

Bond reduced for driver accused of murder

Victim's family 'shocked and appalled'

BY MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

An accused murderer was released from custody at the Floyd County Detention Center on July 5, a few hours after a reduction of the bond in her case.

Floyd County Circuit Judge Johnny Ray Harris reduced the \$250,000 cash bond previously set for 44-year-old Kimberly Akers to \$50,000 cash or \$100,000 property, following a request from attorney Athanasia N. Lewis and a review of recommendations from officials with pretrial services.

Akers appeared in court that day to be arraigned on charges of first-degree murder,

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Grethel resident Kimberly Akers appeared in Floyd Circuit Court on July 5 to be arraigned on murder, assault and driving under the influence charges related to the death of Heidi Hamilton and injuries suffered by Chris Hamilton in a Dec. 14, 2017, crash that was allegedly caused when Akers was driving under the influence of drugs.



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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Berea resident Kyle Collins is taken into custody during his arraignment on July 5.

Collins arrested in hit-and-run

case

By Mary Meadows Staff Writer

A Madison County man accused of leaving the scene of a crash that killed a Floyd County resident last year was arrested in court last week, and the emotions of the families of both the victim and the defendant poured into the hallway of the Floyd County Judicial Center.

Floyd County Circuit Judge Johnny Ray Harris ordered Kyle Collins, 23, of Berea, to be taken into custody during his arraignment on July 5. The decision came after Collins' attorney Timothy Parker waived a formal arraignment in the case and entered a not guilty plea on Collins' behalf.

Harris scheduled a pretrial conference for Sept. 6, then ordered Collins to be held without bond after learning he failed to

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows

Thousands of people lined roadways and sat in parking lots throughout Prestonsburg for the annual fireworks display, touted this year as the biggest display ever held in the city. Prestonsburg Fire Department officials prepared for weeks for the 30-minute show, which included the firing of three 16-inch shells this year. For more photos, see page 2A



Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows

Prestonsburg was full of musicians, artists and businesses during Star City Day on July 4. The event featured artwork, arts and crafts items and other items from local businesses for sell, as well as live music and a play area for children. Visitors cooled off at several water stations located throughout the area.



Floyd celebrates Independence Day



Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows

The Fourth of July carnival, hosted by Casey's Rides, is a longtime tradition at Archer Park, and it featured live music this year, as well as access to the park's swimming pool with the purchase of an armband. Prestonsburg Parks Manager Ritchie Schoolcraft said thousands of people visited the carnival on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The park was also packed for the fireworks show on Wednesday.





Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows Hundreds of people attended Martin's Independence Day celebration, which featured inflatables, face painting, vendors, a free concert by The Long Run, an Eagles tribute band, and fireworks.











Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows Left Beaver Fire & Rescue hosted its annual Independence Day celebration at Minnie Park on July 7, featuring live entertainment, vendors and a fireworks display.



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Charges amended for jailer candidate, others Johnson, Mollett, Watkins to serve home incarceration

BY MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

A candidate for Flovd County jailer and two others who were arrested on felony drug trafficking charges will not spend any more time behind bars because they were dealing with over-the-counter medication, a prosecutor said.

On July 3, District Judge Jimmy Marcum sentenced jailer candidate Elmer "Emmit" Johnson, 71, of Prestonsburg, George Mollett, 30, of Prestonsburg, and Michael Watkins, 51, of Prestonsburg, to serve home incarceration, following guilty pleas they entered for amended misdemeanor charges in this case.

The charges against these men stem from a July 25 incident in which the officers from the Floyd County Sheriff's Department responded to a 911 call from a gas station on Ky. 114.

According to the citations filed, Johnson, a candidate for Floyd County jailer, told Wakins that he would sell him hydrocodone pills or opana pills at the gas station, and he offered to pay Mollette \$20 to reach the pills to Watkins during the transaction.

Watkins paid \$60 for nine pills, the citation says, and, the citation said, Watkins "realized the pills were actually just Tylenol and demanded his money back." Mollette went into the gas station to call 911 and reported that Watkins "pulled a gun" on him.

Deputies discovered, however, that Watkins did not pull a gun on Mollette, as alleged,

and all three men were arrested for first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, a felony. Watkins was also charged with falsely reporting an incident.

The men initially pleaded not guilty to these charges, but on July 3, they each were scheduled to undergo a preliminary hearing in Floyd County District Court. Preliminary hearings are held to determine whether there is enough evidence to indict alleged criminals on felony charges.

And there wasn't enough evidence in this case, officials said.

Assistant Floyd County Attorney Tyler Green said the felony charges filed against Johnson, Mollett and Watkins "couldn't have survived" a preliminary hearing because the drug in question was Tylenol.

He said because a controlled substance was not involved, the men could not be charged with trafficking in a controlled substance. He amended the felony charges to misdemeanors.

"I spoke with the officer and reviewed the citation," Green said. "We did not have probable cause to proceed with the charges as they were filed."

He amended the charges for Johnson to transferring or selling a simulated controlled substance, the charges for Mollett to complicity to transferring or selling a simulated controlled substance and the charges for Watkins to solicitation of the transfer or sell of a simulated controlled substance.

All three men pleaded guilty to the amended charges on July 3 and each of them have been released from jail. Johnson was given 56 days home incarceration. Mollette was given 44 days home incarceration. Watkins was given 58 days home incarceration.

Green said this case marks the second time in his 10-year career that drug trafficking charges were amended to trafficking in simulated controlled substances. The guilty pleas were the result of a plea agreement reached with the county attornev's office.

"I'm satisfied that the three defendants were treated the same as anyone else who would walk into that courtroom, charged with the offenses in which they entered guilty pleas," Green said.

New state laws to go into effect July 14

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Most new laws approved during the Kentucky General Assembly's 2018 session will go into effect on Saturday, July 14.

That means drivers will soon be required to leave at least three feet of space between their vehicles and cyclists they pass. Children under the age of 17 will not be allowed to get married. And penalties will get tougher for those who post sexually explicit images online without the consent of the person depicted.

The Kentucky Constitution specifies that new

appropriations measures, or include an emergency clause that makes them effective immediately upon becoming law. Final adjournment of the 2018 Regular Session was on April 14, making July 14 the effective date for most bills.

Laws taking effect that day include measures on the following topics:

Abstinence Education. Senate Bill 71 will require the inclusion of abstinence education in any human sexuality or sexually transmitted diseases curriculum in Kentucky high schools.

Bicycle safety. House Bill 33 will require drivers to keep their vehicles students to pass a finanlaws take effect 90 days at least three feet away cial literacy course before after the adjournment from bicyclists during an graduating. of the legislature unless attempt to pass. If that Foster Care and transplant or therapy. they have a special ef- much space isn't avail- Adoption. House Bill 1 Police cameras. crease the price of goods damages against the terfective date, are general able, drivers must use will take steps to reform House Bill 373 will ex- more than 10 percent rorist in state court.

reasonable caution when passing cyclists.

Breweries. House Bill 136 will increase what breweries can sell onsite to three cases and two kegs per customer. The new law will also allow breweries to sell one case per customer at fairs and festivals in wet jurisdictions.

Dyslexia. House Bill 187 will require the state Department of Education to make a "dyslexia toolkit" available to school districts to help them identify and instruct students who display characteristics of dvslexia.

Financial literacy. House Bill 132 will require Kentucky high school the state's foster care and adoption system to ensure that a child's time in foster care is limited and that children are returned to family whenever possible. It will expand the definition of blood relative for child placement and ensure that children in foster care are reunified with family or placed in another permanent home in a timely manner.

Organ donation. House Bill 84 will require coroners or medical examiners to release identifying and other relevant information about a deceased person to Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates if the person's wish to be an organ donor is known and the body

empt some police body camera footage from being publicly released. It will exempt the footage from certain situations being released if it shows the interior of private homes, medical facilities, women's shelters and jails or shows a dead body, evidence of sexual assault, nude bodies and children.

Prescription medicines. Senate Bill 6 will require pharmacists to provide information about safely disposing of certain prescription medicines, such as opiates and amphetamines.

Price gouging. Senate Bill 160 will clarify laws that prevent price gouging during emergencies. The bill specifies that

when the aovernor declares a state of emergency.

Revenge porn. House Bill 71 will increase penalties for posting sexually explicit images online without the consent of the person depicted. The crime would be a misdemeanor for the first offense and felony for subsequent offenses. Penalties would be even more severe if the images were posted for profit.

Teen marriage. Senate Bill 48 will prohibit anyone under the age of 17 from marrying. It will also require a district judge to approve the marriage of any 17-yearold.

Terrorism. Senate Bill 57 will allow a person

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Beshear announces bid for governor's seat

BY JOSH LITTLE **APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS**

PIKEVILLE — Kentucky Attorney General Andy Beshear announced Monday that he would be running for governor in the next election cycle. Beshear made a stop at Pike County Central High School Monday as part of his two-day, seven-city announcement.

"Serving as Kentucky's attorney general has been the honor of my lifetime," said Beshear. "I've had the privilege of fighting for those Kentuckians who are struggling. To give voices to the voiceless. To provide justice to victims, safety to those in need, and hope to those who have lost too much."

lf elected governor, Beshear said, he plans to focus on making public education a priority, fight the opioid epidemic which plagues the state, create good-paying jobs and



Appalachian Newspapers photo by Josh Little Kentucky Attorney General Andy Beshear shakes the hand of his chosen running mate Jacqueline Coleman after Beshear announced his bid for Kentucky governor Monday in front of Pike **County Central High School.**

restore honestly and transparency to state government.

Beshear said he will fight for teachers and work to fund public schools and universities. In terms of the opioid crisis, Beshear said he will work to reduce the rate of addiction, provide more treatment options we can achieve them if we

and hold opioid manufacturers accountable for their actions.

Beshear said he will install greater ethics codes in the governor's office and would work to pass term limits for the legislature.

"These are big goals, but

another," said Beshear.

Beshear said during his time as attorney general, he tackled big problems and got results. Some of those problems include addressing backlogged rape kits, expanding and upgrading the state's crime lab, starting a cold-case unit for justice, attacked scammers defrauding seniors, arrested a record number of child predators and fought back against the drug epidemic by launching the Kentucky Opioid Disposal Program, funding treatment and bringing lawsuits against opioid manufacturers.

"I have poured my heart and soul into being your attorney general because I love Kentucky," said Beshear. "I was born and raised in Kentucky, graduated from Henry Clay High School — a Kentucky public school. Brittany and I chose Kentucky as the place we would perform our most

work together and trust one important job - raising our children."

> Beshear said Kentucky is a state full of hardworking people with solid values, but he said the current leadership does not reflect those values, referring to Gov. Matt Bevin.

> "In this state, we care about, listen to and support one another. But our current government and our current governor have a different approach," he said. "Instead of leadership, we see name-calling and bullying. Instead of working together, our government says 'My way of the highway' ... We deserve better."

> Beshear was joined by his running mate Jacqueline Coleman. She has been a teacher, basketball coach and assistant principal at public schools in Kentucky.

> In addition to Pikeville, Beshear and Coleman visited Louisville and Ashland Monday.

Local EQT employees safe despite \$575M sale

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Recently, EQT Corporation entered into an agreement to sell 2.5 million non-core, net acres in Southern Appalachia, including Kentucky, but company officials said as part of the sale, local employees will be transferred to the new buyers, Diversified Gas and Oil PLC.

A press release from the company said the areas, located in Southern Appalachia, will be sold to Diversified Gas and Oil PLC, for \$575 million cash. The transaction relieves EQT of approximately \$200 million of plugging and other liabilities associated with the assets, the release said.

As part of the sale, EQT said, the transaction includes eight EQT field employees there will be transferring to Diversified Gas and Oil as part of EQT's sale of its non-core Huron assets."

EQT will retain the deep drilling rights across the acreage. The transaction is subject to customary closing conditions and is expected to close in late July 2018. Proceeds from the sale will be used to reduce EQT's net-debt. Officials with the company said this week, they expect Kentucky locations to be closed by the end of the month.

With the announcement of the sale, according to the company, EQT will provide assets to Diversified, including;

 approximately 2.5 million noncore, net acres in Kentucky, Virginia and southern West Virginia -

with a 92 percent net revenue interest,

Meth manufacturers sentenced to between two and five years

AN APPALACHI AN NEWSPAPERS STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Three Floyd County residents were sentenced in Pike Circuit Court Friday for their role in a methamphetamine lab found last fall in Pikeville.

Pike Circuit Judge Eddy Coleman sentenced Billy J. Hall, 31, of Banner, to serve five years in prison on a charge of possession of a meth- in the backseat of the amphetamine precursor,

vember in which Pikeville Police contacted them in the parking lot of the Hatfield and McCoy Lodge in Pikeville.

Stumbo was operating his vehicle at an "unusually fast rate of speed" in the parking lot, prompting Pikeville Police Department officers Daniel Fields and Russell Blankenship to make a traffic stop, the citation in the case said.

Hall was passed out car when officers made and his co-defendants contact, and when Fields

a black bag in the vehicle containing three precursors for making methamphetamine, as well as a 20-ounce bottle which contained liquid and what appeared to be a "white mass" at the bottom. Fields wrote in court documents that the materials appeared to constitute a "shake and bake" meth lab, which was confirmed by detectives.

Hall, the citation said, woke up at one point during the investigation, and handed Fields a container and asked Fields to "hold" it for him. The container, Fields wrote, contained several used syringes and small empty baggies that appeared to have held methamphetamine. Hall, Fields wrote, admitted he had "done" meth, marijuana and Suboxone. Montgomery was also found to be intoxicated, court documents said, and told officers she had taken prescribed Suoxone, as well as methamphetamine. Coleman sentenced he three to the charges ased on a recommended sentence from Pike Commonwealth's Attorney Rick Bartley's office. During the sentencing earing, Coleman noted now serious the crime is, especially in light of the problems the community s facing with methamphetamine. Hall, Montgomery and Stumbo were orlered to remain in the custody of the Pike County Detention Cener, where all three have been held since April.

locations, as well as the transfer of approximately 250 employees who work in or support production, pipeline, compression and measurement operations.

When asked about local employees being included in the transfer to Diversified, EQT officials said "all local

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 approximately 12,000 wells with current net production of approximately 200 MMcfe per day,

 1.6 Tcfe total net proved developed reserves, and

• 6,400 miles of low-pressure gathering lines and 59 compression stations.

Katrina Montgomery, 36, and Steven R. Stumbo, 42, both of Conn Street, Ivel, to each serve two years and one month on the same charge.

All three were arrested in an incident in No-

asked Stumbo for his license, Fields noted that Stumbo had two unopened Suboxone wrappers in his wallet.

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EDITORIAL:

A very serious matter

Charges of selling alcohol to minors shows need for attitude changes

Recently, employees at three Floyd County businesses were charged with selling alcohol to minors. It will be up to the courts to decide whether these people are guilty and what punishment they receive if they're found to be responsible.

However, what we as a community deep in the throes of shifting from one substance abuse epidemic (opiates) to another (methamphetamine) must confront is not just the charges and the possibility that these things are still occurring, but the attitudes that have made it seem acceptable over the years, in certain circumstances, for minors to drink alcoholic beverages.

Here's a hint: There's no situation, instance or set of circumstances that make it acceptable for minors to purchase and/or consume alco-

holic beverages. The law is not just a guideline. It's there for a reason.

Science bears out the dangers of people less than the legal drinking age of 21 being allowed to consume the beverages.

A study published in the American Journal of Psychiatry in 2000 reported that an analysis of the National Longitudinal Alcohol Epidemiological Survey found that more than 40 percent of all individuals who reported drinking alcohol before the age of 14 became alcohol dependent, four times the rate observed for those who first reported drinking at ages 20 or older.

According to a study published by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, early alcohol use has far-reaching effects on children.

"A strong relationship appears to exist between alcohol use among youth and many social, emotional and behavioral problems, such as using illegal drugs, fighting, stealing, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or other drugs, skipping school, feeling depressed and deliberately trying to hurt or kill themselves," the study said. "In addition to the problems that occur during adolescence, early initiation of alcohol consumption is related to alcohol-related problems later in life. One study found that early onset of alcohol use (i.e., by age 12) was associated with subsequent alcohol abuse and related problem behaviors in later adolescence, including alcohol-related violence, injuries, drinking and driving, absenteeism from school or work and increased risk for using other drugs."

So, while those who provide alcohol to minors might feel they're being responsible or in control of the situation, they may actually be laying a foundation for future failure. This community, as all others in Central Appalachia, is fighting back against an epidemic of substance abuse which has moved from a concentration on prescription opiates, such as oxycodone, to new dangers, such as methamphetamine.

Many of those who are in the grips of addiction or whose lives have been ended prematurely due to these drugs started their decline with a beer or liquor beverage far before their body was developed and prepared and they were instilled with the necessary maturity to make the right decisions.

If you need any evidence that teenagers aren't ready for the responsibilities that come

along with drinking, look no further than their examples.

The pages of this newspaper are commonly filled with stories and blotter entries detailing the adults who often make life-altering missteps due to alcohol consumption.

There are those who consume alcohol on a regular basis and who do so responsibly - never getting behind the wheel intoxicated, ensuring that they stay within limits and in control. And for a 21-yearold or someone older, that's fine — enjoy responsibly.

But leave the drinking to the adults and don't participate in setting up a tragedy — either now or in the future. Exercise authority correctly, make the right choices and don't provide alcohol to minors.

Editorial:

Ignorance is not bliss

With new laws going into effect, do you know where you stand?

Latin phrase, "ignorantia go unnoticed in our daily legis neminem excusat" is lives. However, some will become more relevant. edition of the Floyd Chronicle and Times.

In legal circles, the have gone into effect will able caution when passing cyclists.

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reform bill that, among other things, added the state's sales tax to several services, such as landscaping and veterinary services.

however, has already gone that means following traf- or "against." Making laws • Senate Bill 160, ac- into effect — an overall tax fic laws or ensuring your and setting the state's bibusiness abides by new tax regulations.

The most noticeable, ing by the laws, whether lators who cast votes "for" ennial budget are the two main things legislators do.

a commonly-known sentence.

Its meaning is simple: "Ignorance of the law excuses no one." As anyone who has attempted to use the "I didn't know the speed limit" excuse to get out of a speeding ticket will attest, the lack of that knowledge does not excuse the breaking of the law.

Many of the laws which are going into effect or

Included in those are: cording to the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission, will require drivers to keep their vehicles at least three feet away from bicyclists during an attempt to pass. If that much space isn't available, drivers must use reason-

And that's just a sample of the laws that will change the way our lives are lived in Kentucky.

So, the new laws will impact your life, as did the ones the previous year and the ones the legislature will pass next year.

It's important that we all stay informed of what the laws are, particularly because we all bear a responsibility for abid-

We are ultimately the ones responsible for ensuring the laws are upheld. However, there's another reason to know these laws.

We elect and send men and women to Frankfort to represent us. These laws, whether fair or unfair, were proposed by legislators. They were then voted on by those same legis-

If they're not following the will of the people, it's the people's responsibility to vote them out or to keep them in if they are doing the right thing. However, in order to do that, the populace must remain informed and actively interested in the moves being made in Frankfort.

That's not just our right, but the duty of all those who live in this republic.

Research, find out for yourself what the Kentucky legislature is doing, or not doing. Follow the laws they pass, and, if you don't like the laws, vote them out. But, most of all, stay involved and stay informed.

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George Burchett

George Tyrell Burchett, 26, of Sebree, formerly of Floyd County, died Monday, July 2, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Helen Hall

Helen D. Stumbo Hall, 81, of McDowell, died Thursday, July 5, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Virginia Howell

Virginia Ann Howell, 39, of Grethel, died Friday, July 6, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Clyde Johnson

Clyde Johnson, 52, of Port O'Conner, Tex., died Friday, June 29, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Sharon Jones

Sharon Marie Jones, 70, of Martin, died Friday, July 6, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Billy Keathley

Billy Joe Keathley, 48, of Teaberry, died Sunday, July 8, 2018.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Sheila Martin

Sheila Darlene Mar-

tin, 58, of Pikeville, died Monday, July 2, 2018. Arrangements were

under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

James Meade

James Walter Meade, 51, of Printer, died Friday, July 6, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Patricia Newman

Patricia Meade Newman, 77, of McDowell, died Friday, July 7, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Betty Orsborne

Betty Orsborne, 87, Fitzpatrick of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, July 5, 2018.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.



Billie Smith Billie M. Smith, 79,

of 1879 Ixora Dr. W, Melbourne, Fla., died peacefully, in her sleep, on Wednesday, July 4, 2018, at 3 a.m., at her death.

She has two surviving daughters, Damita "Mimi" Wright (Donald) and Debra Kraft (David), both of Melbourne, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Dani Thorne (Jim), of Allen; one beloved granddaughter, Alexandra "Allie" Wright, of Melbourne Fla.; one brother Henry Sizemore (Pauline), of Findlay, Ohio; and two sisters, Naomi Shepherd (John), of Findlay, Ohio, and Nora Bales (Jackson), of Jonesville, Virginia.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Arnold Freeman (Helen) and Nyoka "Nicki" Decker (Randy), of Findlay, Ohio.

She worked at Dietsch Brothers on West Main Cross for 23 years, where she made many lifelong friends. Those friends became a second family to her, and she cherished each and every one of them. Billie was a loving-devoted wife, mother, grandmother and servant of God. She enjoyed spending time with her family; especially, when everyone gathered together as one group. She loved to travel and was particularly fond of island cruises. She was a member of Faith Fellowship Church at Melbourne, Florida.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., Friday, July 13, 2018, at Coldren-Crates Funeral Home, Findlay, Ohio.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 14, 2018, at the funeral home, with Ken Willis officiating. Burial will follow at Maple Grove Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of the Coldren-Crates Funeral Home of Findlay, Ohio.

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"Russ" Taylor Willie Ray "Russ" Taylor, 74, died Friday, July 6, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Harold Walker

Harold Dean Walker, 75, of Dwarf, died Sunday, July 8, 2018. Arrangements

are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Adeline Ward

Adeline Stumbo Ward, 94, of McDowell, died Friday, July 6, 2018.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.



Valeria Webb

Valeria Warrix Webb, 80, of Suffolk, Va., formerly of Hancock County, Ind., and Lexington, died Thursday, June 21, 2018.

She was the daughter of the late Virgil and Desama Warrix.

She is survived by her loving husband of 63 years, William David "Bill" Webb; her children, Elizabeth W. Petry (Lowell) and William David Webb II (Maria); six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; her sisters, Diane Cooksey, of Lexington, and Pamela Keramati, of Jacksonville, Fla.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was a graduate of Morehead State University and Ball State University Muncie, Indiana. She taught elementary school at Eastern Hancock Elementary at Charlottesville, Ind., for 31 years, and for several years at Lexington Christian Academy at Lexington.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 4, 2018, at Main Street United Methodist Church, Suffolk, Virginia. Arrangements are under the direction of the Williams Funeral Home and Crematory of Lawrenceville, Virginia.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Main Street United Methodist Church, 202 N Main St., Suffolk, VA 23434. This is a paid obitu-

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Whitaker, 77, of Waterloo, Ind., died Sunday, July 8, 2018, at

Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, Indiana. He was born at Prestonsburg, Aug. 1, 1940,

He married Rodena Mauldin on Dec. 29, 1962, at Fort Worth, Texas. She preceded him in death in 2009. He was a member of the Francis E. Vinyard V.F.W. Post 2749 of Kendallville. He was an electronics expert, antique radio enthusiast, loved researching genealogy and enjoyed fishing and gardening.

He is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Tom Fakes, of Kirkland, Wash.; a son-inlaw, Chris Jarvis, of Duvall, Wash.; two grandchildren, Zakery Jarvis and Lexi Jarvis, both of Duvall, Wash.; a longtime companion, Dorothy Murray, of Waterloo, Ind.; and three siblings, Claudia Barton, of Pierceton, Ind., Michael Whitaker, of Warsaw, Ind., and Arlene Barton (Jim), of Dowagiac, Michigan.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Karen Jarvis; and two sisters, Linda Adams and Garnett Whitaker.

Military honors will be conducted at 7 p.m., Friday, July 13, 2018, at Feller and Clark Funeral Home, 875 S. Wayne St., Waterloo, IN 46793, by the United States Air Force and Francis E. Vinyard V.F.W. Post 2749 of Kendallville.

Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Friday, at the funeral home. Arrangements are under the direction of the Feller and Clark Funeral Home of Waterloo, Indiana.

Rita Laferty

Rita Raye Laferty, 86, of Martin, died Friday, July 6, 2018.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

residence.

She was born in Floyd County, Oct. 13, 1938, the daughter of Hazie and Oma Howell Freeman.

married Dareld Smith, who preceded her in

The guestbook may On Oct. 2, 1964, she be signed at www.coldrencrates.com.

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and Ival Akers Whitaker.

the son of the late Henry

He was a 1957 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and a veteran of the United States Air Force, where he later retired with a rank of Chief Master Sergeant, after 23 years of service.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

The guestbook may be signed at www.fellerandclark.com.

This is a paid obituary.

Community calendar

• July 11; 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.: Drop-In for Science, East Kentucky Science Center. (606) 886-7398

• July 11; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: The Wool Club meets, Floyd County Extension office. (606) 886-2668

• July 11; 12 p.m.: Prestonsburg Tourism Director Samantha West to speak at Floyd County Chamber of Commerce luncheon, The Brickhouse.

• July 11, 5 p.m.: Wheelwright City Commission meets, city hall. (606) 452-4202

• July 12, 12 p.m.: Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets, Prestonsburg First Presbyterian

Church

• July 12-13; 3 p.m.: Prestonsburg library hosts Bucket Drum Corp. Participants will learn to play bucket drums.

• July 13 7:30 p.m.: Pam Tillis with Kelsie May as opening act, Mountain Arts Center. macarts.com

• July 14; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Floyd County Farmer's Market open, 713 South Lake Drive

• July 14; 10 a.m.: Sew-N-Love to host a Bargello American Flag Wall hanging sewing class. (606) 506-5086

• July 14; 6 p.m.: Chaotic Cat to host Dungeons and Dragons 5th Ed. Game Night, Prestonsburg. (606) 226-5059

• July 14; 7:30 p.m.: Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky

Opry's summer season, Mountain Arts Center. macarts.com

• July 16; 11:30 a.m.: ARH to host a ribbon cutting at the ARH Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

• July 16; 5 p.m.: Floyd County Soil and Water Conservation District meets, 18 Mayo Br., Brandykeg. (606) 889-9800

• July 16; 6 p.m.: Prestonsburg City Council meets, city hall. (606) 886-2335

• July 16-17; 10 a.m.: Sew-N-Love to host teen camp for ages 13 to 18. (606) 506-5086 • July 17; 3:30 p.m.: Mountain Arts Center Board of Directors meet, MAC. (606) 889-9125

ny Wiley Chapter of the AARP meets at Highland Terrace, Prestonsburg.

• July 17; 5:30 p.m.: The I Quilt (IQ) group for beginning quilters meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668

• July 17; 6 p.m.: Prestonsburg Utilities Commission meets, utilities office

• July 18; 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.: Drop-In for Science, East Kentucky Science Center. (606) 886-7398

• July 18; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668

• July 19; 10 a.m.: Sew-• July 17; 5:15 p.m.: Jen- N-Love to host a Mondo bag

sewing class. (606) 506-5086 • July 19-20; 3 p.m.: Prestonsburg library hosts Bucket Drum Corp. Participants will

learn to play bucket drums. • July 20; 7:30 p.m.: Free Front Porch Pickin' at the Mountain Arts Center

• July 20; 8 p.m.: Justin Stephens to perform at the Brickhouse, Prestonsburg

• July 21; 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.: Prestonsburg hosts Backpack to School Bash, StoneCrest Little League park

· July 20-22: Jenny Wiley Theatre to host alumni reunion. jwtalumni@gmail.com



Grand jury to hear alleged police assault case

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Floyd County grand jury will decide whether there's enough evidence to indict a man who allegedly spit in the face of two sheriff deputies.

Following a preliminary hearing in District Judge Jimmy Marcum's courtroom on July 3, the case against Joey Lewis, 34, of Dana, was referred to a grand jury.

Sheriff Deputy Justin Szymchack, Lewis resisted arrest when he and other deputies attempted to serve three warrants for arrest on June 27. He charged Lewis with resisting arrest, menacing and two counts of third-degree assault on a police officer, a felony, for crimes that allegedly occurred during the arrest.

Szymchack reported that According to the arrest deputies found Lewis hiding

citation filed by Floyd County in a cabinet under the bathroom sink in his home, allegedly attempting to elude arrest.

> "We gave Mr. Lewis several commands to show us his hands and come out from the cabinet," the citation says. "Mr. Lewis did not comply. I then grabbed Mr. Lewis by the hand and pulled him from the cabinet then escorted him to the floor."

> Szymchack alleged in the citation that after he was

handcuffed and being escorted outside, Lewis spit in Deputy Kevin Thacker's face.

"Deputy Thacker then restrained him in a direction away from him," the citation alleges. "Mr. Lewis tried to turn back facing Deputy Thacker and appeared he was trying to spit into Deputy Thacker's face when I deployed O.C. spray."

Floyd County Sheriff Sgt. Oliver Little took custody of Lewis and escorted him off the porch, the citation says.

"Once off the porch, Mr. Lewis turned and spit in Sqt. Little's face also," the citation alleges. "Sgt. Little was temporarily blind due to Mr. Lewis spitting in his eyes which caused him to escort Mr. Lewis to the ground."

Lewis was taken to the jail by Deputy Derrick Blackburn.

He also faces probation revocation hearings in other cases against him.

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first-degree assault and driving under the influence. Lewis, standing in for attorney Robbie Wright at the hearing, waived the formal arraignment and entered a not guilty plea on Akers' behalf.

Akers was indicted in June for allegedly murdering Heidi Ann Hamilton, 38, of Craynor, and assaulting her finance Chris Hamilton, 37, in a Dec. 14, 2017, crash that police claim was caused because Akers was driving under the influence of drugs.

Chris Hamilton, who was hospitalized for five months after the crash, and other members of Heidi Hamilton's family attended the hearing.

In her motion to reduce the bond, Lewis said Akers could post a substantial bond of \$100,000 worth of property or around \$20,000 in cash. She said Akers has not been incarcerated for the past six months and she has not violated the law in that time. She said Akers is the not a flight risk.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Amy Turner opposed the motion, asking Harris to keep Akers' bond at \$250,000, citing the severity of the charges against her.

Harris reviewed a recommendation from the court's pretrial services division before entering his ruling. He said he didn't like reducing her bond, but was relying on that recommendation. He warned Akers that she if she posted bond,

she'd be placed on home incarceration under the "highest supervision" and drug testing available in Floyd County. He warned her that she would return to jail if she has one violation of the law.

The Hamilton family was not pleased with the outcome. Outside courtroom, Heidi Hamilton's mother Susan Gillespie Newsome of North Carolina was brought to tears, talking about her daughter, and her sister Heather Tackett said laws should be changed.

"We are just shocked and appalled about the decision that the judge passed down, that she's only spent a few days in jail after a whole six months of waiting to be put in jail for murder and assault and DUI. It doesn't make any sense

to us," said Tackett.

She said, "it's not fair" that Akers can post bond and be released from jail.

"Our roads are horrible right now," she said. "The drug problem around here is awful and it's not going to get better by letting people off with a hand slap all the time. Something has to change," she said.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner said he understands why the family is upset after Akers' bond was reduced. He explained, however, that the pretrial services report that Harris relied on is regulated by the state through a computer program that assesses a person's likelihood of being a danger to the community and/or appearing for court dates.

"In light of the bond that Frankfort and the

Administrative Office of the Courts, what they would like to see, that was probably a higher bond than what would have been recommended under the, there's a computer program that makes recommendation and the state actually wants the judges to follow those recommendations." Turner said. "It would have come back low risk and would have actually recommended a much lower bond than what she got."

Chris Hamilton didn't want to comment about the ruling, but, like Tackett, he hopes this case helps save the lives of others.

"I just hope it saves lives, you know, down the road, that's the only thing I'm hoping," he said, "that nobody else loses a loved one, loses a daughter or a sister ... If it could save a life down the road, then it needs to be done."

The couple had been together for more than eight years prior to the crash. They were returning home from visiting his family when Akers allegedly crashed into their vehicle.

Chris Hamilton said he was hospitalized for five months and spent a month in a coma after the crash. He has had more than 20 surgeries and can no longer walk on his own. He used a walker in the courtroom.

"He's messed up for life because of her," Newsome said.

Akers is scheduled to return to court on Sept. 6 for a pretrial conference in the case.



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Annexation discussed in Allen

No one knows who filed a 1957 annexation ordinance for Allen in 2014

By Mary Meadows Staff Writer

The Allen City Commission moved forward with plans to annex businesses located on each side of what is believed to be the city limits on Ky. 1428 this month.

During a July 2 meeting, the commission took no official action other than approving minutes of a prior meeting, but officials asked Thomas Nairn of Bocook Engineering to provide estimates on surveys needed before the annexation can take place.

The annexation effort comes as city officials have been struggling to figure out where the city limits begin and end — an issue that was brought up during another recent meeting.

Commissioner Josh Kinzer asked Nairn whether his company could provide maps that details all city boundaries, but Nairn said that service could be cost-prohibitive for the small city.

"To do an actual boundary survey of the whole city, it would be pretty expensive," said Nairn. "And there's a difference between an annexation map and a boundary survey ... An annexation doesn't require that. It just wants a map defining the boundary that's intended to be annexed."

Commissioner Elmer Parsons shared copies of maps drawn up for a sewer project in Allen decades ago, but Nairn said that wouldn't meet the standards for an annexation. Parsons asked whether a 1958 copy of meeting minutes of the former Allen City Board of Trustees in which approval was recorded to annex Conley Drive — the current location of Season's Inn — is still valid. City Attorney Beth Shortridge said if it's properly annexed, then it's part of the city, but the property is not listed as part of the city on the Kentucky Secretary of State's website, which maps city boundaries from documents the city has provided the state. Also attending the meeting was Walter Bartrum, a resident who lives near Season's Inn and has been a vocal opponent of that business' alcohol license. He has publicly complained about the bar being located in the Beaver Valley voting precinct, which was voted dry years ago.

which is dry — during the commission's last regular meeting. On July 2, Parsons presented a one-page document that contained three ordinances he proposed. Two of the ordinances presented by Parsons are one-sentence long.

"An ordinance declaring the City of Allen as accepting the home owner Walter Bartrum & Wife of 8633 Ky. 1428 and all their properties as part of the City of Allen. Ky.," the document states.

The second ordinance says, "An Ordinance declaring the City of Allen as accepting Curt Stamper of 8656 Ky. 1428 and all their properties as part of the City of Allen. Ky."

The third ordinance includes additional information. It states, "An Ordinance declaring the City of Allen as accepting (ineligible) Burgett & Ben Burgett of 8587 Ky. 1428 and all their properties as part of the City of Allen. 1428 = Old Ky. 80 being incorporated into the city in July 1958 and including Conley's Drive in. Already a part of the city and had paid their taxes until Mrs. Conley died."

City Clerk Krystal Spurlock said she typed out these ordinances at the request of assistant city clerk Bill Parsons, who wrote them out by hand. Shortridge explained that Allen can't annex properties with ordinances like that.

"Okay, you can't annex properties this way," Shortridge said. You have to have surveys. You can't just accept. If they want to do a consensual annexation, we still have to have a survey for people who want to be in the city."

She said the city can't annex properties that are not contiguous, or next to, the city's existing limits.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Thomas Nairn of Bocook Engineering speaks with the Allen City Commission about surveying properties to be annexed. Pictured left to right are commissioners Dr. Eilene Kinzer and Elmer Parsons, Nairn, City Clerk Krystal Spurlock, Mayor Sharon Woods and Commissioner Josh Kinzer.

and July 1958.

Shortridge reported that no official in Allen has been able to provide her a copy of that ordinance showing proper annexation procedures were followed. Allen officials have not been able to locate those meeting minutes, either, in city hall.

No city officials could say who filed these documents with the county, and deed room employees say the system did not record the name of the person who filed them. Mayor Sharon Woods said she did not file them.

The 1957 ordinance shows the annexation of highway property on Ky. 1428 (referred to in the ordinance as Ky. 80) and it references a concrete block plant and a garage. It doesn't include a map or the acreage annexed, and it doesn't mention Conley's Drive-in. The meeting minutes from the following year, July 7, 1958, states, "On motion made, seconded and carried the property of Conley's Drive-In and all the right of way of Highway 80 extending south to George Belcher property be annexed to the Allen City Corporation." Unlike two other pages of meeting minutes filed with the county, however, the minutes from that date in 1958 do not include signature lines for the city clerk or the chairman of the board of trustees. When asked after the meeting whether the city could verify those documents, since officials cannot find them in city hall, Shortridge said they cannot. The ordinance does, however, give the city a starting point for the annexation process, she said, because it provides a description of the area to be annexed.

The ordinance states that "within not less than thirty (30) days after the enactment of this ordinance, and the publication thereof as required by said statutes, the Board of Trustees of said Town will enact another ordinance annexing the territory hereinbefore described."

It says the ordinance will be effective its approval by the board and after it has been published in at least four issues of the former Floyd County Times and posted for at least 10 days in a public place in the city.

Attempts to discover whether a second ordinance was approved or published were unsuccessful.

The Kentucky Secretary of State's office provides a link to a map created for the city of Allen, which is available online at http://bit.ly/1QrRtxB. That map shows the city owns only the right-of-way of Ky. 1428 to its connection with U.S. 23, but some city officials believe the city's boundaries extend past the intersection into another part of Ky. 1428. The Secretary of State's filings for Allen online, however, show no information about any annexation the city ever filed. The maps Allen officials provided to the state in 1981 includes a hand-drawn circle around an extensive area of Allen that includes parts of New Allen and Dwale, which are not part of the city. Other maps in that filing show proposed water system improvements in Allen. The city doesn't operate a water system.

Nairn talked about mapping an area annexed by Prestonsburg on May's Branch which was taken to court and ruled in favor of the city, but was not finalized until his company surveyed and mapped it.

"So, say that you can't find an ordinance and there's no record there. Then, what would you do in that situation?" Josh Kinzer asked.

"That's a good question," Nairn said.

"And that's the thing," Shortridge said. "If it wasn't properly taken in, then it's like it doesn't exist."

She talked about previous claims commissioners made about Hinton Hollow not being part of Allen.

"They showed minutes from meetings," she said. "Well, you can't de-annex, you can't reduce your property in the city just by a motion in a meeting, ever, not in 1958, not

Bartrum asked to be voluntarily annexed by the city — "We can't do holes," she said. "You can't just annex Walter's property and this property and this property."

The 1958 ordinance referenced in the ordinances cannot be located by city officials. An annexation ordinance dated Dec. 9, 1957, was filed in the Floyd County Clerk's Deed Room in 2014, but the city also has no record of that ordinance. Upon request from city officials, Bartrum left the meeting and returned with a copy of it and copies of meeting minutes that were also filed in the county deed room alongside this annexation ordinance in 2014. Those meetings were held in April, May, June

now."

Josh Kinzer asked whether annexation laws were different in 1958.

"If it was never corrected. If it was never filed with the secretary of state...if the map's not on file and we can't prove it, it's like it never happened," Shortridge said. "That's what I kept saying when people kept saying, 'Let's annex. Let's annex. Let's annex.' You have to make sure you already own that property. When I talked to previous council and the City of Prestonsburg, they say we can't prove that we own that, that it was never properly annexed. And, Krystal, through her due diligence, has tried."



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Six inmates charged for jail fight

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

An alleged fight at the Floyd County Detention Center led to additional charges against six inmates.

Jail inmates Kevin Moore, 28, of Hi Hat, Basil Moore, 34, of McDowell, Anthony Wright, 25, of Martin, Jacob Henson, 22, of East Point, Rodney Porter, 37, of Prestonsburg and Jody Carroll, 40, of Prestonsburg were each charged with fourth-degree assault and menacing on June 29, according to documents filed in Floyd County District Court.

Citations filed by officials at the Floyd County Detention Center alleged that these men were involved in a fight that occurred at the jail after 1 a.m. on June 28.

Porter was allegedly told by Kevin Moore to leave his jail cell, citations allege, and Porter started packing his belongings and went to the cell door. When he returned to his bunk to retrieve something else, they allegedly "had words" and started fighting. The citations allege that Moore started kicking Porter when he hit the floor.

Another inmate, Basil Moore, allegedly grabbed Porter when he fell to the floor during the fight with Kevin Moore, and he and Porter punched each other a couple of times.

Wright and Henson also "joined the fight," citations allege, and they "started kicking and punching" Porter after he fell to the floor. Carroll allegedly "got behind Porter and was punching" him, "and they both went to the ground fighting and when Carroll got up he started kicking Porter," the citations allege.

Jail deputies broke up the fight. The inmates are denying the allegations.

The defendants each pleaded not guilty to the charges on July 2. District Judge Eric Hall set bonds of \$5,000 surety for Porter, \$2,000 surety for Carroll, and \$500 cash for Kevin Moore, Basil Moore, Wright

review in his case on Aug. 27.

Jailer Stuart "Bear" Halbert said Porter did not suffer significant injuries in this fight. He said most of the time, fights like these begin before inmates get arrested.

"There's no preventive measures," he said. "A lot of this stuff actually starts out on the street, you know what I'm saying? He stole something, or he stole drugs or said this and so and so."

That's why he said his team relies on video cameras and presses charges when fights occur.

"Anybody that's ever involved in anything like that, no matter if they throw one punch or its wrestling or anything like that, we charge everybody," he said.

He said filing these charges makes the job tougher for public defenders, who handle cases for the majority of inmates at the jail, as well as prosecutors and judges.

"It's harder on everybody because there's more work. It adds so much more to their docket, but I don't know any other way to solve it. Like I said, it was a blood bath when I got here, and now we're patrolling every hour and we're pressing charges when it happens."

One fight at the jail brought murder charges against an inmate recently, and Halbert said the results of that fight did not stop inmates from fighting.

Inmate Scottie L. Gibson, 23, of Prestonsburg, was charged with first-degree murder after allegedly punching inmate Adam Potter, 29, of Prestonsburg, while they were in custody on June 5.

County Attorney Keith Bartley said "one nightmare punch" killed Potter, who was pronounced dead at Highlands that day. He said Gibson attempted to strike Potter twice, but hit him once on the side the head. Gibson was indicted for wantonly causing Potter's murder. The case is still pendina.

Halbert said there was a fight at

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visit with pretrial services, as he was required to do after he was indicted in May.

"You failed to see pretrial services?" Harris asked. "Mr. Collins, go with the bailiff. You'll be held without bond."

He set a bond hearing for July 10, as family members of the victim in this case, Larry Dean Hinkle, applauded and hugged each other. They sat on one side of the courtroom, and Collins' family sat on the other.

A few minutes later, members of both families filtered into the hallway, and when an argument escalated, court bailiffs were asked to go to the hallway to stop it. No arrests were made as a result of that argument.

Collins, charged with leaving the scene of a wreck and failing to render aid or assistance, faces a penalty of up to five years behind bars.

The charges stem from alleged hit and run in Julv 1, 2017, that killed Hinkle, a 60-year-old Teaberry resident.

Hinkle's son Jody Hinkle and daughter-in-law Ashli said Collins' arrest was a blessing because until July 5, Collins had not spent any time behind bars.

"It's a blessing from God. That's all it is," Ashli Hinkle said. "That's the one thing that came out of this. It's brought us to God because we couldn't carry it on our own anymore."

"We should be happy. We should celebrate. Today is a good day for our family," Jody Hinkle said. "I'm sorrv that their son got arrested, but he should have been a man and stepped and took responsibility for what he done, versus run and hide."

The hearing came on the one-year anniversary of Hinkle's funeral visitation. He was buried on July 6, 2017, in Soward's Cemetery at Beefhide.

"He was a great dad, a great brother, a great grandman that I am and nobody will ever say a bad word about my dad. You'll not find one person to say anything negative about him."

The Hinkle couple voiced their frustration with this case.

"We walked out of the courtroom and they looked at us and said we lost our son," Ashli Hinkle said. "They didn't lose their son. They get to call their son. They get to see their son."

Jody Hinkle said, "My dad's dead. He's gone forever. I can't call him. I can't hear his voice. I can't see him. It's all because of his choices he made. He has to answer for that."

They voiced frustration that Collins faces a maximum of five years behind bars, and said they have reached out to legislators in an effort to get the law changed.

"Even if the justice system doesn't work for us, we are working with them to change laws so that this doesn't happen to another family," Ashli Hinkle said.

Jody Hinkle wants to see a 10-year penalty for cases like this.

Kentucky's hit-and-run law mandates a maximum five-year penalty for hitand-run crashes that cause a death, but the penalty used to be more lenient than that before it was changed in 2008. That change came after the 2006 death of a 14-year-old was killed by a hit-and-run driver in Owensboro. That driver was sentenced to seven months in iail.

Commonwealth Attorney Brent Turner supports an effort to make the law tougher for people who leave the scene of a fatality. He also talked about why Collins is not facing a reckless homicide or murder charge for Hinkle's death

"The simple answer is you can't charge someone with a homicide unless you have proof that what they did was more than being negligent," Turner said.

He talked about a case in which a truck driver ran a because "there's a difference between civil negligence and criminal conduct."

"We can't charge everyone who's at fault and causes an accident with a felony homicide, unless there's something that elevates it beyond civil negligence," Turner said. "Think of it this way: If he (Collins) had not been impaired, and, as they say, nobody knows and never will know, but if he was not impaired and he hit that guy and killed him, and stopped and called the police, he'd never been charged with anything...because there wouldn't be a crime.'

He said toughening the law would be a "good idea," saying having a one- to fiveyear penalty in cases like this "creates an incentive" for those driving under the influence to flee the scene if they cause someone's death.

Turner said it took several months for police to find evidence in this case because the vehicle that hit Larry Hinkle could not be located. The man who was walking with Larry Hinkle was also injured and could not provide witness testimony.

"When the event occurred, they had no idea who did it," he said. "There was no leads, no suspects, descriptions, nothing. They had no evidence. So, it was just an unsolved hit-andrun."

He said the investigating officer located the vehicle months later and it had been concealed and the VIN number had been stripped. But the officer was able to track the vehicle to Collins' grandmother, which led to Collins' indictment.

In the July 10 hearing, Harris ordered Collins continue to be held without bond.

During the hearing, KSP Det. Jeremy Giles testified, saying that officers found the vehicle over a hill covered in brush, with the vehicle identification numbers deliberately removed. However, Dials said, officers were able to identify the vehicle.

Giles further testified

and Henson.

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the jail the day after Potter died.

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father," Jody Hinkle said. "I red light and killed people, mean, he was everything to reporting that the Supreme me. He taught me to be the Court reversed that verdict

that Collins confessed during the course of the investigation to hitting Hinkle.



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Bridge dedicated to WWII veteran

BY MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

Family and friends of World War II veteran Julius Mullins gathered at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church on July 6 to honor him and celebrate his life.

The ceremony dedicating a bridge on Ky. 466 in Mullins' honor came 10 days prior to his 91st birthday.

State officials and local leaders praised Mullins, who was injured while serving with the army in Germany during WWII, and returned to live in Floyd County, where they say he impacted countless lives.

Rep. Larry Brown (R-Prestonsburg) presented Mullins with the order signed by Kentucky Transportation Secretary Greg Thomas naming the Ky. 466 bridge in his honor.

Brown talked about changes Mullins and people his age have experienced in their lifetimes, calling them part of the greatest generation.

He said Mullins' young life was interrupted, as he was married in 1944, but in 1945, he joined the army, was trained in radio communications and was sent to "post-war Germany as part of the allied occupation of Hitler's defeated homeland."

"My word, what a culture shock, if nothing else, to be over there. You came back to Juanita in 1947, no doubt a different person because you can't be exposed to something like that and it not affect you in some way," Brown said

He described him as a "master car painter and body repairman" and said he was "quick-witted and a prankster at that." He also talked about Mullins' dedication to his faith.

Mullins has been a part of the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church for 67 years. He was baptized there in December 1951 and became a deacon on July 6, 1996 — 22 years prior to the bridge dedication last week. Brown said he was inspired by Mullins' faith, talking about how he still reads and studies the Bible every day.

"Mr. Mullins, I appreciate you for the example that you've set, not only for your family, not only for this community, not only for your generation, but for my generation as well," he said. "You set an example for us that we need to get back to and follow. God bless you, sir, and God bless your family. Congratulations on this the first coal miner aphonor."

Judge-Executive Ben Hale said it was an honor to sign an executive order approving the dedication for Mullins, saying he has known Mullins and his family for years.

"There are many men in this community who served in World War II that would be deserving of this honor," Hale said. "But this is more than just a recognition of the service to our great country. This is a recognition of a lifetime of love and service to a great community of people."

He commended Mullins for his work in the coal mining industry and other local industries.

Mullins, the son of a coal miner, worked more than 50 years in the industry. He worked 25 years as an electrician for Island Creek Coal/Inland Steel and seven years as an electrician for Wheelwright Mining at Price. He was secretary-treasurer of Local Union 5899, United Mine Workers for 12 years. He also served five years as secretary-treasurer of District 30, UMWA, representing the district and its local unions as a delegate to several UMWA national conventions.

Hale said Mullins was pointed to the board of



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

The children of Julius Mullins share their excitement as Judge-Executive Ben Hale, Sen. Johnny Ray Turner and Rep. Larry Brown unveil a sign naming a bridge in his honor.

trustees of the Appalachian Regional Hospital and was chairman of the Board of Trustees for the UMWA Health and Retirement Fund, headquartered in Washington, D.C., a position he used to help local coal miners.

Talking about how Mullins, as a child, helped cook Sunday dinners for the family after church, Hale said he began his "life of service" at a young age.

"Of the noteworthy accomplishments in Julius' life, most important is the

knowledge that his heart is right with God, and I can attest to the fact that he always treats others with sincere kindness," Hale said. "On Aug. 10, 2017, in my office, I was honored to present Julius with an executive order declaring and naming of this bridge in his honor. Julius expressed his humble gratitude, and appreciation with tears, which then, everybody in our office proceeded to cry. So, I am honored to be a part of this dedication, and I am honored to have

known and have gotten to know you for so many years. Julius, I appreciate you so much. Congratulations. God bless you."

Sen. Johnny Ray Turner also praised Mullins, reporting he's known the Mullins' family since he was in high school.

"The point we want to prove here and bring out is that Mr. Mullins, at first when we talked about doing this, he didn't want, he didn't know if he deserved it. He didn't know if it was something that somebody else might deserve more than him," Turner said. "Well, I'm here to tell you Julius, there's nobody around that deserves that bridge to be named (in their honor) any more than you do."

Turner said there's "no finer man" than Mullins.

"Everyone in this community and beyond, admires you, respects you and wishes that there was more that we could do than name a bridge,"



From left: Kate Tackett, D.O.; Clayton Bowman, D.O.; Ashley Adams, D.O.; Kelley Cochran, PA-C; and Jonathan Tackett, D.O.

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The church's assembly hall was decorated with scrapbooks and posters full of accomplishments Mullins has made in his lifetime. The Minnie Disabled American Veterans Minnie Chapter 128 also participated in the ceremony. Family treated visitors to "food and fellowship" after the event.

Mullins and his wife Juanita were married for 63 years prior to her death in 2007. They had four children, Larry Julius (Larry Joe) Mullins (Kaye), Linda Gail Mullins Holbrook (Dennis), Kathi Anne Mullins Caudill (Keith), and Janet Louise (Jan) Mullins Tackett (Harvey). Many of their nine grandsons, 11 great-grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren were also in attendance.

Highway District 12 Chief District Engineer Mary Westfall Holbrook said the bridge is still under construction and will be completed soon. Fredrick and May of West Liberty is filling that \$638,000 contract with the state. The signs will be installed when the bridge is finished, she said.

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'Ma Brown' celebrates her 109 years in Floyd County

BY MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

Man, West Virginia, resident Mary Brown celebrated her 109th birthday on Independence Day, and about 50 of her closest family members and friends marked the milestone last Friday in Floyd County.

Brown's family celebrated with a Hawaiian luau-themed birthday party on July 6, complete with colorful leis, grass skirts and, of course, a silver tiara for the birthday girl.

Her great-granddaughter Amber King hosted the party at her home in Harold. Attendees came from West Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia and other states.

Brown, a retired school cook and social worker, was married to her husband Walter Brown for 75 years before he died, and she is currently the oldest recipient of a pension offered through the United Mine Workers of America, her family members said.

They say Brown spent decades helping other people. She raised many of her grandchildren, they said, and she often took in children in the neighborhood when they needed a place to stay.

They call her "Ma Brown" in her hometown, and though she's in a wheelchair now, she still strives to be independent. She didn't stop driving until she was in her nineties and her granddaughter jokes that she's still the "boss" of the family.

"She gets out of bed every day, reads her Bible, opens her mail, writes her checks, delegates work to be done, still today," her granddaughter Germange King said, jokingly saying that Brown is still family's "boss."

"She's amazing," she said. "I mean, amazing."

Her oldest grandson Orlando Brown, who jokes that he's her favorite grandson, said the family was just going to have a "little gathering." But "one thing led to another" and the whole family decided to travel to Floyd County for the event.

"She'd do anything in the world for everybody," he said. "She don't want to see nobody go hungry. Won't let nobody go hungry."

Brown's great niece, North Carolina resident Shelia Gary said she still keeps up with current affairs and reads a newspaper every day.

She recently heard a story about a lady who saw Brown in a grocery store and

asked her to take in her son.

"And she said, 'Well, he's been there for three days already," Gary said, talking about how Brown raised that child 50 years ago. "She has helped a lot of kids. Her grandkids, she raised, and just people in the neighborhood. There was another family that would come to school and she knew that they weren't taken care of properly, particularly on the weekends, so she took those girls in and raised them on the weekends, and then she'd take them back to school. And those ladies bring her dinner every Sunday now. They've done that for, I don't know, 20 years or so. She's touched a lot of lives."

Brown's granddaughter Gamange King said she doesn't know how her life would have turned out if her grandmother had not taken her in. Brown raised her from the age of 12.

"I know if it wasn't for her, I don't know where I'd be," she said. "She's took care of me. If it wasn't for her, I don't know what would have happened."

Having the willingness to help others is one of three things Brown said a person needs to have a good, long life like she has had.

"Trust in God and he will help you. And then, try to treat everybody rightly. Then, the big thing is, try to treat yourself right," she said. "Those three things can be amazing.'

She talked about how she persevered during difficult times.

"Sometimes, it wouldn't be all peaches and cream," she said, "but with God helping me, I got through it and got it over with."

Brown has been a member of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Man for years. The family celebrated her 100th birthday at Mt. Olive, and they have held birthday parties since then at her home in Man, where her son Walter Brown Jr. helps care for her.

"Everybody in the community loves her," he said, talking about how his mother has helped people.

Family members say Brown is being honored as the grand marshal in the Town of Man Street Fair parade. She's actually older than the town itself, which is celebrating its 100th birthday on July 18-21. That celebration will start on July 18 with an ice cream social and the parade at 6 p.m. For more information about that event in Logan County, West Virginia, call, (304) 583-9631.

Friends of Middle Creek celebrate Independence Day in Salyersville



Submitted photos

The Friends of Middle Creek celebrated the nation's birthday by participating in Salyersville's annual Fourth of July Parade. Despite high temperatures, the Friends joined their Salyersville contingent, marching behind a float carrying candy-throwing members, southern belles and flying flags. The group issued a press release, recognizing Frank Fitzpatrick and other trustees of the Middle Creek National Battlefield for the "superb job" they did upgrading the split rail fence on the property and Mickey McGuire of Prestonsburg who voluntarily cuts grass there. "The Friends has recognized both Mr. Fitzpatrick and Mr. McGuire with a "For the Good of the Order" recognition for their contributions toward the common good," the statement said.



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card her grandmother Mary Brown received for her 109th birthday. King praised her grandmother as an "amazing woman" and said she doesn't know how her life would have turned out if her grandmother had not taken her in at the age of 12. Brown's grandson Orlando King is also pictured, right.

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All-Mountain Third-Team and Honorable Mention

BY RANDY WHITE REGIONAL SPORTS EDITOR

Appalachian Newspapers recently named its All-Mountain Teams.

The All-Mountain team will consist of Player of the Year, Coach of the Year, First-Team, Second-Team, Third-Team and Honorable Mentions. The All-Mountain Teams consist of players from Mingo County, Pike County, Floyd County, Johnson County and Perry County and entire 15th Region coverage areas.

The All-Mountain Team was voted on by Appalachian Newspapers sports writers: Randy White, Cory Vance, Steve LeMaster, Trevor Thacker, Mike Muncy and Cody Davis. Brice Elkins Christian Tackett Brandon Turnmire Austin Fields Noah Lucas Logan Billiter Cameron Turner Caleb Hager Ethan Varney Seth Goad Tanner Smith Mickey Thompson Samuel Brown Jackson Feltner Logan Woods

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South Central tops Paintsville, takes District 7 title

By Steve LeMaster Sports Writer

PRESTONSBURG — The South Central 11-12 year-old All-Stars are headed to the state tournament. South Central claimed the District 7 championship on Sunday, defeating tradition-rich Paintsville 9-6 in the championship game at Prestonsburg Sports Park.

A team comprised of players from Floyd County, South Central is moving on to its first state tournament.

The District 7 title game was a pitcher's duel through the first two and a half innings before South Central moved ahead thanks to one big swing.

South Central starting pitcher Dylon Williams earned the win.

Jase Kinner, who started on the mound for Paintsville, suffered the loss.

Coleton Laferty provided South Central an offensive lift when he smacked a three-run homer in the bottom half of the third inning to allow the home team on the scoreboard to move ahead 5-2.

Paintsville and South Central each plated one run in the opening inning. The visiting team on the scoreboard, Paintsville led 2-1 in the bottom of the third inning when Laferty launched his home run. Laferty's homer hit off the scoreboard in right field.

Floyd Central owned a commanding 9-2 lead when Paintsville arrived at the plate in the top half of the sixth inning. Brady Fitch, one of the top power hitters in the district tournament, delivered a grand slam to allow Paintsville to pull to within three runs of Floyd Central but he visiting team couldn't get any closer.

Each team used a pair of pitchers in the title matchup. Grant Jenkins closed the game out on the mound for South Central while Fitch relieved Kinner.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Steve LeMaster The South Central 11-12 year-olds won the District 7 championship at Prestonsburg Sports Park.

Floyd County Babe Ruth All-Star Teams



photo courtesy of Floyd County Cal Ripken Baseball & Softball League

At press time, the Floyd County 13U All-Stars were scheduled to play in the state championship game.



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The Floyd County 14U All-Stars dropped their first round game in the state tournament over the weekend.



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City of Wayland Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 2017 through June 2018

	Jul '17 - Jun 18	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Broadband Grant	19,500.00	19,500.00
Carry Over	0.00	8,807.00
Coal Royalties/28 Hollow	4,000.00	4,000.00
Donations	111.00	0.00
Drainage Grant #4196-0007	-4,350.00	4,350.00
Franchise Fees & Other Income	7,375.16	7,375.00
Insurance premium tax	31,334.41	31,500.00
Mineral tax	9,730.91	9,731.00
Misc. Income	2,568.90	1,986.00
Other KY fees and taxes	9,734.82	9,213.00
Other Types of Income	23,430.22	24,737.00
Restricted Income	27,505.60	8,913.00
Trans Star Lease	7,891.08	7,200.00
Total Income	138,150.91	137,312.00
Gross Profit	138,150.91	137,312.00
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Broadband Feasibiliyy Study	19,500.00	19,500.00
Departments	14,994.41	16,100.00
FCHD GRANT	20,930.22	20,930.00
Other Types of Expenses	13,042.88	8,735.00
Payroll Expenses/Salaries	59,905.55	58,320.00
Utilities	12,431.59	13,727.00
Total Expense	140,042.93	137,312.00
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LEGALS published within the Floyd County Chronicle & Times. This 20th day of June, 2018. Gregory A. Isaac Special Master Commissioner Floyd Circuit Court 199 North Lake Dr., Ste. 201 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 606-886-2391 PUBLIC NOTICE Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by CHRIS MC KINLEY. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is SEASON'S INN, the nature of the business will be LIVE MUSIC. POOL TABLES, RESTAURANT, MOTEL, LIQUOR BY THE DRINK, BEER AND WINE COOLERS. Location is 8550, Rt. 1428.Ky. Martin, Ky. 41649. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character. or whether the арр 1 i cant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or the whether 1 а р р i cant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with County Clerk no later than August 16, 2018, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for August 16, 2018, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Flovd County Justice Center, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The County Flovd Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit. KEITH HON. BARTLEY FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY PUBLIC NOTICE Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment. has been made by COYOTE DEN INC. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is SEA-SON'S INN, the nature of the business will be LIVE MUSIC, POOL TABLES, DJ. Location is 2813 Ky. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the appli-

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Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	10.000.00
Coal Royalties/28 Hollow	12,000.00
Franchise Fees & Other Income	7,375.00
Insurance premium tax	31,500.00
Mineral tax	10,000.00
Other KY fees and taxes Restricted Income	10,272.00
Coal Tax/Law Enforcement	3,500.00
Pay Incentive	4,000.00
Restaurant Tax	1,404.00
Total Restricted Income	8,904.00
Trans Star Lease	9,300.00
Total Income	89,351.00
Gross Profit	89,351.00
Expense	
Departments	
Administration	8,362.00
Public Safety	9,429.00
Total Departments	17,791.00
Other Types of Expenses	8,500.00
Payroll Expenses/Salaries	51,716.00
Utilities	11,344.00
Total Expense	89,351.00
Net Ordinary Income	0.00
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