, James Shepherd, Jerry McBrayer, Mike Hobson, Jeff Burchett, Grady Stephens and David Brown.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donation to be made to the American Cancer Society, or the charity of choice. (Paid obituary)

Wynndale Newsome

Wynndale Newsome, 50, of Teaberry, died Friday, October 16, 2009, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born September 20, 1959, in McDowell, he was the son of the late Roosevelt and Florence Adkins Newsome.

Survivors include four brothers: Beebob Newsome of He was born January 3, Ligon; Teddy Newsome and 1938, in Orkney, the son of the Eddie Newsome, both of

the Greater Kentucky and

Southern Indiana Alzheimer's

Association, and the Kentucky

Telecare Network are joining

with other Kentucky health

care organizations to present

Greg Jicha, a UK College of

Medicine assistant professor

of neurology, and faculty member in the UK Sanders-

Brown Center on Aging and

UK Alzheimer's Disease

Research Center, in addition to

staff of the UK Alzheimer's

Disease Center including

Marie Smart, family caregiver

support specialist, and Tonya

Cox, education coordinator for

the Greater Kentucky and

Southern Indiana Alzheimer's

Center on Aging's state-of-the-

art Alzheimer's disease

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belong to every Kentuckian,

not just those living in Fayette

County," said Jicha. "There's

strength in numbers, and our

interactive videoconferencing

programs allows us to link

communities together, from

Pikeville to Paducah, strength-

ening our efforts to promote

quality of life for all who suf-

fer from Alzheimer's disease."

held across the state and will

(See CAREGIVERS, page three)

Other sessions have been

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Association chapter.

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Presenters will include Dr.

the program.

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Randall and Newsome of California; four sisters: Minda Stanley and Alpha Hamilton, both of Teaberry; Lois Newsome of Albion, Michigan; and Brenda Tucker of Beaver; two half brothers: Donald Ray Hall of Teaberry; and Bert Newsome of McDowell; and several nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters: Viola Johnson, Nadine Newsome, and Verda May Newsome; two half brothers: Emery Newsome and Gordon Newsome; and two half sisters: Bertha Ruma and Maggie Adkins

Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 20, at 11 a.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, in Teaberry, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Adkins Cemetery, in Grethel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Lois Compton Ousley

Lois Compton Ousley, age 65, of Prestonsburg, wife of the late Virgil Ousley, passed away Sunday, October 18, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following a brave battle against cancer.

She was born October 23, 1943, in Dock, a daughter of the late Henry and Stella Ousley Compton. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include one son; Brian K. Ousley of Austell, Georgia; two brothers: Estill and Ollie Compton, both of Prestonsburg; two sisters: Sally Kinney of Warsaw, Indiana; and Thelma Joseph of Centre, Alabama. She also leaves behind a special sisterin-law, Vicki Bryant of McDowell, who served as primary care giver and advocate during her final weeks.

In addition to her husband and parents she was preceded in death by one brother, Henry Compton Jr.; and three sisters: Ruby Compton, Julie Ann Campbell, and Helen Compton.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, October 21, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Robert Ousley officiating.

Burial will follow in the Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation is at the funeral

Pallbearers will be: Michael Compton, Joseph Dorsey, John Music, Henry Edward Compton, Elbert Compton, and Ed Ousley.

Honorary pallbearers will be: Dennis Minnix, Elbert Saturday, October 17, at 11 Elbert Campbell, and Compton Jr. (Paid obituary)

James R. Steffey

James R. Steffey, 73, of Tram, died Wednesday, October 14, 2009, at Signature Health Care Center.

Born May 23, 1936, in Pike County, he was the son of the late Leonard Monroe and Cynthia Anna Fife Steffey. He was retired from Ky.-WV Gas Company, and was a member of the Lower Toler Church of Christ, in Harold.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Jewell Hester Steffey.

Other survivors include three sons: Timothy (Cathy) Steffey of Allen; James Douglas (Gina) Steffey of Georgetown; and Kenneth James (Misty) Hamilton of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Bambi Danelle Boyd of Hermitage, Tennessee; and Bambi Dawn Steffey of Tram; one brother, John Pitts (Wanda) Steffey of Oceana,

West Virginia; seven sisters: Eulah Sartor of Sesser, Illinois; Magdalene Scalf and Hannah (Bryant) Whiseneant, both of Oceana, West Virginia; Bonnie Adkins of Belleview, Florida: Loretta Harvel and Helen Smith, both of Tram; and Sheila Kaye (Frank) Harriman, Horton of Tennessee; 10 grandchildren: Tiffany, Nikki, Crystal, Jackson, Ginger, Tyler, Barrett, Madison, Raegan and Mariah; and four great-grand-Alexandria, children: Gabriella, Brandi and Laci.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, James Kevin Steffey; one daughter, Kimberly Dawn four brothers: Mosley; Leonard Jr., Charlie, Claude and Leon; and four sisters: Naomi, Harriett, Mayfern and Martha Ellen.

Funeral services were held a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Joe Meade officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral (Paid obituary)



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THE FAMILY OF HAZEL ANDERSON BATES

forgotten. Thank you, and God bless.

Card Of Thanks
The family of Irene Newman Sherwood 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 the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; Pilgrim Home Regular Baptist Church for all the love and support that was shown to our family; 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 IRENE NEWMAN SHERWOOD

The family of Jewell McCoy would like to express their sin-

THE FAMILY OF JEWELL McCOY

Card of Thanks

cere appreciation to all who sent food, flowers, or prayers to our family during this difficult time. A special thanks to Clergyman Levi Coleman for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care. All the love and support that was shown to our family will never be forgotten.

Card of Thanks

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair, Perhaps you sent a floral piece, if so we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say, Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts,

We thank you so much, whatever the part.

Special thanks to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home; the Floyd County Sheriff's Department; Benedict Baptist at Slick Rock; Martin House of Worship in Martin; and Arkansas Church of God in Jesus Name in Martin.

THE FAMILY OF JOHN HENRY JARRELL

Card of Thanks

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

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Office of Highway Safety kicks off distracted driving campaign

typical summer night, just like any other," said 18-year-old Meredith, Louisville, describing the fateful July evening last year when she lost control of her vehicle while texting a friend. "I heard shattering glass and screeching tires. I thought my life was going to end.'

Nicole and her father, Jason, joined state officials at the Transportation Cabinet last Wednesday to kick off the "Distracted Driving is Deadly Driving" campaign, sponsored by the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety (KOHS).

Transportation Acting Secretary Mike Hancock said distracted driving is nothing new, but technology advancements have brought new issues to light.

"It's not just talking on a cell phone," Hancock said. "People can text, e-mail and even surf the Internet from their phones."

With more than 53,000 distracted driving-related crashes last year in Kentucky, it's a concern also shared by Gov. Steve Beshear. Hancock said the governor is currently considering a policy that would limit distracted driving for all state employees.

KOHS Executive Director Chuck Geveden said the campaign ties in perfectly with the



From left to right, Division of Highway Safety Programs Director Boyd Sigler, Jason Meredith, Nicole Meredith, Acting Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock and Office of Highway Safety Executive Director Chuck Geveden spoke at the "Distracted Driving is Deadly Driving" press conference last week in Frankfort.

nationwide effort to reduce distracted driving crashes.

"We believe our message will help increase awareness and encourage drivers to stay focused on the task at hand," Geveden said.

KOHS demonstrated its Interactive Distracted Driving (D2) Simulator, which mimics and displays the handling

characteristics of vehicles to educate the public on safe driving habits. The portable simulator is taken to schools community statewide.

"The D2 simulator is one of many educational programs we use to educate motorists of all ages about safe driving and riding behavior," said KOHS Director of Highway Safety Programs' Boyd Sigler. "We will continue our efforts until we reach our goal of zero fatalities in Kentucky.'

Nicole is committed to telling her story to those who will listen. "When I look back, I realize how stupid it was," she said. "It was not an accident, it was a choice. I want others to realize it can happen to you."

Nicole's father hopes parents will also get the message. "She knows she made a mistake, but she is turning her experience into something positive," Jason Meredith said. "We hope her story will discussions encourage between teenagers and their parents about staying safe on the road."

For more information about highway safety, visit KOHS's website: http://highwaysafety. ky.gov/. To contact Nicole Meredith, please visit www.nicolemeredith.com/.

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(4:20) 6:50-9:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:50-4:20)

Cinema 9-Held Over STEPFATHER (PG-13). Mon.-Thurs. 7:15-9:30; Fri. (4:30) 7:15-9:30; Sat.-Sun (2:15-4:90) 7:15-9:30.

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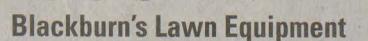
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Get your benefit verification before the chill sets in

by PAUL D. BARNES SOCIAL SECURITY REGIONAL COMMISSIONER IN ATLANTA

It's that time of year again when people in many parts of the country feel a new chill in the air each morning, and put an extra quilt or blanket on

It's also the time of year when many states offer energy assistance to people who have low income and resources. Under the energy assistance program, your state may help with the cost of heating your home during the winter. But to get it, in most cases, you'll need to provide proof of your income. If you get Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, you can get proof of the amount of your benefit quickly and easily by going online.

www.socialsecurity.gov. There are a number of reasons you may need written verification of your benefit amount, besides energy assistance programs. Perhaps you're ready to make a major purchase and you're trying to get a loan from a bank or financial institution. Or maybe you're applying for state benefits or moving into a new apartment or home.

Whatever your reason, Social Security makes it easy for you to get the written veri-

fication you www.socialsecurity.gov. Just look in the left column under "What you can do online," expand the "If you get bene-

fits" section, and select the "Request a Proof of Income letter" link. The letter can be used for any reason that someone requires proof of your income. In addition to offering proof of your income, the letter is an official document that verifies

your Medicare coverage,

retirement or disability status,

and age. The letter does not

include your Social Security number.

From the time that you complete the online request, it will take about 10 days for you to receive the proof of income letter in the mail. If you need one sooner, you'll want to call us at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) or visit your local Social Security office.

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PUBLIC NOTICE





I, Prentess Ball, on and after this date, will be responsible for any and all debts incurred by my wife, Christine, for the love and devotion she has given to our sixty years of togetherness.

Happy Anniversary Prent

Caregivers

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continue throughout the year. "The Kentucky TeleHealth Network brings Dr. Jicha and other experts on memory disorder problems into community health care centers across the state, making it easy for anyone who is caring for a loved one suffering from memory problems to participate in these educational sessions," said Rob Sprang, director, UK Kentucky TeleCare, project manager, Kentucky TeleHealth Network. "These have become 'virtual support groups' that bring family caregivers together from across the state to learn and to share. We are happy to be a part of this effort.'

Registration is required. To register, call the Alzheimer's Association at (800) 272-3900. For more information about the series, contact UK's Kentucky TeleCare at (859) 257-6404.

For more information about the UK Sanders-Brown Center Aging, go www.mc.uky.edu/coa. more information at Kentucky TeleCare, www.mc.uky.edu/kytelecare.

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Forget about Bill Maher and Glenn Beck. Go get a flu shot — especially if you belong to a group most at risk for the disease. The vaccinations are safe, they are effective and they build a wall of protection for you and your community.

Maher, a left-wing comedian, wrote on Twitter recently: "If u get a swine flu shot ur an idiot."

Beck, a conservative talk show host for Fox News, raised the possibility that the neurological disease Guillain-Barre Syndrome would break out. "How much do you trust your government?" Beck asked. "I think that's the main question.'

Think about it for a moment. Glenn Beck? Bill Maher? Or the best scientists in the country?

We'll go with the scientists. They believe the swine flu vaccine is safe. They believe Americans who are most at risk should receive it.

The swine flu — H1N1 — has spread to 191 countries and infected millions of people, killing more than 4,500. Because the outbreak of disease last spring seemed so mild, a false sense of security seems to have fallen over Milwaukee and the rest of the country. It would be a mistake to underestimate the killing power of H1N1.

A recent study by the New England Journal of Medicine found that most people who get H1N1 are sick for several days and recover on their own. But for those who require hospitalization, the outlook is much worse: One in four ended up in intensive care, and 7 percent died. The swine flu is most prevalent in children, young adults and pregnant women. At the moment, about 99 percent of all flu diagnosed in Wisconsin is H1N1.

The government hopes to vaccinate pregnant women, health care workers, children with underlying health conditions between the ages of 6 months and 24 years and older Americans with underlying health conditions. Ideally, about half the population would receive the vaccine.

However, a contagion of misinformation is causing needless hesitation. Sixty percent of those surveyed in a recent University of Michigan poll said they either wouldn't vaccinate their children against the swine flu or weren't sure if they would. A Consumer Reports survey found sim-

So much skepticism about such a common-sense act of public health astonishing. Vaccination is a front-line defense against disease. Children have been vaccinated for years against deadly diseases such as diphtheria and whooping cough with few side effects and have been spared suffering and death. If large numbers of people forgo vaccination and the disease becomes more virulent, hospitals could be overwhelmed.

And it's not just funny guys and TV gabbers peddling bad advice. Smart people who should know better are using the Internet's echo chamber to do the same. The popular medical Web site Mercola.com recently listed nine reasons you shouldn't vaccinate your kids against swine flu. Among them is the implication, without a shred of evidence, that vaccinations cause autism. The science is rock solid on this:

No study has ever found such a link.

we re righting two wars — a virus that can mutate — but we're also fighting something that is bigger than that. And that is fear," Milwaukee Health Commissioner Bevan Baker said.

The myth makers are working hard, so we'll have to work harder: Myth: The vaccine was rushed into production; it wasn't properly

tested. Reality: In clinical trials, the National Institutes of Health and makers

of the vaccine have proved that it is safe. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has licensed it. Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius says the vaccine "has been made exactly the same way seasonal flu vaccine has been made, year in and year out." Myth: Flu shots cause serious side effects including death.

Reality: Every year, tragedy strikes people around the time they get

their flu shots - a person gets a flu shot and suffers a heart attack or other life-threatening ailment. This is coincidence. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has received no reports of serious side effects from the swine flu vaccine. The same people who got the vaccination and became ill probably used their cell phones the day they were stricken. It would be just as logical to blame their ring tones.

Myth: The federal government is requiring everyone to get the vacci-

Reality: Wrong. It's voluntary.

Myth: A lot of people came down with Guillain-Barre Syndrome in 1976 after President Gerald Ford ordered everyone to get a swine flu

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Guest Column

A legislative perspective

by GREG STUMBO SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

While such television shows as "CSI" may offer unrealistic expectations when it comes to crime-scene analysis, they nonetheless have helped educate the public on just how important technology has become in solving many cases.

This is an area where Kentucky has taken a leading role. Three years ago, for example, the University of Louisville partnered with the FBI to open a regional computer forensics lab. Just one of 14 nationwide, and the only one with ties to a university, it has helped law enforcement find and preserve digital evidence from such sources as cameras and computer hard

Three years ago is also when the state's Department of Criminal Justice Training started the Kentucky Criminalistics Academy so that law enforcement could quickly gain knowledge that might take years to acquire in the field.

The academy, which runs for 10 weeks, graduated its fourth class last month. In addition to learning about the latest techniques and equipment

used to secure evidence, those taking the course visit such places as the of University Tennessee's Anthropological Research Facility, a hands-on site that teaches them what to look for in death investigations.

In August, the Kentucky State Police improved its investigative abilities when it unveiled its new Crime Scene Response Vehicle, which was bought with money that came from the sale of assets seized during criminal investigations. It is based in Hazard, but the long-term goal is to have similar multi-purpose vehicles at every state police post. The need is certainly there; KSP investigates about half of the 190 homicides that occur annually.

Investigations of more serious crimes took a major step forward last year, when the General Assembly required that DNA samples be taken from every felon, rather than just sex offenders and those convicted of violent crimes and burglary.

This change caused Kentucky's DNA database to more than double in . less than a year, from 14,000 samples to 29,000 as of this past spring.

Based on what other states have experienced, law enforcement officials say this could lead to as many as 80 additional arrests each year.

Another area where technology has made a significant difference is tracking prescription drug abuse, an issue that I focused on extensively as Attorney General.

Kentucky was the first state in the nation to implement an online reporting system for prescription drugs, allowing doctors, pharmacists, police officers and other qualified officials to have the information they need quickly, rather than waiting anywhere from two hours to three weeks.

Late last month, the state's Justice and Public Safety Cabinet reported that prescriptions for controlled substances, such as morphine and OxyContin, went up in 118 of our 120 counties between 2005 and 2007. In more than 30 counties, these prescriptions increased more than 20 percent.

Not surprisingly, illegal use of prescription drugs has gone up statewide. A study by the Administrative Office of the Courts found that, between 2003 and 2007, these crimes went up more than a fifth.

On the bright side, there is some evidence that the legislature's efforts to crack down on methamphetamine has worked. There were 1,223 arrests in 2006, but just 690 in 2007, according to the Justice Cabinet's report.

As these advances in technology and training show, detective work has come a long way over the years. Not every case may be solved with "CSI"like speed, but in an era where evidence not even visible to the naked eye can lead to life behind bars, we are getting closer to that goal.

Letters

ATC students are 'seeds of recovery'

It was my pleasure to participate in the Kentucky Tech-Floyd County Area Technology Center's annual fall steering committee meeting, led by Principal Lenville Martin. I want to thank businesses and school leaders who support career and technical edu-

cation programs offered at the school. We are working through some tough economic times affecting funding. The Kentucky Tech-Floyd County ATC budget is set by the General Assembly and managed by the Office of Career and Technical Education. It is the leanest in the history of our Kentucky Tech System of Schools.

I appreciate Sen. Johnny Ray Turner and Rep. Hubert Collins, who took time from their busy schedules to attend the meeting and offer their support. We were able to briefly talk about how difficult it is to manage in tough economic times with limited state budget resources. They were also concerned about not being able to say

yes to the many worthy and deserving needs that impact their district. Sen. Turner, Rep. Collins and all of us understand the value of offering highlevel technical skills to students and their economic impact on Floyd County, Kentucky and the nation.

The very sharp and highly skilled students taught at the Kentucky Tech-Floyd County ATC represent the seeds of recovery for our nation.

> Michael L. Kindred Deputy Executive Director Office of Career and Technical Education Kentucky Tech System of Schools Frankfort

Help those who help us

I would just like to tell you a story of hardship. When you're at the end of the line and think nothing else can go wrong, pow! You get hit again. You feel alone and doubtful that you will get through.

This recession has hit everyone,

rich and poor, but there is light at the end of the tunnel. Of course, God and prayers are always there for us. They send us people and places, such as Kings Daughters Hospital, who saved my husband this past June, and the Hospitality House made me feel like family, fed me and gave me a room so I could rest. To these wonderful people I would like to give my sincere gratitude. And to George and Jason, who went above and beyond. They all truly cared.

We came home and St. Vincent Mission, Sister Kathleen and Elmer and the best group of kids I've ever known from all over, mostly western Kentucky, got together and helped with home repairs and built a deck and ramp to help my husband get in and out of our home. There are too many names to mention, but Nancy and Amanda were guiding this group of wonderful young people.

Also I would like to acknowledge Delmar and Deara Holbrook and the Middle Creek Fire Department, Barry Belinger and his son and crew, who provided me with clean water for my

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Sheriffs' offices to receive equipment following settlement

FRANKFORT — Attorney General Jack Conway has announced that Kentucky sheriffs and their deputies will benefit from a settlement reached between his office and a Texas-based charity and its solicitor over allegedly deceptive fundraising practices.

The Office of the Attorney General began investigating the United States Deputy Sheriff's Association (USDSA) and Courtesy Call, Inc. (CCI) in May 2009 as part of the Federal Trade Commission's nationwide crackdown on fraudulent charitable solicitors claiming to help police, firefighters and veterans. USDSA and CCI allegedly deceived donors by leading them to believe that their donations would be used to buy bulletproof vests and other equipment for their local sheriffs' offices. In some cases, the solicitor is alleged to have told donors that the caller was actually employed by the local sheriff's office.

"In truth, these calls were coming from a telemarketing company and there was no expectation on the part of



Jerry Wagner, Executive Director of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association, Warren County **Sheriff Jerry** "Peanuts" Gaines and **Attorney General** Jack Conway.

USDSA that these donations would be used to assist sheriffs and deputies in Kentucky," General Conway. "Deceptive charitable solicitations not only exploit the generosity of our citizens, they do a disservice to the first responders who risk their lives to pro-

While USDSA has donated some equipment to Kentucky law enforcement agencies, its average annual donation for the entire state was only approximately \$10,000, much less than what was actually raised. The \$71,500 in equipment that will be donated to Kentucky sheriffs and deputies is in addition to USDSA's average annual donation, and shall be given to sheriffs and deputies who submit an equipment request application. The Office of the Attorney General is sending applications to all Kentucky sheriffs' departments. The equipment to be purchased by USDSA could include bulletproof vests, tasers, digital cameras and radar guns, among

"I appreciate the Attorney General's office for its work in combating deceptive charitable solicitations that have taken thousands of dollars from our state. This settlement will ensure that local sheriffs' departments across Kentucky will receive much needed equipment," said Warren County Sheriff and President of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association Jerry "Peanuts" Gaines.

In May, USDSA and CCI voluntarily agreed to temporarily halt fundraising in Kentucky while the Attorney General's Office concluded its investigation. As part of an Assurance of Voluntary Compliance (AVC) filed October 15 in Franklin Circuit Court, CCI can continue its charitable solicitations in Kentucky, but must identify itself to call recipients as a paid professional solicitor in accordance with Kentucky law, and obtain written confirmation from its non-profit clients verifying that the scripts it uses and the representations it makes are true and accurate.

USDSA must also correct false statements appearing on its website about donations to various Kentucky counties, and it must approve, in writing, all the scripts used by any solicitors that fundraise in Kentucky. Additionally, USDSA and CCI will pay \$30,000 to Commonwealth of Kentucky for its attorneys' fees and costs of the investigation.

"Kentuckians are generous

people who want to give back to those who keep us safe. I hope you will join me in continuing to support our local charities, but to make sure that when you give, you're giving wisely. If a charitable solicitor claims to be raising funds on behalf of a local organization, contact the organization to verify that it is conducting a fundraising event," General Conway.

Consumers can also contact the Office of the Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division at 888-432-9257 or visit http://ag.ky.gov/civil/consumerprotection/charity/ to find out more information about the solicitor and the charitable organization.

As part of the settlement, USDSA and CCI have not admitted any wrongdoing and the AVC is not a finding of any wrongdoing.



Editorial

vaccination.

Reality: A scientific review by the federal Institute of Medicine in 2003 concluded that people who received the swine flu vaccine in 1976 had a slightly increased risk for developing the neurological ailment, Guillain-Barre. Since then, numerous studies have found no association between later flu vaccines and the disease, although two studies suggested that about one additional person for every million receiving the seasonal flu vaccine may be at some increased risk for the syndrome.

Guillain-Barre causes the body to attack its own nerve cells, resulting in weakness, occasionally paralysis and, rarely, death. Each week in the United States, about 140 new cases are diagnosed, leading some to speculate that coincidence may have played a role 33 years ago.

But the odds of dying from the flu are far worse than the

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odds of contracting Guillain-Barre. Each year, 1 in 8,400 Americans die from seasonal influenza.

The vast majority of people who get flu shots tolerate them well and have few, if any, side effects. The swine flu vaccine has been thoroughly tested; the government says it is safe.

The community benefit is just as important as the individual protection the vaccine provides. If you are vaccinated, you will not spread the disease to other people. One person at a time, a wall of protection can be built in the community to prevent needless deaths.

"There is nothing scarier than seeing a 10-year-old on a respirator," Baker said. "Seventeen kids died in the last 10 days in the United States. There is nothing scarier than that."

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Letters

cistern. They also have a do something special this year Women's Auxiliary Club, run by Mary Belinger. They also work with Clinton Lafferty, who runs the food bank. To all these wonderful people, I would like to give my most sincere thank you for being a good neighbor, good friend and for being our guardian

angel when we needed you. I only have one request of our community. If you want to be an angel or help in some way with cash, food or volunteer for any of these organizations, please, please do so. So besides myself. But they cannot do it alone. They ask no questions and will help anyone they can.

Please help if you want to

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to help our community. Help these organizations, or one of your choice. These are all very special groups of people and deserve a sincere thank you. I love all and may God continue to bless them so they can continue His work. No words can say thank you enough. I pray everyone is well. And together, we can all get through the hard

Anyone who needs any kind of help can call these people and they will help.

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Four indicted on drug charges

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE - Darrel J. Swiney, the Pike County man who saw a federal complaint filed against him last month in conhection to charges of drug trafficking, was indicted this week in federal court, along with three others who are now being connected in a drug ring allegedly responsible for circulating more than 10,000 oxycodone tablets across the county.

The indictment names Swiney on one count of conspiracy to distribute oxycodone, five additional counts of distributing oxycodone and one count of posses-

Also, federal prosecutors indicted Timothy L. Rich, Timothy D. Rich and Brian Justice each on charges of conspiraegolto distribute, selling and possession with intent to sell oxycodone.

[1] Timothy D. Rich was a passenger in Swiney's vehicle at the time of his arrest, police said.

The indictment, which includes a total of 19 counts, alleges that between June 2005 and Sept. 17, 2009, the four worked together to distribute oxycodone tablets throughout Pike' County.

A federal complaint was issued on Swiney last month following a sworn affidavit from Kentucky State Police Det. James R. Hunter, a member of KSP's Drug Enforcement and Special Investigation

This development came after Swiney was initially arrested for reckless driving along Caney Road.

According to statements from Hunter, the buy was set up after police were told during an interview with an unnamed source that Swiney had been transporting and directing others to transport various amounts of pills from Michigan and Missouri into Pike County.

The same source also told investigators she had driven Swiney to St. Louis to buy upwards of 800 to 1,000 Oxycontin tablets, saying Swiney would carry a handgun with him on these trips. .

This information was used to later set up a controlled buy, Hunter said. Undercover officers met with Swiney in the parking lot of the Eagle Masonry building in Pikeville and bought 27 Oxycontin tablets for \$1,700.

Undercover agents conducted three more controlled buys in June and August before Swiney was arrested during a traffic stop along Caney Road in Pike County and charged with drunk and reckless driving.

A search of Swiney's home after his arrest produced more than 750 oxycodone and Oxycontin tablets, a stolen dirt bike and more than \$6,500 in cash. Also taken into evidence from a nearby residence and now linked to Swiney were three ATVs that police later discovered had been reported as stolen.

The federal complaint that preceded this week's indictment also alleged Swiney's primary areas of distribution in Pike County were Pikeville, Shelby Gap,

Rockhouse and Regina.

Smoking

Smoking is now banned in

Leading the march for the

some outdoor areas, such as

arenas, stadiums and amphithe-

new law was the local group

Breath Easy Floyd County. This

group provided statistics during

entrances and that no smoking the debates leading up to city signs must be posted at all publeaders giving the proposal a green light. lic entrances. The original proposal had called for a distance

According to the figures offered then, 70 percent of Floyd County residents were nonsmokers. Statistics com-

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piled by the Kentucky Institute of Medicine in 2007 reflect that same figure. That study also set Floyd County's adult rate of smokers at 30 percent with the youth rate at a close 27 percent.

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Local appointed to promote equestrian games

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - A local woman was recently selected to help promote the 2010 Alltech FEI Equestrian Games in her

Jen Crisp, of Prestonsburg, was named along with nine others throughout the state in September. Crisp and the others were selected

by Alltech to represent the games, the company and the company's related initiatives such as the Alltech Fortnight Festival.

"These 10 men and women were identified by Alltech as individuals who would represent Alltech well in their hometowns and surrounding communities," said Dr. Pearse Lyons, Alltech president and founder.

Crisp says she has a passion

for the preservation of the Appalachian culture and recently started pursing a degree in Appalachian studies at Morehead State University.

Over the course of the next year Crisp will work to broaden Alltech's reach in across the state by visiting schools, clubs, civic organizations, churches and festivals to garner attention to both the equestrian games and the Alltech

The 10 members, including Crisp, are spread throughout the state, representing each congressional district.

Crisp is a member of the Association of Kentucky College and Secondary Admissions Counselors, the Big Sandy Area P-16 Council and the MSU at Prestonsburg Advisory Board, among others.

Website

My main goal is to bring transparency to our voting system and bring mismanagement and fraud out in the open," Lee explained. "Our citizens suffer from voter apathy because they know our system to totally corrupt and they feel there is no way of changing this. We send our young people overseas to fight to protect the rights of people in foreign countries but will not even attend a fiscal court meeting or vote when it's raining. As a citizen it is our duty to participate and chose leaders who will put the county before themselves. This led me to start researching the political history of our county and I was simply amazed at the level of mismanagement and impropriety that defines our current state of government. The more I researched, the more I realized how bad our citizens have been taken advantage of and felt a strong

desire to place as much infor-

people could properly decide

for themselves that a change is

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specifically to Floyd County,

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Caudill told those attendance.

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lar focusing at one point on the

long-running speedbump of

people confusing the two cir-

"We are not related," said

John David Caudill, "except

silln turn, Judge Danny

Caudill himself turned on the

wit when reflecting on his career, relating a question from

a co-worker as to whether retiring made him "feel old."

Caudill said later that, after being asked the question, he found an old picture while

"I had a lot more hair and it was a lot more brown," he joked. "So, after considering

the evidence I will say that I am fast approaching ... middle

During the reception, Caudill was presented with a

plaque of recognition from the Floyd County Bar Association and heard comments from

Kentucky Court of Appeals

Judge Janet Stumbo and Chief

Justice of the Kentucky

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Supreme Court John Minton.

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during election years."

cleaning out his desk.

The evening was laced with

Caudill

long overdue."

Lee said that his site has already received an abundance of feedback, and he welcomes the discourse.

"I receive emails and phone calls nearly every day from citizens who are thanking me for presenting this information and taking a stand," Lee said. "I have heard many stories and plan to present every one of them, pending verification. Most of the information on my site is public knowledge. However, this information is spread across many sources and is hard to find for most internet users. My site places this information in one easy to find and permanent location for the benefit of all Floyd County citizens.'

While Lee uses the site in an attempt to expose corrpution and fraud, he also has political aspirations of his and illegal," Lee said. "The

mation in one location so our for office at some point in the our voting process absolutely future," Lee said. "However, I will never pay for a vote. I

be Danny Caudill," Stumbo

said. "I've set through many

motion hours with him and

of Caudill's widespread noto-

ness is well-deserved," said

Minton. "It reaches all the way

to Frankfort. We look forward

to you visiting these others

places and working with oth-

Chief Justice Minton spoke

"Your reputation for fair-

enjoyed his friendship."

riety as a working judge.

'trust me.' My father always told me that if someone says 'trust me,' they don't know what they're talking about or they're lying. Voters should take the time to look closely at each candidate and vote out those who do not avoid impropriety and who do not noticeably improve our county. If a citizen casts a vote for me I would only want that vote based on my abilities and accomplishments. If it even appears that I did not put the county before myself then I should be voted out. I only ask that voters stop taking cash from politicians that give them little, but take everything."

Although Lee would like to run for office in the future, his current political focus is on the website, and he sees a lot of work to be done.

"Buying votes is wrong process of buying votes and "Yes, I would like to run the complete bastardization of disenfranchises every tax-paying citizen of our county.

circuit judges confiding in one

another and asking advice,

sharing a special bond

between two unique public

with the person who steps into his shoes," John David Caudill

said near the end of the

evening. "I hope we have the

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Caudill's seat until the upcom-

As of this week, no replace-

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"I look forward to working

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will never ask a citizen to However, vote buying is just the tip of this dirty iceberg and floydcountyvoterfraud.net will attempt to expose every angle of voter fraud."

> The website is located at www.floydcountyvoterfraud.

Thefts

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place emergency telephone calls or to request emergency assistance is a serious crime, McFaddin said.

AT&T is currently working with law enforcement and scrap metal dealers in Prestonsburg and throughout the county.

According to a representative of Mr. Metal Recycling in Allen, the business is currently offering \$2 per pound for uncleaned and un-graded copper, while the price at other recycling dealers may be higher for copper that is cleaned and graded.

Shop owners, employees and anyone with information on the recent copper thefts are urged to call AT&T Asset Protection at (800) 807-4205, or the Kentucky State Police at (606) 433-7711.

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Wedding Announcement

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announce the marriage of their son, Daniel Isaac, to Dawn Allison Brooks of Campton.

The couple wed on July 16, 2009, in a beach front cere-

Daniel is a graduate of Morehead State University and Eastern Kentucky University. He is a high school English

Morehead State University. She serves as the guidance counselor at Wolfe County Middle School.

The couple honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico, and now

reside in Campton.

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mony at Virginia Beach, Virginia.

teacher at Wolfe County High School. Allison is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and

FLOYD COUNTY

Rebels win 54th District champions

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Allen Central remained on top in Floyd County volleyball Thursday evening following a 54th District triumph over Betsy Layne. Allen Central defeated Betsy Layne 2-1 at the Prestonsburg High School Fieldhouse, claiming the 54th District title for the fourth time in five years.

Allen Central and Betsy Layne both advanced to the 15th Region Tournament following the district championship match.

During a week in which the Kentucky Volleyball Coaches' Association (KVCA) named Allen Central senior Kelsey Jones the 15th Region Volleyball Player of the Year and the Rebel Coach Larry Maynard the 15th Region Coach of the Year, Allen Central was determined and confident as the postseason arrived.

Allen Central won the first set 25-19 over Betsy Layne.

The Ladycats, however, did not go away. Betsy Layne took advantage of Rebel miscues to win the second set 25-19.

In the third set, Allen Central battled past a 4-4 tie to take a lead that it would not relinquish. Allen Central was able to pull away, posting a 25-14 win in the third set to claim the match victory and capture the 54th District championship.

The Rebels (27-9) used a balanced attack with three players pounding in seven kills each. Katie Dingus had seven kills on .438 hitting for the

Kelsey Jones pounded in seven kills on .280 hitting for

Allen Central while teammate Courtney Hodge slapped in seven kills on .250 hitting.

Burdzilauskas Tiffany slammed in five kills as part of a balanced offensive attack. Blevins slapped in four kills for the Rebels. Mandy Howard and Libero Rebekah Potter dropped in two kills each for 15th Region championship contender Allen Central.

'This is an unselfish team, they do not care who gets the points as long as the team gets the win," Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard commented at the conclusion of the district

The Allen Central squad served 67 times committing only one service error for a 99-percent. near-perfect Dingus slapped in three aces and Jones, Leigh Williams and Potter connected on two each.

Williams ran the Allen Central offense 52 times and had a team-high 18 assists.

Jaimie Mullins set up 10. Jones added two assists and Blevins was credited with one.

Betsy Layne is a talented team and they certainly did not give us anything - we earned the victory," Maynard added.

and never backed down at all and came back to win a great third set. I am excited for this team and they deserve all the credit for hanging in there and

"I was extremely proud of our defense, particularly our •net game - this was a key ingredient to the match win ?

The Rebels accumulated 10 solo blocks and eight deflections in 19 attempts. Dingus had five solo blocks and interrupted three Ladycat attack.

Panthers pounce Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - Visiting Pikeville completed a Floyd County sweep Friday night, defeating host Betsy Layne 55-8. The Panthers had defeated Allen Central (34-24) and South Floyd (54-6) in two out of the last three weeks prior to visiting the Bobcats.

Taylor Ratliff scored four touchdowns for visiting Pikeville, two on the ground, one through the air and another on an 80-yard kickoff

Pikeville claimed an early lead and never faltered en route to the lopsided win.

The Panthers forced Betsy Layne to play from behind early on in the district contest.

Pikeville quarterback Blake Branham completed 8-of-15 passes for 148 yards and one touchdown. The Pikeville signal-caller was intercepted

Branham also led Pikeville in rushing, finishing with 72 yards on three carries.

Ross McCoy helped to pace Pikeville on the ground, rushing 10 times for 62 yards.

Ratliff rushed seven times for 25 yards and one touchdown. He was the leading receiver for the Panthers, hauling in three catches for 81 yards and one touchdown.

Randy Maynard netted four catches for 61 yards as Pikeville prevailed.

The Pikeville defense plagued Betsy Layne throughout the game.

Defensively, Maynard blocked a kick and recovered it in the endzone for a touchdown.

McCoy had three sacks (-9, -13 and -9) and two deflected passes for the Panthers.

This week, Pikeville will host Paintsville and Betsy Layne will visit Floyd County rival Allen Central Friday night in two more district

BLHS boys to host golf scramble

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - The Betsy Layne High School boys' basketball program will host a golf scramble on Saturday, Oct. 31 at Allen Golf Course beginning at 9 a.m. with a shotgun start.

The first-place prize will be \$500. Second-place (\$300) and third-place (\$200) prizes will also be awarded.

The entry fee for the Betsy Layne High School Boys' Basketball Golf Scramble is \$50 per player or \$200 per fourplayer team.

Prizes will be given for the Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin and Longest Putt. Door prizes will also be handed out.

Donations will be accepted. For more information on the upcoming golf scramble, call any of the following individuals: Coach Junior Newsome, 478-1985 or 791-1986; Coach Gary Keathley, 434-0882; Coach Randy Coleman, 205-Coach Brandon 7218; Gearheart, 339-5591, Troy Cole, 889-7750 or Steve Roberts, 422-0905.



Brothers Logan Crowder (above) and Hunter Crowder (below) kept the South Floyd defense on its heels Friday night in the annual Red, White & Blue Bowl.

Rebs rout Raiders in Red, White & Blue Bowl

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Allen Central successfully defended its home field Friday night, defeating Floyd County/district rival South Floyd 52-6 in the Red, White & Blue Bowl on Homecoming Night. The Rebels remained in control in the Battle of the Beavers, improving to 7-1 overall and remaining among the state's Top 10 Class A teams.

Allen Central rushed for 436 yards in the win over South Floyd.

Senior Logan Crowder led the way for the Allen Central offense, rushing 10 times for 175 yards and four touchdowns. Justin Jackson and Hunter Crowder weren't too far behind Logan Crowder in the Allen Central rushing column, picking up 96 and 89 yards, respectively.

Mickey Parsons carried the football twice for 37 yards, scoring on one of the two attempts.

Allen Central senior quarterback Chris Stumbo rushed for one touchdown and passed for another in the Red, White & Blue Bowl.

South Floyd intercepted

the Allen Central quarterback

Defensively, Stumbo returned an interception 32 yards for a touchdown.

Numerous players stepped up and played well defensively for the Rebels.

Sheldon Rice, a consistent defensive leader for the Rebels, recovered a South Floyd fumble.. Bradley Fields topped the

tackle chart for Allen Central, exiting the district game with seven tackles. Logan Crowder and Cory Conn each had six tackles for the Rebels. The Allen Central defense

held the Raiders to 117 total yards. South Floyd rushed for 84 yards in the loss.

Allen Central showed its support for breast cancer awareness during the game, wearing breast cancer stickers on the backs of their helmets and sporting pink wristbands in addition to their regular uniforms.

Allen Central will host Betsy Layne Friday night in a regular-season home finale. South Floyd will enterain Phelps in its regular-season home finale.



HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

Scores from Friday's area games Allen Central 52, South Floyd 6 Breathitt County 63, Powell County 26 Estill County 21, Magoffin County 14 Harlan 26, Pineville 18 Harlan County 15, Perry County Central 14 Johnson Central 64, Woodford County 14 Letcher County Central 52, Clay County 20 Middlesboro 56, Knott County Central 16 Paintsville 21, Phelps 6 Pike County Central 62, East Ridge 0 Pikeville 55, Betsy Layne 8

Shelby Valley 49, Morgan County 8

(See REBELS, page eight) AC, Betsy Layne advance to

region semis by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE - The tradition-rich Allen Central volleyball program played its way back into the 15th Region Tournament Semifinals Monday evening. Allen Central pulled off a 2-0 win over the Phelps Hornets Monday evening in the opening round of the 15th Region Volleyball Tournament. Allen Central squeaked past Phelps in the first set 25-23 and then came out with a vengeance in the second set, posting convincing 25-6 victory to advance to the region tournament semifinals.

Reigning 15th Region Player of the Year Kelsey Jones led the Rebel offense with six kills on .545 hitting without a hitting

Courtney Hodge also had six kills on .360 hitting for the

Allen Central hit .250-percent and landed 24 kills during the region tournament match.

This was not our best night hitting in post season play but we were able to make the kills when we needed them," said Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard.

Katie Dingus pounded in four kills for Allen Central in the post season match. Ciara Jones; Tiffany Burdzilauskas, Mandy Howard and Kelsey Blevins chipped in two kills each for the

Leigh Williams paced Allen Central with nine assists while directing the offense 27 times. Jaimie Mullins set up eight in 34 attempts. Serving again proved to be a strong point for the Rebels. The Allen Central squad committed only one error in 51 attempts for 98-percent.

Williams and Rebekah Potter led the Allen Central service barrage with three service aces each. Jones landed two aces while Hodge and Mullins slipped in one apiece.

Defensively, Jones led Allen Central with 44 receiving attempts, returning 42 and earning seven digs.

"Our defense was not very strong and very disjointed in the first set but our net game and floor coverage really improved in the second set," Maynard confided.

The Rebels had 136 receiving attempts, committing eight errors, six of which came in the

first set. Allen Central also recorded 21 digs.

(See REGION, page eight)



CHAMPIONSHIP FORM

Allen Central is the 2009 54th District Champion.

Front row (from left to right); Rebekah Potter, Mandy Howard, Tiffany Burdzilauskas, Kelsey Jones, Jaimie Mullins and Leigh Williams.

Standing: Head Coach Larry Maynard, Ciara Jones, Laken Tackett, Kelsey Blevins, Brooke Risner, Julie Halbert, Katie Dingus, Courtney Hodge, Katie Kendrick, Rachel Moore, Brenn Ousley and Assistant Coach Larry Hodge

Late spurt lifts Union over Bears

Jamerson hauls in three catches for Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Sophomore quarterback Mike Brinkley threw three fourth quarter touchdowns to lead a comeback 21-6 win Union College, spoiling Homecoming for Pikeville College Saturday night.

Brinkley's numbers were somewhat pedestrian, going 13-of-31 for 138 yards. But he heated up down the stretch with the three fourth-quarter touchdowns for the win, the first road win of the season for . 4-3 Union.

The Union win gave the road team its first win after the home team had won each of the first eight meetings between the Mid-South Conference East Division

The teams were quiet offensively for nearly the first three periods. Pikeville got on the scoreboard with 1:59 left in the third when freshman quarterback Chase Ellis scored on a five-yard keeper. The score ended an eight-play, 56-yard drive, but the snap failed on the PAT to leave the score 6-0.

The Bulldogs immediately responded, needing only seven plays to cover 61 yards with Brinkley's 23-yard scoring pass to freshman Tim Dandy. Sophomore Chad Boyington hit the first of his three extrapoints with 13:31 left to put Union on top to stay at 7-6.

After quickly turning the Bear offense away, Brinkley got after it again with a 10play, 51-yard driving ending on a 22-yard toss to freshman Rob Brown with 6;17 to play to make it 14-6.

A turnover gave the Bulldogs the ball at the Bear 27, and on the third play of the drive Brinkley hit junior P.J. Burrowes from eight yards out to set the final score.

A major difference in the game was turnovers; while the Bears coughed it up four times (two fumbles, two interceptions), Union went without a turnover in the win.

Junior tailback Martrey Littlejohn led the Bear offense with 126 yards on 19 carries, giving Pikeville its first 100plus-yard rushing game since then-quarterback Wideman carried for 117 last Nov. 1 in a loss to Georgetown.

Ellis, the quarterback, followed with 42 yards on 14 car-

Ellis was 7-of-17 for 60 yards in the air, throwing both interceptions. Senior Nick Jamerson caught three balls for 23 yards. The leader in total yardage was freshman Levi Hanks, whose only catch was good for 25 yards.

Brinkley led the Bulldogs in rushing as well as passing, carrying for 46 yards on seven tries. Union ran 36 times for 148. Burrowes caught three passes for 22 yards, while Dandy gained 35 yards on two

Defensively, Pikeville was led by senior DeVaughn Whitley (four solo, four assists) and junior Jamar Porter (five and three) with eight tackles apiece.

Sophomore Jacob Crothers, who forced a fumble, recovered two and had an interception, led Union with six tack-Senior Khambrel Simpkins also had six tackles and a pass breakup.





JUSTIN JACKSON (ABOVE) AND TRAVIS ADKINS (LEFT) were key contributors for the Allen Central offense Friday

Guards named captains of PC men's basketball team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – Pikeville College men's basketball coach Kelly Wells announced that Justin Hicks, Jonathan Clark, and Josh Samarco have been selected tri-captains by their teammates for the 2009-10 season.

"We did an internal captain vote that included the coaching staff and these three young men were chosen to represent our team in our efforts to be at our best. These three have shown great leadership to date and we expect that will contin-

Hicks, a 5-11 junior from Hazard, is a two-time Honorable Mention All-MSC selection. Hicks averaged 13.8 points per game, 4.4 assists per game hit 84 percent from the line, and shot 35 percent from the three.

Clark, a 6-0 senior from Charlotte, N.C., who is a transfer from Louisiana Tech. He averaged 9.5 points per game in 31.5 minutes, shot 34 percent from the three, 86.6 percent from the free throw line and had 2.7 rebounds per

Samarco, a 6-1 senior from Ypsilanti, Mich., was a Second Team All-American and First Team All-MSC averaged 20.4 points per game, shot 48 percent from the three, 46 percent from the field and 89 percent from the line.

Well added, "It is a tremendous honor for Justin, J.C. and Scottie to be voted captains by their peers and coaches. With the leadership of these three along with their teammates, we look forward to great success on and off the court this

Region

Hodge received 28 Hornet one, turned in a block-assist volleys, returned 21 and dug up five. Potter received 18 and dug up four. Julie Halbert managed four digs for the Rebels. Dingus, Williams and Blevins added one dig each.

The net defense played a big role in the second set as Jones had two solo blocks, one block assist and four deflecand recorded two deflections. Burdzilauskas delivered two block-assists for the victorious Rebels.

Betsy Layne, runner-up out of the 54th District, defeated Johnson Central 2-1 in another region tournament opener. The Ladycats upended 53rd District champion Johnson tions. Dingus knocked down Central 25-23, 23-25, 25-9.

■ Continued from p7 In the other region tourna-

ment matches, East Ridge eliminated Paintsville 2-0 (26-24, 25-21) and Belfry held off Pikeville 2-1 (25-14, 19-25,

Allen Central was battling East Ridge and Belfry facing Betsy Layne at press time Tuesday evening in the 15th Region Tournament

Search on: DeCook resigns as Pikeville College soccer coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Robert him the best of luck." Staggs accepted a letter of resignation on Thursday afternoon, opening up a pair of Pikeville College coaching positions.

Ken DeCook, head coach of the Pikeville College men's and women's soccer teams, stepped down, citing a family situation. His resignation stated his date of departure to be this Sunday, Oct. 18, at noon, two hours before his teams' next matches.

"He said he'd been having family issues for about the last six weeks and needed to leave immediately," Staggs, the director of athletics at Pikeville College, said. "We

regret it and hope the situation Volleyball and both soccer

coach of the soccer programs and had made great strides with the programs, which were only two years old when he came on board. The women entered play on Sunday 4-6-2, while the men were 5-6-1 on the season

Pikeville plays host to Berea College on Sunday at the W.C. Hambley Athletics Complex in a doubleheader schedule to begin at 2 p.m.

For the time being, Staggs is leading the Pikeville College soccer programs. He also coaches volleyball and softball at the school.

plays out in his favor, and wish teams will begin postseason play the first week of DeCook was the second November, leaving only two weeks remaining in the sea-

"We are currently searching for head coaches for the men's and women's soccer programs," Staggs said. "We hope to have this situation resolved as soon as possible, but we are also looking for the right answer for the longterm success of our programs.

"We certainly won't rush to a coach because we only have a couple of weeks remaining in the season. We owe it to the players we have to find the right coach to lead this pro-

Media picks UK to win SEC

LEXINGTON - The University of Kentucky men's basketball team was picked by the media to win the Southeastern Conference this season as announced by the SEC on Monday.

Each SEC school selected media members that cover their team and additional writers from across the nation were selected by the conference office to form the 25-member voting panel.

UK earned 20 first-place votes, topping Mississippi State which earned three votes and Tennessee which had two votes as SEC Champion. Kentucky returns three starters, including Patrick Patterson, Perry Stevenson and Ramon Harris while adding one of the top recruiting class-

The Cats were the media's favorite to win the East with 148 total points (23 first-place votes), ahead of second-place Tennessee's 117 points (two first-place votes). Vanderbilt, South Carolina,

In the West, Mississippi State's 144 total points (22 first-place votes) were ahead of Ole Miss' 120 points (two first-place votes). Alabama was picked third with 84 points. LSU, Arkansas and Auburn round out the top six in the West.

Kentucky junior Patrick Patterson was the choice of the media for SEC Men's Basketball Player of the Year with 11 votes. Kentucky freshman John Wall received six votes in the Player of the Year

Lindenwood teams sweep

- Times Staff Report

Rocky week ends with shutouts for Pikeville College soccer teams

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE Pikeville College soccer teams ended a tumultuous week with a doubleheader sweep over Berea College Sunday afternoon at the W.C. Hambley Athletics Complex.

The women opened the twin bill with a 4-0 shutout, while the men followed with a late goal to win 1-0.

The wins came three days after the sudden resignation of Coach Ken DeCook. Robert Staggs, director of athletics, coached the team on Sunday.

The teams return to action on Wednesday afternoon when they travel to WVU Tech for a pair of games to begin at 4

p.m. They return home on Saturday when they'll host Johnson Bible College beginning at 2 p.m. with Senior Day ceremonies.

Women: Pikeville (5-6-2) scored a pair of goals in each half. Scoring opened when sophomore Ashley Crutcher netted an unassisted goal 14:38 into the match. That was quickly followed by a goal by freshman Lyndsay Moncsko, who was assisted by junior Meagan Johnson, in the 22nd

The score stayed 2-0 until the Lady Bears posted goals less than three minutes apart late in the match. Johnson scored on a penalty kick in the 77th minute, while junior

Brittany Moore scored an unassisted goàl 2:22 later.

The shutout was recorded by junior Becky Davenport, who needed only three saves to blank the Mountaineers.

Men: Sophomore forward Andrew Martin scored an unassisted goal with 5:00 remaining to give Pikeville College a 1-0 win over Berea.

The Mountaineers had eight shots on goal in the contest, but freshman goalkeeper Sheldon Thomas was up to the task and recorded the shutout.

Pikeville (6-6-1) had only four shots on goal, but Martin managed to score the game's only goal for the win after 85 minutes of scoreless action.

Pikeville bowling tourney PIKEVILLE respectively.

Pikeville College women's bowling team placed all three of its teams in the championship round, had a player take medalist honors and had half the all-tournament team. But when it came time for the big hardware from its own Orange & Black Classic, it went to another team.

Meanwhile, the men placed no team higher than 13th in the 49-team field and had only six bowlers among the top 100 individuals in the tournament it hosted this weekend in the Dayton suburb Beavercreek, Ohio.

On the women's side, senior Jennifer Wright was the top individual bowler with a total of 1416, outdistancing Robert Morris University's Samantha Kelly by 58 pins.

more Kim Yioulos also made the all-tournament team with totals of 1296 and 1293,

They were three of 10 bowlers to finish in the Top 25 from Pikeville College.

When the 20-team field was narrowed down to an eight-team tournament, Pikeville College Black fell in the finals 3.5 to 0.5 to Lindenwood University Reid. Pikeville Black had eliminated Pikeville White in the opening round 3-1, while Lindenwood handled Pikeville Orange 3-0 in the semifinals.

Other Pikeville bowlers in the Top 25 individuals were senior Sarah Germano, who finished 10th; sophomore Melia Bennett, 11th; senior Becky Sulligan, 14th; sophomore Natasha Martin, 19th; senior Nichole Burke, 21st;

and sophomore Chelsea Gilliam, 25th.

In the men's tournament, Lindenwood's Lions came from the four seed to win title, beating Calumet Black in the finals. Wright State University Black and Martin Methodist A finished third and fourth.

Pikeville's top individual performer was junior Nicholas Atkinson, who finished at 1226 for 30th place. Junior Jeremy King was 32nd; junior Matt Palinkas finished 53rd; sophomore Richard Lane 56th; freshman Jonathon Crews 89th; and junior James Cheff,

Pikeville will return to action the weekend of October 31 when it competes in the Brunswick Southern Collegiate Classic in Marietta,

Rebels

Jones blocked four and deflected four.

Mandy Howard stuffed one Betsy Layne offering and deflected another. The Rebels defended against 220 Bobcat volleys, committing 22 errors and earning 41 digs. Hodge led the back row, receiving 59 attempts and returning 42 and digging up 14. Potter returned 31 attempts and was credited with 11 digs. Julie Halbert had 25 opportunities, returned 14 and had seven digs. Jones returned 37 Bobcat attempts and earned five digs. Blevins and Mullins had two digs each.

"Obviously, this was a great win for this team and our program," Maynard said. "I cannot say enough about the individual contributions we had from all our players! Our team did a great job persevering, we were able to adjust our attacks balancing our offense; however, offense is not possible withContinued from p7

out a good defense which was key to the win. Betsy Layne is a extremely talented team with very good players and, fortunately, we were able to sustain our intensity to take the match from them."

Allen Central entered the 15th Region Tournament as the region's top-ranked team.

Johnson named SEC Defensive Player of the Week TIMES STAFF REPORT Danny Trevathan. Johnson also to seven offensive points and

LEXINGTON - University of Kentucky linebacker Micah Johnson has been named the Conference Southeastern Defensive Player of the Week, league office has announced. Johnson claimed 14 tackles in Saturday's 21-14 win at Auburn, sharing gamehigh honors with teammate had a tackle for loss during the Johnson claimed 14 tackles

in Saturday's 21-14 win at Auburn, sharing game-high honors with teammate Danny Trevathan. Johnson also had a tackle for loss during the game. The senior from Ft. Campbell spearheaded the Kentucky defense which limited Auburn

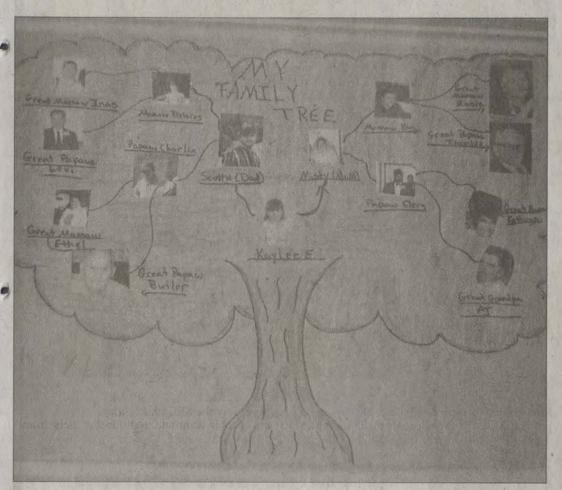
315 total yards. Entering the game, Auburn had averaged 38.3 points and 489.8 yards per

Johnson is the second Wildcat to earn SEC Defensive Player of the Week honors this season. Cornerback Trevard Lindley also was honored for the Miami game.

ELEMENTARY



JMS held its first Family Read night of the new school year on September 10. Over 50 students and family members attended to celebrate Grandparents Day. Family trees and short stories about Grandparents were put on display for all to enjoy Grandparents also visited the school during the day. Refreshments were served and door prizes awarded at the end of the night. Pictures were taken by DeAnna Kidd, sixth grade student at Stumbo Elementary.



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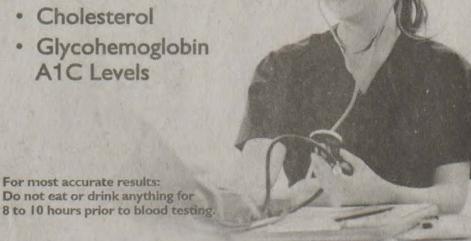
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Applicants should contact the Kentucky State Police Recruitment Branch at (866) 360-3165. Anyone interested in obtaining information about joining the KSP can call the number during office hours from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or leave a message any other

More information and Kentucky State Police has application forms available for download are on the Internet at trooper applicants will be held http://www.kentuckystatepo-

> KSP applicants must be 21 years of age, a U.S. citizen, in good health and possess 'a valid driver's license with no more than six driver demerit points. Applicants must also possess a minimum of 60 college credit hours or an associate's degree from an accredited college or university or be a high school graduate with at least two years of either active military duty or experience as a full-time, sworn law enforcement officer.

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"We are grateful to the IOM

Report highlights ways to improve school lunch, breakfast programs

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Institute of Medicine of the National Academies on Tuesday released the report of its expert panel, commissioned by USDA, to develop recommendations on improvements to the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs to align them with the latest Dietary Guidelines cates, and others who provided for Americans.

The panel made eight rec- edge to support the IOM ommendations addressing new nutrient targets and meal requirements for the implementation and monitoring of the new requirements, and evaluation and research activities to guide future program improvement.

"The U.S. Department of ommendations a basis for pos-Agriculture takes its responsibilities for improving the health and nutrition of kids across the country very seriously and the report released today by the Institute of Medicine provides important information to help the USDA and the Obama Administration meet this important goal," said requires that meals served Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "Experts at USDA are engaged in a thorough review of the IOM recommendations and will develop a proposed rule to determine the best ways to improve the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program based on IOM's final report. Stakeholders and the public will have ample opportunity to comment on USDA's proposed

Vilsack also mentioned that USDA intends to continue to provide assistance to schools to help them increase the availability of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and low-fat and fat-free dairy products in the lunch and breakfast menus. USDA's Team Nutrition initiative and the HealthierUS School Challenge will continue to help schools move in the direction of these recommendations. In the months ahead, USDA leadership will work



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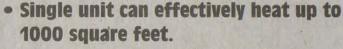
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PIKEVILLE — Linda Greer never dreamed she would face one of the biggest and most shocking decisions of her life — having to battle breast cancer.

There was no family history of the disease for Greer, who was 44 years old at the time she was diagnosed in May 2005.

"It (breast cancer) was the last thing on my mind, Greer, who serves as Cardio Pulmonary Director at Pikeville Medical Center said. "I just couldn't believe what was happening at the time."

Greer had decided because of her age to schedule a mammography examination. It's often referred to as a mammogram procedure used to aid in the early detection and diagnosis of breast diseases in women.

"I just felt like it was something I needed to get done," she said. "I honestly didn't expect anything to show up."

Greer was taking part in a director's meeting at the hospital the following week when she was beeped about her results.

"They (radiology) had told my physician that something showed up on the x-ray," she



A routine mammogram was the first step in saving Linda Greer from a disease for which she had no family history.

recalled. "The doctor recommended that I have a biopsy done on the left side."

A breast biopsy is a procedure in which part or all of a suspicious breast growth is removed and examined, usually for the presence of cancer. The growth sample is suctioned out through a needle or cut out using a surgical procedure.

The sample is then examined and evaluated under a microscope by a pathologist to identify either benign (non-

cancerous) or malignant (cancerous) tissue.

Greer had the procedure done on her 26th wedding anniversary.

"At the time there was so much going on in my life," she said. "My daughter was graduating from high school and I kept it hidden from my mother."

Doctors performed a lumpectomy on Greer. They removed part of the breast which contained a tumor known or suspected to be can-

cerous

"I remember having to go through 36 radiation treatments," Greer said. "The support I received from hospital workers during this time was as good as it could have been."

Greer continued to work during her recovery time. She was often tired, but had no real side effects from the treatment.

Her husband was there to support her. He had gone through cancer treatments 10 years prior to her diagnoses.

Obviously no woman wants to receive this diagnosis, but hearing the words "breast cancer" doesn't always mean an end.

"I was determined to win this fight," said Greer, who has now worked at PMC for the past 30 years. "I was very confident with being treated right here at PMC."

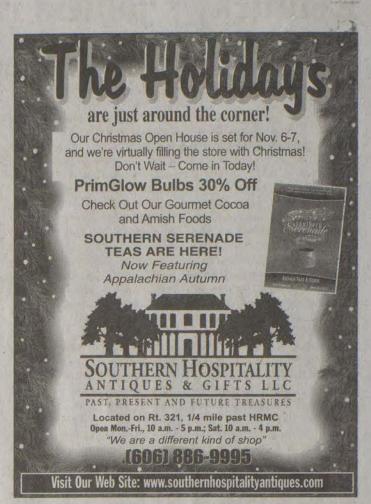
Just one year after her diagnoses Greer was busy bringing awareness to breast cancer. She and her husband volunteered in May 2006 to walk an hour during the annual Relay for Life event at Bob Amos Park.

"The support I've received from my co-workers, family and friends has turn what seemed to be a bad situation into a positive experience for me," Greer said.

Studies show that women who never recieve mammograms are far more likely to die of breast cancer than women who are regularly screened.

"I had no history in my family," Greer stressed. "Just because others in your family have never had a problem with this disease doesn't mean it can't strike you like it did me."







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Seven killed on Kentucky highways last week

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Preliminary statistics indicate that seven people died in six separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, Oct. 12, through Sunday, Oct. 18.

All of the crashes involved motor vehicles and four of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Single-fatality crashes occurred in Bullitt, Harrison, Jefferson, Muhlenberg and Russell counties. The crash in Bullitt County involved the suspected use of alcohol. One double-

fatality crash occurred in

Boone County.

Through Oct. 18, preliminary statistics indicate that 616 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2009. This is 16 fewer fatalities than reported for the same time period in 2008.

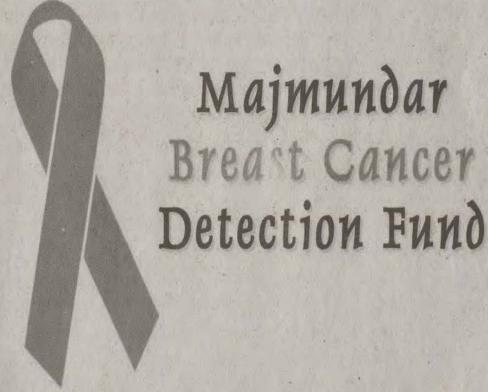
There were 497 motor vehicle fatalities and 270 of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Twenty-nine pedestrians and five bicyclists have been killed. Seventy fatalities involved a motorcycle and fifteen fatalities involved an ATV. Sixty-four crashes involved a commercial motor vehicle. A total of 135 fatalities have

resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic drivers to the Kentucky State Police toll-free at 1-800-222-5555. Callers will remain anonymous and should give a description of the vehicle, location, direction of travel and license number if possible.

These statistics are still preliminary as KSP waits for all local law enforcement agencies throughout the state to report any crashes and fatalities that may have occurred in their areas.

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Kentucky's jobless rate drops to 10.9 percent in September

Kentucky's seasonally adjusted preliminary unemployment rate fell to 10.9 percent in September 2009 from a revised 11.2 percent in August 2009, according to the Office of Employment and Training (OET), an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet. September 2009's jobless rate is 4 percentage points higher than the 6.9 percent rate recorded in September 2008.

"Kentucky's economy continued to struggle under the weight of the recession, suffering the biggest monthly employment decline and the largest number of year-overyear job losses on records dating back to January 1990. The drop in the unemployment rate reflects individuals who have faced long-term unemployment becoming discouragedand dropping out of the labor force," said Dr. Justine Detzel, OET chief labor market ana-

The U.S. seasonally adjusted jobless rate rose from 9.7 percent in August 2009 to 9.8 percent in September 2009, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. This 9.8 percent rate is 1.1 percentage points below the 10.9 percent rate recorded in Kentucky in September 2009.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working.

One of the 11 major nonarm North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) job sectors reported an employment increase in September 2009, while 10 decreased, according to OET. A decrease of 14,600 jobs in September 2009 brought Kentucky's nonfarm employment to a seasonally adjusted total of 1,758,600. Since September 2008, Kentucky's plummeted by 86,400.

monthly employment decline on records dating back to month of job losses since the recession commenced in December 2007," Detzel said. "Since the start of the recession, employment in Kentucky has decreased by 113,800 positions."

adjusted employment data, Kentucky's construction sector added 400 positions in September 2009. Since September 2008, employment in the construction sector has

the number of jobs in the construction sector since April 2009, reflecting the start of multiple commercial and public works construction projects," said Detzel.

The government sector, which includes public education, public administration agencies and state-owned hospitals, plummeted by 6,400 jobs in September 2009. The sector has 4,500 fewer jobs compared to September 2008.

19 This represents the sixth time in the last eight months employment in the public sector has dropped. The decline in the number of professionals is indicative of the budget crisis

facing Kentucky and reflects a decrease in the number of jobs in the state government and local government subsectors, including cutbacks at public schools," Detzel said.

The state's leisure and hospitality sector reported an employment decrease of 1,800 jobs in September 2009. Since September 2008, employment in the sector has declined by 600 positions. The leisure and hospitality sector includes arts, entertainment and recreation, accommodations and food services and drinking places industries.

"Year-over-year employment losses in the accommodation and food services industry outweighed yearover-year job gains in arts, entertainment, and recreation businesses which included the openings of multiple recreation and entertainment facilities and two new spectator sports teams," Detzel said.

The financial activities sector dropped by 1,600 positions in September 2009. This segment, which includes businesses involved in finance, insurance, real estate and property leasing or rental, has fallen by 4,900 positions over the past 12 months.

Kentucky's trade, transportation and utilities sector lost 1,600 jobs in September 2009. This area includes retail and wholesale trade, transportation and warehousing businesses and utilities. It is the largest sector in Kentucky with 362,800 employees. Since September 2008, the number of jobs in this sector has fallen by 18,300.

"Year-over-year job losses are predominantly in trans-September 2008. As households tightened their belts over declining sales, enacted lay-

Kentucky's manufacturing sector plummeted by 31,500.

"The manufacturing sector lost 1,100 jobs in September 2009, for a total of 208,900 professionals. This marks the 15th time in the last 16 months that industrial employment has fallen. Job losses were concentrated in the durable goods subsector, reflecting layoffs at a number of automobile parts manufacturers, the closing of another automobile parts producer, and the closing of a durable goods plant," Detzel

The educational and health

The state's other services sector, which includes such establishments as repair and maintenance businesses, personal and laundry services, religious organizations and civic and professional organizations, fell by 100 positions in September 2009. This sector had 200 fewer jobs in September 2009 than in September 2008.

The information sector dropped by 100 positions in September 2009. This segment, which includes firms involved in publishing, Internet activities, data processing, broadcasting and news syndication, decreased by 700 positions since September 2008.

The mining and logging sector had 100 fewer jobs in September 2009. The sector has added 700 workers since September 2008 because of hiring in the coal mining industry.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' monthly estimate of the number of employed Kentuckians for September 2009 was 1,842,078 on a seasonally adjusted basis. This figure is up 5,026 from the 1,837,052 employed in August 2009, but down 66,051 from the 1,908,129 employed in September 2008.

The monthly estimate of the

Kentucky's statewide vests, holidays and school openings and closings. Seasonal adjustments eliminate these influences and make it easier to observe statistical trends. However, because of the small sample size, county unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

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A complementary experimental hours and earnings series is available at http://www.bls.gov/sae/saeaep p.htm.

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services sector dropped by 1,000 jobs in September 2009. The sector had 500 fewer workers in September 2009 than September 2008. This sector includes private and nonprofit establishments that provide either education and training or health care and social assistance to their clients.

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CORBIN - The 19th annual Moonbow Trail Trek, which will be held Saturday, Nov. 7, at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, offers nature lovers the opportunity to combine a challenging hike with a chance to view some beautiful scenery.

Cumberland Falls is called the "Niagara of the South" because of its 125-foot-wide curtain of water. Sometimes at night, when conditions are right, mists from the falls produce a faint rainbow, known as a moonbow. The next moonbow may be visible after dark Nov. 1-4.

The Moonbow Trail Trek takes hikers during daylight hours to see the falls and other natural formations, including cascading streams, tower cliffs and house-sized rock formations. There is a 10-mile trek for the most adventurous hikers and a 4.5-mile trek for those with less experience. The 10-mile hike departs at 8:30 a.m., and the 4.5 mile trek leaves at 10 a.m.

Availability is limited and participants must be pre-registered by Oct. 30. Participation is limited to the first 100 people to register.

Check-in stations will be staffed throughout the hike and sweeps will be conducted to ensure safety. The Moonbow Trail Trek is not recommended for children under 10 years old or solo hikers. The cost is \$15 per person and includes a T-shirt. Participants should bring a daypack, hiking boots, extra socks, a flashlight, batteries, rain gear, a first aid kit, a warm jacket, and enough food and water to last six to

Cumberland Falls State Resort Park near Corbin has a lodge, cottages, the Riverview Restaurant, a campground, and hiking trails. For more information and to register for the Moonbow Trail Trek, call 1-800-325-0063 or 606-528-4121 or email Bret Smitley at BretA.Smitley@ky.gov.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY PIKEVILLE DIVISION ACTION NO. 7:08-CV-209-ART

EQUITABLE PRODUCTION COMPANY, a Pennsylvania Corporation

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION

A TRACT OF PROPERTY SITUATED IN MARTIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY CORRESPONDING TO PROPERTY TAX MAP NUMBER 38-26, 13.91 ACRES (PARCEL 117); et.al.

DEFENDANTS

PLAINTIFF

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF EDNA CRUM

A Complaint in condemnation has been filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, to take property for the purpose of constructing of a gas pipeline. The interest to be taken is 2.98 acres, including 1,300 footage of the total 13.91 acres of property more particularly described in Deed Book 46 page 572 and Deed Book 125 page 452 recorded in the Martin County Court Clerk's office and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the County Road on Nigger Fork at the mouth of the Brinager Fork; thence up with the Brinager Branch to the line of Jane Carlisle Allen, thence an Easterly direction with said Allen's line to the County Road above the mouth of the Ivy Fork; thence a Westerly direction down the road to the beginning, containing 25 acres more or less.

Equitable seeks the condemnation of perpetual and temporary rights-of-way over various contiguous parcels of real property located in Martin, Pike and Floyd Counties, Kentucky, which are necessary for the construction and operation of an approximately forty three (43) mile, eight-inch (8") pipeline that will transport liquid hydrocarbons from the Kentucky Hydrocarbon plant in Langley, Kentucky, to Ranger West Virginia. Currently, the transportation and sale of liquid hydrocarbons produced from the Eastern Kentucky Basin is limited due to the availability of a single transmission outlet. Equitable is presently the owner and operator of a four (4) inch liquid hydrocarbons pipeline which was constructed in the mid 1950's and which is inadequate due to its limited capacity to transport the volume of gas required to meet the demands of the public and the and the increased volume of liquid hydrocarbons now being produced in the Eastern Kentucky Basin.

If you want to object or present any defense to the taking, you must serve an answer on the Plaintiff's Attorney, Michael J. Schmitt, Porter, Schmitt, Banks and Baldwin, 327 Main Street, P.O. Drawer 1767, Paintsville, Kentucky 41240 within 20 days after October 28, 2009. Your Answer must identify the property in which you claim an interest, state the nature and extent of that interest and state all your objections and defenses to the taking. Objections and defenses not presented are waived.

If you fail to answer you consent to the taking and the Court will enter a judgment that takes your described property interest. Instead of answering, you may serve on the Plaintiff's attorney, heretofore identified, a notice of appearance that designates the property in which you claim an interest. After you do that, you will receive a notice of any proceedings that affect you. Whether or not you have previously appeared or answered, you may present evidence at a trial to determine compensation for the property and share in the overall award.

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NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION

A TRACT OF PROPERTY SITUATED IN FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY CORRESPONDING TO PROPERTY TAX MAP NUMBER 15-5, 179.66 ACRES (PARCEL 135); et.al.

DEFENDANTS

TO: UNKNOWN PROPERTY OWNERS

A Complaint in condemnation has been filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, to take property for the purpose of constructing of a gas pipeline. The interest to be taken is 8.03 acres, including 3,500 footage of the total 179.66 acres of property more particularly described in Deed Book 117 page 104 recorded in the Floyd County Court Clerk's office and more particularly described as

Beginning at a Beech (now fallen) opposite the mouth of a small drain and on the North bank of said Laurel Fork on Wolf Creek; thence up a point N. 25 W. 88 poles to a Pine on said point; thence West 30 poles to a black oak on top of ridge N. 67 W. 88 poles to a Black oak on a ridge in a line of Kirk Survey S. 71 W. 38 poles to two Chestnut oaks and a Black oak N. 79 W. 26 poles to a Gum tree, S. 86 W. 37 poles to a Chestnut tree on a ridge S. 23 W. 35 poles to a large Chestnut oak on a ridge; thence with said ridge S. 18 W. 40 poles to two large rocks with three cuts of hatchet on the side of one of them; thence S. 21 W. 40 poles to a chestnut oak on a knob S. 34 poles to a White oak S. 66 E. 42 poles to a Chestnut oak on a ridge N. 72 E. 47 poles to a point 3 poles short of a White oak marked with three hacks, S. 40 E. 64 poles to a Maple a few poles W. of and in Elm Log Cap (Maple Down) E. 70 poles to a Chestnut oak on top of Buck Knob arrive corner to Lydia Collinsworth; thence N. 20 E. 52 poles to a White oak on a level. TO place; N. 6 E. 30 poles to a Chestnut oak on a point above the head of a drain 1933 N. 46 E. 26 poles to a small Black oak S. 20 E. 9 poles to a Birch N. 10 W. 20 late poles to the beginning. Being the same land conveyed to Jack and Eunice Cline add and Harrison Jude from Connell McCoy and Alice May.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Permit No. 836-5421 Increment 1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that DS Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 2864, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, intends to apply for a Phase I bond release for Increment 1 on permit number 836-5421, which was last issued June 5, 2009. The application covers an area of approximately 2.5 surface acres, located west of Woods in Floyd

The operation is located just north of Ky. Rt. 194's junction with Twin Branch, and is located on Cow Creek. The operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37°38'05", and longitude 82°39'44".

The bond now in effect is a letter of credit for \$25,000; let-

Reclamation work performed includes: grading, seeding and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed in August, 2005.

Written comments, objections and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by December 16, 2009.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for December 17, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing, or informal conference is received by December 16, 2009.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Qualifications for Consultants

The East Kentucky Leadership Foundation, Inc. (EKLF) is soliciting qualifications from consultants for professional services for the development of an operations and business plan for the Central Appalachian Institute for Research and Development (CAIRD).

The plan shall include, but not limited to, CAIRD's mission statement, establish tangible and quantifiable goals, define the areas to be served by CAIRD, provide a strategic plan for implementation and suggest ways of marketing the CAIRD concept. The implementation plan should include, but not be limited to, identification of the most effective entity to provide "ownership" for CAIRD, determination of private and public funding opportunities, and a list of existing facilities that would supply support for CAIRD. The report shall include a live (5) year pro-forma, along with an indication of start-up costs for

The EKLF is seeking the assistance of a qualified consultant to assist them in the development and planning of the report. Minimum requirements include a Master's degree, or equivalent, background in strategic planning or community/leadership development, experience in analysis and research of educational issues, basic computer skills, and familiarity with the Appalachian region, especially dis-

Respondents should submit a minimum of three (3) copies of their qualifications not exceeding 20 pages in a sealed envelope clearly marked "East Kentucky Leadership Foundation - CAIRD Operations/Business Plan Development" no later than 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 29, 2009. Submittals should be made to Mr. Bill Weinberg, Project Director at 35 Kentucky River Road, Hindman, Kentucky 41822, (606) 785-0761. The EKLF reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

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> COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO.06-CI-00686 KENTUCKY FAIR PLAN INTERVENING PLAINTIFF

> > VS.

MILDRED K. REFFITT ET AL. PLAINTIFF VS. DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST, ET AL. DEFENDANTS RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law, Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 29th day of January, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$106,621.85, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 5th day of October, 2009 at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Address: 111 North Front Drive, Langley, Kentucky 41645 A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky on Right beaver Creek in Maytown, at Langley being 111 North Front Street, Langley, Kentucky 41645 and being Lots No. 222, 223, 224, 225, 262, 263, 264, and 265, and being the same lots described in the map or plat of H.F, May Addition now on file in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

The parties to the case obtained their interests in the foregoing ract of real property as follows. All references are to, the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office, Mildred Reffitt by deed of record in the Deed Book 301, Page 304; Deed Book 496, Page 564; Deed Book 501, Page 89. The heirs of C.C. Reffitt obtained their interests by his Affidavit of Descent of record in

Deed Book 215, Page 523, The heirs of Beverage Reffitt obtained their interests by Affidavit of Descent of record in Deed . The heirs of Christine Reffitt Shadley obtained their interests by Affidavit of Descent of record in Deed Book 441, Page 313.

TERMS OF SALE:

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

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.

The property shall be sold subject to any easements and estrictions 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.

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.

In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property it shall not be required to pay into Court the entire amount of the purchasing price, but will be allowed instead to pay 20.52% of the purchase price, plus the costs of sale, the Master Commissioner's fee, and any amount required to satisfy unpaid ad valorem real estate property taxes instead and take credit against its judgment for the remaining 79.48% of its bid. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE1 Pursuant to Application Number 836-5422 Renewal#1

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co., Inc.; 439 Meadows Branch; Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653 has applied for a renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located approximately miles north of Dana in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 14.09 surface acres and will underlie 792.87 acres and the total area within the permit boundary will be 806.96 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.2 miles southeast from Johnson Fork junction Road's with Cecil Branch Road and located Johnson within

The proposed op-

eration is located Harold 7 1/2 tne U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Randy Hayes, Orris E. Hayes, Wayne Hayes, David B. Hayes, Clarence Haves Randall Hayes. The permit area will underlie land owned by Randy Hayes, Orris E. Hayes, Wayne Hayes, David B. Hayes, Clarence Haves Randall and Hayes, Green Kidd, Green Kidd Heirs, B. Rickman, Will Amey Heirs, Wilford & Ruth Boyd, Kate Cade Heirs, Lodestar Energy Inc., George & Myrtle Lackey, James Ison Lackey, Stella and Eddie Lackey and Oliver & Dixie Lackey, Nora Watkins, Louise Paul Justice, Industrial Fuels Minerals Co., Sidney Sidney Justice, Justice Trust, A.F. Rice Estate and J.R. Conn.

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

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE1 Pursuant to Application Number 858-5064 Amendment No. 4

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, no tice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, HC 64, Box 915, Debord, Kentucky 41214 has applied for an amendment to an underexisting ground coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.5 miles southeast of Odds in Martin Floyd and Johnson Counties. amendment will add 14.03 acres and delete 38.06 acres of surface disturbance and add 239.44 acres of underground mining area making the total area within the permit boundary will be 8,715.96 acres. The amendment area is approxi-

mately 2.5 miles south of Kentucky Route 3's junction with Big Sandy Regional Airport Road and located at the mouth of Bear Water Branch of Daniels Creek. proposed

The amendment is lo the cated on Thomas and Lancer U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle maps. The amendment is to revise the location of overland conveyor and add additional undermining ground acres. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Pocahontas Development Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by Charles & Della Bradley, Burl Wells Spurlock, Frank & Buskirk, Harold Gene Porter Leslie, Sammy Lafferty et.al. and Middlefork Land Company.

The amendment application been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ken-41653. tucky Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 Frankfort, South. Kentucky 40601 This is the final advertisement of the application. comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Modifications to Existing Wastewater Treatment Plant The Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission has applied to the

KY Department for Environmental Protection (DEP), Division of Water, Water Infrastructure Branch (WIB) for a low interest loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), funded in part by a grant to Kentucky from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The project is as follows:

This project involves major modification and additions to the existing wastewater treatment plant which is 40+ years old. The major addition consists of two single batch reactors (SBR's) which are more efficient treatment process. Also the modification includes a new building to house the headworks and chemical feeds necessary for complete treatment. Portions of the existing plant will be utilized for sludge storage, emergency storage, laboratory, offices and a control center and some modification of the existing building.

The Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday November 5, 2009 at 5:30 pm at the Big Sandy Area Development District offices on 110 Resource Court in Prestonsburg. The purpose of this meeting is to allow the public to review and comment on proposed activities, potential impacts, and project alternatives. Relevant documents will be on file at Prestonsburg City's Utilities offices at 2560 South Lake Drive for Citizen's review during regular business hours.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Jennifer Burke Elliott, a fully licensed attorney practicing in Floyd County, Kentucky, have been appointed by the Floyd Circuit Court as Warning Order Attorney for the unknown spouse of Bryan D. Adams. The Order is to notify the unknown spouse of Mr. Bryan D. Adams that a legal action has been brought against her, the same being Floyd Circuit Court Civil Action No. 09-CI-1014. The legal action is in the nature of a debt collection against the unknown spouse of Mr. Adams by the Plaintiff, Kentucky Housing Corporation, and to secure a mortgage upon properties located on Hunter Branch Road, Printer, Kentucky and being more particularly described in the Deed of Record in Deed Book 476, Page 469, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Notice is hereby given to the unknown spouse of Mr. Bryan D. Adams that her failure to respond to the Plaintiff's Complaint could result in a loss of her interest in the property that was stated herein. As Warning Order Attorney, a response must be filed within fifty (50) days of September 28, 2009.

JENNIFER BURKE ELLIOTT Attorney at Law 181 E. Court Street Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-9937



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NOTICE OF IN-TENTION TO MINE1 Pursuant to Application Number 836-5307 Renewal #3

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co., Inc. 439 Meadows Branch; Prestons-Kentucky 41653 has applied for a renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.5 miles northeast of Emma in Floyd County. The pro posed operation will disturb 21.00 surface acres and will underlie 842.70 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 863.70 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.24 miles north from KY Route 1428's junction with KY Route 194 and located 0.08 miles east of the Levisa Fork.

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 ? minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Eddie B. Merritt. The operation will underlie land owned by Eddie B. Merritt, Sandra Barkan, Ed Leslie Estate, Forrest Burchett, Gale Burchett, Troy Whitt, Clyde , Burchett, William Jarrell, Irvin Harris, Roland Blackburn, Leonard Goble, Rosie Woods Estate. Columbus Jervis, William H. Amburgey and Brodis Goble

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

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ORDINANCE NO. 08-2009

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, RELATING TO A TAX LEVY ON REAL AND TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND FRAN-CHISES, ALL FOR THE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSE PURPOSES OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, in order to maintain a progressive and stable tax base for the city, finds it necessary to adopt the following Ordinance in order to provide funds for the general expense purposes of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County assessment of property situated in the City of Prestonsburg, both real and personal, is hereby adopted.

Section 2. For the purposes of providing funds for the general operating expenses of the City of Prestonsburg for the fiscal year from July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010, and for each year thereafter, untl this Ordinance is amended or enacted, the following taxes are levied:

(A) Upon all real estate within the City of Prestonsburg, not specifically exempted from taxation, situated within the City of Prestonsburg of .231 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed value.

(B) A tax upon all tangible personal property and franchises not specifically exempted from taxation, a tax of .3655 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed value.

Section 3. A discount of two percent (2%) of the total amount of the tax bill is hereby allowed upon all tax bills paid to November 30th of each year.

Section 4. A penalty of six percent (6%) of the total amount of the tax bills that are not paid on or prior to December 31st of each year shall be imposed and collected. Section 5. The City Clerk is hereby designated and authorized to collect the tax im-

Section 6. This Ordinance is passed pursuant to, in compliance with, and by virtue of the authority of the following constitutional and statutory provisions: Kentucky Constitution Sections 157,170 and 181; Kentucky Revised Statutes 92.160, 92.170, 92.330, 336.280 and 142.020.

Section 7. Any word, phrase section, or subsection of this Ordinance declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 8. All ordinances, or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 9. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication as

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an action has been filed in Floyd Family Court against Unknown Mother of Baby Girl Jane Doe. Any person with information about this individual and/or her whereabouts shhould immediately contact Hon. James D. Adams, II, Attorney at Law, 158 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, at (606) 886-3339.

This notice is

being filed by Hon. James D. Adams, II, in his capacity as Warning Order Attorney to notify and inform the Respon-Unknown Mother of Baby Girl Jane Doe, of the above referenced action. Please be advised that your failure to contact the Warning Order Attorney at the above address or phone number may result in a Default Judgment being entered against you and adversely effect your legal rights in the action which has been filed in Floyd Family Court.

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(Signed) Paula Johnson, Chairperson, Southern Water and Sewer District.

FLOVE CIRCUIT COURT

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT **DIVISION II** C.A. NO. 09-CI-415 CITIMORTGAGE, INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER

TO CITIFINANCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC.,

PLAINTIFF SABRENA STEPP CACH, LLC COUNTY OF FLOYD DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Special Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 16th day of September, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$158,135.40, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 5th day of November, 2009 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

BEING LOT NOS. 8-12, OF THE COPPERAS LICK ESTATES,

PRESTONSBURG, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO SABRENA STEPP AND NORMA STEPP FROM CHARLES E. BRANHAM AND SHARON NEELEY-BRANHAM, HIS WIFE, BY DEED DATED SEPTEMBER 4, 1998, AND FILED FOR RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 1998 IN DEED BOOK 424, PAGE 346 IN THE

OFFICE OF THE FLOYD COUNTY COURT CLERK. NORMA STEPP IS NOW DECEASED. UPON HER DEATH, ALL RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST BECAME VESTED TO SABRENA STEPP.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 115 COPPERAS LICK BRANCH, PRE-STONSBURG, KY 41653.

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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. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all city and county ad valorem taxes for the year 2009, and all sub-

sequent 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.

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

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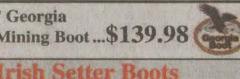
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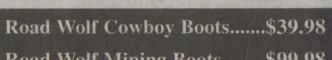
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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

Helping us 'just say no' to petroleum

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

"See the USA in your Chevrolet!"

I bet you haven't thought about that one in a while, have you? Do you remember the gorgeous blonde who sang that? (A later generation probably remembers her mostly as Burt Reynolds' attractive older girlfriend: Dinah Shore.)

I've been enjoying Dinah's 1952 Chevy commercial almost daily lately, because my friends Rob and Diana, whom I always call "the poster children for an idyllic retirement," are out and about the countryside doing just that: seeing the USA in their Chevrolet.

And Diana, who's easily 100 times more clever at "computer things" than I could ever be, has put that 1952 commercial on their daily travel blog, where visitors can watch Dinah at her perky best. (If you'd like to see Dinah doing her thing on behalf of Chevy, check out this website: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v'KG ZvQoPxhNs).

Watching that old commercial (and feeling quite nostalgic about those cars, which I remember from my childhood), I have to admit -- we Americans love, love, love our cars!

But a lot of folks are worried about America's ever-increasing dependence on imported petroleum, with good reason. So the scientists at the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) are constantly coming up with new ways to help Americans Ajust say no@ to petroleum.

Consider lubricants, for example. Every machine that has moving parts, whether it's your car motor or that big earthmover at the construction site downtown, needs lubricants. And most of those lubricants are made from what's called "base oil," which is blended with additives to boost performance.

Boy, do we ever guzzle those additives: The U.S. demand is already at nearly 2 billion pounds a year, and it's expected to climb about 2 percent per year for the next five years.

That was just too juicy a target for some ARS scientists to pass up. So they turned their attention to making bio-based additives suitable for use in formulating greases, engine oils, and even hydraulic, transmission and drilling fluids.

These additives are based on the predominant fat molecules -- called triglycerides -- in the natural oils of familiar crops such as soybeans, corn and canola, and some not-so-familiar plants such as pennycress, camelina and crambe. The new additives are fully biodegradable and are just slightly darker and thicker than the light yellow cooking oil you probably have in your pantry right now.

The scientists say these biobased additives could be used with either biobased or conventional lubricants. The additives meet all the standard criteria for viscosity and liquidity, high flashpoint, and stability even in temperature extremes. And since they're biodegradable, proper disposal is fast, easy and inexpensive.

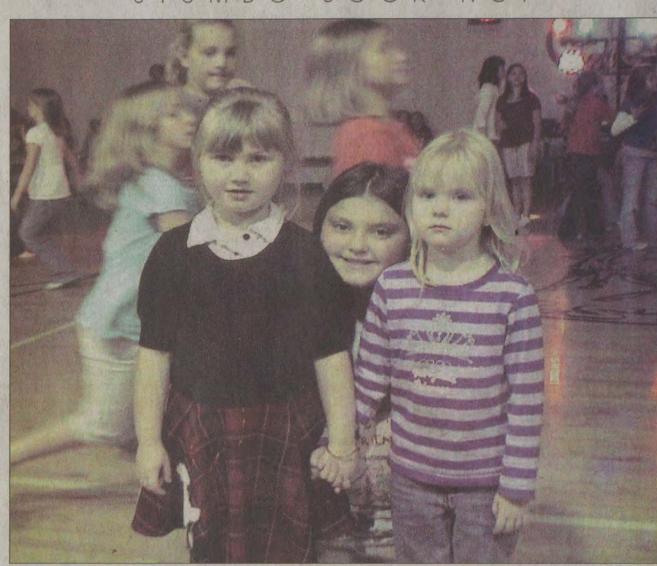
Another way ARS scientists are helping us "just say no" to petroleum is by developing products that are typically made with petroleum -- for example, those hard, custom-shaped chunks of polystyrene that protect everything from computers to slow cookers to garden gnomes in the shipping boxes.

The ARS scientists say those foams could be made just as easily from wheat, potato and corn starches as from petroleum-based polystyrene. They've already patented two processes for making the starch-based foams to produce everything from shipping liners to disposable dinnerware.

The biofoams are strong, durable and versatile, the scientists say. They can be manufactured in the same range of densities as the conventional

(See SCIENCE, page seven)

STUMBO SOCK HOP



Every month at Stumbo Elementary, students with perfect attendance are rewarded with a special activity. The activity for the month of September was a sock hop. Students must not have even a tardy to attend these events. Congratulations to the students that were allowed to attend. In August, students with perfect attendance were treated to a cook out and field day. In October, students with perfect attendance will be allowed to attend a Halloween costume dance. November will be a movie with popcorn. December will be another Sock Hop. January/February will feature a Give-a-Way Day in which students will earn prizes in several drawings. In March, the school will have a block party outside with a DJ and games. In April, we will have another sock hop. The month of May will feature a cook out, field day and softball tournament. Students with 97 percent attendance or higher per semester are allowed to attend a sleepover event at school in which students stay the night and play games, etc. Eighth grade students that have perfect attendance all year will be in a drawing to win a laptop computer. Other students will win bicycles for their perfect attendance.

HCTC Appalachian Craft and Culture Fair set

HCTC will hold an Appalachian Craft and Culture Fair Nov. 11-14 in the First Federal Center. A wide variety of activities and demonstrations are planned, including story telling, demonstrations and small group performances. The Native Nations will conduct a Mini Powwow on Wednesday, Nov. 11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the First Federal Center room 123A.

On Nov. 12-14, artists and crafts people in the area will sell their wares each day from 8:30 to 5 p.m. In response to requests from the public, the crafts fair is being extended to Saturday, Nov. 14 to allow more visitors.

"We have a lot of talented people in the area and this event allows them to showcase their work," noted Cora Hamilton, event coordinator. "This is a great time to get some early Christmas shopping done, sample some wonderful homemade desserts, and gain a better appreciation for our Appalachian heritage," she said.

For more information regarding the Powwow, contact Elbert Hagans, (606) 487-3178. For other information about the event, contact Cora Hamilton at (606) 487-3071.



First Commonwealth Bank held a "Pink-Out" in support of Breast **Cancer Awareness Month** on Friday October 16th. The Pink-Out was in conjunction with the bank's ongoing Jeans Day Fundraiser where employees pay to wear jeans on Fridays. All money collected goes towards the First Commonwealth Bank Relay for Life fundraising efforts. The bank matched all contributions for employees that wore pink with their jeans. Pictured from left are President and CEO Greg Wilson, Main Office Tellers Karen Nelson, Deonna Allen, and Tonya Shepherd, Teller Services Manager Elizabeth **Kestner and Customer** Service Representative Elaina Stamper.

Wal-Mart, Middle Creek VFD to hold haunted house

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

MIDDLE CREEK – Prestonsburg Wal-Mart is joining with the Middle Creek Fire Department to provide a weekend of scares and fun

with a haunted house on Oct. 23, 24, and 30 from 7:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. at the Middle Creek Fire Station.

"All proceeds for this event go to benefit the Middle Creek Fire Department's yearly food drive for needy families in our local area,"

said Scott McPeek, assistant manager of the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart. "This will be our first annual haunted house."

Admission to the event is \$2, and donations of canned food will also be accepted, with two cans lowering

the admission to \$1 and four cans provided free admission.

For more information on the haunted house event and food donations, contact Scott McPeek at the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart by calling (606) 886-6681.

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 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

Highlands Regional Medical Center "Living Well with Diabetes" Support Group "Holiday Time Tips"

Reward yourself with an evening of Holiday tips and

"Diabetic" doesn't have to mean giving up flavor.

Thursday, October 22, 2009. Meeting will be held in the Medical Office Building Rooms A & B, 5:00p.m. - 6:00

All Classes are free of charge.

For further information con-Food & Nutrition Services at (606) 886-8511, ext. 7353.

We look forward to seeing you!!

Wal-Mart to sponsor haunted house, Oct. 23-30 at Middle Creek Fire Dept.

Wal-Mart in Prestonsburg is inviting everyone to join us on October 23, 24, and 30, 7:30 p.m.-11 p.m. nightly for our first annual haunted house. This will be held at Middle Creek Fire Station No. 1. Admission fee is \$2.00. We are also collecting can food dona-tions on these nights. Bring two cans, get in for \$1.00, or four cans for free admission. All proceeds for this event go to benefit the Middle Creek Fire Department's yearly food drive for needy families in our local area. For any questions, call 606-886-6681 and ask for Scott. Be there...if you dare!

UMWA Health & Retirement Funds Invites You to attend:

An Education series for family members, caregivers and friends of those who suffer from memory disorders.

Presents: Greg Jicha, MD PHD and staff of the UK Alzheimer's Disease Center Alzheimer's and the Association.

Thursday, October 22, at 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. at the Pikeville Medical Library.

· Caring for the caregiver and helfpul tips to prepare for the holiday season! Please confirm your atten-

dance by registering with the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-272-3900.

Any other questions, may be directed to Debra, Kim or Christina at the Funds office (606) 432-1072, ext. 12, 13 or

Light refreshments will be available!

Brothers of the Wheel Halloween Costume Party

The East Ky. Chapter of the Brothers of the Wheel M.C. will hold a Halloween Costume Party on October 24, at 7 p.m., till the witching hour at the B.O.T.W.C. Club house at Dwale, in Floyd County. Best costume contest 1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes. 9 p.m., Costume Poker Run. Live music, food, beverages. More information, contact: Deano, 297-3561 or Biker Bo, 874-3576. All proceeds go for Christmas gifts for area needy children.

Frasure-Patton Reunion Saturday, November 7

We are having a family reunion for the families of the. Jones Frasure descendants from Langley (Maytown). Included in this reunion are the family members of Phillip Frasure, Mary Frasure Ratliff and Ramey Frasure Case. Also included in this reunion are the descendants of Mart and Egalatine (tine) Patton which originated from Langley (Maytown) Ky. These families are Emma, Fannie, Jane, Virginia, Jenny, Sarah, Darcus, Phoebe, Lula, Joe Jeff, Willie and Jake Patton. The reunion will take place Saturday, November 7, at 3 p.m., at the Bethel Church lunchroom, at Maytown. Everyone is welcome to attend and is asked to bring a covered dish and drinks. If you need any more information, call Dora Allen at

PHS Open House planned Thursday, October 22

Prestonsburg High School will host open house on Thursday, October 22, from 4 p.m.-6 p.m. Everyone invited to attend! Chili dinner in the

Prestonsburg High School Classes of 1931-1949 Reunion

When: Saturday, November Where: Jenny Wifey State Park Lodge

Gathering time: Beginning at 9 a.m. Sit a spell, reminisce, story telling, visit, enjoy a game of Rook, share family photos, and/or photos of yesteryear or interesting travel experiences, etc. At noon, enjoy May Lodge's fabulous lunch buffet in our own during area. After lunch, stay awhile longer. We have until 3 p.m. to enjoy each other's company. This is a casual event and everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, contact John & Ruth Arnett, 2220 Foot Road, Wheelersburg, Ohio 45694. Phone: 740-574-1134 or email:

ruthandjohn1993@yahoo.com

PHS Class of '89 20th Reunion

Prestonsburg High School class of '89 will be having their 20th class reunion October 23rd and October 24th. The festivities will begin on Friday, October 23rd at the Prestonsburg vs. Shelby Valley football game. Remember to mention you are a member of the class of '89 to receive free admission. The game starts at 7:30, and bring the whole family so everyone can catch up

event will be on Saturday, October 24th, at the Stone Crest Club House, from 7 p.m. until midnight. The price for Saturday night's event is \$40

with each other! The main

for a single and \$75 per couple. Please make checks payable to PHS Class of "89 and mail to: DANA CLIFTON, P.O. BOX 822. Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Please RSVP by Friday, October 2nd, if you have not done so already. Please join the group "Prestonsburg High School Class of 1989" on facebook for information and

Betsy Layne High School

Class of 1984 reunion Betsy Layne High School Class of 1984 will be having their 25th class reunion on Friday, October 23, at the Betsy Layne High School and on Saturday, October 24, at the Jenny Wiley Lodge. For more information, you can contact Jenny Akers Tackett at (859) 433-7130 or you can visit our website at www.betsylayne1984.myevent.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.

the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-4323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehen-sive 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.—

Instructor: Jerry Hatfield

The Hidden Secrets of Windows

Computer class, Mondays, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.-5 to 6 weeks Instructor: Frank Ricter

(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 Nancy Instructor: Froschquer

Sewing Class Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.-

Cost: \$20

Thursdays, 5:30-8:30 p.m.-8 weeks

Instructor: Donna Woods Cost: \$20

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-

www.drugsno.com

Duff Kindergarten Registration

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

Higher education begins here

Kentucky Adult Education Learning for Life program offers GED, Adult Tutoring Learning, College Preparation classes. These classes are managed by Big Sandy Community & Technical College. All classes are free to anyone 16 years old

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.

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 meet-

group Support 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 infor-

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?

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,

Democratic Woman's Club meets at May Lodge

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

(See CALENDAR, page seven)



Proceeds go to Residents' Christmas Fund.

Concession

It's flu season again and ARH is here for you.

Flu shots are available at **ARH Clinics for only \$20** to the general public.

(Medicare and Medicaid patients will have no out of pocket cost with a valid card.)

McDowell ARH Drive-thru Flu Shots at the main entrance of the hospital

Friday, October 23, 2009 10:00AM - 2:00PM

\$20.00 Charge

Adults 18 & older

For your annual flu shot contact your local ARH Clinic or to find a location near you, go to www.arh.org/flushots

Walk-ins Welcome



PET OF THE WEEK

The Floyd County Animal Shelter



Floyd County Animal Shelter celebrity of the week is former star major league baseball player, Johnny Lemaster, who played thirteen seasons as the shortstop for the san francisco Giants, and was recently inducted into their hall of fame. Since returning to the mountains, Johnny operates a local sporting goods store, and has donated thousands of hours and inspired countless local youth, by volunteering as a coach, and serving as President of the Paintsville Little League. Johnny is holding "Babe" and "Ruth," two six-week-old terrier mixes, who are very playful, and would love to play ball in a loving home

The Floyd County Animal Shelter is located at Sally Stephens Branch in West Prestonsburg

Phone 886-3189

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY—COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

Floyd County Cooperative Extension Services

Report to the People



Heather J. Nelson, County Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

4-H is the dynamic, non-formal, educational youth program of the Cooperative Extension Service which combines the cooperative efforts of youth, volunteer leaders, and the University of Kentucky. 4-H Youth Development Education creates opportunities and supportive environments for culturally diverse youth and adults to be capable, competent, and caring citizens. Programs offered for the youth of Floyd County: In School Clubs, After School Clubs, Educational Programs, Projects, 4-H Camp, Summer Day Camps, Teen Conference, State Fair, East Kentucky Fair, and 4-H Teen Council.



Teen Council Helping Overcome Tobacco (H.O.T.) Public Service Announcement. Clover Corner at the Home & Garden Expo. Jump into Food & Fun day camp at the Maytown Center. Cloverbuds learn character. Learning Ethics Through Service for high school seniors. New Energy Club in the county.



Anthony Ray Tackett, County Extension Agent for Agriculture & Natural Resources

AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

The Floyd County Cooperative Extension Agriculture and Natural Resource program provides education, training and technical assistance to individuals and businesses concerned with profitable agriculture. Our educational programs include information on food and fiber production, farm business management, marketing and processing agricultural products, natural resource management and home lawn and garden information. Extension is the major provider of research-based information and education for agricultural producers, agri-business, retailers, consumers, and homeowners. Special programs include beekeeping, master gardener program, pruning demonstrations, pesticide applicator trainings, and soil sampling.



As a County Extension Agent for Ag & Natural Resources I have the fortunate opportunity of working hand in hand with many individuals and organizations having interests in general Agriculture and Natural Resource issues. I have talked with people of all ages each having unique perspectives as to how things once were, "ought" to be, or could be in the future. This is a very exciting time to be working in a region where there is such a rich agriculture and natural resource history to build the future on.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Educational services provided for community and economic development (CED) through the UK Cooperative Extension Service in Floyd County include small business support and development, business counseling and mentoring, tourism development including self-guided tours, the Kentucky Quilt Trail project, Kentucky Master Gardener Program (which includes community beautification and landscaping), recycling, conflict management and negotiation, public issues forums, and youth development primarily through the Appalachian Rural Cultural Heritage Education Initiative, health education and representation on the Friedell Health Reform Committee, Tri-county Diabetes Coalition and active Chamber of Commerce members.



All three Floyd County Extension Agents work directly and indirectly in community development. The Cooperative Extension Service uses resources from the University of Kentucky with the goal of improving our local quality of life. Examples of activities included in our community and economic development work are leadership development, citizen participation, human resources, and job skills programs just to name a few. We focus on current community assets and broad community participation in strengthening and improving life for residents now and into the future.



Theresa M.Scott
County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

Strengthening the family through research-based education has long been a goal of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service Family and Consumer Sciences program. We have helped families invest in their future by helping them develop the competency to choose nutritious foods, manage resources, provide quality care for children and dependent elderly and become community leaders. Some of the activities offered by the Floyd County Family and Consumer Science Program are: Basic Life Skills, Financial Management, Health and Wellness Programs, Heritage/Cultural Arts, Ovarian Screening, Get Moving Kentucky, Nutrition & Food preparation, Limited Resource Nutrition Educational Programs and family focused workshops for parents. Looking for leadership opportunities? Join the Floyd County Extension Homemakers where over 125 members volunteer and share with the community.

Nutrition Education Program (SNAPED) is a federally funded program of quality educational efforts conducted by the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service. Nutrition Education work with adult groups and youth with specific measurable outcomes such as: selecting more vegetables and fruits in most diets, increasing/managing food budgets. All NEP teaching and activities are supported by UK Cooperative Extension Service research-based (factual, proven multi-session programs).



Highlighted above are pictures of Family & Consumer Sciences activities and community events led by FCS leaders.

RED, WHITE & BLUE FESTIVAL & PARADE



Allen Central Middle School boys' varsity cheerleaders.



These ghouls appeared in the parade not only for chills, but also to let people know of the Haunted Hayride that will be held at the Martin Community Center over the next two weekends to raise money for Martin's Shop with a Cop program.



The car show was a popular attraction as always.



Betsy Layne Junior Band.



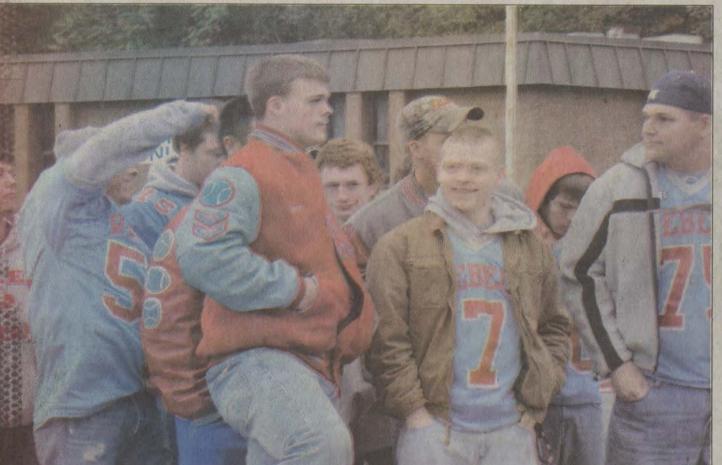
Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson.



Allen Central High School JROTC.



A long line of horses and their riders trailed the parade.



The Allen Central High School football team, fresh off a Red, White and Blue Bowl win and sporting a best-ever record of 7-1, drew lots of cheers from the crowd along the parade route.



Downtown Martin had plenty of rides for the kids.

— photos by Ralph B. Davis

RED, WHITE & WHITE FESTIVAL & PARADE



Miss Red, White and Blue Brandi Brown.



Little Miss Red, White and Blue Kasie Lynn Johnson.





ACHS homecoming queen Kaitlyn Vanderpool.



Wee Miss Patriotic prettiest eyes winner Madison Morrison.



Junior Miss Red, White and Blue Taylor Moore, of Allen Central Middle School, and escort Dillon Lawson.



Tiny Miss Patriotic Princess Brooklyn Rogers.



Miss Red, White and Blue third runner-up Dorsa Hall.



Tiny Miss Red, White and Blue photogenic winner and second runner-up Isabelle Tackett.

YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(Oct. 15, 17 and 20, 1999)

In one of the shorter meetings of the year, the Floyd County Board of Education met in a special-called session on Wednesday night to approve the general budget for the fiscal year; to clarify action taken by the Local Planning Committee (LPC); and to set property tax rates

Tedi Vaughan who led the Jenny Wiley Theatre through a resurgence in the early 1990s has been tapped to lead the fledgling Mountain Arts Center

Repeating the message "Yes to health insur-ance, no to union busting," three labor union spokespersons were in Prestonsburg, yesterday. o support the Service Employee Interational Union (SEIU) striking workers, at Highlands Regional Medical Center (HRMC)

Last weekend's rains and the cooler weather have lessened the chances of forest fires, so Ployd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt hompson has lifted the burning ban that he instituted in August

The Floyd County Fiscal Court was in sestion for a brief time, Wednesday, to authorize ludge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson to sign the paperwork for blacktopping county roads. The county accepted \$257,700 from the state Transportation Cabinet for the road work

Last weekend, the veterans flag at the Betsy Layne Senior Citizen was burned on the lawn, and many local residents are burning mad. Center director Nannetta Yates said the witnesssaw a single young man do the deed. The erpetrator is believed to be 17-18 years old, and probably lives in the area, she said

When a 1,000-member chorus dazzeled conventioneers in Freedom Hall in Louisville in June, few people probably would have guessed that the conductor, Rev. Ronald Terry, began his musical journey in southern Kentucky. Terry, originally from Wheelwright, is president of the music department of the National Baptist Convention USA

Seldom are the minutes of governing boards called into question. But at Thursday night's meeting of the Board of Directors of Prestonsburg Community College, approval of the minutes of a previous meeting was held up until after an executive session. The faculty representative on the board, Dr. Doug Herman, who was not present at the June 3 meeting, questioned a resolution adopted then, in support of Dr. Deborah Floyd, who subsequently went on leave and announced her retirement as PCC president

Prestonsburg Community College's Board of Directors voted, Thursday evening, to sacrifice an existing building to avoid further delay in the construction of three other buildings. After an hour-and-a-half of debate, with input from students, community members, architects and college officials, the board approved the razing of Martin Student Center, a 13,000square foot, one-story building, that is among the 35-year-old college's original structures

The Floyd County Council on Domestic Violence met Thursday to discuss a new service in the prevention of domestic violence, offend-

and Ralph Frasure, and Sheriff John K Blackburn, along with Kentucky State Trooper Ronald Peppi, were involved in a rough and wild pursuit along the back roads of KY 550 Sunday night. The officers' vehicles reached speeds at 85-90 miles per hour down the winding road, as the officers attempted to apprehend two adult males who had broken into the home of Jackie Hall of Millard Allen Drive in Lackey

Robert Wendell Bishop, 41, of Teaberry, was formally sentenced in Floyd County Court, Friday to five years in state prison. Bishop pleaded guilty to one count of second degree burglary, a Class D felony, and to four counts of theft by unawful taking, Class C felonies

At Friday's Floyd County Fiscal Court meeting, County commissioners approved the signing of a contract with the state Transportation Cabinet to use \$173,750 in federal funds to develop the Middle Creek battlefield in conjunction with the widening of KY 114

Local fire departments were left out of the Planning and Development of the County 911, was the message sent to the Floyd County 911 Executive board by firefighter Eddie Clark of the Betsy Layne Fire Department. In a Thursday night meeting, Clark told board members that the local fire departments were 'severely lacking" from a communications standpoint

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program has funds available, once again, to assist lowincome Floyd Countians with heating, this win-

Sheila G. Wellman, 25, of Hellier, died early Sunday, when the vehicle she was driving ran off the road on US 23 at Caney Creek, and overturned. She was ejected from the vehicle, a 1990 Pontiac Sunbird convertible

Ray Tackett, 26, is traveling througout the county shaking hands and getting to know faces, but he isn't campaigning for the November election. He's campaigning for the Floyd County Extension Service—to let local residents know what the Service can do for them, free of charge. Tackett, a native of Johnson County, is the new agricultural agent for Floyd County. He replaces Pat Spicer

During a month dedicated to domestic violence awareness, an Emergency Protective Order was filed in Family Court on Friday against Officer Fred Ray Mynhier of the Martin

There died: C. Bruce Bartley, 33, of Howard, Ohio, Tuesday, October 12, as a result of an automobile accident; Donald Stewart Lewis, 45, of Prestonsburg, Monday, October 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center: Sue Caudill Dearing, 56, of Covington, formerly of Floyd County, Monday, October 11, at her residence; May Hall, 87, of Galveston, Wednesday, October 13, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin; T.J. Hicks, 59, of Lima, Ohio, Tuesday, October 12, at his residence; Nellie M. James, 88, of Endicott, Saturday, October 16, at her residence; Susie Mae Osborne, 84, of Bonnyman, Thursday, October 14, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Edward Nidzielski, 54, of Melvin, formerly of Detroit, Michigan, Friday, October 15, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; Jack D. Ratcliffe, 58, of Mt. Sterling, Thursday, October 14, at the Jewish Hospital, Louisville; Jackie Lee Dotson, 70, of Oak Hill, Ohio, a native of Auxier, Friday, October 15, at Holzen Medical Center; Olive Thacker, 82, of

Appalachian Regional Hospital; Roxie Branham, 81, of Wheelwright, Saturday, October 16, at the Paul B. Hall Regional Hospital; Howard Burke, 56, of Catlettsburg, formerly of Floyd County, Monday, October 18; Liney Hall Prater, 70, of Frenchburg, formerly of Prestonsburg, Sunday, October 17, at the St. Claire Medical Center, Morehead; Novelle Williams Slone, 76, of McDowell, Monday, October 18, at McDowell Appalachian Hospital; Richard Pitts, 49, of Martin, Saturday, October 16, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital; Sally Katherine Slone, October 16, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Fred Casebolt, 60, of Riverside, Ohio, formerly of Knott County, Tuesday, October 12, at his

Twenty Years Ago

(Oct. 18 and 20, 1989)

More than 750 students and teachers were stranded in McDowell schools, Tuesday morning, when water breached the banks of Frasure Creek above Left Beaver, pouring a torrent of water into the town and sending over two feet of water into several classrooms; The Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad expected a busy night to follow their rescue efforts of Tuesday

A temporary injunction against the startup of the Kentucky Lottery's new football betting game was issued, Tuesday, by the Kentucky Court of Appeals

Construction of an 80-room Sleep Inn motel (a subsidiary of Quality Inns, was announced Tuesday; construction is expected to begin next

The Committee on Conference has restored the \$5 million for the construction of new US 23, cut earlier this year by the senate

Flags, flew at half-mast throughout Prestonsburg, Wednesday, and Thursday, to mark the passing of William R. "Dickie" Campbell, 47, the city's chief of police

Margie Osborne, supervisor of the Big Sandy Area Juvenile Detention Center in Prestonsburg, is serving a 48-hour sentence after being found guilty of contempt of court in

Pike District Court

If the weather clears up, Red, White & Blue Days will continue as planned, according to Eugene Hutchinson, festival representative

There died: Bill Steve Evans, 61, of Slone's Valley, October 14; Wilma Price Hale, 84, of Prestonsburg; Carl Martin, 70, of Allen, October 13; Ellen Gearheart Martin, 95, of Abetz, Ohio, September 29; Mary Alice McKinney, 73, of Craynor, October 16; Anne Symon Rains, 78, of Martin, October 13; Della Lafferty Wallen, 77, of Allen, October 16.

Thirty Years Ago (October 31, 1979)

Federal grant money will be available for new sewage lines at Allen, it was announced this week, regardless of whether a new sewage treatment plant is built there

The race for oounty judge-executive, county wide, and the hot competition for city officers in three of the county's five incorporated towns, may bring out more votes than Brown and Nunn together

'School at Home Branch is out until further notice," was the decision made at the office of the superintendent of schools, Tuesday, after another unsuccessful attempt was made Monday, to hold classes

Improvement of one of the most polluted streams in Floyd County, as well as the cleanup and beautification of a mountainside, long marred by slag heaps and garbage dumps, was promised this week as the US Soil Conservation Service's first contract in northeast Kentucky for the Rural Abandoned Mine Program was presented to the David Community Development Corporation

Walter Heine, director of the Office of Surface Mining, announced Monday, that up to \$10,000 will be spent to correct a longstanding situaton at Drift, which stems from a fire that has been burning in an abandoned underground

There died: Luther Compton, 64, of Banner, Wednesday, October 24, at Our Lady of the

HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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(See YESTERDAYS, page seven).



Way Hospital; Joe (Hoss) Turner, 82, of McDowell, of an apparent heart attack, while hunting last Saturday near Mt. Olivet; Henry C. Holbrook, 72, of Prestonsburg, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Roena Cox Slone, 92, Thursday, at her home in Paintsville; James R. Spurlock Jr., 20, of Prestonsburg, last Friday, at Good Samaritan Hospital, Lexington, from a bullet wound to the head; Alafair Setser Boyd, 84, of Wyandotte, Michigan, formerly of this county, Tuesday, October 23, at Wyandotte General Hospital; Myrtle Moore, 69, Wednesday, October 24, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Iley B. Browning Jr., 53, of Louisville, Thursday, in Baptist East Hospital, Louisville; Steve Alfred Smith, 52, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at the home of Jack Clark in Town Branch; Dellmer Jones, 59, of Pataskala, Ohio, formerly of Grethel, Saturday, at Riverside Hospital in Columbus, Ohio; David Sharp, 5, of Zelda, Friday morning, after being struck by a car while attempting to board a school bus.

Forty Years Ago (October 30, 1969)

Differences existing between two clinics operating at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital have been settled, and effective today (Thursday), outpatient clinic facilitates there will be staffed by doctors from both the Daniel Boone and the Regional Medical clinics. Under the new agreement, each clinic will have its own administrator

Woodrow Branham, founder of Branham at the home of a daughter; Velma Combs

Village on new US 23 here, and his son, Paul Ray, Saturday, became owners of the town of David. Acquired by the Branhams are 57 buildings, a complete water system, the sewage disposal system, community swimming pool, service station and 837 acres of land

Student unrest is spreading from college to high school campuses, Kentucky School Board Assoc. President F.C. Bryan warned eastern Kentucky school officials

There died: Paul Salyers, 42, of Dwale.

Fifty Years Ago (October 29, 1959)

Coal production in the Big Sandy Field, on a steady decline since the 1947 peak year, continues on its downward trend. The steel strike isn't helping matters any, as a large percentage of the area's coal, being of metallurgical quality, is

consumed by the steel industry. Big Sandy pro-

duction last year at this time was 9,368,000 tons. A new product made from a residue material of mining operations was recently put on the market by the Hall Concrete Block Company of Allen. A conventional, size building block, it is revolutionary in that it combines its lesser weight with strength superior to cinder, and comparable to concrete blocks. The block, upon which the Hall firm has been experimenting for 10 years, has been given the trade name of Litewate, will be much cheaper than cinder or con-

There died: Fanny Hall, 65, of Amba, at the home of a daughter; Lovealla Reed, 80, Auxier, at the home of a daughter. Velma Combs

Young, 18, of Softshell, at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.; Robert Lee Conley, 36, Lackey, at Dexter Mich.

Sixty Years Ago

(November 3, 1949)

Hopes for a return to work in the nation's soft coal mines rose this week. The first break in the steel strike, the signing of a contract between the CIO and Bethlehem Steel Corp., has been viewed also as a chink in the armor of coal

The passenger trains which began traveling the Beaver Creek section of this county 35-years ago, made their last runs, Monday, and two of the trains of the Big Sandy division, which first ran past Prestonsburg in 1904, ceased operation at the same time. Regular mail bus service is planned, but full mobile service is a matter yet to materialize

A preliminary agreement was reached, Tuesday, between the Floyd and Prestonsburg boards of education which may result in the construction of the school building here to accommodate not only the overflow of high school pupils, but also take care of increased attendance for years to come

An average of 300 a day received free lunches last month at the four school lunchrooms of this county, a survey shows

The United Fuel Gas Company, serving 11 towns in eastern, Kentucky, including Laynesville in this county, has petitioned for a \$262,000 rate increase

There died: Troy Isaacs, 41, formerly of Bevinsville, at the Boehue Hospital, Evansville, Ind.; Richard L. Hall, 45, Betsy Layne, at Pikeville Hospital; Marion J. Mayo, 79, former Floyd Countian, at his home in St. Louis, Mo. Dr. Mayo left this county in early manhood to join his brother, the late W.L. (Bee) Mayo, in the founding and maintenance of the East Texas Normal College at Commerce, Texas.

Seventy Years Ago

(October 26, 1939)

A call for additional nursing service, to meet the emergency created by the infantile paralysis epidemic in Floyd County, was made upon the State Board of Health, this week, by Dr. Marvin Ransdell, director of the Floyd County Health Department

An estimated 7,000 persons, during last Friday and Saturday, visited the Floyd County

Fair and viewed livestock and exhibits representative of every phase of agriculture

Louis Harkey Mayo, former Prestonsburg youth, piled up 121 yards for Navy in the team's recent football contest with Dartmouth. His performance won for him a starting role to an upcoming game against Notre Dame

William Norris, 44, of Virgie, an employee of the Kippers Coal Company, Weeksbury, was killed instantly, Wednesday night of last week, when he was caught beneath a fall of slate

Three-year-old Ernest King, son of Ernest King Sr., of Drift, Saturday, was the ninth member of his immediate family to be buried in a Frozen Creek Cemetery since the "flash" flood which swept Frozen this year

Some current prices at a Prestonsburg store—boys' all-wool makinaws, \$4.95; men's union suits, 55 cents; men's overalls, 49 cents

There died: Joe Click, Alphoretta farmer, Sunday; Charles Risner, 41, former Floyd County man, recently in a car wreck near Upper Sandusky, Ohio; G.B. Casey, 43, Sunday afternoon at Wayland; Samuel L. Spradlin, member, of the Prestonsburg City Council, Wednesday morning.



Rex and Debbie Cecil, of David, would like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Donna RaLyn Cecil to Jason Brian Hoover. Jason is the son of William and Belinda Hoover, of Jamestown. The wedding will be on Saturday, Oct. 22, at 2:30 p.m. at the First Church of Nazarene in Jamestown. A reception will follow at Jamestown Resort and Marina in the Cumberland Room.

Calendar

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)

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

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

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 infor-

•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

•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.

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

•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."

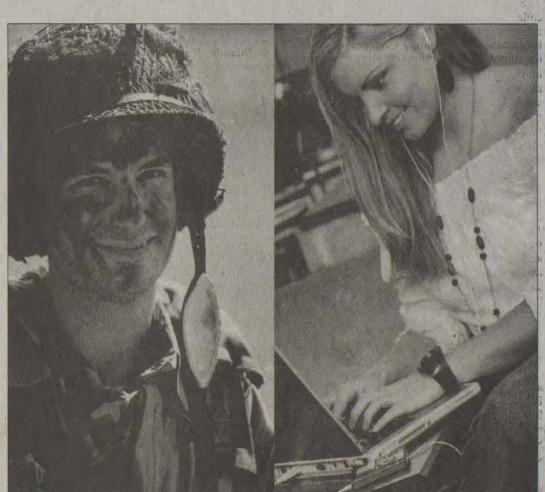
•Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

·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 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.

•PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free)

•East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers -Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

•Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.com.



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Science

foams, and can be die-cut or molded in an astonishing array of shapes, sizes and thickness-

There's one fly in the ointment at this point: The starch-derived foams aren't water-proof, so a moisture-proof barrier needs to be added. But the scientists say that's easy enough to create, using the same plant sources such as corn, so you'd still have a final product that's all natural and

biodegradable.

To make the foams, the scientists use a piece of equipment called an extruder to heat and mix a dough-like blend of starch and other all-natural components. Then the extruder squeezes out long strings of the dough that are cut into small beads about half the size of a marble. These beads can be put into a mold and heated to press them into the desired shape. Natural fibers, such as

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from southern pine trees, can be added to the mix to reinforce the foams' strength.

Such ingenuity -- I bet that would make Dinah smile!

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