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briefs

Two killed in wreck on Route 122

by DEVIN CLIFTON
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

VIRGIE - A fatal crash that occurred in the Robinson Creek area of Pike County has left two people dead.

Justin C. Vanover, 18, of Virgie, and Douglas Hall, 53, of Pine Top, were pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Coroner Russell Roberts on Monday.

The accident happened at around 4:25 p.m. Monday afternoon. Vanover, who was west-bound on Route 122, made a left turn into the path of Hall's vehicle, state police said. The investigation revealed that Hall had no time to react to avoid the collision.

The collision is being investigated by KSP Troopers Shannon Jones, Michael Webb and Sgt. Randy Woods, and CVE Officer Jimmie Fields of the Kentucky State Police.

Assisting at the scene was the Shelby Valley Fire Department, Pike County Emergency Management crews, and DHP Ambulance Service.

Candidate challenges opponents to debate

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Brent Graden, one of four candidates in the upcoming race for Floyd County judge-executive, has issued a challenge to his fellow opponents.

In an advertisement appearing in today's Floyd County Times, Graden proposes a debate to discuss "issues affecting Floyd County." He suggests

the debate take place on Tuesday, May 14 between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. at a central location, and suggests that members of the media act as moderators.

"With today's economy and the challenges we face today, now more than ever we need a level platform when it comes to discussing the issues," Graden said of his challenge. "It is my intention to provide a platform for the voters in

Floyd County to hear not only myself but what the other candidates want to bring forward for the county."

In his advertisement, Graden also says, "It has become clear to me that the voters want a debate."

Current Floyd Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall, who will just be finishing his first term in office, said yesterday that he agrees.

"I'm open for any type of question

and answer or anything else," Marshall said. "I've done speeches in the past and I'm going to do it again if it's offered. I'm more than willing to stand on my record and I'd be more than glad to participate in any way."

Graden has said though he has suggested May 14 for the debate, he feels there is plenty of time in the coming

(See DEBATE, page six)

PREPARED FOR COLD



Workers with the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program weatherization crew recently completed work on a Printer home, replacing skirting and floors and installing a new heat pump, floor insulation, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, window caulking and two new doors.

Weatherization program gets infusion on stimulus dollars

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Program has additional funds thanks to the ARRA stimulus package, and part of the money has already been used to help weatherize homes.

"Our agency received additional funding that will enable us to weatherize more homes," said Dwayne Davis, communication and information representative

with Big Sandy Area Community Action Program. "We can serve more people because of this increase in funds. Our goal is to complete 30 homes per month. We are currently expending over \$109,000 monthly in ARRA funds on weatherizing homes, in addition to our regular weatherization funds."

With funding through the U.S. Department of Energy and the Kentucky Housing Corporation, BSACAP complet-

ed 151 homes in Floyd, Pike, Martin, Magoffin and Johnson counties. According to information from Big Sandy Area CAP, the agency hopes to complete even more homes since obtaining the additional funds through the stimulus package. The agency has utilized \$327,000 over the past three months to weatherize homes.

One of the most recent projects, a home in Printer, received

(See PROGRAM, page six)

Charges filed after work crew killed in wreck

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

MOUTHCARD - The death of two road workers who were killed in Pike County when a tractor-trailer hit them Monday morning is now being investigated by state police.

One of the two workers killed, 20-year-old Paul Douglas "P.D." Williams, was a local from Harold. The other worker was Kevin D. Jones, 32, of Dorton.

At approximately 8:30 a.m. Monday, a tractor-trailer driven by Arthur Davis traveling along Route 1499 at Mouthcard struck the two workers as they were placing signs along the road to warn drivers of nearby tree-trim-

(See WRECK, page six)

Suspected dealer arrested in Pike

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

SHELBIANA - A suspected drug dealer was arrested in Pike County this past week by UNITE officers who said she was thought to have been dealing drugs in the area for the past two years.

Hundreds of prescription pills, cash and a rifle were confiscated following a search warrant at the home of 47-year-old Patricia Hopkins.

Hopkins was taken into custody following the search, conducted on March 26 at her home along Greasy Creek, and charged with several drug-related counts, including separate counts of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and third-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.

(See ARREST, page six)

2 DAY FORECAST

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Dewey cleanup brings over 9 tons of trash

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - Over 500 volunteers came to the Dewey Lake area to participate in the annual lake cleanup on March 20.

"At the end of the day, the cleanup brought in 520 volunteers," said Stonney Burke, natural resource specialist at Dewey Lake. "The volunteers picked up 1,040 bags of trash, 78 tires, refrigerators, furniture and much more. A total of 9.5 tons in all, and that's a new record for total tons picked up. Not bad for one day's work."

The Lonesome Pine District Boy Scouts were among the volunteers at the event, with over 100 Boy Scouts donating their time to picking up garbage.

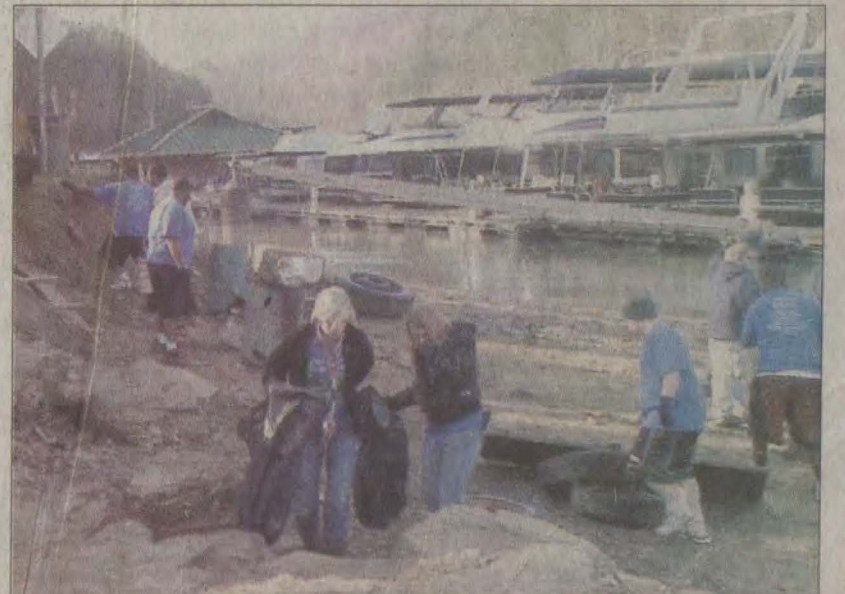
"The year's accumulation of garbage provided ample amount of work for our Scouts, but they rose to the occasion,

working tirelessly from 10 a.m. to around 5:30 p.m., with a lunch break in between," said Michael Vernon, with the Boy Scouts: "You can certainly tell a difference on the shoreline."

The cleanup also included a complementary cookout for all volunteers after several hours of picking up trash.

"Volunteers came from near and far, taking time out of their busy schedules to participate in picking up litter around the lake shore areas," said Burke. "Our heartfelt thanks goes out to all 520 volunteers and sponsors for making the 2010 Operation Clean Sweep a success."

This Saturday, another cleanup is scheduled, this time at Paintsville Lake. The event, scheduled to take place from 8 a.m. to noon, will feature a cookout following the cleanup, as well as prizes awarded to teams that pick up the most trash.



Over 500 volunteers picked up a total of 9.5 tons of trash at Dewey Lake for the annual cleanup on March 20.

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Obituaries

Billy Douglas Hale

Billy Douglas Hale, 80, a 50-year resident of Wingdale, New York, died Thursday, March 25, 2010, at his home.

Born August 3, 1929 in West Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Samuel Vincent Hale and Anna Elizabeth Stephens Hale. He was the head cook at Harlem Valley Psychiatric Center in Wingdale for 35 years retiring in 1991. He served as a sergeant in the United States Air Force from 1951 to 1954 during the Korean Conflict. He was a lifetime member of the J. H. Ketcham Hose Company and the V. F. W. Post No. 5444 in Dover Plains and the American Legion Post No. 1949 in Wingdale. He was an avid gardener, and also enjoyed spending time with his grandsons.

He is survived by a son, Samuel Hale of Wingdale, New York and two daughters: Mary Anne Hale Morgan and her husband, Bill, of Monticello, and Cynthia Elizabeth Hale of Richmond; five grandchildren: Dalton Hale, Wyatt Hale, Carson Hale, Captain James Meece and Robert Meece; three step-grandchildren: Billy Morgan, Lisa Gregory and Rick Morgan; four great-grandchildren: James Meece, Zachary Meece, Nicholas Meece and Ty Meece; five step-great-grandchildren: Rachel Smedley Dillon Morgan, Kayla Gregory, Matthew Gregory and Hunter Morgan and a step-great-great-grandchild, Brooklyn Smedley.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Chester Hale.

A memorial gathering took place at 1 p.m., on Monday, March 29, at V. F. W. Post No. 5444, 3422 Route 22, Dover Plains, New York.

To send the family an online condolence, please visit: www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.

(Paid obituary)

Edward "Eddie" Kendrick

Edward "Eddie" Kendrick, 73, of Bypro, died Thursday, March 25, 2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born August 9, 1936, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Robert and Pluma Justice Kendrick. He was a federal mine inspector and an Air Force veteran. He was a graduate of Mayo State Vocational Technical School, with a degree in Electrical.

He is survived by his wife, Verna Johnson Kendrick.

Other survivors include two stepdaughters: Teresa (Tim) Bailey and Jeanice (Jerry) Allen, both of Bypro; one brother, Jack (Ruby) Kendrick of Melvin; and one sister, Rosemary (the late Glennis) Hall of Louisville; four nieces: Debra, Lisa, Laura and Beth; two nephews: Glenn Robert Hall and Dr. Jack Kendrick Jr. and was also loved very much by: Christian, Kiana, Kyle, Bianca, Brittany and Renee.

In addition to his parents and brother-in-law, he was preceded in death by one sister, Sarah Kendrick; and one niece, Cecelia Lou Parks.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 29, at 1 p.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Louis Ferrari and other Freewill Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation was at the church. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, was in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Judy Carol Crace Kidd

Judy Carol Crace Kidd, 57, of Allen, died Friday, March 26, 2010, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, in Ashland.

Born December 17, 1952, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Estill Crace and Edna Adams Crace Samons. She was a beautician and a member of the Garrett First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a brother, Billy Joe Crace of Allen; two sisters: Linda Lou Bentley and Rita Blackburn Crace, both of Allen; and her stepfather, Bennie Samons of Allen; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, David Benjamin Kidd; two brothers: Estill Jr. Crace and Dennie Ray Crace; and a sister, Patricia Crace Blackburn.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 28, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ronnie Samons and Larry Adams officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, was in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Henry Lafferty

Henry Lafferty, 96, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, March 24, 2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born March 15, 1914, in Floyd County, he was son of the late Johnny and Eva Collins Lafferty. He was a retired self-employed contractor.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Burchett Lafferty.

Other survivors include three sons: Laffie Lafferty of Urbana, Ohio, Frankie R. Lafferty of Jackson, Ohio and Paul Lafferty of Prestonsburg; one daughter, Donna Muncy of Thelma; two brothers: Johnny Lafferty and Darvin Lafferty of Prestonsburg; two sisters: Roberta Crider of Prestonsburg and Pauline Jones of Florida; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Randall Lafferty; one daughter, Nadine Lafferty; two brothers: Ed Lafferty and Albert Lafferty and two sisters: Oakley Morrison and Maize Roop.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 27, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Don Branham officiating.

Burial was in the Auxier Relocation Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, was in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Sylvia Daniels McKinney

Sylvia Daniels McKinney, 76, of Minnie, died Saturday, March 27, 2010, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born February 27, 1934, in Perry County, she was the daughter of the late Sterling and Elizabeth Fannin Daniels. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Charles McKinney.

Other survivors include a son and daughter-in-law: Johnnie (Prestica) Daniels of Paintsville, Myrtle Bailey of Goshen, Indiana; two brothers: Conley Daniels of Cleveland, Ohio, James Daniels of Burket, Indiana; a sister, Aileen Shepherd of Mentone, Indiana; seven grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren; and special friends: Mattie Howell, Rachel and Charlotte and Rodney Yates.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers and a sister: Sterling Daniels Jr., Frank Daniels, Virgie Frasure, and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 31, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Pastor R. Gene Bracken officiating.

Burial will be in the Dwale Community Cemetery.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, is in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Cora Ramey Reed

Cora Ramey Reed, 86, of Lackey, died Saturday, March 27, 2010, at the Knott County Nursing Home, in Hindman.

Born June 7, 1923, in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late Willie and Lue Birdie Sparkman Ramey. She

was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ruben Reed.

Survivors include a nephew, Ruben Ramey and numerous cousins.

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

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 31, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jerry Manns officiating. Tuesday night services will be held at 7 p.m., with Roger Hicks officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, is in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Lance Carter Slone

Lance Carter Slone, infant son of Justin D. and Angeline Shepherd Slone, of Garrett, was born Wednesday, March 24, 2010, and died Wednesday, March 24, 2010, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Survivors, in addition to his parents, include two brothers: Logan Slone and Luke Slone, both of Garrett; a sister, Leslie Slone of Garrett; paternal grandparents: Jack Slone of Garrett and Susan Frances of Garrett; great-grandparents: Nello and Gladys Bellamy Frances of Garrett; and numerous aunts, uncles and other family members.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: John Henry and Ella Shepherd.

Graveside services were held Saturday, March 27, at 3 p.m., at Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, with Bethel Bolen officiating.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, was in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)



Don Sparkman

Don Sparkman, 71, of Farmers, passed away Saturday, March 27, 2010, in the Select Specialty Hospital at Good Samaritan in Lexington.

He was born on February 7, 1939, in Knott County, the son of the late Kermit and Margaret Moore Sparkman.

He was a retired construction worker having done maintenance and welding in an auto parts factory in Indiana. He was of the Baptist faith and enjoyed gardening, fishing, woodworking and especially University of Kentucky basketball.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie Johnson Sparkman; one son, Kenneth Glen Sparkman of Farmers; three daughters: Donna Lorraine Sparkman of Farmers, Amanda Ella Sparkman of Dayton, Ohio and Crystal Dawn Stiddom of Owingsville; one brother, Fairl Sparkman of McMinnville.

Tennessee and seven sisters: Billie Klaiber and Gertrude Slone both of Marion, Ohio, Beulah Walker of Farmers, Avanel Kidd of McDowell, Jayne Martin of Huntertown, Indiana, Berniece Coburn of Bloomington, Indiana and Teresa Sparkman of Mt. Sterling; three grandchildren: James Michael Stiddom, Sueanna Lynn Alfrey and Roseanna Lynn Jennings; one great-grandchild, Tasha Joanna Alfrey and several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Lon Sparkman and a brother, Von Sparkman.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 31, in the chapel of the Lane-Stucky-Gray Funeral Home, in Morehead, with Rev. Barkley Slone officiating.

Burial will follow in the Jones Cemetery at Midland.

Visitation is anytime Tuesday.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

To view the online memorial and sign the guest book, please visit:

www.lanestuckygray.com.

(Paid obituary)

Bradley Worrix Jr.

Bradley Worrix Jr., age 82, of Allen, husband of Carolyn McMillan Worrix, passed away, Friday, March 26, 2010, at his residence.

He was born May 5, 1927, in Fishtrap (Pike County), a son of the late William Bradley Worrix Sr. and Leona Thacker Worrix.

He was a retired chief clerk at Kentucky Hydrocarbon, a member of the Louisa Primitive Baptist Church, in Pikeville and served on the board of the Allen Volunteer Fire Department and was a KY Colonel and a World War II Army veteran.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Wayne Alan Worrix of Lexington; one daughter, Carol Lynn Stumbo, (husband Randy) of Cynthia; two grandchildren: Ashley Elizabeth Peak, (husband Robert), Allison Nicole Wiggins, (husband Jason); and

four great-grandchildren: Addison Peak, Dawson Bradley Peak, Houston Wiggins and Brinkley Wiggins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Robert Worrix, and one sister, Ruth Coleman.

Funeral services for Bradley Worrix Jr., were conducted Tuesday, March 30, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Primitive Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Annie E. Young Cemetery, in Pikeville, with Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Pallbearers: Robert Peak, Jason Wiggins, Mike Stumbo, Jamie Anthony, Brandon Smallwood, Bobby Worrix, and Willie Riggle.

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The family of Delmer B. Holbrook would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all our friends, neighbors and loved ones who were there to comfort us during the passing of Delmer. Thanks to all who sent flowers, cards, gifts, prayers, and all the kind words to us. Also especially thanks to Pastor Bobby Joe Spencer and Calvin Jester for the comforting words to us. Also to Becky Garrett for the wonderful song. Thanks for Dr. Anthony Stumbo for coming to me that day I lost Delmer. Thanks to Dr. Jody Johnson and staff at Highlands Medical Center; all the doctors and nurses who have helped Delmer in any way; ARH Home Health; Family Caregivers Program; Marsha Helton and Mable Cantrell with Respite Care. Thanks to all pallbearers: John Henry Holbrook, Doug Holbrook, Bob Holbrook, Jot Marsillett, James Holbrook, Jonathan Holbrook, William Leedy, and Lawrence Prater. Honorary pallbearers: Elmer Holbrook, Willie Jr. Holbrook, Bun Montgomery, and Eugene Hughes. Also thanks to the sheriff's dept. and the Middle Creek Fire Dept. men for their wonderful traffic control; Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for all their help and kind words. Also thanks to Middle Creek Fire Dept. Ladies Aux. and neighbors for the dinner for us; and anyone who helped in any way. May God bless.

The Family of Delmer B. Holbrook

Card of Thank

The family of Rondel Ray Prater 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. Those who sent flowers, food, or came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Clergyman Jody Spencer for his comforting message, Dr. Ira Potter and Trish for all their loving generosity, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and to the staff at Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All your love and support will never be forgotten.

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Thursday is deadline for independent candidates to file statement of intent

FRANKFORT — Candidates seeking public office as an independent or political group candidate for a partisan office must file their Statement-of-Candidacy form with the appropriate filing office by Thursday, April 1, at 4 p.m. in order to be placed on the ballot for the Nov. 2 general election.

The Statement-of-Candidacy form for independent candidates is required by KRS 118.365(5), which was enacted by the 2003 General Assembly.

"The requirement for independent candidates to file a Statement-of-Candidacy form is relatively new in the Commonwealth," said Secretary of State Trey Grayson. "Candidates are encouraged to utilize our

"FastTrack Elections" application on our website or contact our office to receive the necessary paperwork in order to be eligible for candidacy."

There is no filing fee for the filing of the Statement-of-Candidacy, but the failure of candidates required to file the Statement of Candidacy shall result in the rejection of any nominating petition submitted to the appropriate filing official by the August 10, deadline for attaining ballot access in the Nov. 2 general election.

The following offices that file with the Secretary of State are scheduled for a regular election in 2010 and would require the filing of a statement of candidacy:

- State Senator (Even Districts)
- State Representative

Offices that file with the local county clerk that are regularly scheduled to occur in 2010 include:

- County Judge/Executive
 - County Attorney
 - County Clerk
 - Property Valuation Administrator
 - Sheriff
 - Jailer
 - County Commissioner
 - Coroner
 - Magistrate/Justice of the Peace
 - Constable
 - Surveyor
 - Mayor (1st Class City Only)
 - City Legislative Body (1st Class City Only)
- Candidates for federal offices, nonpartisan offices, and partisan city offices in cities of the second to sixth

class are exempt from filing the Statement of Candidacy.

In order to help candidates seeking political office, the Office of the Secretary of State previously developed a ballot access procedural manual titled: Declaring Your Candidacy. This publication provides Kentuckians with a quick guide to filing for political office.

Although the manual focuses primarily on candidate filing procedures, sample forms for attaining ballot access, and qualifications for each elective office, it also includes other important and pertinent election information that may affect candidates. The publication contains an election schedule, sample filing forms of various types, contact information for state election agencies, and answers to candidates' most frequently asked

questions.

For the first time, citizens who are interested in running for an office that files with the Secretary of State will be able to obtain the proper filing papers online, twenty-four hours a day, via FastTrack Elections. These forms can be printed out and submitted either by hand delivery or by mail. The forms will have detailed instructions to help the candidate fill out the forms properly. The application will also provide sample forms for offices that file with the county clerk.

For more information about filing to run for elected office in Kentucky, to obtain a copy of Declaring Your Candidacy, access FastTrack Elections, or to view a list of candidates, please visit www.sos.ky.gov/elections.

Blasting training and increased mine subsidence insurance sent to governor for signature

FRANKFORT — Rep. Jim Gooch's bill (House Bill 268) on blasting at mines, as amended by Sen. Jerry P. Rhoads, has passed both the Senate and the House of Representatives and has been sent to Gov. Steve Beshear to be signed into law.

House Bill 268 requires at least eight hours of annual training during the preceding three years for the renewal of a Kentucky blasters license and allows that no more than four hours of that training be attributed to attending a conference unless the Department approves the additional hours.

"I am pleased, as an insurance agent since 1982, and understand the importance of mine subsidence insurance," said Rep. Gooch, D-Providence. "My father was the person who had contacted Senator Ken Gibson of Hopkins County to establish the original requirements."

House Bill 268 includes the provisions of Senator Rhoads' bill (Senate Bill 63), increasing the total coverage available for mine subsidence damage, per policy, from \$100,000 to \$300,000 of insured value per structure.

"In collaboration with Rep. Gooch, I am pleased that we could get this important bill — aimed at helping homeowners in our coal counties — passed during this session," Senator Rhoads said. "I am glad that we could build on the efforts of former Senator Ken Gibson who got the original bill passed in 1984."

Mine subsidence is the collapse of underground coal mines resulting in direct damage to a structure. The Kentucky Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund (KMSIF), administered by the Kentucky Department of Insurance, exists to pay claims for structure damage caused by mine subsidence.

Senator Rhoads, D-Madisonville, said, the fund at this time can only pay a maximum of \$100,000 per structure for subsidence damage, which is insufficient when a homeowner sustains damages in excess of \$100,000. Currently, there are no provisions available to assist with temporary displacement due to a home being uninhabitable. Under the bill, a living expense allowance of up to \$25,000 is included for those who are temporarily displaced as the direct result of damage to the home caused by mine subsidence.

The fund is paid for by an additional charge to homeowner's insurance or other coverage for a structure. The charge is currently \$20 per \$100,000

of coverage for a dwelling and \$25 for \$100,000 of coverage for a non-dwelling.

A typical homeowner's insurance policy does not provide coverage for damage originating from earth movement, bulging or expansion of soil, including the resultant cracking of pavements, patios, foundations, walls, floors, roofs or ceilings. Therefore, without KMSIF, a property owner suffering a loss from underground coal mine subsidence would not be insured and would have

to seek legal remedy against the coal mine owner(s). Unfortunately, many underground mine owners have moved out of state, gone out of business, or cannot be found, so property owners would have no practical course of action to recover damages.

Rep. Gooch represents the 12th House District, which includes Daviess, Hopkins, McLean and Webster counties. Senator Rhoads represents the 6th Senatorial District, which includes Hopkins, Muhlenberg and Ohio counties.

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Cinema 2—Held Over

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Cinema 1—Held Over

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Cinema 2—Starts Friday, April 2

WHY DID I GET MARRIED TOO? (PG), Mon-Sun. 6:50-9:20; Fri. (4:20) 6:50-9:20; Sat-Sun. (1:50-4:20) 6:50-9:20.

Cinema 3—Held Over

BOUNTY HUNTER (PG-13), Mon-Sun. 7:00-9:25; Fri. (4:25) 7:00-9:25; Sat-Sun. (2:00-4:25) 7:00-9:25.

Cinema 4—Held Over

DIARY OF A WIMPY KID (PG), Mon-Sun. 7:00-9:15; Fri. (4:15) 7:00-9:15; Sat-Sun. (2:00-4:15) 7:00-9:15.

Cinema 5—Held Over

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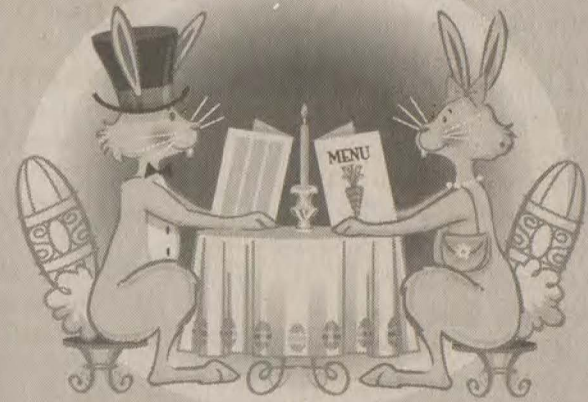
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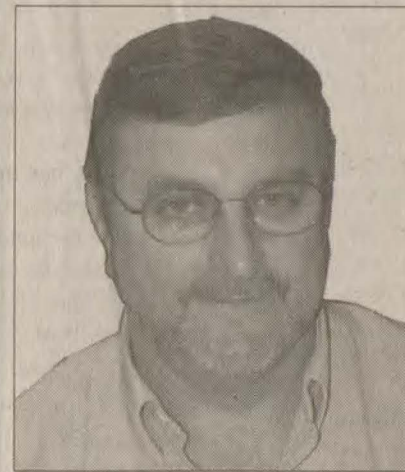
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Viewpoint

Amendment 1

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Our View

What we're waiting to see while we wait to see

Floyd County has a lot to gain or lose, depending on how the state budget negotiations currently underway shake out.

Should the more conservative Senate spending plan win out, state spending on local projects would total \$3 million, all funded by coal severance tax. If, on the other hand, the House plan wins out, Floyd County would see not only nearly all of those same projects, but also an additional \$21 million, mostly going toward construction and renovation of local schools.

Now, perhaps we're biased, but we'd much prefer to see more money flowing into the county than less. And although the economy has the state in a bit of a pinch, that is all the more reason for the additional spending. More money for more projects translates into more jobs for local residents.

With that being said, we would be highly surprised to see the final budget include the full House package. The additional \$21 million is part of a \$1 billion state stimulus package for every community across the state. Including all of those projects in a way that is agreeable to Senate leadership would most likely require additional cuts from other areas of state government, and we fail to see where that much fat can be trimmed.

So we will most likely see some hybrid of the two plans, which won't include all of the spending proposals of the House plan, but more than that for which the Senate budget currently calls.

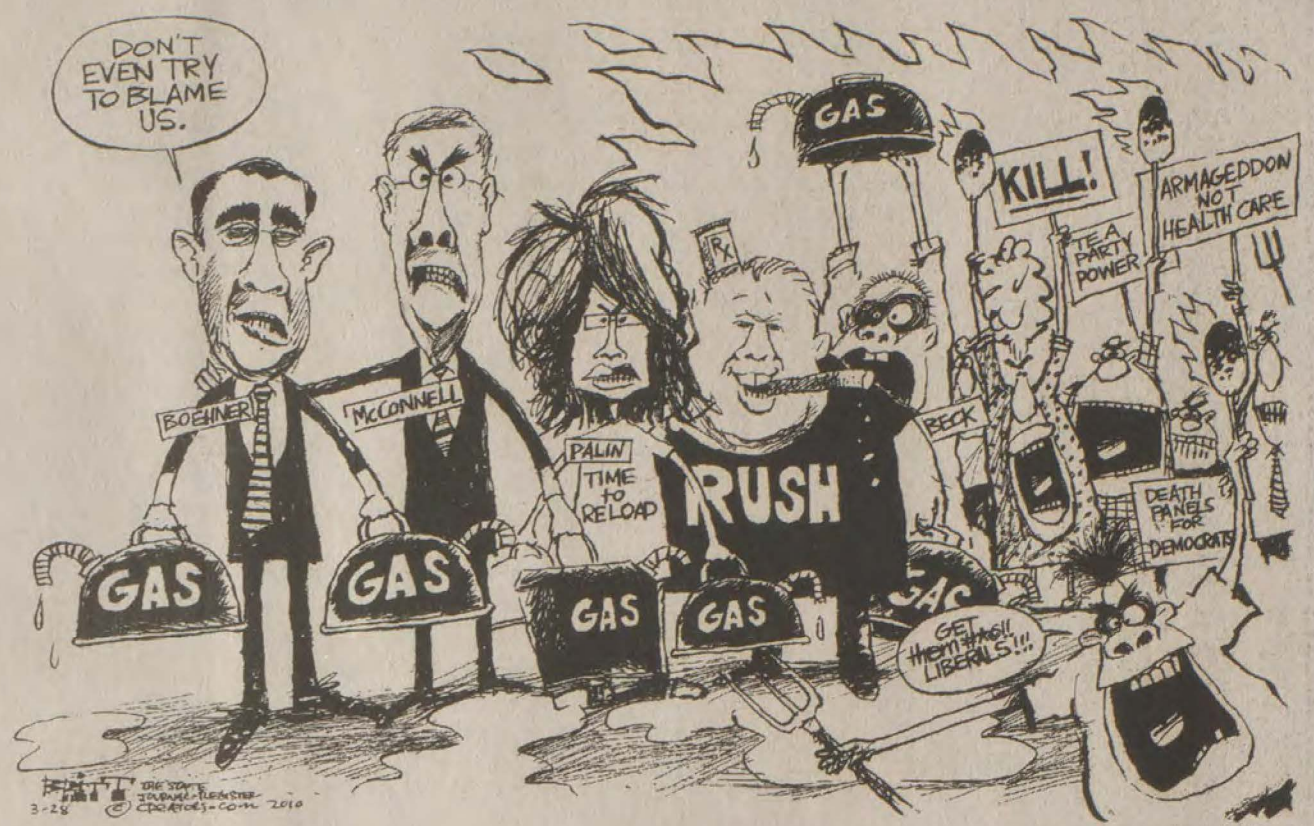
While it would be difficult for us to look down the list and recommend any for cuts, we do see one that we hope survives the budget knife.

A \$4 million appropriation for a new vocational education building is one that we most hope to see in the final version of the budget. While other projects on the list would provide benefits to Floyd County, a new voc-ed building could provide perhaps the best blend of short-term stimulus and long-term economic growth.

The \$4 million construction cost would provide immediate relief to stagnant economic conditions through jobs and the local spending those incomes would provide. More importantly, a new, modern voc-ed building would build for the county's future by better equipping local students for good-paying jobs.

Though we wouldn't like it, we could wait until better times for some of the other projects. But the voc-ed proposal could be one key to ensuring those better times get here sooner, rather than later.

— The Floyd County Times



Guest Column

Easter message from the Holy Land

by ELAINE WASHBURN SHIBER

I have a friend in the Holy Land. She lives in Taybeh, Palestine - the oldest, continuously Christian village in the world. Her name is Maria, and she writes books for children that educate them about the teachings of Jesus and the importance of following His example of love, tolerance and understanding. In the truest Christian tradition, Maria is a non-violent activist for human rights and peace in the land where Jesus Christ walked.

During the Easter season, Maria usually pens a letter to people living outside the Holy Land, describing the joyous Holy Saturday festivities in Jerusalem, where Christian Palestinians and pilgrims from around the world have gathered for centuries to celebrate Christ's Resurrection. Her words overflow with awe and absolute love of God and His most Precious Gift to mankind.

As the years pass, however, Maria's Easter letters are becoming more and more deeply shadowed by expressions of frustration and anger over the illegal and brutal Israeli occupation that humiliates Palestinians and prevents them from moving around freely in their own country.

"For nine years," Maria's 2009 letter cried, "there has been no change in the Holy Land and conditions continue to get worse than the day before... There has only been violence and

darkness while the world watches and does nothing to help end the occupation..."

The injustice of the Israeli occupation is magnified a hundred-fold for Christian Palestinians during their most important religious celebrations. If they live anywhere in Palestine outside Jerusalem and want to celebrate a holy day like Christmas or Easter, they must get a permit from the Israeli government to enter the (chiefly Arab) Old City. Permit applications are complicated, take months to process and are routinely denied with no explanation. If they get a permit, they still may not get into Jerusalem, due to scores of checkpoints along the way, where Israeli soldiers have the power to randomly disallow entry.

"People are trying to live normal lives and celebrate centuries' old traditions while locked up within a wall and open prison," Maria said in her 2009 letter. "Israeli Occupation Forces brutally killed a 30-year-old man who was participating in a non-violent demonstration...and Israeli settlers viciously killed a young boy from Jalazon Refugee camp the same day."

"It is a struggle to stay peaceful while you are being stripped of your dignity and humanity on a daily basis," she said.

Maria did not write her usual Easter letter this year. Instead, she forwarded a press release from Michael Nseir, Programme Executive of the Palestine Israel Ecumenical Forum (PIEF). The PIEF is a platform that rallies churches together to coordinate efforts and initiatives for a just peace in Palestine-Israel through non-violence and rigorous dialogue. Nseir echoed everything Maria has said.

"Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Holy Fire Saturday, and Easter Sunday are the holiest days celebrated in Jerusalem for Christians...and they are being denied the fundamental right to freely exercise their religion because of road blocks in the old city, police presence with machine guns, and rude, hostile attitudes from police and Army officers. (Israeli-imposed) curfews and forced closures make movement almost impossible.

"In sharp contrast, Israel allows Jews to freely access their temples," he said.

Palestinians have now initiated a public debate about freedom of worship in Jerusalem and Israel's unjust treatment of Christians as well as Muslims, whose Al Aqsa Mosque has suffered constant settler aggressions against it. Israel's discriminatory and restrictive policies are being challenged, and religious organizations in occupied East Jerusalem have embarked upon a legal process to preserve the Palestinian right of free access to their churches and shrines.

Palestinian Christians are also calling upon the international community, and particularly the greater Christian World, to put pressure on Israel to end its illegal occupation of East Jerusalem and stop limiting Holy Land Christians and others from exercising their basic religious rights.

We are part of that international community and 'Christian World' to whom these oppressed Palestinians - people like Maria - are appealing. Just as our country has committed itself to the rights of Jews in the Holy Land, so should we commit ourselves to the rights of Christians and all who live there and want peace. Jesus would not have had it any other way.

Letters

Continue supporting education

Today I extend a thank you to our legislators for their budget efforts and at the same time encourage continuing support of K-12 education in Kentucky.

As a current school board member I am fully aware of the goal of ensuring that every child is proficient and prepared for postsecondary opportunities. Therefore, I ask that we think about the economic future of Kentucky and continue to invest in the lives of our young people.

While I understand that we are dealing with very difficult economic times, I strongly believe that cuts to our Kentucky schools could have a negative impact on the future of Kentucky.

When I began serving as a board member in Kentucky, I quickly realized that resources for kids are essential if they are going to be prepared for future success. Unfortunately, over the last two years schools are have been faced with shrinking budgets and the cuts have directly impacted resources for kids and teachers such as textbooks and high quality professional development.

Providing each child with a textbook is one way school districts can ensure students have resource material for additional study. Textbooks help to provide equal access to educational information. Research also indicates that effective homework assignments reinforce the daily teaching while providing practice and opportunities for additional reading and growth for many students.

Educators are called upon to meet an ever expanding list of student needs and then in turn, adapt their knowledge base and instruction. High Quality Professional development

helps to keep educators equipped to close achievement gaps and ensure that all kids are prepared. In addition updates in curriculum and state standards call for continued professional development for classroom teachers.

Today I urge our legislators to restore flexible fund spending to previous levels and to continue to fund education in Kentucky at its current level. This still would be a cut as the cost of business continues to grow. This would enable districts to continue to provide meaningful professional development opportunities that will meet the needs of our children and provide textbooks which would guarantee that children and their teachers have in their hands an effective resource tool for learning and teaching to ensure that our schools continue to move forward in equipping all kids for future success in the 21st Century.

Dr. Chandra Varia
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75th annual Foster Music Camp to welcome back alumni, friends

RICHMOND — The Stephen Collins Foster Music Camp at Eastern Kentucky University is inviting all alumni campers and other "friends" to join in special festivities marking its 75th year this summer.

The nation's second longest running music camp, surpassed only by the famous Interlochen camp in Michigan, will conclude its landmark season with a celebration of its proud past on Saturday, June 26.

All alumni and "friends of Foster" are invited back to the Campus Beautiful that day to rekindle fond memories, meet former camp mates, view historical displays and even perform alongside fellow alumni as well as this year's high school students. It is estimated that more than 10,000 students have participated in the Foster Camp since its founding, many, of course, returning to Eastern as students.

"We encourage all Foster Camp alumni and friends to make plans to spend the day with us, honoring our founders, remembering past years, and inspiring future young musicians from across the nation in hopes of continuing the Foster Music Camp for another 75 years," said Ben Walker, camp director.

Alumni wishing to register for the alumni festivities can



Shown is an undated archive photo from the early days of Foster Music Camp.

do so online at fostercamp.org (then click on Alumni/Friends at upper right).

The Foster Camp Historical Exhibit, which can be seen in the Giles Gallery in the afternoon, will showcase various documents such as the Band-Anna books from the '30s through the '70s. The exhibit

will also feature hundreds of Camp photos from the first year through 2009, various memorabilia such as pennants and patches, and LP records and cassettes digitized for easy listening.

Additional Foster Camp memorabilia is welcome. Anyone willing to share their

Camp artifacts should contact Ben Walker at bwalker@fostercamp.org. "The more items we can obtain, the more elaborate and interesting exhibit we can make," he said. "We will showcase your items safely and securely."

With the assistance of the Madison County Community

Band (of which many members are ex-Foster Campers), under the direction of Dr. John Stroube, a 40- to 45-minute Alumni Band Showcase is planned. The day will begin with registration, followed by a two-hour rehearsal, then an evening performance.

Also, all Foster Music Camp orchestra and chorus alumni are invited to perform in the Grand Finale and closing ceremonies. "Granted, we have made a few additions over the years," Walker acknowledged, "but there is still quite a bit that has remained intact for 75 years."

On Saturday evening, June 26, the Robert W. Hartwell Scholarship for Musical and Leadership Excellence, in honor of the long-time EKV bands and Foster Camps director who passed away in 2008, will be awarded.

The camp's first director, in 1936, was Henri Schanbl, a former member of Kaiser Wilhelm's personal band. Other directors through the years have been the camp's founder, Joseph Van Peurse, 1940-63; Nick Koenigstein, 1964-67; Dr. Hartwell, 1968-99; and Dr. Joe Allison, 2000-07, before Walker took the reins in 2008.

Koenigstein, who now resides in Gainesville, Fla., attributed the camp's longevity and success to "a dedicated faculty and staff and the fact that during camp, it was music every hour nearly, not like during the normal school year. We

had staff not only from the EKV staff but specialists for nearly every instrument were brought in for the camp. Thus, the teacher-student ratio was small. These kids learned from the best, and their abilities were expanded beyond their wildest expectations. We also invited special guest conductors of national fame to come and to a special concert or clinic, so these folks had opportunity to rub shoulders with the nation's finest in the field."

But it wasn't all work and no play. "We had movies, date nights, out-of-town concerts, stunt nights, pajama Sundays, and the list goes on."

"I would not have missed this part of my life for anything," Koenigstein continued. "Many of our students went on to be school music teachers or band, orchestra and choral directors, and several have landed jobs in major symphonies worldwide. Even those who did not pursue music as a career still testify to the value of the time they spent at Foster Music Camp."

For more information about Foster Music Camp and/or alumni activities, visit fostercamp.org, e-mail bwalker@fostercamp.org, or call 859-622-3266.

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Hart County crash tops tragic week on state

FRANKFORT — Preliminary statistics indicate that 25 people died in 13 separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, March 22, through Sunday, March 28.

Ten of the crashes involved motor vehicles and seven of those victims were not wearing seat belts. The seat belt status of 13 victims is unknown. Single-fatality crashes occurred in Casey, Franklin, Henry, Jefferson (2), Kenton and Knox counties. The suspected use of alcohol was a factor in the Henry and Knox County crashes.

Eleven people lost their lives in a motor vehicle crash that occurred on I-65 NB in Hart County when a semi-truck crossed the interstate median and crashed head-on into a Mennonite church van. The truck driver and ten people inside the van perished at

the scene. The seat belt status of those victims is unknown at this time. Two children, ages 3 and 5, survived the crash and were transported to a nearby medical facility for observation.

Two double-fatality motor vehicle crashes occurred in Pike and Woodford County. One of those victims was not wearing a seat belt.

Two crashes involved motorcycles and both victims were wearing helmets. Those crashes occurred in Jessamine and Oldham counties. The suspected use of alcohol was a factor in the Jessamine County crash.

One pedestrian involved fatality occurred in Bath County.

Through March 28, preliminary statistics indicate that 147 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during

2010. This is 23 fewer fatalities than reported for the same time period in 2009.

There were 127 motor vehicle fatalities and 67 of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Twenty-six of those crashes involved a commercial motor vehicle. Thirteen fatal crashes involved a pedestrian and one involved a scooter. Five crashes involved a motorcycle and three of those victims were not wearing helmets. One crash involved an ATV and the victim was not wearing a helmet. A total of 30 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. Crash data for this report is generated from the Kentucky Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS).

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I'm from the right fork of Middle Creek (formerly known as Brainard, KY). I have been married to my wife, Camille (Dodd) Prater, of Salyersville, for over 35 years. Our oldest daughter, Missy "Prater" Price, passed away on November 18, 2004. She left behind our two grandsons, Zackory Kenneth Ray Price and Sebastian Charles Eric Tackett. The boys now live with our youngest daughter, Melinda "Prater" White. Melinda and the boys live in Dry Ridge, Ky. I also had another child, Gregory Lee Prater. He passed away on June 17, 1990, at the age of 16.

My grandparents were Bob and Lula "Whitaker" Prater. My grandfather was a farmer and a disabled state worker. My grandmother ran the Brainard Post Office for over 20 years. My father, Charlie Prater, was an electrician and worked for the county for several years.

I am a retired electrician. If elected, I can devote all my efforts full-time, not part-time, for the job of Magistrate in District 2.

While campaigning, I have had the opportunity to observe the condition of our county roads in this district. It seems to me that a lot have been neglected.

If elected, I will devote myself over the next four years to work on all county roads, not just a select few!! I would greatly appreciate your support and vote in the upcoming election.

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Governor signs House Bill 231

FRANKFORT—Gov. Steve Beshear signed House Bill 231 Tuesday, a measure designed to help build the state's capacity to provide specialized psychiatric care closer to home for Kentucky children currently being served out of state.

"I would like to thank the General Assembly—particularly Representatives Jimmie Lee and Tom Burch—for working with my administration on this important bill to ensure that we are doing all we can to meet the health and behavioral health care needs of

Kentucky children here in the commonwealth," said Gov. Beshear. "This bill will build the capacity necessary to bring children back home, and does it in a budget neutral fashion for the foreseeable future. But we also recognize that our work is not finished, and that we must continue to look for ways to develop community-based care alternatives, in addition to residential treatment options."

HB 231 clarifies the services that are needed in Kentucky in order to serve more than 200

children with specialized physical and psychiatric needs in-state, providing a process through which facilities licensed as private residential treatment facilities (PRTFs) and other health care facilities can apply for specialized beds devoted to meeting the needs of these children. Through the state Certificate of Need (CON) process, up to 50 beds of the required level could be located at psychiatric hospitals, acute care hospitals or PRTFs.

Arrest

UNITE detectives, Kentucky State Police officers and canine officer Bo Cure were at the residence to execute the search warrant.

The arrest followed an investigation that was started earlier this month after police officers said information was passed along from other agencies that an "unusually high volume of cars" were reported to be going to and coming from the residence.

"While officers were outside the home, many citizens drove by to wave, blow their horns and give us thumbs-up," said Dan Smoot, law enforce-

ment director for UNITE. "They seemed to be very excited that we had taken care of a problem."

During the course of the investigation, Smoot said detectives were able to buy drugs from Hopkins, developing enough information in that time to ask for the search warrant.

Inside the home, police said they found 668 prescription pills with an estimated street value of about \$5,000, cash totaling \$1,410 and a .22 caliber rifle.

The pills taken as evidence during the arrest combined for

a mix including OxyContin, hydrocodone, methadone, Lortab, Xanax, Percocet and suboxone.

"This is an example that information from citizens really does pay off," Smoot said.

To date, more than 1,600 drug tips have been given to officials from residents in Pike County since 2004, the second most in the fifth congressional district.

Wreck

ming when the collision took place.

Both men were pronounced dead at the scene by the Pike County Coroner Russell Roberts. Both have been sent to Frankfort to the state medical examiner's office for autopsies to determine exact causes of death.

The state police were also assisted at the scene by KSP's Division of Commercial Vehicle Enforcement. Following the

collision, Davis was arrested and charged with having no operator's license as well as no commercial operator's license, along with charges saying his log book was not up to date and for having a radar detector in a commercial vehicle.

The collision is currently being investigated by KSP Trooper Shannon Jones, CVE Officer Keith Justice and also the Pike County Emergency Management Division.

Program

new skirting, flooring in several rooms, along with a new heat pump, floor insulation, smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, window caulking and two new doors. The total cost of the Printer project was just under \$5,500.

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Debate

weeks for the candidates to come to an agreement on other dates and times, if needed.

And for candidate Barry Bolling, that may be needed, he said.

"That would probably be okay, but I have several trips I have to make in the next three

weeks that are medical-related," Bolling said yesterday. "But this would be fine with me, why sure."

Though none of the candidates who reacted yesterday to the challenge for a debate had received letters yet, Graden said he did send certified let-

ters to each of the three in the days leading up to placing his advertisement for the proposed debate.

Candidate Chuck Meade, a former state representative now trying his hand at a local office, did not return messages left for him yesterday.

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April 5, 2004

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Dear Friend:

Why did your State Representative, Charles "Chuck" Meade, repeatedly vote with those who support homosexual civil unions in Kentucky? I could not believe it until I saw the official printout of the votes. That's why I am enclosing a copy of two votes for you to see for yourself.

- 1) Doesn't he realize that homosexual marriages are a problem today all over America?
- 2) Does he want the same thing to happen here in Kentucky?
- 3) Doesn't he realize that children need a real family with a mother and father?
- 4) Doesn't he realize that the existing laws are not enough because judges can find anything they want to find in our Constitution? (The Founding Fathers who wrote the Constitution are the ones who put prayer in our schools. There was prayer in American schools for over 200 years until 1962 when the judges invented "The separation of church and state" which is not even in our constitution.)
 - The same judges took prayer and the Ten Commandments out of our schools.
 - The same judges legalized Partial Birth Abortion.
 - The same judges censored the modern scientific evidence for Creation and put in the old, out-dated ideas of evolution.
 - The same judges legalized the burning of our Flag.
 - The same judges now want to censor "One nation under God" out of our pledge.

SB245 is a bill that would define marriage as being between a man and a woman and it would put it right into our State Constitution so that no judge could start homosexual marriages in Kentucky.

This bill quickly passed in our State Senate but when it went to the House, the Democrat Leadership immediately killed it by putting it into a Hostile Committee.

When the Pro-family Legislators tried to bring it out of the Hostile Committee, they lost the vote. (See VOTE ONE on 3/23/04.) This was the same day that about 1,000 people came to the capitol and asked them to support marriage.

Then the phone calls started up. They came into the House Legislators by the thousands. They came from all over the state. But the ProHomosexual legislators refused to listen to the voters.

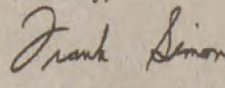
Then the Democrat Leadership introduced a House Committee Substitute (HCS) which was a watered down version of the bill which would open the door for homosexual civil unions and also put in unrelated material about what the Governor could spend. This watered down version would probably be ruled unconstitutional because the unrelated material is not allowed.

On March 26, VOTE TWO was taken which killed the original (stronger) version of SB 245, and tried to substitute HCS (the watered down version).

Finally, on Monday, March 29, about 5,000 voters came right to the Capitol and asked that marriage be protected. Again, the arrogant liberal Democrat Leadership refused to listen to the voters.

★ But the worse part is that your State Representative, Charles "Chuck" Meade, who always said he was with us went along with those who support homosexual civil unions.

- Would you do me a favor?
- 1) Please tell others and call Charles "Chuck" Meade right now while he is at home on recess and ask him why he voted with those who support homosexual civil unions. His number at home is 606-874-9102.
 - 2) Ask him to vote for the original wording of SB 245 when it comes up for a vote on Monday, April 12, 2004.
 - 3) Fill out the enclosed yellow card and mail it to Charles "Chuck" Meade TODAY.
 - 4) Then fill out the enclosed blue card and return it to me in the enclosed envelope and tell me what he said. If you will fill in your name, address and phone number, I will let you know how he votes on April 12th. You can watch *The Rest of the News*, a documentary about this issue, on Louisville Cable Access Channel 98, on Tuesdays in April at 5PM. Or, if you want a VCR tape or DVD copy of the program, let me know.
 - 5) Attend a Defend Marriage Meeting on the steps of the Capitol in Frankfort, 10:30 AM, Monday, April 12th. Thank you very much for your help and concern.

Sincerely,

 Frank G. Simon, M.D.

THIS EVIDENCE CANNOT BE EXPLAINED AWAY

This information was first made public April 21, 2004, during the primary election. The proof was published in The Floyd County Times during the primary election between Brandon Spencer, Frankie Francis and Charles Meade (2006).

"This letter from the American Family Association dated April 5, 2004 included the official printout of Charles Meade's voting record on issues that are important to their organization," according to Simon.

Vote one (03-23-2004) and Vote two (03-26-2004), Chuck Meade voted with those who supported homosexual civil union (same sex marriage) until the good citizens of our county were made aware of his agenda. Then and only then did he change his decision for the protection of marriage in Kentucky (April 12, 2004).

Yes, he tried to convince the public otherwise, but the dates in March do not correspond to the date he tries to cover. I can understand voting for it once, (out of ignorance), but repeatedly! Yes, he would like to white wash it away like all the other blundering mistakes he's made, but the American Association Director made a public plea to concerned citizens to change his mind and it worked.

- "Call Meade now, 606-874-9102, Ask Him Why he voted with those who support homosexual civil unions" (same sex union).

Thank you to the citizens for responding to this letter on April 5, 2004. You convinced Meade that Floyd County does have a voice.

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FLOYD COUNTY Sports

Hamilton among invitees for All-Stars tryouts

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Betsy Layne senior Megan Hamilton is among 43 players who have been invited to Kentucky All-Stars tryouts at Campbellsville University on April 16-17. Hamilton was recently named the Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches (KABC) 15th Region Player of the Year. Other area players invited to the tryouts were Holly Harris (Pike Central) and Maris Hovee (June Buchanan).

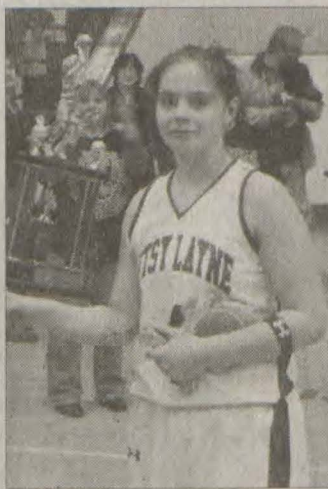
Miss Basketball Sarah Beth Barnette of LCA (Lexington Christian Academy) has already earned a spot on the Kentucky All-

Stars roster.

Other players invited to the All-Star tryouts are: Jackie Alexander (Rockcastle Co.); Katie Allen (Highlands); Paige Barclay (Hickman Co.); Ariel Barnes (Henderson Co.); Destiny Bramblett (North Hardin); Kendra Brown (Lincoln Co.); Samantha Coleman (Middlesboro); Kate Lynn Cromer (Ashland Blazer); Chelsea Craig (Franklin Co.); Malisa Cruz (Mersey); Jessica Dean (South Laurel); Samantha Drake (Nelson Co.); Portia Durrett (Seneca); Molly Ernst (Assumption); Kelsey Ferguson (Elliott, Co.); Tayla Foster (Madisonville); Chasity Gooch (Franklin-Simpson); Lynette

Harris (Webster Co.); Mary Jehlik (Montgomery Co.); Lizza Jonas (Tate's Creek); Allison Karst (Lou. Christian); Wanisha Mack (Fairdale); Jessica Marshall (East Carter); Zakasnal Martin (Manual); Jordan McGuffin (South Oldham); Theresa Montano (Mersey); Ebony Rowe (Paul Dunbar); Courtney Sandfoss (Newport Catholic); Heather Sandlin (Boone Co.); Brittany Sexton (Letcher Central); Ondrea Shaw (Moore); Ellen Sholtes (Mersey); Antonita Slaughter (Lou. Christian); Erica Smith (Bowling Green); Kayla Thacker (Bullitt East); Bekah Towles (Highlands); Jade Troutman (Bullitt East); Shelby Tyra (Grayson Co.);

Jessica Upchurch (Lincoln Co.); and Madison Webb (Scott Co.).



MEGAN HAMILTON



ALLEN-BASED LATE MODEL DRIVER BRANDON KINZER is scheduled to compete at North Georgia Speedway on Saturday (April 3).

Brown finishes runner-up in state archery

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT - Brienne Gilliam of Elliott County High School scored 294 points and Keith Northcutt of Harrison County High School scored 293 points to win the overall competition at Kentucky's National Archery in the Schools state tournament held March 23 in Louisville.

Adams Middle School archer Hunter Brown finished second individually in the boys' middle school division.

More than 2,430 students from 124 schools in Kentucky competed in the tournament. Each competitor shot 15 arrows from 10 meters away and 15 arrows from 15 meters away for a possible 300 points. A bull's eye is worth 10 points.

All of the top three finishers in the team divisions for elementary, middle and high schools qualify for the national archery tournament in Louisville on May 7 and 8. The top finishers in the individual awards for each division also qualify for the national tournament.

In the cases of ties among top individual archers, a shoot-off was held to determine the top five finishers. A complete list of all archers and their scores may be found online at fw.ky.gov, the Web site of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

Team Competition, High School Division: 1. - Meade County High School; 2. - Madison Southern High School, Madison County; 3. - Trigg County High School.

Middle School Division: 1.- Bondurant Middle School, Franklin County; 2. - Trigg County Middle School; 3. - Anderson County Middle School.

Elementary School Division: 1. - Shopville Elementary School, Pulaski County; 2.- Trigg County Intermediate School; 3. - Adairville Elementary School, Logan County.

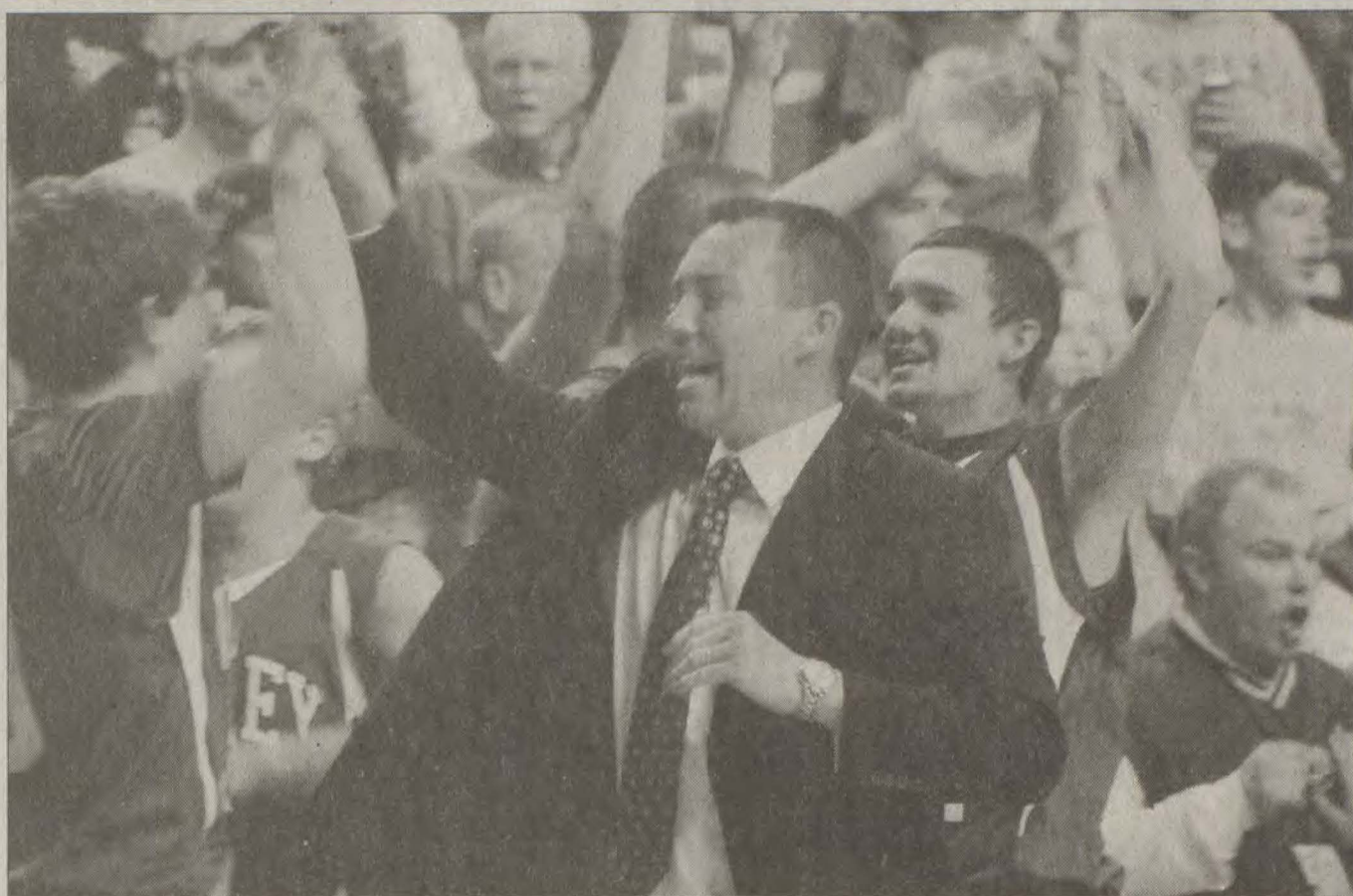
Individual Competition, High School Division, Girls: 1.- Brianna Gilliam (Elliott County High School); 2. - Morgan Whitson (Henderson County High School); 3. Lindsey Carr (Madison Southern High School); 4. - Amanda Hurt (Meade County High School); 5. - Alexis Wiseman (Trigg County High School).

Boys: 1.- Keith Northcutt (Harrison County High School); 2. - Aaron Daniels (Henderson County High School); 3. - Christian Carter (Madison Southern High School); 4. - Justin Mehs (Anderson County High School); 5. - Nathan Parcell (Meade County High School).

Middle School Division, Boys: 1. - Skylar Pool (Trigg County Middle School); 2. - Hunter Brown (J.D. Adams Middle School); 3. - Taylor Stevens (Boyd County Middle School); 4. - Connor Patterson (Lincoln County High School); 5. - Ethan Steele (Anderson County Middle School).

Girls: 1. - Kayla Dowell (Stuart Pepper Middle School); 2. - Katie Mitchell (Bondurant Middle School); 3. - Shayne Patterson (Trigg County Middle

(See ARCHERY, page eight)



HIGH-FIVIN' IT: Shelby Valley Coach Jason Booher will look to reload during the offseason as his team reigns as Sweet Sixteen champion.

Pikeville College grad Donnie Jones named Central Florida head coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. - Marshall University Director of Athletics Mike Hamrick confirmed Monday that Donnie Jones has accepted the head coaching position at the University of Central Florida.

"I want to thank Coach Jones for his service and we appreciate what he has accomplished in his time here at Marshall," Hamrick said.

A national search for Marshall's next men's basketball coach is already underway.

"Our search will begin immediately. There will be no public comment during the search in order to protect the integrity of the process," Hamrick said. "We have invested a great deal in our basketball program and we will find the right person to lead our program."

Marshall completed a new \$1.7 million basketball locker room project in the fall of 2009 and has announced more than \$1 million in renovations to the Cam Henderson

Center for next season that includes a new scoreboard, new lighting system, new LED signage, new instant replay equipment, and other improvements to the facility.

Jones, who compiled a record of 55-41



Donnie Jones

three seasons at Marshall, signed a five-year contract extension prior to this season. His compensation package was worth an estimated \$400,000 with incentives that

could have earned him an additional \$250,000 per year. The contract includes a \$500,000 buyout clause.

Jones earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business Education from Pikeville College in 1988 after setting several school records during a stellar basketball career. He set school records for most assists in a game (21), season (276) and in a career (513). Jones served as the team's captain as a senior, finishing second in the nation in the NAIA with 10.7 assists per game. During his career, Jones played with two-time NAIA All-American Todd May, who averaged 40.1 points per game, and helped Pikeville to its first 20-win season in 11 years. He was an assistant coach at Pikeville College from 1988-90. Jones was inducted into the Pikeville Hall of Fame in the summer of 2004.

The West Virginia native was an assistant coach under Billy Donovan at both Marshall and Florida prior to securing his first head coaching job with the Thundering Herd.

Knights finish eighth at Parkside Invitational

PHS grad Brooks Herrick fires third-best total for Bellarmine

TIMES STAFF REPORT

COLUMBUS, Ind. - The Bellarmine University men's golf team finished eighth at the Parkside Invitational hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Parkside this past weekend at Otter Creek Golf Club.

Doug Wilkinson secured a top 20 finish shooting (75, 76) 151 for the weekend. Three shots separated eleven places as Bryan Ratterman shot (76, 78) 154 to finish T-30. Prestonsburg High School graduate Brooks Herrick, Adam Mallory, Nick Becht also participated for the Knights shooting 159, 160, 163 respectively.

Bellarmine University finished at 617 (306, 311) for the weekend.

Chris Stout and Bradley Black from BU competed as individuals with Stout rallying the second day to finish in the top 30 (82, 73) 155, 11-over par. Black shot a 165 for the invitational.

Wayne State University ran away with the tourney scoring a 582, 6-over par for the weekend, eight shots ahead of the field. Joe Juszczyk from Wayne State led the way shooting (66, 71) 137, 7-under par.

Allen Central defeats Stumbo

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - In volleyball, the Allen Central Middle School A-Team improved its record to 4-2 overall and 3-1 in the Floyd County Conference following a victory in three sets over John M. Stumbo. The Rebels topped the Mustangs 21-11 in the first set. But Stumbo battled back, defeating Allen Central 15-21 in the second set. Allen Central then bounced back with a vengeance in the third set, winning 21-10 to claim

the match. Katie Kendrick pounded in 11 kills and Rachel Moore slapped in seven dingers for the Rebels. Larah Gibson set up eight kills and Kelsie Jackson earned seven assists. DeShea Elliott and Kendrick slammed in four service aces each. Elliott and Moore led all Allen Central back row players defensively, returning 24 apiece while committing one error each.

The Rebel B-Team dropped to 2-4, losing its match in three sets. The Allen Central B-Team took the first

set 18-13 but dropped the second set 14-18. Allen Central's B-Team could not get it together in the third set, falling 13-18.

The Allen Central C-Team slipped to 4-2, dropping its match in three sets. After enjoying early success and winning the first set 15-7, the Allen Central C-Team struggled. The C-Team Rebels dropped the last two sets, falling 10-15 in each game.

Allen Central was hosting South Floyd Tuesday evening.

Rebels sweep JCMS

EASTERN - The Allen Central Middle School A-Team earned its third win in the early season last week, defeating Johnson County Middle School in two sets - 21-10, 21-8. Rachel Moore paced the Allen Central squad with three kills. Allen Central fifth grader Kelsie Jackson earned four assists and DeShea Elliott slammed in seven aces. Defensively for the Rebels, Moore dug up two without error and Elliott earned a partial block.

The Allen Central B-Team earned its second win, defeating Johnson Central in two games also, 18-10, 18-11.

The Allen Central C-Team won its fourth match of the season 2-0, prevailing 15-9, 15-8.

Justice named Mr. Basketball

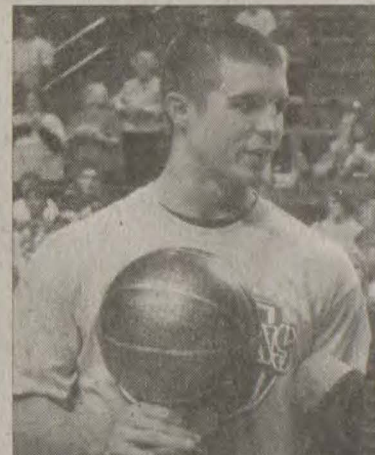
by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ROBINSON CREEK - Shelby Valley senior Elisha Justice was named Mr. Basketball as the sponsoring Kentucky Lions Club held a press conference Friday morning in front of family, teammates friends and members of the media at his school. A 5-foot-10 guard, Justice concluded his career with 2,086 points, 633 assists, 540 steals and 470 rebounds. During his senior season, Justice established the state record for steals.

Justice led Shelby Valley to back-to-back All "A" Classic titles and this year's Sweet Sixteen championship. Shelby Valley became the first Pike County team to capture a Sweet Sixteen title.

Justice is the second player from Pike County to be named Mr. Basketball. Virgie standout Todd May won the award in 1982. Other 15th Region players who have captured the award are Paintsville's J.R. VanHoose (1998) and John Pelphrey (1987), Phelps' Ervin Stepp (1980) and Wayland's King Kelly Coleman (1956).

Earlier in the year, Louisville head coach Rick Pitino attended a Shelby Valley practice. Justice has agreed to walk on at Louisville next season.



ELISHA JUSTICE

Jenny Wiley State Park to host GFC 25

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Gladiator Fighting Championship will return to Floyd County next weekend. Jenny Wiley State Park will host Gladiator Fighting Championship 25 on April 10.

Prestonsburg fighter Les Stapleton will face Jerry Burns in a bout that will serve as a rematch from GFC 24 held Jan. 30 at Jenny Wiley State Park. In his first professional fight, Stapleton defeated Burns in the first round via TKO (tap to strikes).

In addition to Stapleton, Floyd County fighters Zak Key and Matt Castle will also enter the cage. Also, Prestonsburg High School freshman Trey Stapleton, son of Les Stapleton, will have a grappling bout during GFC 25.

Key is an All-State football player from Prestonsburg High School. He wrapped up his gridiron career with the Blackcats back in the fall.

Advance tickets for GFC 25 are available at Pro Fitness in Prestonsburg. Doors will open at 7 p.m. Fights are scheduled to start at 8 p.m.

For more information, call Eddie Trotter at 606-855-7005 or email gladitort1@yahoo.com

DuVita joins Herd Racing as sponsor

West Virginia-based
Nationwide team
to run in Nashville 300

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. — Brentwood-based DuVita, LLC, has been named primary sponsor of Herd Racing's NASCAR Nationwide Series team for the Nashville 300 on April 3 at Nashville Superspeedway.

The DuVita car, a No. 75 Chevrolet Impala SS driven by racing veteran Brett Rowe, will feature DuVita's corporate logo, among other sponsors.

DuVita provides home-based business opportunities in direct marketing of all-natural dietary supplements that

promote a healthy lifestyle. The company launched in January 2010 and is growing rapidly across the United States.

"DuVita is excited about our new partnership with Herd Racing and recognizes that NASCAR has the most loyal fan base of any sport," said Amber McAdams, founder of DuVita, LLC. "We look forward to bringing exposure to our brand, products and business opportunities to the NASCAR audience."

Rowe said he is happy to represent DuVita as the company enters the world of motorsports marketing.

"DuVita is a company that offers products that can help the average person get more out of life," Rowe said. "I am

honored to be part of DuVita's marketing program and eager to introduce their products to NASCAR fans across the country."

The company's sponsorship was officially announced during a public event on Tuesday, March 23, in Huntington, W.Va., and will be followed by another public event on April 1 in the Nashville area.

DuVita will remain an associate sponsor of the team for the entire 2010 Nationwide Series season and invites fans to learn more about their products and racing sponsorship, which includes a full line of racing apparel.

To become an independent associate of DuVita products or to learn more log on to www.racetoduvita.com.

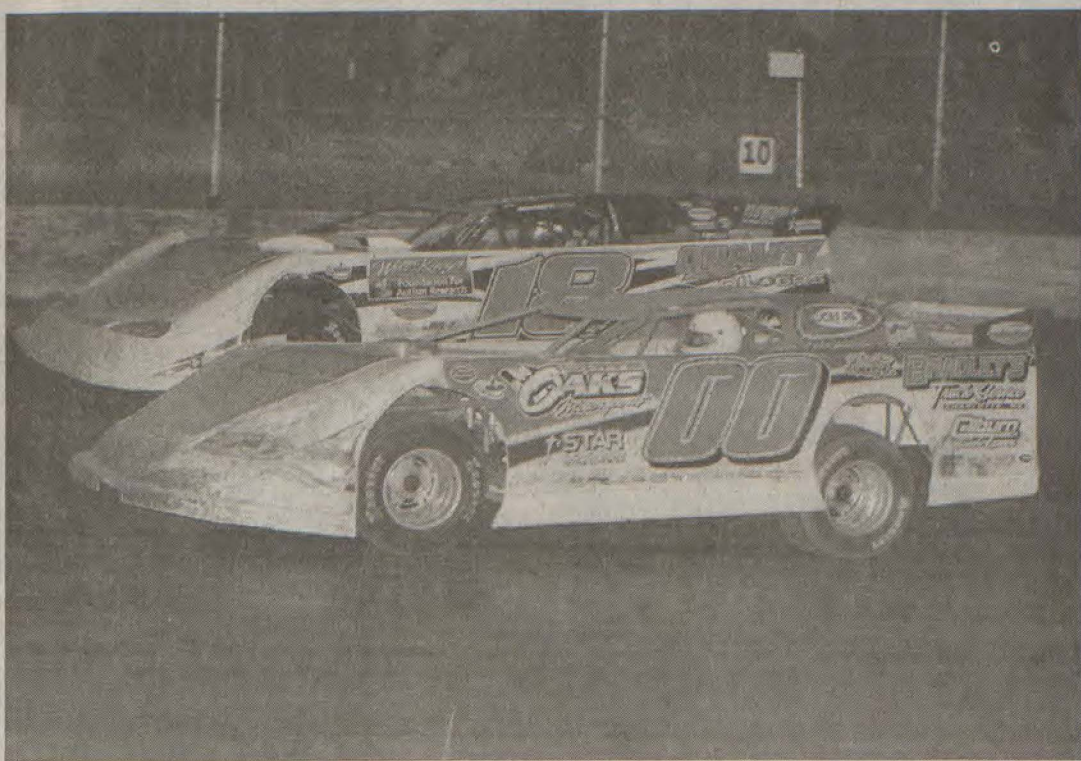


photo by Thomas Hendrickson

VETERAN DRIVER BRANDON KINZER (18) is pictured racing at Boyd's Speedway in Georgia on March 19.

ALC sweeps two KIAC doubleheaders

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GEORGETOWN — The Alice Lloyd College baseball team swept KIAC rival Cincinnati Christian University in a pair of doubleheaders Friday and Saturday (March 26 and 27) at Georgetown College. Alice Lloyd moved to 5-3 in the KIAC after sweeping the second doubleheader.

Friday, March 26, Game 1 — ALC 17, CCU 2: The Eagles scored 17 runs on 16 hits en route to the victory. The Eagles limited Cincinnati Christian to only two runs on a pair of hits. Taylor Sewell and Tyler Dotson each had three hits for the Eagles. Joe Rasnake blasted a home run. Rasnake and Trey

King each had three RBIs. Will Ray went the distance on the mound to earn the decision for the Alice Lloyd College club.

Friday, March 26, Game 2 — ALC 17, CCU 2: Will Leonard went 3-for-4 and registered 4 RBIs to spark Alice Lloyd. Tyler Dotson also had three of Alice Lloyd's 10 hits. Cory Brewer struck out seven and earned the win on the mound for the Eagles.

Saturday, March 27, Game 1 — ALC 11, CCU 5: After being deadlocked 5-5 at the end of the seventh inning, Alice Lloyd plated six runs in the top half of the eighth frame to pull away from Cincinnati Christian. Carter Sibley and Jordan Stumbo each had three

hits as the Eagles outthrew Cincinnati Christian 15-9. Trey King, in relief of Lewis Michael, earned the pitching victory.

Saturday, March 27, Game 2 — ALC 17, CCU 1: Alice Lloyd made the most of its offensive chances, scoring 17 runs on 17 hits in the fourth game in two days versus Cincinnati Christian. The Cincinnati team was limited to four hits.

Josh Branham had three hits and three RBIs for the Eagles. Four other Alice Lloyd players recorded two hits apiece.

Gerald Branham was the winning pitcher for the Eagles. Branham and teammate Todd Duff combined for eight strikeouts.

FISHING: Throw an ancient lure for early spring bass

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Ancient Native Americans learned to adorn bone hooks with animal hair to make them more appealing to fish. This oldest and simplest of lures, a hair jig, still is the best choice to catch bass in the cold water of early spring.

A modern hair jig isn't much different from those used by the ancestors of the Shawnee. It consists of deer, rabbit or synthetic craft hair tied onto the hook shank of a lead-head jig.

"Hair looks more natural in cold water," said Benjy Kinman, deputy commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "It flows and looks more like a baitfish or a crayfish."

That flowing quality is what makes bass chomp hair jigs in water colder than 60 degrees. Hair jigs also possess a smaller profile than silicone-skirted jigs and generally weigh less. These qualities make hair jigs excellent for fooling lethargic, early spring bass.

Hair jigs work in water as cold as 38 degrees. With water temperatures in Kentucky reservoirs and streams currently ranging from the mid to high 40s, a hair jig will catch more smallmouth, spotted and largemouth bass now than anything you can throw.

Fish a 1/8- to 5/16-ounce hair jig on channel drops, flats and points in clearer water reservoirs such as Green River, Cave Run, Nolin River, Barren River, Lake Cumberland, Laurel River, Paintsville Lake and Dale Hollow. Shades of brown, olive, green and black make the best hair jig colors for these lakes, but purple and white work well on bright days.

A hair jig slowly crawled down main lake points imitates emerging crayfish, a prime food for early season fish. Use the lightest hair jig possible, but one heavy enough to maintain regular contact with the bottom.

If the hair jig falls down a drop-off, let it sink to the bottom and leave it motionless for several minutes while you keep your fishing line tight.

Jigs tied with synthetic craft hair or rabbit fur really shine for this dead-sticking presentation. The material appears to breathe with the slightest water movement — creating motion that a smallmouth or a spotted bass can't resist.

The pull-and-drop presentation works great on points as well. Stay well off the point and cast onto it. Let the hair jig sink to the bottom. Reel up the slack and gently lift the rod tip to the 11 o'clock position. Intently watch the line as the jig falls back to the bottom. If the line jumps, goes slack, or does anything unnatural, set the hook. Smallmouth bass often inhale the jig on the drop.

A hair jig worked along channel drops in creek arms is a highly productive way to intercept bass moving from their deep water winter lairs to spawning flats in the creeks. Submerged channels serve as their migration routes. Work the hair jig along the channel's edge or hang up in water deeper than you can wade into and retrieve. Jig trailers — usually plastic grubs or pork rinds stuck onto the hook — create an unnecessary drag in current that looks unnatural to a smallmouth. Leave them at home if you're fishing a stream or river. This is one of the most reliable patterns for trophy stream smallmouth.

However, for lakes, small and subtle jig trailers do work well. A small strip of black pork rind, a small black or brown grub or the last inch or two of a black finesse worm make great trailers for hair jigs. Avoid the gaudy, newer style of crawfish trailers with large flapping claws. A subdued presentation is the reason you fish a hair jig.

Several manufacturers in Kentucky and Tennessee produce some of the best hair jigs in the world. Be on the prowl for them at local tackle shops. You might discover some locally produced jigs in proven colors for the nearby lake.

Try fishing a hair jig in the next six weeks or so. You just might catch the same kind of large bass as your ancestors.

you could lose it.

When fishing around heavy cover such as submerged trees and brush, it's best to switch to a stiff medium-heavy spinning or medium action baitcasting with the reel spooled with 8- to 10-pound line. A heavier hair jig — up to 3/8 ounce — works well for coaxing wood-bound largemouth bass in early spring. Jigs are most effective when the water clears while remaining slightly high.

A 1/8-ounce hair jig fished in the smallmouth bass-rich streams of Kentucky will get crushed right now. Fish it slowly on the bottom in deep pockets near flowing water, but not in the flow itself. The largest smallmouth bass in the stream, most of them big females, are putting on the feedbag in these first few warm days of the year.

Try a purple hair jig made of craft hair, or a rabbit fur jig colored black or black and brown for early spring stream smallies. Bring several jigs, as they tend to hang up in water deeper than you can wade into and retrieve. Jig trailers — usually plastic grubs or pork rinds stuck onto the hook — create an unnecessary drag in current that looks unnatural to a smallmouth. Leave them at home if you're fishing a stream or river. This is one of the most reliable patterns for trophy stream smallmouth.

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J.R. VanHoose signs with East Kentucky Energy

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

PIKEVILLE — On the heels of Shelby Valley bringing home Pike County's first state basketball championship, another former state champion is taking to the court in Pikeville.

J.R. VanHoose, who led Paintsville to the 1996 state championship, signed recently to continue his basketball career with the East Kentucky Energy.

"I am excited to be playing professional basketball again, and very happy that it will be in Eastern Kentucky where I began playing basketball many years ago," said VanHoose. "It is my hope that the Energy will be a franchise that is around for a very long time and represent the different communities in Eastern Kentucky in a professional manner."

VanHoose was selected as Kentucky's Mr. Basketball in 1998 and remains one of the best prep players in state history. He is one of only three players in Kentucky history to record more than 3,000 points and 2,000 rebounds in his career.

The 6-foot-9 forward/center was named one of the 50 greatest players ever to play in the Sweet 16, joining the likes of Rex Chapman, Allan Houston and Wes Unseld.

VanHoose also made history during a stellar career at Marshall University. He was elected to the school's Athletic Hall of Fame in 2008 and ranks in the top 10 all-time in seven statistical categories, including No. 2 all-time in career rebounds and fifth all-time in career points.

"J.R. is one of the best basketball players ever to come from Eastern Kentucky," said Energy co-founder Jerry Boggs. "His accomplishments throughout his career are staggering. We're excited that the Energy will be part of his legacy."

For the Energy, which begins play in the American Basketball Association in December, bringing VanHoose into the fold for the team's inaugural season was an easy decision.

"A professional basketball team in Eastern Kentucky should have J.R. VanHoose on the roster," said team co-founder Tom Hamilton. "He's a tremendous asset to the team both on the court and off. He's got tremendous talent as a player and is also an ambassador for professional basketball and for the East Kentucky Energy."

During his professional career, VanHoose has played in several leagues after being drafted into the National Basketball Developmental League (NBDL). In 2008, in two exhibition games against Pikeville's CBA franchise, VanHoose averaged 22 points and 12 rebounds per game, including a 34-point, 12-rebound outing in the first matchup.

In 2006 while playing in the International Basketball League, VanHoose set a number of career marks on his way to being named one of the top 20 minor league basketball players to watch for the spring/summer season by ProBasketballNews.com.

He scored 41 points and grabbed 22 rebounds in a game against Cuyahoga Falls and tallied 32 points and 19 rebounds against the league champion Elkhart, Ind., Express. He finished sixth in the league in scoring at 26.8 points per game while averaging a double-double on the season.

On top of his stellar playing career, VanHoose has been a teacher and coach at Paintsville High School and currently teaches and coaches at Phelps High School, along with his wife, Shawna.

"I am very excited about bringing the girls on my basketball team to some of the games so that they will have the chance to critique my on court performance like I do theirs," VanHoose said. "This chance to play professionally while coaching high school basketball presents a great opportunity for me and I am eager to get started!"

Wall, Cousins named All-Americans

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Kentucky's John Wall and DeMarcus Cousins were on the All-America team announced Monday. Joining them were Ohio State junior Evan Turner, who received all but one first-team vote, Syracuse junior Wes Johnson and Villanova senior Scottie Reynolds.

After a year without any freshmen being honored, Wall and Cousins moved in as the ninth set of teammates to be selected and the first since Duke's J.J. Redick and Shelden Williams in 2006.

The 6-11 Cousins became one of the country's top big men and was the only player selected to the team who averaged a double-double with 15.3 points and 10.1 rebounds.

The duo helped the Wildcats reach No. 1 for one week in a season when they were no lower

than fifth in any poll.

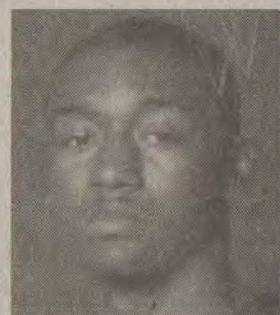
Wall received 62 votes, while Johnson had 45, Reynolds 32 and Cousins 26 in voting conducted before the NCAA tournament.

Wall and Cousins were Kentucky's first All-Americans since Ron Mercer in 1997. The other schools have all had players selected in the last five years: Hakim Warrick of Syracuse in 2005, Randy Foye of Villanova in 2006 and Ohio State's Greg Oden in 2007.

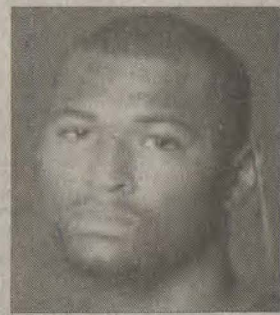
James Anderson of Oklahoma State was sixth in the balloting with 27 votes and was joined on the second team by Sherron Collins of Kansas, Greivis Vasquez of Maryland, Jon Scheyer of Duke and Da'Sean Butler of West Virginia.

The third team was Greg Monroe of Georgetown, Cole Aldrich of Kansas, Damion James of Texas, Luke Harangody of Notre Dame and Darrington

Hobson of New Mexico.



John Wall



DeMarcus Cousins

CATSPY Awards set for April 26

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The eighth-annual CATSPY Awards, celebrating the 2009-10 athletics year at the University of Kentucky, will be held on Monday, April 26 in Memorial Coliseum.

The awards ceremony begins at 7:30 p.m., with doors opening at 7:00 p.m., and the public is invited. Tickets cost \$5 each and may be purchased in advance at the UK Athletics Ticket Office (Joe Craft Center) or by calling 800-928-2287. All persons must have a ticket to enter, regardless of age. All general public will enter through the Lexington Avenue entrance of Memorial

Coliseum.

Public parking will be available in the E lots located on the east side (Rose Street) or west side (Lexington Avenue) of the Joe Craft Center. Additional parking will be available in parking structure #5 located near Kennedy's Book Store.

A spin-off of the popular ESPY Awards held each year by ESPN, the CATSPYS feature 25 individual and team honors, chosen from UK's 22 varsity sports. This event is dedicated to celebrating the 504 student-athletes that represent UK. Videos of the nominees in each category are shown. UK student-athletes and head coaches serve as presenters.

The list of awards includes: Male and Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year; Academic Team of the Year; Community Service Award; Blue Heart Award; Character Award; Bill Keightley "Assist" Award; Lifetime Achievement Award; Male and Female Scratch Award; Supporting Role Award; Men's Team Coach of the Year; Women's Team Coach of the Year; Mr. and Miss Wildcat; Male and Female Play of the Year; Male and Female Rookie of the Year; Male and Female Performance of the Year; K-Association Male and Female Athlete of the Year; Male and Female Team of the Year.

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School); 4. — Melissa Martin (Bondurant Middle School); 5. — Jasmine Hal (Stuart Pepper Middle School).

Elementary School Division, Boys: 1. — Jeremy Elliott (Corbin Intermediate School); 2. — Colin Crump (David. T.

Wilson Elementary School); 3. — Alex Hughes (Adairville Elementary School); 4. — Austin Rayno (Adairville Elementary School); 5. — Colby Hays (Shopville Elementary School).

Girls: 1. — Sarah Burton (Shopville Elementary School);

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2. — Megan Aldridge — Westridge Elementary School); 3. — Kaitlyn Foster (Lewisburg Elementary School); 4. — Christian Lynch — Adairville Elementary School); 5. — Elizabeth Wagoner (Trigg County Intermediate School).

EPA to study hydraulic fracturing

by IVY BRASHEAR
HAZARD HERALD

HAZARD — The Environmental Protection Agency announced on March 18 that it will conduct a study to determine the environmental impact of hydraulic fracturing, a controversial natural gas drilling technique.

The practice involves injecting a mixture of chemicals and sand into shale where natural gas is stored underground in order to crack the rock and allow the gas to flow freely.

A local natural gas company spokesperson, however, said he was not afraid of an EPA investigation, because the industry has nothing to hide.

"Hydraulic fracturing has been used for generations with no negative environmental impact," said Kevin West, Managing Director of External Affairs for the natural gas company, EQT.

West said EQT is the 14th largest natural gas producer in the United States, and the largest natural gas producer in Appalachia. The company owns gas wells in four states (West Virginia, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Kentucky), and employs 270 people in five southeastern Kentucky counties.

He said that EQT does not use hydraulic fracturing to retrieve natural gas in their drilling processes. Instead, they use a process invented by EQT: horizontal air drilling.

West said this process does not use liquid of any kind to fracture shale while drilling — it uses air. Using this method, EQT can drill multiple wells from the same drill hole.

West also said they could use the practice to drill thousands of feet below coal seams and groundwater aquifers.

West said horizontal air drilling assures that EQT can't contaminate water wells in any way. He also said other companies use hydraulic fracturing only when necessary to reach certain deposits of natural gas that can't be reached any other way.

Many groups which study

environmental impacts, however, claim hydraulic fracturing is contaminating the well water of those living close to natural gas wells.

Tom FitzGerald, director of the Kentucky Resources Council, said many aspects of gas well drilling adversely impact the environment, including hydraulic fracturing.

"The relationship between fresh-water aquifers and hydraulic fracturing creates certain risk for cross-contamination," FitzGerald said.

He said regulations have been mandated by the Kentucky Division of Oil and Gas (KDOG) to monitor this practice as well as the entire well production process. However, he said the staff of the KDOG is not large enough to effectively monitor gas wells and enforce regulations.

"The impacts of natural gas drilling on the surface caused by road construction, sediment run-off, and the effect on ground water are certainly under regulated," FitzGerald said.

He said the practice of hydraulic fracturing assists in the recovery of coal-bed methane, and that this creates "particular risk" of water contamination because coal-beds normally act as natural filters of groundwater.

FitzGerald said he hopes the study will help with regulation of the natural gas industry.

"This study will be significant," he said. "Hopefully it will increase regulation to protect ground water."

With approximately 160,000 oil and gas wells in Kentucky, 35-40,000 of which are found east of I-75, regulation of the drilling process is not an easy task.

Marvin Combs, assistant director of the Kentucky Division of Oil and Gas, said hydraulic fracturing is used in Kentucky, but only with wells that are drilled in Devonian shale. The name "Devonian" simply refers to the geologic age the shale was deposited, he said.

This shale, he said, is made mostly of organic matter and is

very hard and impermeable, making hydraulic fracturing necessary to reach the gas reservoirs.

"It (hydraulic fracturing) is standard practice in those areas," Combs said.

Combs said every well drilled is inspected by the KDOG, and several buffers between the drilling process and groundwater are put in place in all wells. These buffers, called "casing strings," help companies to drill past underground water supplies without contaminating the water.

"The Division of Oil and Gas monitors drilling of oil and natural gas to ensure wells are produced in a responsible manner that doesn't disturb water wells and mining operations," Combs said.

National natural gas

drilling laws were amended in 2005, when a loophole, dubbed the "Halliburton loophole," removed regulations on hydraulic fracturing. However, numerous complaints have fueled the EPA's decision for

their investigation.

West said he's happy to see the EPA's proposed study come to fruition. He said it could clear up some misconceptions that have been prevalent throughout the general

public, specifically those about hydraulic fracturing.

"I hope the industry will be as cooperative as possible, and welcome the study," West said. "I'm confident the results will be positive."

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Kentucky spacecraft Frontier 1 in space

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear announced Saturday that Frontier 1, the spacecraft of Kentucky Space, was successfully launched and inserted into space reaching an altitude of approximately 270 kilometers. The spacecraft, which weighs about four pounds, was launched at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility in Virginia on a Terrier-Improved Malemute NASA rocket.

"This exciting announcement shows that Kentucky is among the elite in innovation and scientific advancement," said Gov. Beshear. "This unique partnership among Kentucky's higher education institutions, state government and private industry shows that the Commonwealth is a

bastion of high-tech, 21st century learning, as well as limitless economic opportunity."

This mission represents the first time that Kentucky has ever developed, built and successfully inserted a free-flying spacecraft into space.

At T+72 seconds after launch, Frontier 1 (codename: ADAMASat) was successfully ejected from the NASA launch vehicle into space. After fulfilling its mission objectives Frontier 1 began the normal decay of its trajectory, burning-up as it reentered the Earth's atmosphere.

The spacecraft was designed and built in Kentucky by KS to test hardware and software subsystems that will be flown on an orbital satellite called KentuckySat 1

(KySat 1) scheduled to be launched with the NASA Glory Mission in November 2010.

"Advances in micro-technology and miniaturized systems have made possible the development of small but potentially high-value spacecraft and payloads," said Kris Kimel, president of the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation, managing partner of Kentucky Space.

A team of Kentucky Space students and faculty mission advisors were on-site for the spacecraft integration, count-down process and launch. The students also managed ground stations at Wallops and were supported by other stations at Morehead State University, the University of Kentucky and the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. The launch was broadcast live on NASA TV.

Kentucky Space has also recently formed a joint venture with NanoRacks LLC, a Houston-based aerospace company, to facilitate and undertake scientific research and related activities on the International Space Station (ISS).

Kentucky Space is a non-

profit enterprise involved in designing and developing educational, R&D and entrepreneurial space platforms. It is a consortium involving students and the combined resources and capacity of the University of Kentucky, Morehead State University, the University of Louisville, Western Kentucky University, Murray State

University, the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, the Kentucky Space Grant Consortium, and Belcan, with support from the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education. The managing partner and founder of Kentucky Space is the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation.

Pictures and more information on today's mission should be available later today on the Kentucky Space and NASA web sites (NASA.gov).

Information about Kentucky Space can be found at www.kentuckyspace.com and a video of the launch can be found at youtube.com/watch?v=aXEZnlB3Ddw.

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Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is reminding consumers that the last day to submit an application for the Crisis phase of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) will be today, March 31. Currently, funds are still available to help. Applications are taken on a first come, first serve basis.

The Crisis phase helps low income consumers who are in danger of losing their primary heating source through disconnection because of non-pay-

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Prestonsburg's Collins among 2010 United Fresh retail produce manager award winners

WASHINGTON, D.C. — United Fresh 2010 will be the place of honor as 25 produce managers representing 20 different supermarket chains, commissaries and independent retail stores in 17 states and Canada, are recognized through the United Fresh Retail Produce Manager Awards Program.

Douglas Collins, who works at Food City in Prestonsburg, is among those being honored.

This program, sponsored by Ready Pac Foods, is presented through the United Fresh Foundation's Center for Leadership Excellence to pay special recognition to those on the front line in supermarkets working everyday to increase sales and consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables. 2010 will mark the sixth year of this program.

United Fresh President and CEO Tom Stenzel praised the 2010 winners, saying, "These men and women represent the 'best of the best' in our industry. Through their creative efforts and interaction with customers, they're making pro-

duce a centerpiece of the retail shopping experience and wowing consumers every day."

The 25 winners were selected from hundreds of nominations submitted by retailers and produce suppliers across the industry.

"Ready Pac is proud to once again sponsor this program that recognizes the hard work and excellence shown by these exceptional retail produce managers," said Ready Pac's President and CEO, Michael Solomon. "We are delighted to present this award to these well-deserving individuals and companies and commend them for a job well done!"

Stenzel added, "I'd like to extend a special note of thanks to the entire Ready Pac team for their ongoing support of this program. Thanks to their generosity, we have honored well over 100 managers since this program's inception in 2005!"

The winners are selected based on a number of criteria, including their efforts to increase produce consumption through everyday excellence in merchandising, special dis-

plays and promotions, community service and commitment to total customer satisfaction. All winners and their corporate produce directors will be honored at the convention during the Chairman's Reception and Annual Awards Banquet, Thursday, April 22, at the Palazzo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. During the banquet, five Grand Prize recipients will be announced to receive an additional \$1,000 cash prize.

Conference attendees will also hear from a panel of the

winners on produce success at the store level during "Winning Retail Strategies: Secrets of the Retail Manager Award Winners." This special event will take place on the Thursday afternoon, April 22 and will be broadcast live through United Fresh TV. In this exciting live production, broadcast in real time to the Web, award-winning retail produce managers will share insider tips about what consumers are really doing in the produce aisles.



Recently, Betsy Layne Elementary eighth-grader Austin Gillispie was selected to be a legislative page to Sen. Johnny Ray Turner. The two are pictured on the floor of the Senate in Frankfort.

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Highlands partners with physician to make donation

Patients at the Immaculate Heart Maternity Hospital in Urualla, Nigeria, recently received a gift of supplies from Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Dr. Emmanuel Eze, Staff Psychiatrist at HRMC, made the delivery on a trip to his home country.

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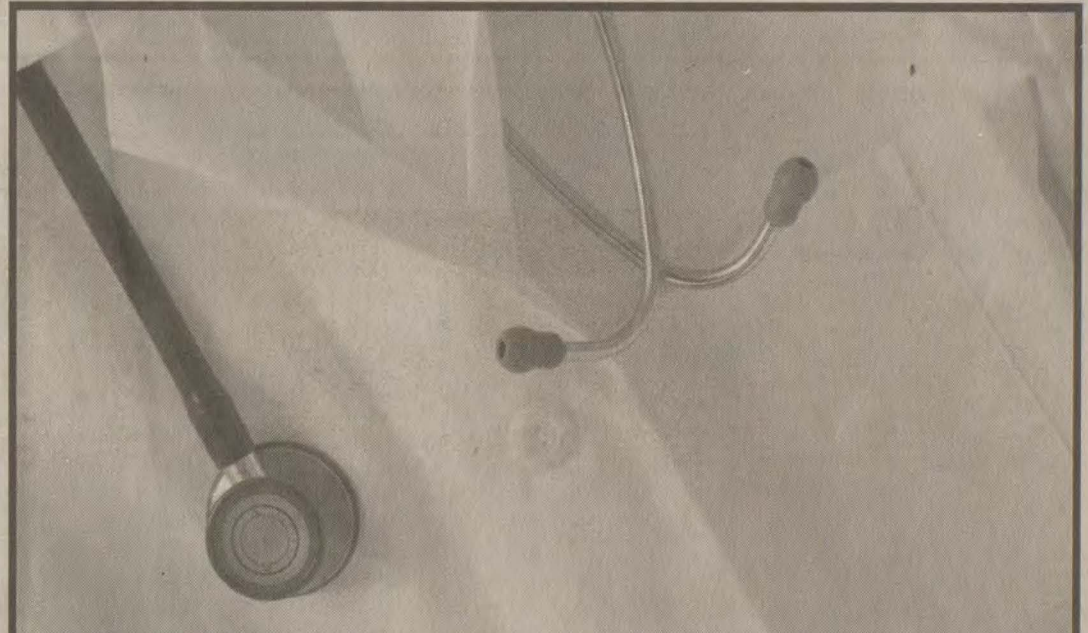
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF ZONE CHANGE REQUEST

Lonzo Bowling has requested that the property known as the "Old West Prestonsburg Post Office" be rezoned from R-3 Residential zone to a C-2 Commercial zone. The Prestonsburg zoning commission will have a public hearing on the request April 1, 2010, at 4:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Prestonsburg City Hall located at 200 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #836-5520, will be blasting at Hoods Fork of Frasure Creek, Latitude 37° 26' 3", Longitude 82° 41' 50". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

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BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Laurel Mountain Resources, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #858-0231, will be blasting at East Point, Latitude 37° 44' 47", Longitude 82° 49' 29". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #836-0335, will be blasting at Raccoon Branch and Plummer Fork of Saltlick Creek, Latitude 37° 30' 52", Longitude 82° 53' 34". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

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NOTICE (OF FINAL SETTLEMENT)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
 COUNTY OF FLOYD...SCT

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said settlements must do so on or before May 1st, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	09-P-228	Harry V. Cooley	June M. Cooley	2-16-10
Final	09-P-238	Kenneth Roberts	Paul Roberts	2-19-10
Final	09-P-314	Joe C. Moore	Bobbie L. Moore	2-22-10
Final	07-P-438	Marna Belle Mitchell	Thomas Spears	2-23-10
Final	08-P-18	Raymond Goble	Gertrude Goble	3-02-10
Final	07-P-264	Mildred S. Kendrick	Joe Cooley & Jennifer Martin	3-02-10
Final	09-P-064	Phoebe Jane S. Clark	Diana Clark Patton	3-04-10
Final	08-P-062	Gwendolyn Samons	Alex Samons	3-05-10
Final	09-P-297	Earvin Lee Crum	Kathleen Crum	3-05-10
Final	08-P-045	Shadery Watson	Sheila Jarrell	3-11-10
Final	08-P-64	William L. Baldrige	Betsy A. Baldrige	3-15-10
Final	08-P-54	George Cooley	Teresa Cooley	3-16-10

LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
 COUNTY OF FLOYD

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All persons indebted to an estate should settle with the fiduciary within six (6) months from the date of appointment.

Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Attorney
2-18-10	10-P-74	Charles Linden Sergeant	Debbie Sergeant	
2-19-10	10-P-75	Okey Hall	Ruby Hall	
2-19-10	10-P-76	Etta Mae Bush	Shirley Ann Meade	
2-22-10	10-P-79	Palmer Patton	Pamela Dutton	
2-23-10	10-P-80	Isabel Spotte	Robert L. McClelland	Robert L. McClelland
2-23-10	10-P-81	Lassia Crisp	Carl Crisp	
2-23-10	10-P-83	Edra Ann Setser	Debbie Lachance	
2-25-10	10-P-86	Lorraine Reynolds	Christi Reynolds	
2-14-10	10-P-84	Charlie Warrix	Janice W. James	Wendell S. Roberts
			And	
			Sandra W. Shepherd	
3-01-10	10-P-90	Charles Edgar Tackett	Evelyn Roberts	John T. Chafin
3-01-10	10-P-92	Dora B. Turner	John M. Turner	
3-04-10	10-P-98	Royce Wheeler Mayo	Sandra Alvarez	John Logan Griffith
3-04-10	10-P-99	Willie Moore	Opal J. Moore	
3-05-10	10-P-100	Ethel Meade	Misty Dawn Meade	
3-08-10	10-P-102	Ruth Roberts	Joe Ermel Roberts	
3-08-10	10-P-103	Margaret Mullins	Fayla Allen	
3-09-10	10-P-104	James Edward Newsome	Elaine Newsome	
3-10-10	10-P-105	Goldie C. Fitch	Sally F. Wallace	
3-10-10	10-P-106	Rupert Vernon Samons Jr.	Thelma Samons	
3-11-10	10-P-107	Marcillous Stacy	James Edward Stacy	
3-12-10	10-P-110	Adron Burchett	Jeanette Collins Burchett	
3-15-10	10-P-112	Velva W. Hall	Donna A. Carty	
3-16-10	10-P-113	Ricky Johnson	Billie Johnson	
3-17-10	10-P-117	Mable H. Goble	Norman Goble	
3-16-10	10-P-116	Curtis Randall Holbrook	Norma Samons	Lary D. Brown
3-18-10	10-P-120	Frank Counts	Ricky D. Counts	
3-19-10	10-P-122	Merle M. May	Leslie Ann Sizemore	
3-22-10	10-P-123	Tina Mullins	Clifford Mullins	
3-22-10	10-P-124	Orville J. Hicks	Ronnie Hicks	
3-22-10	10-P-125	Jerald T. Stafford	Verna Cole Stafford	
3-22-10	10-P-126	Nannie Burke	Yvonne Yonts	
3-23-10	10-P-128	James R. Johnson	Barbara Johnson	
3-23-10	10-P-129	Pacilla Conn	Russell Dean Conn	Anthony Craig Davis
3-24-10	10-P-131	Patricia Ann Jarrell	William Jarrell, Jr.	
3-25-10	10-P-132	Rondel Ray Prater	Priscilla Prater	
3-25-10	10-P-135	Jerry Tackett	Maureen Tackett	

Yard Sale	Commercial	Apartments/ Townhouses
Garage sale: 1 1/2 mile down Cliffsides at Prestonsburg. Accross from Tom Moore Freewill Baptist church. Name brand clothing size eights & tens for women. Lots of odds and ends & some pictures. Rain or shine. Thursday 1st, Friday 2nd and Sunday 3rd.	Business for sale!! Repair starters, alternators & generators. Everything must go. Phone 606-478-9517. Reason for sale: retiring.	2 br apartment for rent. Located on Ky Rt 321 between Highland hospital & Davis market. Central heat / air with washer / dryer hookup. References and deposit required. Seniors welcome. No pets allowed. Call 789-5973.
	Houses For Sale	
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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-00476
CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC
PLAIN-
TIFF
VS.
HARRY LAWSON
TINA VANCE
DEFENDANTS
RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 29th day of June, 2009, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$109,593.74, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 8th day of April, 2010 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Address: 55 Tunnel Road, Hi Hat, Kentucky 41636
Beginning at a stake on the James Rodney Johnson Road; thence running in a westerly direction approximately 140 feet with the Donna Faye Johnson line to the center of Beaver Creek; thence running down with the center of Beaver Creek and the meanders of same in a northerly direction approximately 115 feet to the Danny Tackett property line; thence running with the Danny Tackett property line, in an easterly direction approximately 140 feet to a stake on the James Rodney Johnson Road; thence running with the James Rodney Johnson Road in a southerly direction approximately 115 feet to the stake on the James Rodney Johnson road, the point of beginning. (Description supplied by the Grantor.)

Being the same property conveyed to Harry Dale Lawson, single, and Tina Vance, single, from Donna Faye Johnson, widow, a single and unmarried, person, on October 25, 2007 and recorded on October 31, 2007 in Deed Book 540, Page 311 of the records of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.
Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-00876
TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS 1, LLC
PLAINTIFF
VS.
MAGGIE WATSON SLONE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
MAGGIE WATSON SLONE; and COMMONWEALTH
OF
KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON
RELATION OF JOHN FARRIS, SECRETARY OF FI-
NANCE
AND ADMINISTRATION
DEFENDANTS
CABINET
RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of December, 2010, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, for the sum of \$801.95 (2005 having a face amount of \$421.99 and 2006 having a face amount of \$379.96) as of December 28, 2007 with interest thereon, 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 1st day of April, 2010 at the hour of 9:45 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Right Beaver Creek and being the same land conveyed to the first parties by James Duff and Ted Duff, his wife, by deed bearing date October 17, 1966, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 191, Page 425, Floyd County Court Clerk's office containing 0.07 acres more or less, and being the same property conveyed and described in Deed Book 191, Page 425, and Deed Book 167, Page 128 containing 0.07 acres more or less, and to which reference is hereby made for a specific description hereof.

Being the same property conveyed to Maggie Watson Slone from James P. Slone, Joe R. Hayes and Jackie Lawson, by deed dated October 29, 1976, and of record in Deed Book 228, Page 5, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$3,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.
Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-00915
TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS 1, LLC
PLAINTIFF
VS.
ESTATE OF MARIE STOUT; UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES, AND LEGATEES OF MARIE STOUT; and
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF
FLOYD
BY AND ON RELATION OF JOHN FARRIS SECRETARY
OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION CABINET
DEFENDANTS
RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of December, 2010, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, for the sum of \$789.99 (\$411.51 for 2005 and \$378.48 for 2006) as of December 28, 2007 with interest thereon, 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 1st day of April, 2010 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Otter Creek of Left Beaver Creek in the town of Wheelwright and being Lot No. Three Hundred Ninety-Four and One-Half (394 ?) including the building and the appurtenances thereunto belonging located on said lot or parcel of land of the Wheelwright Subdivision as shown by the Wheelwright Subdivision Map of Plat in File No. 348 of the records of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed to Marie Stout, a single person, from Delcia Slone, widow, by deed dated April 19, 1989, and recorded in Deed Book 327, Page 246, of the records of the Floyd County Clerk.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$3,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. I
C.A. NO. 09-CI-712
U.S. BANK, NA
PLAINTIFF
VS.
MARTY KEITH HAMILTON aka MARTY K. HAMIL-
TON;
FIRST GUARANTY BANK;
GREGORY HALL;
KEC LAND ASSETS, INC.;
KENTUCKY TAX BILL SERVICING, INC;
FLOYD
COUNTY
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Final Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court

entered the 3rd day of March, 2010, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$52,526.34 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 1st day of April, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Property Address: 131 School Street, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605

Tract No. 1:
Lying and being on the West side of the Bridge View Avenue beginning on Lot 19, running North along Bridge View Avenue 60 feet to a stake; thence West 95 feet to a stake; thence South parallel with Bridge View Avenue 60 feet; thence a straight line to a 15 foot right of way and the line of Melinda Kay Eplin back to the place of beginning.

Tract No. 2:
Lying and being on the West Side of the Bridge View Avenue beginning at a stake from Tract No. 1; thence running North along Bridge View Avenue 50 feet to a stake; thence West 95 feet to a stake; thence South parallel with Bridge View Avenue 50 feet to a stake; thence a straight line back to beginning.

LESS and EXCEPT:
A certain tract or parcel of land located in Floyd County, Kentucky more particularly described as follows:

Lying and being on the West side of the Bridge View Avenue beginning at a stake from Tract No. 1; thence running North along Bridge View Avenue 50 feet to a stake; thence West 95 feet to a stake; thence South parallel with Bridge View Avenue 50 feet to a stake; thence a straight line back to the beginning.

Being a part of the same property conveyed to Marty Keith Hamilton, by deed dated December 19, 1997 and recorded in Deed Book 414, Page 525, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.
Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
C.A. NO. 09-CI-01134
FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK
OF PRESTONSBURG,
INC.
PLAINTIFF
VS.
RICKY JASON BENTLEY, ET
AL
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court

entered the 25th day of February, 2010, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$70,242.13 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that 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 and best bidder, at public auction, on the 1st day of April, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the follow described property, to wit:

Being the same property conveyed to the Mortgagees from Larry Kidd, single, by deed dated August 23, 2006 and appearing of record in Deed Book 527, Page 185, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land situated and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, being Lot Number Nine (9) in the Ford Addition to Prestonsburg, Kentucky as shown on the plat now on file in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner



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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION (CED)
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission
Westminister Street Separation of Storm and Sanitary Sewer
Floyd County, Kentucky
AI # 1297; PLN20100003

The Department for Environmental Protection (DEP) has conducted a review of the above proposed project in accordance with the procedures (40 CFR, Part 6) for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The DEP has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, the DEP is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the NEPA. The DEP has incorporated the NEPA requirements in its regulations by reference.

The city of Prestonsburg has applied for funding from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Capitalization Grant of 2010 to fund a separation of storm and sanitary sewer project. The project involves installation of 2,604 linear feet of storm sewer and gravity sewer piping, manholes and other appurtenances necessary to separate the storm water and wastewater collection system along Westminister Street in Downtown Prestonsburg. The proposed project is needed to comply with Prestonsburg's Consent Decree to address combined sewer overflows.

The total cost of the proposed project is estimated to be \$365,300 and will be funded provided by CWSRF Loan.

The project involves rehabilitation of existing facilities, and is eligible for a categorical exclusion under the criteria specified in 40 CFR 6.505 such that:

1. The project will not relocate an existing discharge point.
2. The project will not substantially increase the volume of discharge or load of pollutants.
3. The project will not increase the population served by more than 30 percent greater than the existing population.
4. The project will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.
5. The action will neither directly nor indirectly affect cultural resources, habitats of endangered or threaten species, or environmentally important natural resources areas.
6. The action is cost-effective and should cause no significant public controversy.

The applicant solicited government agency review through the Kentucky State Clearinghouse and from other federal agencies. Correspondence dated November 23, 2009, from the Kentucky State Clearinghouse indicated that no serious local or environmental issues are involved. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) was solicited for comments on October 6, 2009, regarding potential impacts to threatened or endangered species. The USFWS replied in correspondence stamped November 23, 2009, stating that no significant adverse impacts to wetlands or federally listed endangered or threatened species are anticipated from this project. The Kentucky Heritage Council (KHC) was solicited for comments on October 6, 2009 regarding potential impacts on cultural resources. The KHC replied in correspondence dated October 28, 2009 that there are No Historic Properties Present within the undertaking's area of potential impact.

This determination shall become effective upon its distribution by DEP and the publication of the notice of determination by the applicant in accordance with 40 CFR 6:400 (f), and can be revoked at any time adverse information is made available. The documentation to support this decision will be on file with the Division of Water, and is available for public review upon request. The documentation is also available at the office of City of Prestonsburg, 2650 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to Ms. Anshu Singh, Supervisor, Wastewater Planning Section, Water Infrastructure Branch, Division of Water, 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, or call her at (502) 564-3410, extension 4805.

Sincerely,

R. Bruce Scott, Commissioner

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BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #858-0223, will be blasting at East Point, Latitude 37° 44' 47", Longitude 82° 49' 29". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #836-5520, will be blasting at Hoods Fork of Frasure Creek, Latitude 37° 26' 3", Longitude 82° 41' 50". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O., 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #836-0338, will be blasting at Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek, Latitude 37° 29' 40", Longitude 82° 52' 46". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Laurel Mountain Resources, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #836-0381, will be blasting at Frasure Branch of Mud Creek, Latitude 37° 28' 23", Longitude 82° 41' 20". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Laurel Mountain Resources, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 874-7700, Permit #836-0380, will be blasting at Frasure Branch of Mud Creek, Latitude 37° 28' 20", Longitude 82° 41' 17". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above except in emergency situations where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION (CED)
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission
West Prestonsburg Sewer Replacement
Floyd County, Kentucky
AI # 1297; PLN20100002

The Department for Environmental Protection (DEP) has conducted a review of the above proposed project in accordance with the procedures (40 CFR, Part 6) for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The DEP has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, the DEP is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the NEPA. The DEP has incorporated the NEPA requirements in its regulations by reference.

The city of Prestonsburg has applied for funding through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund of 2010 to fund a sewer line replacement project. The project involves installation of 1,800 linear feet of 8-inch gravity sewer, manholes and other necessary appurtenances necessary to separate the storm water and wastewater collection system in the West Prestonsburg area. The proposed project is needed to comply with their Consent Decree to address combined sewer overflows.

The total cost of the proposed project is estimated to be \$230,100 and will be funded by CWSRF Loan.

The project involves rehabilitation of existing facilities, and is eligible for a categorical exclusion under the criteria specified in 40 CFR 6.505 such that:

1. The project will not relocate an existing discharge point.
2. The project will not substantially increase the volume of discharge or load of pollutants.
3. The project will not increase the population served by more than 30 percent greater than the existing population.
4. The project will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.
5. The action will neither directly nor indirectly affect cultural resources, habitats of endangered or threaten species, or environmentally important natural resources areas.
6. The action is cost-effective and should cause no significant public controversy.

The applicant solicited government agency review through the Kentucky State Clearinghouse and from other federal agencies. Correspondence dated October 27, 2009, from the Kentucky State Clearinghouse indicated that no serious local or environmental issues are involved. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) was solicited for comments on October 6, 2009, regarding potential impacts to threatened or endangered species. The USFWS replied in correspondence stamped November 23, 2009, stating that no significant adverse impacts to wetlands or federally listed endangered or threatened species are anticipated from this project. The Kentucky Heritage Council (KHC) was solicited for comments on October 6, 2009 regarding potential impacts on cultural resources. The KHC replied in correspondence dated October 28, 2009 that there are No Historic Properties Present within the undertaking's area of potential impact.

This determination shall become effective upon its distribution by DEP and the publication of the notice of determination by the applicant in accordance with 40 CFR 6:400 (f), and can be revoked at any time adverse information is made available. The documentation to support this decision will be on file with the Division of Water, and is available for public review upon request. The documentation is also available at the office of City of Prestonsburg, 2650 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to Ms. Anshu Singh, Supervisor, Wastewater Planning Section, Water Infrastructure Branch, Division of Water, 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, or call her at (502) 564-3410, extension 4805.

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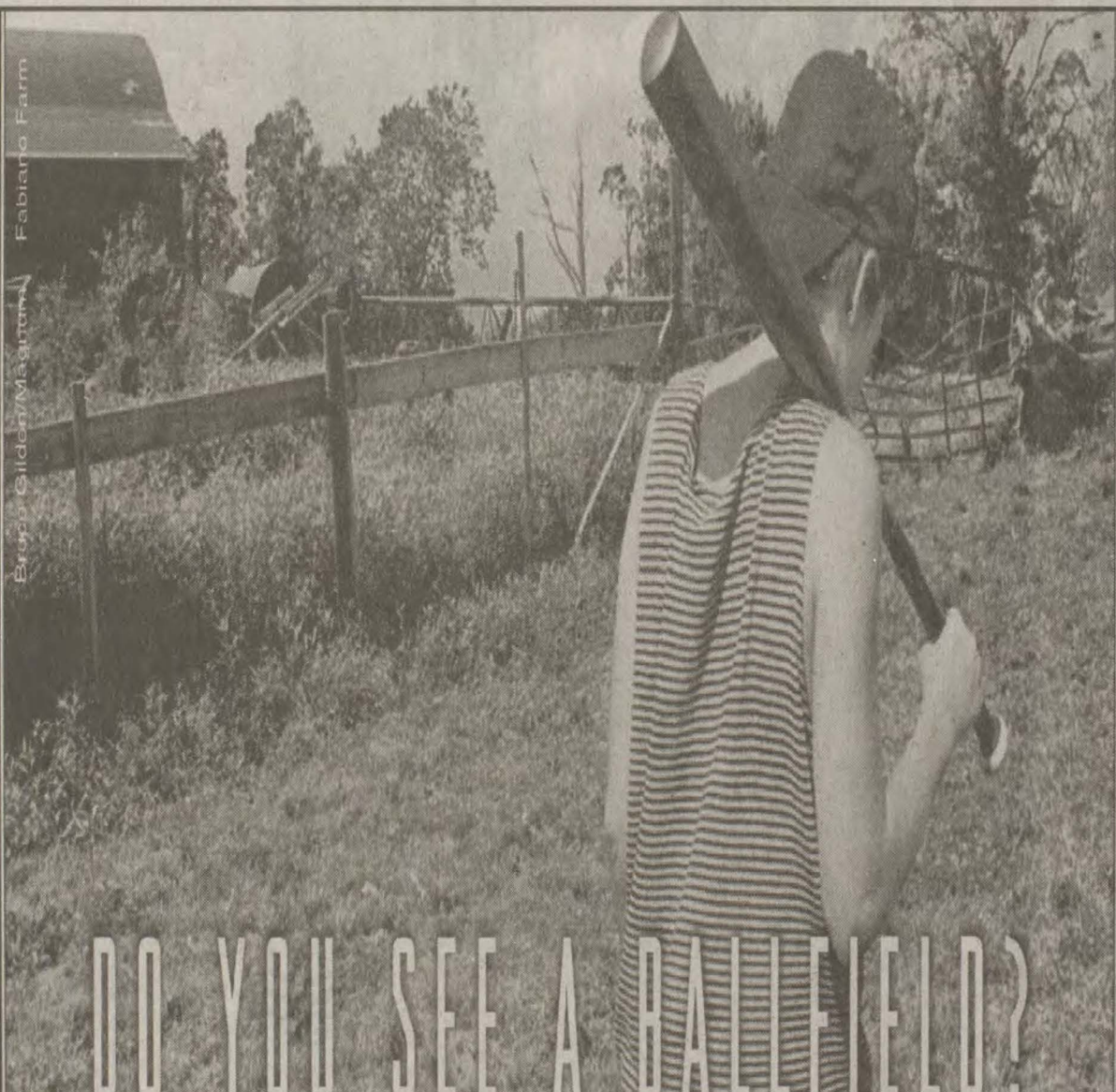
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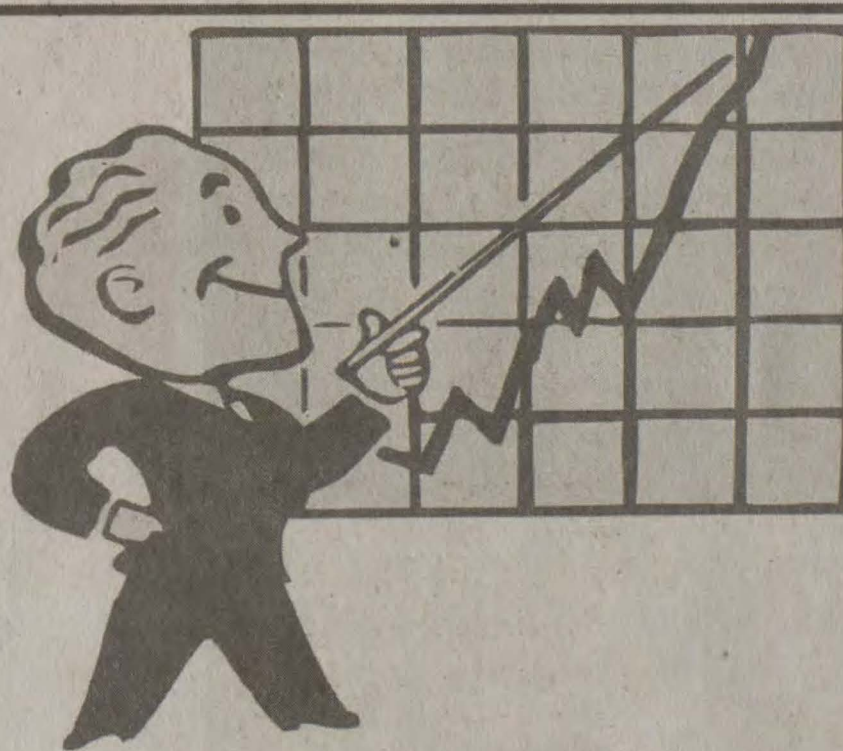
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IRS offers top 10 tips for last-minute filers

With the tax filing deadline close at hand, here are the top 10 tips the IRS wants you to know if you are still working on your federal tax return.

■ **E-file your return** Don't miss out on the benefits of e-file. Your tax return will get processed quickly if you use e-file. If there is an error on your return, it will typically be identified and can be corrected right away. E-file is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week,

from the convenience of your own home. If you file electronically and choose to have your tax refund deposited directly into your bank account, you will have your money in as few as 10 days. Two out of three taxpayers, 95 million, already get the benefits of e-file.

■ **Review tax ID numbers** Remember to carefully check all identification numbers on your return. Incorrect or illegible Social Security Numbers

can delay or reduce a tax refund.

■ **Double-check your figures** Whether you are filing electronically or by paper, review all the amounts you transferred over from your Forms W-2 or 1099.

■ **Review your math.** Taxpayers filing paper returns should also double-check that they have correctly figured the refund or balance due and have used the right figure from the

tax table.

■ **Sign and date your return** Both spouses must sign a joint return, even if only one had income. Anyone paid to prepare a return must also sign it.

■ **Choose Direct Deposit To** receive your refund quicker, select Direct Deposit and the IRS will deposit your refund directly into your bank account.

■ **How to make a payment** People sending a payment should make the check out to "United States Treasury" and should enclose it with, but not attach it to, the tax return or the Form 1040-V, Payment Voucher, if used. Write your name, address, SSN, telephone number, tax year and form number on the check or money order. If you file electronically, you can file and pay in a single step by authorizing an electronic funds withdrawal. Whether you file a paper return or file electronically, you can pay by phone or online using a credit

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■ **File an extension** Taxpayers who will not be able to file a return by the April 15 deadline should request an extension of time to file. Remember, the extension of time to file is not an extension of time to pay.

■ **Visit the IRS Web site** anytime of the day or night

IRS.gov has forms, publications and helpful information on a variety of tax subjects.

■ **Review your return...** one more time Before you seal the envelope or hit send, go over all the information on your return again. Errors may delay the processing of your return, so it's best for you to make sure everything on your return is correct.

PBH employee named 'Associate of the Year'

PAINTSVILLE — Karen McDowell was one of five associates to share the coveted title "Associate of the Year" at Health Management Associates. She was also named "Associate of the Year" at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, and was then nominated by Deborah Trimble, CEO and chosen out of 32,000 associates to receive this prestigious award from the hospital's parent company.

"Karen McDowell is dedicated to serving patients and going that extra mile to ensure that everyone who visits our hospital receives quality and compassionate care. Karen truly lives up to the ideals and mission of our hospital and Health Management Associates. I am proud that she was honored in

such a public manner," said Deborah Trimble, CEO.

Winners of the "Associate of the Year" award were recognized at a company meeting in Orlando last Friday. Other categories receiving recognition included "Director, and Nurse of the Year." Each winner was nominated by the CEO of their local hospital and ultimately shares the good traits that Health Management Associates works hard to foster through its culture.

"Karen McDowell consistently receives positive feedback from our patients and fellow associates at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Her dependable nature and focus on teamwork made my nomination an easy choice," continued Trimble. We want our local

community to know about Karen McDowell and her high level of commitment to serving them in an exemplary manner."

Karen is currently the Accounts Payable Clerk and has been employed by Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center for 23 years. She resides in Blaine with her husband of twenty-five years, she also has two children.



Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, center, D-Drift, met last week with Jean Dorton, left, from Big Sandy Community and Technology College, and Karen Rice Sellers, with Highlands Health System in Prestonsburg. He introduced them on the floor of the Senate Wednesday. Turner represents the 29th district that includes Breathitt, Floyd, Knott and Letcher counties.

Shelton-McSurley Family Reunion

The last planning meeting for the Shelton-McSurley Family Reunion will be held Saturday, April 17th, at 5:00 p.m., at the home of Eddie Shelton, located at Cow Hollow, Drift, Ky.

Anyone who has any input or suggestions, are urged to attend.

For more information, please contact
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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

Tomorrow's plant superstar: Barley!

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

You've got to admit, it's not every day that you come across a plant that can fill your gas tank and your lunch box, too.

Yes, that sounds like the start of a "Saturday Night Live" skit, I know — but the scientists of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) say such a plant does exist, and in fact, we've been eating it for years. It's (drum roll, please) ... barley!

Yes, good old barley, that staple of beer brewing, candy making and vegetable soups, can also be used as a source of bioenergy. ARS scientists in California also are working on whole-barley (and whole-oat, for that matter) breads that could offer us a whole new taste sensation with a new array of health benefits to boot.

Let's start with the bioenergy angle. The 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act requires production and use of 36 billion gallons of renewable transportation fuels per year by 2022 (in other words, fuels made from something other than fossils). Right now, we make only 9 billion gallons, so we obviously have a long way to go.

But the ARS scientists are gaining ground quickly with new sustainable technologies to convert varieties of both hulled and hull-less winter "energy" barley into fuel ethanol. They're doing this work in a partnership with Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

The idea is to help farmers from southern Pennsylvania to South Carolina develop a profitable two-year crop rotation of winter barley, corn and soybeans. Winter barley is usually grown on land that would otherwise be left bare in the colder months; the barley plants serve as a cover crop, protecting soil from erosion and preventing the movement of fertilizers from crop fields into nearby waterways (such as the Chesapeake Bay). And since those fields would otherwise be standing bare during the winter, growing the barley for fuel production doesn't interfere with food production.

To protect the increasingly valuable barley crop, ARS scientists in North Carolina are busy making crosses between hull-less barley and barley with resistance to Ug99, a frightening new form of stem rust that emerged from Uganda a little more than a decade ago and can inflict crop losses up to 100 percent.

Once the researchers have developed barley lines that have the desired disease resistance, they'll begin breeding plants to boost starch content and other characteristics to enhance ethanol production.

Is there a marketing opportunity for growers of this winter barley? Yes, a company called Osage Bio Energy in Glen Allen, Va., is well under way in building the first major barley-to-ethanol production plant in the United States.

That takes care of the gas tank — so what about the lunch box?

ARS scientists in California are experimenting with making all-oat or all-barley breads that could give us antioxidants, fiber and other healthful components in a whole different array from the lineup offered by today's typical whole-wheat breads.

The scientists have been experimenting with a commercially available, plant-derived substance called HPMC (an abbreviation — thankfully — for "hydroxypropyl methylcellulose") that's already widely used as a food ingredient — for example, as a thickener, among other roles.

The idea is that HPMC could serve as a substitute for gluten, which is a compound that's present in wheat but missing from other grains such as oats and barley.

Gluten (as any home bread-baker knows) is important because it traps

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Regional Science Olympiad held at PC

PIKEVILLE — More than 250 students participated in the Pikeville Regional Science Olympiad on the campus of Pikeville College.

Science Olympiad tournaments are academic interscholastic competitions for middle and high school students consisting of a series of team events that students prepare for during the year. These challenging and motivational events are well balanced among the various science disciplines of biology, earth science, chemistry, physics and technology. Popular board games, TV shows and athletic games provide the format for some of the events.

"The environment of the Science Olympiad can be one of the most meaningful and fun activities that students participate in during their time in middle and high school. It has the

ability to bring a new perspective to the world around them, build lasting friendships, and foster memories that can last a lifetime," said Robert Arts, Ph.D., professor of education and physics and Olympiad director. "Science Olympiad helps to fortify a love for science by building an appreciation for how science influences everything around us."

Students from Betsy Layne Elementary School, Allen Elementary School, Morgan County High School, The Piast School, and Betsy Layne High School will advance to the Kentucky State Science Olympiad at Western Kentucky University.

Other participating schools included Inez Middle School, South Floyd Middle School and Belfry High School.



In the Olympiad event "Pentathlon," teams of four students competed in a relay race of physical and academic challenges. A team member is shown attempting his physical challenge to design and throw a paper airplane through a ring. The student attempts an academic challenge before tagging a different team member.



Serenade will be the headlining performers at the Big Sandy Stars Talent Showcase on Friday.

TALENT ON DISPLAY

Big Sandy Talent Showcase to be held April 2

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

For those looking to enjoy the performances of talented locals, the Big Sandy Stars Talent Showcase is the place to be at Big Sandy Community and Technical College on Friday, April 2.

The show will feature talent from the faculty, staff and students of the college, as well as Serenade, the all-female ensemble of harmony singers.

Sixteen additional acts will perform at the show, which will include singing, sign-language arts and instrumental selections.

The performers will include Benjamin Howard, Dallas Ward, Deb Ramey, Denise Boyd, Jeremy Dempsey, Joey Wright, Kendra Hall, Louanna Calhoun, Mary Lou Lavender, Rachael Hayes, Rebecca Tackett, Recca Conn, Rhonda Alley, Robert Hazelette, Robin Varney and Bonita Dove.

"I am looking forward to performing," said Recca Conn, who is scheduled to perform at the

show. "The talent show gives students, faculty, and staff a great opportunity to use their gifts. I am excited about the event and encourage everyone to come to see what our college has to offer."

The show will be hosted by Clayton Case, along with Laura Ford Hall and Timothy Cooley, technical director.

The show is open to the public, with tickets priced at \$5. The auditorium will open for seating at 6:30 p.m.

For more information on the talent show, contact Laura Ford Hall by calling (606) 424-2498.

Local students explore space

MOREHEAD — Students from Betsy Layne High School participated in the first annual Morehead State University Space Science Movie Project. Their movie documentary, "Special Relativity," was previewed recently at the Morehead State University Star Theatre.

Majority Leader Rep. Rocky Adkins (D-Sandy Hook), Majority Whip Rep. John Will Stacey (D-West Liberty) and Morehead State University President Wayne Andrews were on hand to greet over 80 students, teachers and guests that attended the event and awards ceremony.

Betsy Layne students Andrea Akers, Cody Akers, Mitchell Billy Boyd, Tara Elpin, Austin Hall, Leanna Hall, Savannah Meade and Crit Mitchell worked on the NASA sponsored space movie project. Teacher Miranda Farmer helped the students and traveled with them to Morehead.

Students and teachers spent two days in January studying space and science concepts at the new Morehead State University Space Science Center. They also got a chance to work with top scientists and experience the new state-of-the-art planetarium. Students returned to campus for one day to view documentaries from each of the teams and to receive awards.

Each student earned an iPod for their work on the project. The team received a new 27-inch iMac to help create future video projects along with three additional iMac workstations for the studio in their school.

Thirteen teams from Greenup County High School, Lawrence County High School, Sheldon Clark High School, Johnson Central High School, Betsy Layne High School, Lee County High School, Morgan County High School, Elliott

County High School and Menifee County High School took part in the two month long program.

"These schools produced some incredible work with top-notch science and creativity," said Krista Barton, Director of the MSU 21st Century Education Enterprise. "It was particularly impressive given the number of days these schools were unable to work on the project because of the snow in Eastern Kentucky."

MSU's 21st Century Education Enterprise created the program with help from MSU's Departments of Science, Education and Space Science. NASA provided funding through the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation. Datastream provided the computers used in the schools for the project. All the documentaries can be viewed at www.kydatastream.com/studio.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Alamander Martin Heirs Family meeting is May 1

The Alamander Martin Heirs family will hold a meeting, May 1st, at noon, at the Knott County Sportsplex. Speaker will be Dallas Hurt and Ruth Martin Smith.

Middlecreek Fire Dept. Ladies Aux. Easter Egg Hunt

We want to thank all the parents whom brought their children to Easter Egg Hunt. Children were: John Woods, Breanna Woods, Beamer, Chloc, Karlee Wallen, Jordan Marsillett, Cody Marsillett, Gage Bailey, Trenton Hall, Bryan Shepherd, Laken Shepherd, Emma Lafferty, Kagan Gayheart, John Michael Vaughn, Baryton Howard, AriAunua Blair, Xavier Blair, Sarah Patrick, McKenzie Jaynes, Austin Watkins, Matt Dingus, Jacob Watkins, Tasha Parsons, Logan Lumpkins, Micha Castil, Dakota Castle, Dekya Castle, Jan Alexis Sester, Dylan Bentley, and Blake Curtis Newsome. Watch the Floyd County Times for more activities this year.

Attention Floyd County Veterans

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative will be at the **Floyd County Public Library**, in Prestonsburg, KY on **Wednesday, April 7, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.** Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for Federal and State veterans benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, please call toll free 1-866-647-2926 to speak with a Veterans Benefits Field Representative.

Free class!

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Cook From Your Cabinet—Learn how to make a meal quickly with items you find in your cabinet. Topics will include: How to organize your pantry. Making a grocery list, menu planning. Planning meals with leftovers and more.

Where: Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service, (across from Brad Hughes Toyota), 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky.
When: Monday, March 22, at 1 p.m.

Call Dottie at 886-2668 by March 19, to register. Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

We Want to Hear from You! Protection and Advocacy Public Forum

Have your rights been violated due to disability? P&A can help. Kentucky P&A will be holding a public forum on April 7 at 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg. P&A represents people with disabilities and wants to find out what issues the public thinks are important for P&A to address. Comments about the kind of job P&A is doing are also welcome.

P&A will start by talking about its current priorities and about how it makes decisions about them. Then the floor will be opened for discussion. Everyone will have a chance to speak. Speakers should bring a written copy of their comments, too. P&A welcomes comments that express opinions about its programs in Kentucky.

Refreshments will be available. Free accessible parking and sign language interpreters will be provided. If other accommodations due to a disability are needed, call Jackie May at 606-372-2988 or 502-564-2967, or email her at Jackie.May@ky.gov.

For anyone who cannot afford, written comments may be submitted by letter or email.

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P.R.I.D.E clean-up

P.R.I.D.E, road side clean-up will begin April 1 and run thru April 23. Call Ella Clay at 886-9194, for more information and supplies.

P.R.I.D.E free dump days will be April 19 thru the 23rd at waste connections land fill, located at Martin.

Married couples retreat at Camp Nathanael

Camp Nathanael will be hosting its annual Married Couples Retreat on April 23-24. Join us for a great time as we celebrate our marriages. The weekend begins with registration from 5-7 on Friday evening and concludes on Saturday evening with a candlelight dinner. Also included in the weekend will be sessions, games, prizes, a secluded picnic lunch with your sweetie, a late night movie and lots of good food. The cost for the weekend is \$75 per couple. Registration is required. Housing space is limited, but commuters are also welcome. For more information, you may call Camp Nathanael at 251-3231 or download a registration form at: www.campnathanael.org.

7th Annual Shelton McSurley Family reunion to be held

The 7th Annual Shelton McSurley Family Reunion will be held on Saturday, June 12, at the Minnie Ball Park at Minnie, located at the junction of Rt. 122 and 80. Festivities will begin at 9 a.m. and last until dark. Everyone related to these families is invited to attend.

For information, contact Mr. Pat Shelton, 490 Arrowhead Spring Lane, Versailles, KY 40383 or Pshc605014@aol.com

First Presbyterian Church "Adventure Club"

Please join us each Wednesday evening this month for "Food For Your Soul".

Bring your children for "Adventure Club". This club meets each Wednesday at 5:30. Ages Pre-school through elementary age children. A light supper is provided. Activities include: singing, instrument playing, Bible stories, and games.

Come for Lenten Study and bring your children with you for Adventure Club.

We welcome you to our church for this wonderful opportunity for you and your family to worship God.

The Auxier Learning Center offers home repair aid

Need help with home repairs? The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help. We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you or someone you know are **low income** and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by the office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00. Must provide proof of income and ownership.

Free Tax preparation available in Big Sandy

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is once again offering **FREE** help for eligible tax filers in preparing and electronically filing tax returns. The service, made

possible through funding from Community Action Kentucky and the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, is available in Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, Floyd and Pike Counties.

BSACAP has IRS-certified staff to prepare and file tax returns, and offers the service **free** to low-income residents in the Big Sandy area. To schedule an appointment, call (606) 789-3641.

Benchmark Family Services family care support

Benchmark Family Services is a private, non-profit therapeutic foster care agency seeking caring and compassionate foster parents in eastern Ky. Free flexible training schedules, 24-7 support monthly financial compensation, financial bonuses, and mileage reimbursement available. Call: 606-886-0163. www.benchmarkfamilyservices.org

McDowell High School Class of 1990 reunion

The McDowell Class of 1990 will hold a 20-year class reunion on Saturday, June 12, 2010. The location for the event is Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Pines Building. There will also be a family outing scheduled for that morning. Cost for the reunion is \$40.00/couple or \$20.00/single. Checks may be mailed to: McDowell Class of '90, P.O. Box 23, Minnie, KY 41651. If you should have information or questions, please contact Stephanie (Allen) Johnson, 606-377-7811 sjxray@yahoo.com or Scott Shannon 606-377-7742 scott.shannon45@yahoo.com. You may also join the classmate groups on Myspace and Facebook.

FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes

The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall gentle exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. at May Drive, just off 1428, and at

10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg.

Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

Become a Volunteer with Victim Services Program

You are more likely to be hurt by someone whom you know rather than be assaulted on Kentucky's streets by a total stranger. Learn to assist victims of sexual assault, child abuse and domestic violence by becoming a Volunteer with Victim Services Program. Call today to receive an application for our free training program.

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

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Higher education begins here

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

Along with GED preparation, we offer adult learning, tutoring and college preparation for people who have high school diplomas or GED equivalent who want to continue their education. The (GED) classes are offered at various locations throughout Floyd County five days a week, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Evening classes are also available from 5-8 p.m. at some locations. There are no registration fees; all classes and materials are free.

For more information about

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Science

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the airy bubbles formed by the yeast, lifting the dough to make a beautiful, lofty loaf with wonderful texture. The ARS scientists say HPMC can do that same trick, and actually, that's not news; it was shown years ago by another ARS scientist conducting studies with rice flour.

But the recent ARS studies have shown that those whole-barley, whole-oat and even whole-wheat breads made with HPMC have cholesterol-lowering effects, according to results with laboratory hamsters who feasted on a high-fat diet and the experimental breads.

The ARS scientists say that despite the widespread use of the HPMC used in the studies

— a formulation derived from a plant source proprietary to manufacturer Dow Wolff Cellulosics of Midland, Mich. — its cholesterol-lowering properties as an ingredient in whole-grain breads haven't been widely studied thus far.

So who knows — thanks to these ARS scientists, one of these days you might find yourself ordering (a ham and Swiss on barley, hold the mayo!)

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

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Ten Years Ago

(March 26, 29, & 31,
2000)

As the state legislature ground to a stalemate, Friday, over the Republican-controlled senate's attempt to cut \$178 million from a budget backed by Gov. Paul Patton and the House of Representatives, over \$7 million in Floyd County projects were left hanging in the balance. With rhetoric running hot between Democrats and Republicans, the senate adopted its own budget along party lines, cutting Pattons request for \$178 million in additional taxes and spending.

John Allen, inmate, at the Floyd County Detention Center, joined fellow inmate Ricky Jones in a display of faith by being baptized, Friday, in the recreational area of the detention center.

Floyd County is the recipient of four PRIDE grants totalling nearly \$40,000. The Floyd County Fiscal Court will receive half the money for two stream cleanup projects. One \$10,000 grant will help the county and volunteers from the Hueysville Church of Christ clean three miles of Right Beaver Creek. Another for the same amount will pay the county and volunteers from Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church to pick up garbage and debris from a four-mile section of Mud Creek.

Stand up and be counted is the message being sent out all across the United States by the U.S. Census Bureau. "Everyone counts" is one of many themes the census bureau is using to get U.S. citizens to participate in the tally of the country's population.

Martin city government endured quite a shake-up Monday night and Tuesday morning. During the Monday night's meeting, Alan Whicker, the City's mayor and Eugene Hutchinson, a council member resigned. Upon receiving Whicker's resignation the council elected Thomson Robinson as mayor, pro tem for the meeting, then went one step further and appointed her to fill the remainder of Whicker's term.

The Prestonsburg City Council held a quick meeting Monday evening. The City Council approved a lease agreement that will allow the Jenny Wiley Drama Association to construct living quarters and other buildings on Spradlin Branch of the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The Senate has passed a two-year budget for Kentucky, but not a tax bill that would have helped pay for some of the items in it. As a result, Senate Republican leadership slashed from the budget over 400 community development projects and a number of other initiatives.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department made three arrests as a result of three separate drug raids, Friday evening. The arrests netted multiple weapons, drugs and a stash of money. Arrested were Jeffrey Todd Crace, 33, and Gregory Scott Crace, 36, both of Allen, and Charles E. Diskey Jr., 43, of Prestonsburg.

The barbs went flying in Frankfort last week between the Republicans who control the Senate and Democrats throughout Frankfort. The week came to a close with Senate President David Williams accusing Gov. Paul Patton of running a quiet campaign to get him ousted from the presidency. The allegations were denied by Patton and the Senate's Democratic members.

Addressing Floyd County's board members, at the boards meeting, Monday night, held at the John M. Stumbo Elementary, Brittany Mitchell pointed out the inadequacies that existed at her school and asked board members to look toward making improvements.

A preliminary hearing for Carma Miller, also known as Tammy Slusher, 38, of Royalton, was held on Wednesday. Miller was charged with first-degree robbery, theft, unlawful imprisonment and terroristic threatening when state police Det. Lee Weddington arrested her last Thursday. The alleged crime took place at midday at the residence of Lanie Terry, 87, of Lackey, a distant relative of the accused.

Lynn Luallen, CEO of the Kentucky Housing Corporation, was in Prestonsburg, on Tuesday to present checks to area organizations, including several from Floyd County, that work toward providing housing for low-income families. John Rosenberg and Don Akers received a \$20,000 grant for LINKS.

Forestry firefighters worked Wednesday night to save homes along Armory Road in Prestonsburg from a creeping blaze. Forestry officials had the fire under control but remained ready to combat any unforeseen flare-ups. The fire, which officials said started when a nearby

resident was burning brush, threatened several buildings, coming within feet of the Karen's Kare daycare center.

Starting Saturday, Kentucky will once again dedicate the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Ceremonies across the state will mark the beginning of the 31-day awareness project.

Concerns about the progress of the county's E-911 system have prompted many questions to the Floyd Fiscal Court and created some doubt in many residents across the county. Of the 500 road signs ordered for the county's E-911 system, approximately 300 have been placed, according to E-911 coordinator Bill Dotson.

With the influx of technology into the state, once again a new area code has become necessary. The surrounding Lexington area and Northern Kentucky will get a new area code 859. The 606 area was running out of phone numbers with the addition of new residents and businesses, plus their fax machines, pagers, computer modems and cellular phones. The 859 has been approved by the state Public Service Commission to accommodate this growth.

There died: Lois Akers Conley Krinn, 53, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, March 25, at Ossian Health Center in Indiana; Mary Ella Hagans, 66, of Turkey Creek, Langley, Sunday, March 26, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin; Gary Miller, 54, of Farmer City, Illinois, Saturday, March 18, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana; Viola Huff Gibson, 84, of Mousie, Sunday, March 26, at HRMC; Bert Mullins, 65, of Delaware, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Tuesday, March 21, at his residence; Joe Taylor Begley, 81, of Blackey, formerly of Floyd County, Monday, March 27, at his residence; Joyce Wells O'Connors, 65, of Marysville, Ohio, Monday, March 27, at Memorial Hospital of Union County, Marysville; Lula Collins Scott, 88, of Blue River, Sunday, March 26, at Riverview Health Care Center, Prestonsburg; Lena Ray, 85, of Shelbiana, Sunday, March 26, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Vernie Riddle Lewis, 62, of Prestonsburg, Monday, March 27, at King's Daughters' Medical Center; McClellan Martin, 84, of Louisville, a Floyd County native, Saturday, March 25, at the Jefferson Place, in Louisville; Davie Gene Triplett, 60, of Mousie, Wednesday, March 22, at the King's Daughters' Hospital, Ashland; Ruby Lee Mullins, 73, of Virgie, Saturday, March 25, at her residence; George Slone, 87, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, March 29, at HRMC; Freddie Smallwood, 60, of Bevinville, Sunday, March 26, at Bristol, Tennessee; Sandra Kay Boyd, 35, of Dana, Tuesday, March 28, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Viola Huff Gibson, 84, of Mousie, Sunday, March 26, at HRMC.

Twenty Years Ago

(March 28 & 30, 1990)

Following a Monday evening decision by many McDowell elementary and high school parents to keep their children from attending classes, the Floyd County School Board closed both schools for the remainder of the week, on the basis of low attendance rates, Tuesday.

A car chase and two foot races between car theft suspects and several Prestonsburg police officers in downtown Prestonsburg resulted in the arrest, Monday, of two juveniles and the recovery of a stolen vehicle.

Tension over usage of restaurant and motel tax income and an unrelated boost for senior citizens were among issues addressed at Monday night's Prestonsburg City Council meeting.

The Federal Highway Administration has approved \$1.17 million from its Emergency Relief Funds for highways damaged by last October's flooding in eight eastern Kentucky counties, including Floyd.

Tess Whitmer, staff writer, has been promoted to assistant editor of the Times.

A train derailment, Thursday, in Allen, seriously damaged four CSX coal cars and two fertilizer cars and threatened several Allen drivers and residents near the crash site.

House Majority Leader Greg Stumbo came under fire in Frankfort this week from advocates of harsher DUI legislation, for his refusal to call Senate Bill 183 to the floor for a vote, standing by his argument that the new DUI legislation by-passes the US jury system and is poorly drafted.

Jimmy D. Harvey, 27, of Honaker, was convicted of first degree murder, Tuesday, and was recommended to serve 20 years in prison for the 1988 shooting of his girlfriend, Lisa Jarvis, 19,

also of Honaker.

Preliminary results from a medical survey conducted by state health officials at McDowell Elementary School, Monday, indicates the possibility that the outbreak of a mysteriously rash that closed two McDowell schools may be linked to the food served in the cafeteria.

Martin Housing Authority has received an award for outstanding overall performance over the past three years.

There died: Everett Scott, 76, of Marshall, Michigan, formerly of Garrett, March 15, at Battle Creek Community Hospital; Henry C. Shepherd, 91, of Bloomington, Indiana, formerly of Prestonsburg, March 24, at Bloomington Hospital; Gladys Mae McCoy Bighorse, 79, of Inez, formerly of Floyd County, March 27, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Dewey R. Griffith Sr., 67, of Lima, Ohio, formerly of Garrett, March 25, in Lima Memorial Hospital; Eva Shepherd, 74, of Shiloh, Ohio, formerly of Gunlock, March 9, at Hillside Acres Nursing Home in Willard, Ohio; Josephine Mitchell, 90, of Marion, Ohio, formerly of Harold, March 28, at Community Medical Center, Marion; James Jackson Morrison, 83, of Cow Creek, March 26, at his residence; Ed Hall, 67, of Geneva, Ohio, formerly of Wheelwright, March 28, at University Hospital in Cleveland.

Thirty Years Ago

(March 26, 1980)

The broadform deed sponsored by Rep. Greg Stumbo last week passed the House of Representatives by an unexpectedly wide margin.

There remains wide differences in the thinking of legislators as well as the public on House Bill 973, which would change the state's motor fuel tax from nine cents a gallon to nine percent of the wholesale price of fuel, but the Department of Transportation claims the result will be a much-needed increase in funds for streets and roads.

Frequent police patrols have cleared the Fun House area of loiterers but the same youths are now congregating around the Archer Park skating rink, Police Chief Keith Lawson told members of the Prestonsburg City Council, Monday, describing the area as "a little Peyton Place" and those gather there as "thugs, potheads and beer drinkers."

There died: Sarah T. Ritchie, 72, of Wayland, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way; Susan Miller

Baldrige, 79, of East Point, Wednesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bennie Ray Rose, 45, of Margate, Fla., native of Martin, Sunday, March 16; Julia Moore, 73, of East McDowell, Tuesday, March 18, at Good Samaritan Hospital; Milton Shepherd, 75, of West Prestonsburg, last Friday, at HRMC; Gobel Slone, 75, of Hindman, at his home, Saturday, March 15; Denver Conley, 40, of Garrett, Friday, at his home; Charles Edward Mitchell, 49, of Hi Hat, last Friday, at OLWH; James Ellis Osborne, 65, of Buckingham, Friday, March 14, at St. Joseph Hospital.

Forty Years Ago

(March 26, 1970)

Of the 67 cases booked for trial at the April criminal term of the Floyd County Circuit Court, 17 charged defendants with child desertion and 11 others allege theft and obtaining money under false pretense.

The investigation of the blaze which destroyed a newspaper and printing plant operated by the 979 Community Action Council at Teaberry on Mud Creek, early last Saturday morning was interrupted by the illness of State Detective Chester D. Potter, but the FBI is expected to join in the probe.

Statistics released by the attendance department of the Floyd County school system shows that in the first five months of the current school year, every high school in the county except Wheelwright's has lost students.

Requests of State Senator Clifford B. Latta that Gov. Nunn make a grant from his contingency fund to make possible continued operation this year of the Jenny Wiley Drama Association was granted last week.

Congressman Carl D. Perkins announced, last Tuesday, that the Bureau of Recreation Department of the Interior, has made a grant of \$66,608 to the City of Prestonsburg for development of approximately 25 acres of land in Archer Park.

There died: Mosey Johnson of Garrett, March 19, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Luther Hall, 61, of Hall, March 22, at his home; Delbert E. Curnutt, 74, March 24, en route to Martin Hospital; Lundy Cole of Melvin, March 24, at McDowell Hospital; Sally Elizabeth Ratliff, 62, of Martin, March 23, at OLWH.

(See YESTERDAYS, page five)



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Yesterdays

Fifty Years Ago
(March 31, 1960)

Over 60 percent of the incorporated area of Prestonsburg is vacant land, a study shows. The Planning Commission said, "Because of rising costs and additional service demands upon the municipalities, Prestonsburg cannot economically tolerate the amount of vacant land comprising 506 acres within the corporate limits."

Plans for establishing of a tree-seedling nursery in Morgan County were announced by Governor Wilson Wyatt. The Eastern Kentucky nursery will be located on an 82-acre farm near West Liberty and was purchased by the Department of Conservation for \$23,700

The new Prestonsburg Housing Commission announced that it has unanimously agreed on low-rent public housing, and has signed all necessary papers in connection with the project

Floyd County contributed \$3,330,000 to the federal coffers this year

The cheapest school bus transportation per pupil in the state is in the eastern section of Kentucky, according to John L. Vickers, director of pupil transportation

The Harold Telephone Company has negotiated with the Inland Steel Company a contract which will afford free telephone service between Melvin and Wheelwright, it was announced this week by Paul R. Gearheart

There died: Lewis W. Swann, 81, of Mare

Creek, at home; Charles Robert Lushbaugh, 43, a former resident of Dwale at the Paintsville hospital; Preston Boyd, 71, of Estill, at the McDowell Hospital; Maggie Eden, 83, of Martin, at the home of a son at Martin; Den D. Fairchild, 51, of Allen, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Daniel Newsome, 68, of Teaberry, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Evan Hicks, 57, of Spencerville, Ohio, formerly of Garrett, at his home last Friday; Emmitt Hunter, 11, of New London, Ohio, Saturday, while visiting relatives in the county; Richard D. Smith, 70, Wednesday, at his home at Wheelwright.

Sixty Years Ago
(March 30, 1950)

A suit, which if successful could cast present administration forces of the Floyd County Board of Education into a minority role, was field in the Floyd Circuit court here, Saturday

Government of the town of Martin was reorganized, Tuesday night, under the town's new status as a city of the fourth class, and J.H. Osborne, chairman of the old Board of Trustees, was named Martin's first Mayor

The real estate officer here of the Dewey Reservoir Project has been advised that the office of the Chief of Engineers, US Army, Washington, D.C., has authorized leasing of lands upstream from German in the reservoir

area for agricultural and grazing purposes

A moonshine still located within 200 feet of the mouth of the old Sampson mine on Simpson Branch at Drift was captured, Sunday, by Deputy Constable Johnny Martin on a lone "still" hunt

There died: F.C. Hall, Prestonsburg banker, last Thursday, at the Paintsville hospital; Willie Hall, 28, in a mine accident at Teaberry, Tuesday night; Rhoda Preston Edwards, 84, Friday night, at Wayland; Lewis Ramey, 75, Saturday, at the home of a daughter at East Point; Lawrence Thomas, 54, last Thursday, at his home at Sugar Loaf; Sarah Ramey Mollett, 94, Friday, at the home of a daughter at Betsy Layne; Alphonson Fraley, 76, Saturday, at his home at Auxier; Hulda Sexton Kitchen, 79, Friday, at her home at East Point; Edith Shepherd, 15, last Thursday, at her parents' home at Goodloe; Elizabeth Compton Hall, 44, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Thomas C. Stanley, 80, Friday, at his home at Garrett.

Seventy Years Ago
(March 28, 1940)

Medium type surfacing of 12 miles of the Left Beaver Creek highways and concrete surfacing of about the same distance of the Mayo Trail's "Missing Link" in Johnson and Lawrence Counties are among the 62 highway

projects approved by the state Highway Commission for 1940. The appropriation made for the Left Beaver road totals \$46,514

This week three new school buildings, which cost about \$100,000, are being dedicated at Maytown and Martin, with Dr. R.E. Jagers, of the State Board of Education, Frankfort, as the principal speaker. The Science Building, the dedication of which was postponed from last year because of the flood, and the new building which replaced one destroyed by fire last March will be opened to the public. The Science Building cost about \$16,000, the cost of the other was about \$42,000

Seven Floyd County men were arrested this week by Deputy US Marshall John McKenzie on dope handling charges. Warrants for their arrest accused them of "purchasing, possessing and selling morphine not in or from original stamped packages." A federal officer was quoted as saying "this dope situation in Prestonsburg is pitiful."

County Judge E.P. Hill accompanied Sheriff Dial Salisbury and deputies to Harold, there to confiscate 26 half-gallon fruit jars of moonshine whiskey and capture one prisoner. The Judge finished the evening's work by bringing the prisoner and the whiskey from nearby Lancer on to Prestonsburg without aid

There died: Alma Preston Shoffer, 40, of Allen, at her home; Mrs. Jeff Skeans of Bays Branch, near Cliff, at her home; Mrs. Levi Strickland, 69, of Lancer, at home.

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Calendar

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

Reunion/Memorial to be held in 2010

Old House Hollow, "Bristle Buck", East McDowell, to be held in 2010. For information. Send a post card to 47 Frasure Creek Road, McDowell, KY 41647, or e-mail: patricia.466@hotmail.com; also Post Card, P.O. Box 431, McDowell, KY 41647.

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

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

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

Free Bible Lessons

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

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!

The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. Call 889-8260 for more information.

Need Help With Home Repairs?

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Democratic Woman's Club meets at May Lodge

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

Need help with addiction?

Lifeline of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learn-

ing to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:

Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.

Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.

Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.

Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

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

Hope in the Mountains

Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Water Gap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church.

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

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

Prestonsburg Rotary Club

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

UNITE

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

"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd

County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m.

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

'Earn While You Learn'

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

Senior employment program

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

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Looking for a Support Group?

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

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

"Overeater's Anonymous" - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red

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Have to Hurt."

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


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

"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.

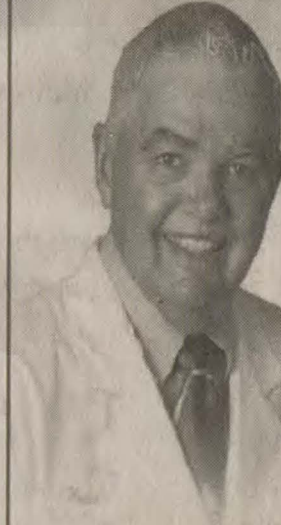


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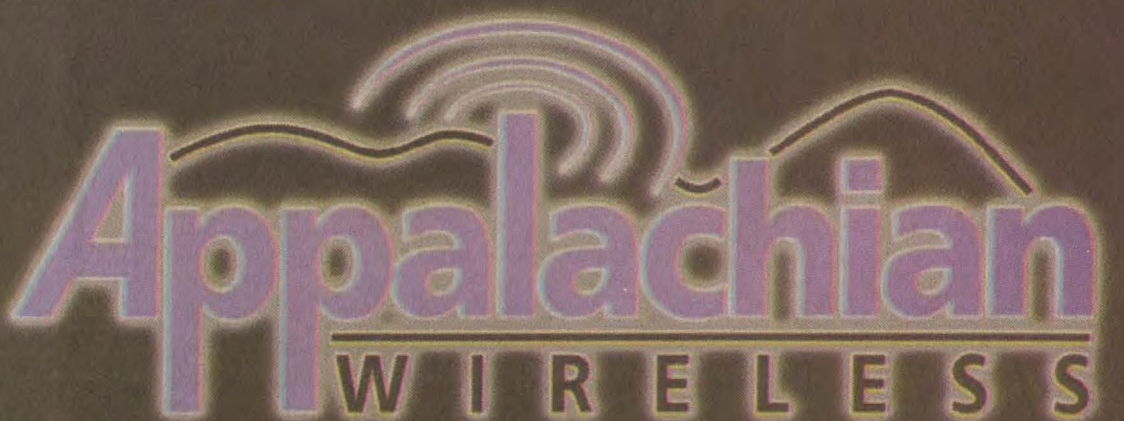
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