



Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Kiser admits fault in bus wreck

By MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County man arrested three years ago on charges of hitting a school bus while driving under the influence pleaded guilty this week.

formerly of Betsy Layne, pleaded guilty Tuesday to amended charges in the case against him.

He was indicted in 2015 on charges of driv- Tuesday after agreeing ing under the influence, reckless driving, first- and

Anthony A. Kiser, 41, third-degree possession of controlled substances and 43 counts of first-degree wanton endangerment.

He pleaded guilty

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Floyd Chronicle and Time photo by Mary Meadows Anthony Kiser, left, and his attorney, Public Advocate Brandis Bradley, right, sit in Floyd Circuit Court.





Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Floyd Judge-Executive Ben Hale opens a bid for the Martin Community Center on Nov. 20. The fiscal court tabled the matter, agreeing not to sell the center.

Fiscal court will not sell Martin Community Center

Wayland approves **P'burg** property lease **By Mary Meadows** STAFF WRITER

The City of Wayland is growing with the help of the City of Prestonsburg.

During a meeting last week, the Wayland City Commission approved a lease agreement that was also previously approved by the Prestonsburg City Council for lease of more than 34 acres of property in Wayland. The property, located in the



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By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Fiscal Court turned down \$150,000 for the purchase of the Martin Community Center this week.

During a special-called meeting on Nov. 20, Judge-Executive Ben Hale opened three bids submitted for the building and adjacent 25 acres of property, with the highest bid being \$150,000 from Mike's Sealing and Striping, a company owned by Mike Prater, a magisterial candidate who lost his bid for election in District 2 this year.

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows Floyd County Judge-Executive-elect Robbie Williams, left, pictured with incoming District 2 Magistrate George Ousley, asked the Floyd County Fiscal Court not to sell the Martin Community Center.

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Drug-related indictments issued

By MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County grand jury recently issued more than 30 indictments, and about 20 of them contained drug-related charges against local residents.

Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner said the large number of indictments doesn't mean that the

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Kent Rose Foundation gives \$2K to help kids

By MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

For the first time event at 2016, the Kent Rose Foundation awarded grants this week to local organizations planning to help children in need this to Essentials for Santa,

Christmas. During a Nov. 20 Jenny Wisince it was created in ley State Resort Park, foundation volunteers presented ceremonial checks totaling a collective \$2,000 donation

Prestonsburg Shop with a Cop, the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Eastern Kentucky at Judi's Place for Kids and the Johnson County nonprofit, Hands and Feet Ministry. Each of those organi-

zations were given \$500 help local children and from the foundation, with founder Gina Rose expressing joy with tears as she hugged recipients. She started the foundation several months after the death of her husband, who did various things to

launched the former arm drop drag races at the Combs Airport before his death in 2016.

The foundation works to "inspire and empower

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Several charged in Floyd District Court

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Charges were filed against several people recently in Floyd District Court, and there were also lawsuits filed in Floyd Circuit Court. The cases include:

Felony cases filed

Cassie Lafferty, 33, of Georgetown; two counts of flagrant nonsupport

Rogie Darrell Case, 40, of Martin; first-degree possession of a controlled substance, second-degree possession of a controlled substance; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Misdemeanor charges filed

Brenda Carol Blair, 30, of Paintsville; three counts of second-degree wanton endangerment, driving under the influence, no registration plates, no registration receipt, failure to maintain insurance, failure to produce insurance

Larry L. Black, 58, of Prestonsburg; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Kyle Michael Herald, 26, address unavailable; illegally taking a deer or wild turkey, hunting without a license, hunting without taking a hunter's education course

Celesta R. Raymond, 40, of Beaver; careless driving, improper display of registration plates, driving on a suspended license, possession of license when privileges are revoked

Anna M. Lawson, 68, of Honaker; harassment

Kristina Vanhoose, 35, of Prestonsburg; harassing communications

Ronnie Skeens, 33, of Allen; public intoxication of a controlled substance, second-degree disorderly conduct David C. Lovely, 43, of Louisville; public intoxication of a controlled substance, illegal possession of a legend drug Cameron Taylor Fitzpatrick, 19, of Prestonsburg; driving under the influence, possession of marijuana, second-degree wanton endangerment, one headlight Dakota Wells, 18, of Prestonsburg; public intoxication of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia

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James J. Bailey, 48, of Banner; fourth-degree assault, third-degree criminal trespassing

Nathan J. Hamilton, 34, of Teaberry; second-degree criminal mischief

Jason Matthew Johnson, 44, of Prestonsburg; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Lawsuits filed

Karla Sue Griffith vs. Carlos Randall Griffith; divorce

Amy Slone vs. Marcus Minix; divorce

Aleisha Renea King vs. Jimmy Kash Kern; petition for custody

Garrison Property & Casualty Insurance vs. Barbara Mullins; property damage complaint

Discover Bank vs. Jennifer K. Parsons; complaint concerning contract

Consumer Portfolio Services vs. Terry Buchanan; complaint concerning contract

Courtney Wallace vs. Chad Wallace; divorce

Larry Cory Compton vs. Saide Louise Johnson; petition for custody

Tracee Osborne vs. Richard Durutta; personal injury complaint

Annette Moore vs. Phillip Stumbo, doing business as Sunshine Coin Laundry/Tanning; personal injury complaint

Foster Mitchell vs. Craig Hughes, Kentucky National Insurance Company; personal injury complaint

Christopher Rackey vs. Tammy Hall; personal injury complaint

Ronnie hall vs. Kyle Collins, Eula Lamb, Allstate Property & Casualty Insurance; personal injury complaint

Lendmark Financial Services vs. Thomas Skeens; complaint concerning contract Lendmark Financial Services vs. James Whitaker, Amanda Stidham; complaint concerning contract

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The decision to table the matter came as Judge-Executive-elect Robbie Williams and incoming magistrates George Ousley and Mark Crider watched the vote.

Williams asked to speak at this meeting, and Hale initially told him, "Sure," but then told him he could not speak because it was a special-called meeting and public comments were not listed as part of the agenda, as required per open meeting laws.

Williams, however, made his position known.

"I'm just concerned why we're in such a state-fire hurry if we've had this for 30 years, to sell it in the last 40 days before the changing of the guard," Williams said.

Over the past three years, the fiscal court has heard repeated requests from the public to lease the community center and the fiscal court has also approved putting the community center up for sale three times.

In Sept. 2015, the fiscal court approved a lease agreement with the Piarist School, offering the center for \$1 per year, with the school paying utilities and repairing the building. Piarist backed out of the proposal shortly before another group, the TLC Community Group, approached the fiscal court about leasing the center so it could be repaired and equipped for Floyd

County students to use.

TLC officials asked for a lease in December 2016, as did Jimmy Rose, who won the Democratic nomination for the county judge-executive seat but lost his bid to Williams in the general election.

As previously reported in the Floyd County Chronicle, the fiscal court has poured more than \$500,000 into the community center since 2001.

The center was originally a mining supply company and was later occupied by a lighting company that was administratively dissolved by the Kentucky Secretary of State in 1994. Following a bankruptcy, the property, valued at the time for around \$200,000, was transferred to First Commonwealth Bank in 1998. The county bought it from the bank two years later for \$385,000, and it was initially operated by board of directors. The county dissolved the board in 2003, when it leased the center to Martin, under whose watch the building fell into disrepair.

The county spent \$62,000 in coal severance funding to fix the floors of the facility in 2012, and a renewed lease with Martin failed the following year. That December, the county put the facility up for auction, and when the reserve was not met, in Feb. 2014, the fiscal court approved its first motion to sell it.

All three attempts to sell the property since 2014 has failed. It is now valued at more than

\$300,000.

Discussing the bids Tuesday, received on Hale detailed the county's history with the community center, saying a lot of taxpayer money has been invested into it since the 1990s. He reported that officials are researching where funds invested in the center came from, saying that some of it was likely grant funding and some of it was likely coal sever-

ance funding. If the building is sold, and coal severance funds were used, then those funds would likely revert to Frankfort in a single-county coal severance account and it would not be reverted to the county's general fund, Hale said.

He also suggested that if the county decides to keep the property, more taxpayer funds will be used, and he also talked about upkeep required to repair and maintain the building.

"This is an old building. It's probably needing a roof right now, quite honestly, and there's going to be a lot of upkeep and a lot of work to be done, just to get that thing back into presumable shape again," Hale said. "But having said all of that, I'm open to discussion whether before we even open these, on anything on the community center. Because I want to make sure that people understand what they've got and what they're getting and what the cost will be for the incoming court, because

the incoming court, it's not going to be a cheap fix, and ...if you decide to lease it to somebody, those people to know that it's going to be about \$18,000 a year just for the utilities."

He said he was not advocating "one way or the other" in regards to the sell or lease of the building.

"All of these things play in," he said. "I'm not sitting here, advocating one way or the other in this court. I'm just trying to make sure that you all have all the facts on this facility that there's been a lot of money, a lot of taxpayer's money that's been spent on this place over the years since probably the early nineties."

Prior to the vote to table the matter, Hale noted he has spoken to Williams about the property and has heard his concerns. After the vote, he said the incoming court may go back to these bids to negotiate a sell, if it so choses.

Williams said he isn't sure how the incoming fiscal court will deal with the matter.

"We're not saying we won't. We'd just like to take a look at it," he said.

People who have requested leases in the past have complained about Floyd County children traveling to the Knott County Sportsplex to play basketball.

The community center has sat locked up and empty for years. Its parking lot is now a frequent location of yard sales.



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Michael Curtis, 19, of Tutor Key; public intoxication of a controlled subHarold Bolen Jr. vs. Rachel Bolen; divorce

Timothy J. Conn vs. Bailey Conn; divorce

Doyle Dean Thomas vs. Shirley Thomas; divorce

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to accept a sentence recommendation from the Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney's office. That office recommended a sentence of two years, if Kiser pleaded guilty to amended charges.

If the court adopts the recommendation, all 43 counts of wanton endangerment against Kiser will be merged into one count. The prosecution recommended two years on that charge, to run concurrently, or at the same time, with sentences of two years for second-degree drug possession, six months for driving under the influence and 12 months each on two counts of drug possession and one count of reckless driving.

Kiser appeared in court on Nov. 13 to plead guilty, but the hearing was postponed until Nov. 20 because the driving under the influence charge was not addressed in the initial sentencing recommendation from the commonwealth. He was scheduled to appear in court at 9 a.m. on Nov. 20, but failed to appear, and Circuit Judge Tom Smith postponed the hearing until later that day.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Doug Adams said the two-year recommendation came because Kiser appears to be remorseful for these crimes and has sought help for his addiction. He reported that parents of several children on the bus were satisfied with the sentencing recommendation.

In court, Adams had no objection to allowing Kiser to remain free on bond pending the sentencing hearing, which Smith scheduled for Jan.

ment for us to make, especially given the extent of the epidemic we're in right now."

Kentucky documents, State Police Trooper Shane Hurtt arrested Kiser on Aug. 20, 2015, following a two-vehicle collision on Ky. 1426 in Harold involving a school bus that had children on it.

Hurtt reported Kiser had bloodshot eyes and slurred speech, and admitted to taking oxycodone without a prescription. He was found with oxycodone and Xanax pills in his possession, court records show. At the time, he faced eight charges — only one count of wanton endangerment. The grand jury added additional wanton endangerment charges for every person on the school bus.

Court records show that Kiser was released from jail in 2015 to attend Isaiah House in Willisburg. In July 2017, Kevin Horn of Isaiah House submitted a letter to the court, reporting that Kiser graduated from the program in October 2016 and enrolled in college.

He was employed at the organization as an adult peer support specialist, Horn wrote in the letter, stating that Kiser goes "above and beyond" to help clients with "their struggles in attaining and maintaining recovery." Horn reported that Kiser prevented several men from leaving the rehab facility and has been an asset there.

Although Kiser works for a different substance abuse treatment facility now, he posted a testimonial on the Isaiah House Facebook page last year, reporting that he "struggled with an opiate addiction" that started after

employed, homeless and alone," the social media post said.

Kiser reported that According to court he now works as a certified adult peer support specialist and is licensed to provide group and individual therapy to people with substance abuse and mental health issues and is pursuing a degree at Campbellsville University.

> According to court documents, he pleaded guilty to driving under the influence, leaving the scene of an accident, wanton endangerment and other charges in 2012 and received a 12-month suspended sentence in that case.



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Kiser and his attor-Public Advocate ney, Brandis Bradley, reported that he is now employed at a substance abuse facility in Rowan County.

"As unfortunate as the circumstances are that brought us here today, I feel like this has given an opportunity to show our community that recovery works, and I could not be more proud that Mr. Kiser has dedicated the last three years of his life to recovery, not only as a participant, but also to work, and I am confident he will spend the rest of his life investing in recovery in Eastern Kentucky," Bradley said. "He has made me a believer in recovery because I've seen so much of his progress and I want people in our community to believe that people can recover, and it's a worthy invest-

he was prescribed pain pills following an ATV wreck and his addiction "escalated" after his finance overdosed.

"I was in a very dark place. I was in and out of treatment. I attended a three-month inpatient rehabilitation which was a 12 Step (AA/NA) based program," he wrote. "I tried IOP several times with no success. Once again I found myself engulfed in the lifestyle of addiction. I always wanted to get clean but I could never completely stop. After many years of struggling, in and out of various treatment programs, I lost hope."

He wrote about starting a methadone maintenance program that did not work and returning to active use for three years. He then started a Suboxone program, saying it left him "broke, un-



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PMC GROWS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF DIABETICS

By: Amy Charles

in Kentucky. According to the Kentucky Area Development District Profiles, the Big Sandy area has a concentrated population of diabetes, compared to the rest of the state.

Pikeville Medical Center (PMC) has many Chaney, RN, Certified Diabetes Educator. programs in place to educate and support its diabetic patient population. These programs are experiencing continued growth in patient participation as PMC's message about participant is contacted and scheduled for a diabetes awareness strengthens.

Self-Management classes. These classes are American Diabetes Association recognized which assures that this program has met the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education. PMC's Diabetes **Education Self-Management Program has** maintained this prestigious recognition since 1998. This class teaches 10 core content areas in a six hour class, broken up into two three-hour periods over two days. It is by physician order only and restricted to diagnosed diabetics. Most insurance covers the cost of the classes.

Now that registration has been decentralized at PMC, the whole process has been simplified. Once scheduled, registration

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occurs prior to the class. Patients can call Diabetes is the sixth leading cause of death ahead the day before to register, so when they get to PMC on class day, they can just give their name and go in without having to wait through the registration process.

> "This class is for any diabetic," said Sandy "It can be for a newly diagnosed diabetic or someone who has had the disease for years." Once the order for the class is received, the class convenient for them.

One such program is the Diabetes Education The Diabetes Self-Management classes have seen an increase in participation over last year. Following class participation, there is a one month follow up visit to check on progress, answer questions and review any necessary material identified at that time.

> As a measure of effectiveness, 81 percent of participants had an improved fasting blood sugar from the initial class to the one-month follow-up appointment, and 62 percent of them had lost weight. In 2018, the number of patients returning for their follow-up ap- going to the support group for over three pointments has risen to 80 percent. That months. She is already seeing improvements comes to a measurable 12 percent growth.

Another program offered for the diabetic population at PMC is the free Diabetes Support Group. This group has also seen measurable positivity in the health of those who attend. Not only do those in attendance share their experiences with each other, they and learn how to make better food choices choices. in daily life.

"Participants in the support group learn to live their best life with the disease," said Chaney. "At the support group, they get advice and support. Diabetes is different for everyone, but you can be healthy and hap- For more information about the Diabetes ру."

PMC Diabetes Educators, Sandy Chaney, RN, and Mavis Lowe, APRN, performed glucose screenings for the community at Food City on Cassidy Blvd. for **Diabetes Awareness Month.**



Sharon McGuire, 55 of Pikeville, has been in her health. "My A1C has gone from 11.1 to 8.3, I can tell a difference in my feet and my back pain has decreased," said McGuire.

Freda Kidd, 54 of Harold, has been in the support group since it began 18 years ago. Kidd said that support group is a place where they lean on each other. She has also learned also swap recipes, talk about their successes, portion control and how to make better food

> The Diabetes Support Group meets the last Monday of every month at 4:30pm at PMC's Top of the Tower Restaurant on the 11th floor of the May Tower. Meetings are held in dining room #3.

> Education programs, call 606-218-3513 to speak with a diabetes educator.



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Leonard Lawson Cancer Center Outreach Coordinator, Melissa Bentley, making keychains with participants at November's Art of Healing class.

NEW PROGRAMS AT PMC FOR CANCER PATIENTS

ber of new patients being treated by the skilled mas. physicians at the Leonard Lawson Cancer Center, there are new programs being implemented to them. Pikeville service Medical Center (PMC) **Outreach Program Coor**dinator, Melissa Bentley, has implemented programs to help cancer patients with their overall health.

health of cancer patients is The Art of Healing, held the second Tuesday of each month, from 10am to 12pm, at the Leonard Lawson or nasal spray. Cancer Center. The class creates a relaxing escape using creative "Kentucky ranks second in the nation in smoking," said Bentley. "My activities.

patients," said Bentley. "A patient can relax and reduce their stress To learn more about these programs, or to participate, please call using art therapy. This has been shown to help promote healing and Melissa Bentley at 606-218-4843 or 606-213-7065. lessen pain."

For the month of December, an additional Art of Healing class is With the growing num- being added. Cancer patients can visit the Leonard Lawson Cancer Center on December 11th or 18th to decorate ornaments for Christ-

> The smoking cessation program is coming back to PMC, but in a different format. PMC has partnered with the Kentucky Cancer Program to bring their Plan to Be Tobacco Free program to the patients. In this new program, trained navigators representing various specialties will conduct educational sessions for the patient, by physician referral.

> This means that whether a patient comes to PMC for a heart issue, diabetes, cancer care, after stroke therapy, etc., their physician can refer them to the new smoking cessation program, and it's all free.

"The new program provides them with the tools and education necphysical and emotional essary to stop smoking," Bentley explained. "All products are free to the patient, regardless of insurance."

The newest program to benefit the overall mental and emotional The referring physician writes a prescription for nicotine patches and one alternative nicotine product such as lozenges, gum, inhalers

hope is that our success rate of true quitters will grow now that we "Art therapy has been known to have healing affects for cancer are a one-on-one program instead of a weekly group program."

Giving thanks

By Jeff Vanderbeck PUBLISHER

It seems this time of year, we all do a little reflecting and soul searching and think about those things for which we are thankful.

In addition to health, veterans, family and friends, we should be thankful a lot of other things.

I wanted to share some of the items for which I'm thankful:

• I'm thankful that the election is over, but I'm still protesting my taxes owed to the independent school system as I was unable to vote. It seems like my polling station is experiencing the same issues as Broward County, Florida — an inability to count votes and/ or have the right ballots handed out to the voters. At the next meeting I'm going to have my sign that reads "Make my vote count''' just like the protesters in Florida.

• I'm thankful that I'm not a bitter political person. The left hates the right and vise-versa. The left is hurling insults at the president and wonder why he uses Twitter to bash the crap out of them. If they would just understand that calling him names and bashing him only adds fuel to the fire, perhaps they would stop.

The right is always on the defense from the left and trying to deflect the antics of the president while the country seems

near the adolescent behavior from the right as there is from the left now.

• I'm thankful for a free press. I know people do not like everything that we print. Heck, I don't like a lot of what is printed, but it's our responsibility to be fair to both sides and allow people the freedom to express their opinions. We run five newspapers in this region and we set the same standard at each one.

• I'm thankful to our employees and their families. This is a very unique business and we have the most dedicated employees who strive for perfection and to "Be the Best," if you will. Their families suffer because of the crazy hours that are required and they miss a lot of family milestones. I'm grateful for them.

• I'm thankful that I know how to properly merge onto the highway. It's apparently a skill that not too many drivers possess either out of ignorance of lack of courtesy. I would be very thankful if others can practice that skill as well.

• I'm thankful to the readers and our customers. Our readers don't always agree with us, but they keep reading our papers, which are a permanent historical document of each county in which we publish.

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Editorial

P'burg, Wayland lease a move in the right direction

want to lease property from another city knowing that it has to get permission to make improvements, and, if it earns enough money from that property, turn over a portion of the revenue it receives?

Why would that city want to lease that property while also knowing that, in addition to those requirements, it would also be required to turn over any improvements it makes to the other city government?

Because it wants to grow.

deciding When whether to lease about 34 acres of property

Why would a city erty will be sitting vacant and unused.

> He pointed out that the City of Prestonsburg has verbally indicated that it would be willing to consider amending the lease, if a company is willing to invest there.

Fultz called it a "win-win" situation. He pointed out that Prestonsburg protected themselves in adding all of those requirements to the lease, and he said he didn't mind that because, otherwise, Wayland wouldn't have access to property.

There were plenty of reasons for Wayland City Commission members to back out of this in Wayland from the deal, but, eyeing growth and the potential for economic development, they didn't do that.

In voting to approve the lease, Wayland officials are taking a chance that it will benefit both cities economically in the future — and they're taking a chance that Wayland works to improve it, only to have it revert back to Prestonsburg sometime down the road.

Yes, Prestonsburg protected itself by restricting the lease with requirements, certain but you can't blame a city for wanting to protect its investment. requirements Those could, in fact, be costly to Wayland in the future, but the beauty of this agreement is tucked away in the possibility that it works and both cities benefit. The real beauty of it also tucked away in the willingness of both cities to work together like this. Talking about this possibility in July, Fultz emphasized the importance of blurring city and county lines in Eastern Kentucky, given the

current economic struagles all communities in our region face.

He said, "When we can begin to blur county lines and city limits, that's when we'll really see progress in our area and in our region. When we can actually, not just talk about it, but work together to do something, I think that will be our saving grace somewhere down the road."

Yes. Wayland could have easily refused to approve these terms, but desperate times call for desperate measures, and sometimes, if you want to move forward, you've got to think outside of the box.

It's good to see

to be in much better shape.

One of our own columnists uses his occasional space to insult, belittle, bash and ridicule the president and Republicans in general. I think it would be a little more effective if the left would just allow things to pan out and, in two more years, do your best to change the office.

Regardless of who is in office, there will be people who really do not like that person, get over it and move on. Just like when Obama was in office, there was no where

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• I'm also thankful for my ability to serpentine. They keep shooting but keep missin'.

Thanks for reading the Floyd Chronicle and Times.

City of Prestonsburg, Wayland officials took note of those issues things that could have made them change their minds.

In the discussion, Wayland Mayor Jerry Fultz said he's okay with those stipulations because without this \$1 annual lease, the prop-

Under the terms of this agreement, Prestonsburg is essentially giving away access to 34 acres of property in exchange for financial gain, if Wayland develops it into something that earns money.

two Floyd County cities working together like this. We, too, have our fingers crossed. We hope, years from now, both Prestonsburg and Wayland are able to look back and see that this was the right decision because it helped both cities improve the lives of the people they serve.



CHRONICLE OBITUAR

Jr.

Ronnie Lee Johnson, Jr., 23, of Elkhorn City, formerly of Melvin, died Friday, Nov. 16, 2018.

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



Everett Marshall

Everett D. "Daryl" Marshall, 71, of Warsaw, Ind. passed away at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018, at his home. He was born on Feb. 7, 1947, in Manton, Ky. to Ellis and Ada (Click) Marshall.

He grew up in Kentucky, graduated in 1965 from Martin High School in Martin and moved to the Warsaw area in 1965. He was married to Linda "Sue" Watson who survives. He was the former owner / operator of C & M Body Shop and Marshall Body Works both in Warsaw.

He was a former member of the Masonic Lodge in Pierceton.

He is survived by his wife, Sue Marshall; one son, Tony (Darcy) Marshall of Warsaw; four grandchildren and sevgreat-grandchildren; en

Ronnie Lee Johnson mother and step-father, Ada and Kerry Thrasher of Warsaw; one sister, Peggy Marshall of Monroe, Tenn.; one brother, David (Heather) Marshall of Warsaw; two step brothers, Brandon (Paige) Thrasher of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Chad Thrasher of Warsaw; and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

> He was preceded in death by his father.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Friday, Nov. 23, at Owen Family Funeral Home, St. Rd. 13 & CR 500N, North Webster, Ind. Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. on Friday in the funeral home with his brother, David Marshall, officiating. Cremation will take place at Cremation Services of Kosciusko County, 4356 N. St. Rd. 15, Warsaw, Ind. Burial will take place in the Click Family Cemetery in Kentucky at a later date.

Preferred memorials may be given to the Organization for Autism Research, 2000 North 14th Street, Suite 300, Arlington, Va. 22201.

To send condolences to the family, please visit, owenfamilyfuneralhome. com.

This is a paid obituary

Curt Tackett

Curt Tackett, 81, of Beaver, died Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2018.

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

Community Events

P'burg seeks right-of-way easements for sign project

By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

The Prestonsburg City Council moved closer to its goal of reducing the number of signs located at the intersection of Ky. 114 and Ky. 1428 this week.

During a meeting on Nov. 20, the council unanimously approved allowing Mayor Les Stapleton to negotiate a right-of-way easement with the state for a portion of property in that location.

The city highlighted this project in its strategic plan, with a goal of adding a "Welcome to Prestonsburg" sign in that area that is more attractive and includes benches to welcome visitors. Stapleton referred to the area as being "trashy."

"We have been in a battle, I'll take that back. The state has been trying to get the signs out of the intersection there at 114 forever," Stapleton told the council. "During the election, it grew. More and more signs showed up, and honestly, the whole intersection looks trashy, and it looked even worse then. My thoughts are that I go ahead and get a right-of-way. I go ahead and negotiate a right-of-way for the City of Prestonsburg, with the option that we are able to control the signs and stuff so we can eliminate some of that."

The state owns about 1.5 ft. from the edge of a concrete sidewalk to bushes located there, Stapleton said, and Jim Dingess owns property there as well. If Pres- would like to see the tonsburg gets that rightof-way, the city can con- lease agreement. trol signs placed there because it falls within city ordinance requirements, Stapleton said.

The motion was quickly approved, with Stapleton reporting a right-of-way proposal should be addressed at the city's next meeting. A lease agreement would have to be worked out with Dingess, Stapleton also reported as he answered a question about the cost of mowing a cemetery with 21 burial sites.

"What we're waiting on is Fairway to get back with the cost of the sign. What we're doing is, and apparently, I didn't make this clear the last time," Stapleton said when the question was raised. "The state owns about a foot and a half there, anything after that is Jim Dingess', the Dingess family property."

"The big hole?" Council Member Shaq Branham asked.

"The big hole," Stapleton said, explaining that the city needs a right-of-way from the Dingess family because its sign will use a portion of the property.

"So what he says was he will work with both parties, us and Fairway, give them the right-ofways that they need to be able to be able to complete individual sign, give us a right-of-way, a term easement, which would be 20 years, which is as far as we can go. The only thing he asked for in it is that the wording would be something to the effect of, 'without cause, the lease has to keep going.""

He described it as an "ongoing right-of-way."

Branham said he cost associated with that cost) is, but I still want to see the numbers," Branham said.

Stapleton said the value of getting that "intersection cleaned up ... so it's not an eyesore when you come into town, just the aesthetic value" would be worth it.

Branham said he doesn't want future administrations to have to worry about "continuing contracts."

"I understand," Stapleton said. He recommended having city officials review the cemetery to estimate a cost of maintenance there.

During the meeting, the council also:

• Approved payment of \$71,300 in bills.

• Recognized a program at Adams Middle School that encourages students to become entrepreneurs, with Stapleton talking about various businesses students have created as part of that program. Student Joe Crase, who created a delivery business through the program, was also recognized.

• Discussed the city's equine center lease in closed session, citing an open meetings law that permits closed-session discussions of a specific business proposal if open discussions could jeopardize the expansion of the business. The council addressed this lease, currently held by Mountain View Stables of Boyd County, last month and appointed a committee to review the lease and make recommendations. Officials said the recommended changes were presented to the full

after returning to open session, but Branham reported that the lease would be extended for 30 days and the committee would meet with the company after the meeting to go over changes in the lease. Changes to the lease were not disclosed.

Held the first ٠ reading of an ordinance adopting the new statewide building code, which sets fees associated with construction and other types of permits in the city.

• Held the first reading of an ordinance that would require all city council candidates to file their paperwork for candidacy in January. The filing deadline is usually later for nonpartisan races. Two council members, Harry Adams and David Gearheart, filed candidacy papers this year to run for the Floyd County Fiscal Court and, after failing in the primaries, they filed candidacy to run for Prestonsburg City Council. Stapleton said, "Prestonsburg needs to be a priority for anybody that's going to be a public servant for us, and we don't need to be a second choice on a regular basis. I just don't feel, I don't feel we need to be that. If we can't be someone's priority, they don't need to be in the game."

 Approved posting surplus vehicles items the city hopes to sell on a website, govdeals. com. Stapleton said other governments are getting higher bids by selling surplus items on the website, as opposed to selling those item locally.

 Reported that the council during the closed swearing-in ceremony for Center.

•Nov. 23, 7 p.m.: Christmas with Kory Caudi-II & Friends, Mountain Arts Center. macarts.com

•Through Dec. 10: Kentucky State Police Post 9, Pikeville, invites the public to donate nonperishable food items during Cram the Cruiser. Donations may be dropped off at any time at Post 9 or at Food City, 215 Cassidy Blvd., Pikeville, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Dec. 1.

•Through December: Archer Park Christmas light display is open to the public through New Years, beginning at 6 p.m. every evening. The park will offer sleigh rides from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., carnival rides and other events through Dec. 22. Carnival rides, games and food will be available, starting at 5 p.m. throughout the week. Group discounts are available for the rides.

•Nov. 26, 6:30 p.m.: Floyd County Board of Education meets, Betsy Layne Elementary (606) 886-2354

•Nov. 27, 5:30 p.m.: The I Quilt (IQ) group for beginning quilters meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668

•Nov. 27, 11:30 a.m.: Big Sandy Area Development District meets, Big Sandy ADD office. (606) 886-2374.

 Nov. 27, 5 p.m. Tiny Mustang Academy for kids age birth to five, Stumbo Elementary. Free. (606) 587-2212

•Nov. 27, 6 p.m.: Martin City Council meets, city hall.

•Nov. 27; 7 p.m.: Tuesday Night Songwriter's Scene, Lizze B's.

•Nov. 28; 12 p.m.: Floyd County Chamber membership luncheon, Brickhouse.

what we'd be getting with Fairway will be higher than what that (the

session, but representa- new officials in the coun-"I think the value of tives from the company ty will be held on Dec. were not permitted to 31 at the Mountain Arts attend. The council took no votes on the matter

Inmates allegedly tried to sneak meth into Floyd County Jail

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Officials at the Floyd **County Detention Center** have arrested two people for allegedly trying to sneak methamphetamine into the jail this month.

Prestonsburg residents Justin Lewis, 24, and Jamie B. Brewer, 43, were each charged this month with first-degree promoting contraband, first-degree possession what appeared to be of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Shawn Stegall was conducting a walk-through of cells at the jail when an inmate told him that there was meth in another cell.

Deputies conducted strip searches of Lewis and Brewer, court documents say, and found a plastic bag with what appeared to be meth in one of Lewis' body cavities.

Another baggie of meth fell onto the floor as deputies were conducting a strip search of According to court Brewer, the documents

documents, Deputy Jailer allege.

Both men have appeared in court on these charges. District Judge Eric Hall revoked Lewis' probation in another misdemeanor case pending against him and scheduled another court hearing in his case for Dec. 3. He was ordered to stay 1,000 ft. away from another inmate at the jail.

According to court documents, Brewer is being assessed for admission into drug court.

These aren't the only promoting contraband charges that have been

filed by Floyd County Detention Center officials this month.

Richard S. Barker, 36, of Newport, was charged with a misdemeanor count of promoting contraband for allegedly trying to sneak tobacco into the jail after work release.

He pleaded not guilty to that charge and District Judge Jimmy Marcum set a \$500 cash bond in the case.

He's scheduled to appear in court again in February.



'Cram the Cruiser' annual donation drive underway at Post 9, Food City Pikeville

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky State Police is making it easy for local residents to give back this holiday

season.

The KSP Post 9 in Pikeville is collecting donations of nonperishable food items for its "Cram the Cruiser" donation drive, which started Nov. 21 and ends on Dec. 10.

During that time, local residents may take nonperishable food items to Post 9, located at 3499 North Mayo Trail in Pikeville.

The post is also parking one of its cruisers to collect donations at Food City, located at 215 Cassidy Blvd. in Pikeville on Dec. 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All donations will be distributed to local food banks that serve residents in Post 9's service area.

For more information, call, (606) 433-7711.

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illegal drug use is increasing, only that local law enforcement agencies are "very active in pursuing" drug investigations.

"The fact that there may be times where there's more indictments coming is really not an indication that the drug activity's increased because it's always pretty much maxed out and just at epidemic levels at all times," he said. "It's just an indication that whatever agency or agencies working were able to get enough evidence to make charges. But it does indicate that the different agencies out there are very active in pursuing drug investigations."

The batch of indictments released by the Turner's office last week included indictments against three people accused of selling drugs and one person charged with manufacturing an illegal drug, as well as other drug-related charges.

Those accused of illegally selling drugs include Nikki N. Spurlock, 29, of Martin, Jesse L. Hamilton, 32, of Prestonsburg and Keisha L. Robinson, 28, of Prestonsburg.

Spurlock was arrested in July alongside another Martin resident after Kentucky State Police

officials allegedly found a large quantity of drugs in a home in Martin.

According to the arrest citation filed in Floyd County District Court, KSP troopers W. Howard and S. Reed obtained a search warrant for a home on Chestnut Drive in Martin after "encountering a cooperating witness who voluntarily gave a statement" about illegal drug trafficking in the home. The statement included a description of the home, the location of methamphetamine the inside the residence and a report that firearms were inside the home, the citation said.

In the citation, Howard stated that the KSP found 35 grams of a crystal-like substance believed to be methamphetamine in bedroom dresser, as well another bag containing suspected marijuana, various pills, a .32 caliber handgun, ammunition, syringes, smoking pipes and other types of drug paraphernalia. More than \$900 was also found in the home, the citation said.

Spurlock was indicted last week on charges of first-degree trafficking of a controlled substance, trafficking in marijuana, trafficking in a legend drug, possession of drug paraphernalia and for being a second-degree per-

sistent felony offender. The Martin resident who was also arrested alongside her in July, Shawn M. Spurlock,

26, was also indicted last week for first-, second- and third-degree possession of a controlled substance and for allegedly being a second-degree persistent felony offender.

Both of the Prestonsburg residents indicted last week for alleged drug trafficking are also accused of trafficking methamphetamine.

Robinson was indicted on one count of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance for allegedly trafficking more than two grams of methamphetamine in June, as well as tampering with physical evidence, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Hamilton was indicted on first- and third-degree possession of a controlled substance for allegedly trafficking over two grams of methamphetamine and Subozone in June. He was also indicted for possession of drug paraphernalia, public intoxication and for allegedly being persistent felony offender in the first degree.

The grand jury also indicted a Pike County resident for allegedly

manufacturing methamphetamine and a Betsy Layne resident who is accused of trying to sneak meth into to the Floyd County Detention Center.

Tracy Tackett, 48, of Pikeville, was indicted on one count of manufacturing methamphetamine and for various traffic violations-alleged crimes that occurred, the indictment says, on Aug. 26 in Floyd County.

Michael D. Kimmel, 44, of Betsy Layne, was indicted on charges of first-degree possession of a controlled substance, first-degree promoting contraband and for allegedly being a persistent felony offender in the first degree. The indictment alleges that Kimmel attempted to sneak methamphetamine into the Floyd County Detention Center on June 13.

Other drug-related indictments released by Turner's office include:

• Linda Mullins, 54, of Banner: two counts of first-degree possession of a controlled substance

 Jessica McIntosh, 34, of Minnie: first-degree possession of a controlledblakev substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, endangering the welfare of a minor

• Anthony Wallen, 28, of Langley: first-degree possession of a controlled

marijuana, driving under the influence, driving on a suspended licnese, second-degree persistent felony offender • Kelly J. Bryant, 49,

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of Martin: two counts of first-degree possession of a controlled substance, tampering with physical evidence, possession of drug paraphernalia, second-degree persistent felony offender

• Elizabeth Slone, 38, of Dema: first- and second-degree possession of a controlled substance, tampering with physical evidence, possession of drug paraphernalia, no registration plate, failure to maintain insurance, driving on a suspended license, first-degree persistent felony offender

• Randall Miner, 47, of Martin: first- and second-degree possession of a controlled substance, tampering with physical evidence, possession of drug paraphernalia, first-degree persistent felony offender.

• Kathy Mitchell, 45, of Prestonsburg: firstand second-degree possession of a controlled substance, illegal possession of a legend drug, possession of drug paraphernalia

• Brittany Price, 22, of Price: first-degree possession of a controlled substance

with those requirements of the lease.

He said, "But, with

Editor's note: An indictment is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty.

Talking about the possibility that flat land is included in the area leased, Fultz said, "I think it's a win-win to that degree, and if there is someone willing to invest, then the City of Prestonsburg has indicated to me verbally that they would be able to amend, if wanted to amend the lease, that they probably would. So, I guess they're protecting themselves with the lease. This came from their city attorney and so it's written by and for them, but otherwise we have no access to the property." The vote to approve Wayland "attract possible the lease was unanimous.

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in July and it gave its final approval of the lease in October.

"any and all projects and developments prior to construction or inception

to Stapleton about those two issues.

"I talked with the

that being said, and with what Tyler has read to us, I'm okay with that because the property's there and if we can attract somebody to come in, we're going to benefit from it. If the City of Prestonsburg benefits as well, that's okay with me, if we benefit from it. Otherwise, the property's over there. It's their's."

former Glo coal mining site, was obtained by Prestonsburg through its purchase of a portion of the Southern Water and Sewer District last year. Mayor Les Stapleton previously reported that Prestonsburg only uses about an acre of the property near a waste treatment plant Prestonsburg operates, and the rest of the property is not used.

The Prestonsburg City Council gave Stapleton the authority to start negotiating the lease agreement with Wayland

Under the terms of the agreement, Wayland may "occupy and use" the property "for the benefit of economically based projects," paying Prestonsburg \$1 annuprofits through the lease that exceeds \$75,000, it agrees to pay Prestonsburg two percent of that revenue.

Wayland from re-subleasing the property without approval from Prestonsburg and requires Wayland to obtain prior written consent from Prestonsburg for

of any project."

Under the lease, Wayland must maintain a \$1 million insurance policy on the property. Last week, Wayland Mayor Jerry Fultz told commisally. If Wayland earns sion members that the property may be covered under the city's current insurance policy.

Wayland City Attorney Tyler Green pointed The lease prevents out that potential financial requirement and he also noted that the lease requires Wayland to turn over any improvements made on the property to Prestonsburg.

Fultz said he talked

mayor last week and pointed out those two things that Tyler just touched on, and he said that, obviously, before we can do anything with the property, we have to get their approval," Fultz told the commission. "Even a grant, if we should apply for a grant, we would actually be the sub-recipient and, as the property owner, the City of Prestonsburg would be the actual applicant. The moneys would have to flow through them to come to us because they own the property."

Fultz said he agrees

He said the lease is only a one-year term and that it can be canceled with a 30-day notice. He also pointed out that Prestonsburg will help uses" for the property.



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less fortunate kidz and communities by providing opportunities, encouragement and support," its website says. It has awarded four automotive technician scholarships to students attending Big Sandy Community & Technical College since it was founded in 2016 and, this year, it also partnered with others to launch an arts festival and host art workshops for kids.

Rose praised community members who are volunteering with these groups to help children, explaining that the foundation is fulfilling goals her husband had in life.

"I feel so blessed to be able to facilitate this," Rose said. "Each one of these groups, especially Shop with a Cop, anything dealing with kids, those are the groups, not just during the holidays, but all year long, that Kent worried about. To be able to support groups that support kids, it means everything, and to know that we have the support to do it, that's the best thing. People understand what our goals are and what our mission is."

Advisory board members Brian Patton and Heath Chaffins said the foundation's namesake would be proud to see how it has grown.

"It means a lot to me because, you know, we are carrying on what he was doing over the last several years," Patton said. "He started just giving away to these needy kids, and he was just doing it on his own. It was something me and him come together on. We butted heads a lot, me and him did, we argued a lot, but when it come down to the kids, and giving to kids, that's when me and him would come together. We loved it. That's why I do it and that's why I wanted to carry it on in his memory." He gave away 1,000 Hot Wheels cars during the Jenny Wiley Festival Parade in honor of Kent Rose and said he worked with some of his friends to buy Christmas presents for five kids in need last year.

pressed gratitude during the event.

"I just want to say thank you for participating and helping us with giving back to the community," said Koen Reeves, one of three Duff-Allen Central Elementary students who volunteer with the Essentials for Santa program.

program, The launched by DACE student Todd Prater several years ago, has grown into a partnership with Dumas Rescue and now includes the volunteer support of Reeves and two other DACE students, Brylie Pennington and Alexa Morris.

"It originally started out as a Cub Scout project, but once I saw the need for what we were doing and, like, how much it impacted people, like, it really put an impact on me and I thought, like, I see why I'm doing this now," Prater said. "I just decided to continue to do it because I love helping people and it just, it struck me to see how many kids are out there that don't have this stuff and need this stuff."

In partnership with Dumas Rescue, Essentials for Santa helped 289 kids last year. Tonya Conn of Dumas Rescue said they hope to help more children this Christmas. Through the program, kids in need receive blankets, socks, pillows, personal hygiene items, clothes, toys and nonperishable food items. Conn said the need is great.

"The economic decline here is monumental and the need is great," she said. "Every day, we're asked to add more children in and, usually, when our roster is full we get another request. We want to be able to give everybody an equal amount of things, so

partment and other supporters for helping the department host Shop with a Cop, which will be held Dec. 15.

"We're blessed to have people like this that's in and around our area that just makes this thing possible," Conn said. "It's the people that makes it go. Without them, we can't make it work. A lot of times, we get a lot of the publicity on it, but it's really not just us. It's the people."

He said the department needs about \$20,000 in donations for Shop with a Cop, which provides Christmas gifts, food and a day of activities for students. This year, the department is still below its fundraising goal, Conn said.

Conn said the department helped nine children during its first year 20 years ago, and it has since grown to include an average of 45 kids annually. This year, 60 kids are signed up, Conn said, and he expects that number to grow.

"It's such a blessing," Conn said. "We always try to make sure their needs are met before they ever go shopping, for the simple reason that we found out that most of these kids wanted to buy something for their mom and dad first, or they wanted to buy something for their brothers and sisters first, before they ever bought for themselves."

The CASA program is also using funds it received to help kids this Christmas.

Shawna Blair, CASA program director, said that agency will use the donation it was given to buy Christmas presents for children in two families that are being assisted through CASA.

The program works



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

After presenting a \$500 donation, Kent Rose Foundation founder Gina Rose fistbumps Todd Prater, the Duff-Allen Central student who launched the nonprofit Essentials for Santa, with help from Dumas Rescue, several years ago. DACE students Alexa Morris Brylie Pennington, and Koen Reeves, who also volunteer, are pictured, left to right.



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Kent Rose Foundation founder Gina Rose, pictured right, started the foundation after the death of her husband in 2016. Also pictured are Staffordsville Freewill Baptist Church Pastor Jim Price and foundation advisory board member Brandon Patton of the Sign Guys.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Kent Rose Foundation representatives Heath Chaffins, left, and Brandon Patton, right, and present a \$500 donation to Prestonsburg Police Department Assistant Chief Mike Conn, center, for Shop with a Cop.

tion will help that orga- Baptist Church. "That's need help. Pastor Jim nization provide more our goal is to meet the Price said the organizashoes, socks and other needs of as many kids as tion has given away more items to kids in need this year. The church partners with other churches, agencies and businesses for the Hands and Feet Ministry. "It will help us to be able to up our numbers to be able to buy more shoes for the children," said Bernice Cunagin of the Staffordsville Freewill

Chaffins said Kent Rose "had a really big heart."

"He always said he did it for the kidz, with a z, and we had a great time together," he said. "I hope the Kent Rose Foundation continues to accomplish more."

The recipients of donations these ex-

when our roster's full, it's hard to turn them away."

Donations are being collected through Dec. 14 for Essentials for Santa at donation boxes located at the Dollar Store in Eastern, the county library branch at Eastern and Howard Family Pharmacy.

DACE is also challenging other students to donate, as the homeroom that collects the most donations will receive a pizza party this year.

"It's kind of fun to be giving back," Pennington said. "It makes everyone feel good, including me." Mike Conn, assistant

chief of the Prestonsburg Police Department, also praised the Kent Rose Foundation, the Prestonsburg Fire De-

with family courts to ensure that children are in suitable living conditions. It recruits volunteers who get to know the families involved and report their findings and recommendations to the court.

"We are nonprofit, so we rely on community donations, a lot of grants, either federal grants or state grants," Blair said. "The Kent Rose Foundation giving us this money not only allows us to serve the kids in our community, but it also allows us to establish a partnership with other community partners as well."

Officials with the Staffordsville First Baptist Church, who volunteer for the Hands and Feet Ministry, said this dona-



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Kent Rose Foundation representatives present a \$500 donation to Shawna Blair, the program director for the Court Appointed Special Advocates program at Judi's Place.

possible. The more funding, the more children we can help."

The nonprofit offers two distributions annually, working with Family Resource Youth Service Centers at schools in the Johnson County and Paintsville Independent school districts to determine which students

than 1,100 pairs of shoes in the past two years.

Donations to that organization may be sent to the Staffordsville First Baptist Church.

For more information, about the Kent Rose Foundation and the services it provides, visit, kentrosefoundation.com.



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Hubble space exhibit to return to East Kentucky Science Center

By Mary Meadows STAFF WRITER

Local residents will have another opportunity to learn about the country's exploration of space.

East Kentucky Science Center Director Steve Russo reported this week that the center will once again host the NASA Hubble Traveling exhibit.

The science center, located on the campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College, hosted the exhibit for the first time in 2017, and Russo said NASA officials will bring it back to Prestonsburg in March.

He said 10,000 people came to the center to view it during its debut there, and he hopes to attract more visitors when it returns to the campus from March through May.

Russo said the exhibit is being brought to Prestonsburg because another venue that was scheduled to host it had canceled, and NASA reached out to ask if they could bring it back to Prestonsburg.

comments that the folks that NASA had last time, I think the reason that it's coming in here is that they saw how much the community appreciated it," Russo told the Prestonsburg City Council this week. "They also said that in the 20 years that they've been setting this exhibit up all over the United States, the best help and the best hospitality they ever had was from Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and I think that's why they decided to give this to us again even before we ever thought we'd have it back again."

"I'll tell you from the

He thanked community members for "welcoming the folks at NASA."

The 2,200 sq. ft. exhibit features a scale model of the Hubble Space Telescope, which was launched into space by NASA in 1990 and has provided numerous images of the universe. One of the most iconic photographs taken was "Pillars of Creation" of 1995, which revealed never-before-seen details

of three giant columns of cold gas highlighted by ultraviolet light from a cluster of young stars in what's called the Eagle Nebula.

In previous interviews, Russo talked about all of the data the Hubble has provided about space, and he referred to those photographs as "artwork."

Visitors tour the NASA Hubble Traveling exhibit at the East Kentucky Science Center in January 2017.

The exhibit is divided into several sections, each highlighting a different aspect of the Hubble Space Telescope.

It also features a section on the creation and development of the James Webb Telescope.

Visitors will learn about Hubble's contributions to the exploration of planets, stars, galaxies and the universe and see photos the Hubble has taken of stars, planets, galaxies, black holes and visit the East Kentucky other cosmic entities. They will also learn about instruments aboard the

telescope, as well as how astronauts repaired and serviced it in space.

Tools used during the repair missions will also be on display.

For more information, Science Center on Facebook.

South Floyd students learn about engineering





SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

South Floyd Elementary School students have been learning about engineering recently as part of the district's emphasis on Next Generation Science Standards.

Seventh grade students in Karen Miles classes have been focusing on engineering in the classroom. Students define the criteria and constraints of the engineering problem and work as a team to solve it.

In a recent unit, "How Environmental Factors Influence Organisms," students have

pollution plays on organisms. They designed a plan and built water filters with the goal of "making the cleanest, quickest and most cost efficient filters," a press release from the district said.

been discussing the role

Students also participated in two engineering challenges, the district reported, one in which they built a water craft "using limited materials" that could float 25 marbles, and another in which they were challenged to save "Fred," a gummy worm that fell off a capsized boat, without using their hands.

"Engaging students

in critical thinking and problem-solving opportunities brings life to the classroom and fosters 21st century thinking among our students," Miles said in the press release.



Submitted photos Seventh grade students at South Floyd Elementary use engineering skills in classroom projects.









The final section of frontage road is expected to open in Salyersville soon.

Final section of frontage road to open in Salyersville

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD **CHRONICLE AND TIMES**

Officials report that "a construction milestone" is nearing completion on the Mountain Parkway as crews on Salyersville's Restaurant Row aim to finish work on the final remaining section of the frontage road, and open it in the coming weeks.

While the two adjacent sections of the frontage road were completed earlier this year, the remaining section will receive a final layer of asphalt before it will open to traffic.

"The project team has been working towards the completion of the frontage and backage roads since work began on Restaurant Row," said Marshall Carrier, the Kentucky Transportation backage roads from sev-

Cabinet's project manager for the Mountain Parkway expansion. "It's great to see the pieces of the larger project all coming together, and to know that these frontage and backage roads will make a tremendous difference for the flow of traffic to and from local businesses and for drivers on the Parkway."

Once the final section of the frontage road is open and operational, all remaining access points to businesses on Restaurant Row will transition completely over to the new backage and frontage roads; previous access points directly from the Parkway will be closed off permanently. Drivers wanting to access businesses will be able to enter the frontage and

eral intersections located throughout Restaurant Row, while traffic moving along the Mountain Parkway will remain on the mainline drive.

"The frontage and backage roads are designed to increase safety on the Parkway, and to improve the flow of traffic between vehicles driving on the parkway, and vehicles turning to access businesses," said Carrier. "By creating fewer, more controlled access points to businesses off the road, the project is significantly decreasing the opportunities for potentially dangerous traffic conflicts and crashes. This progress brings us one step closer to our end goal of creating a safer environment for drivers on the Parkway."

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KSP: Shots fired during domestic dispute

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Prestonsburg resident is facing several felony charges after an alleged domestic dispute this month.

Kentucky State Police trooper Matt Martin filed an arrest warrant last week against Eric R. Howard, 32, of Prestonsburg, after a domestic dispute that allegedly occurred on Nov. 12. The warrant alleges that a Howard was involved in a dispute with a female victim and he threatened to kill her.

used the words 'Domestic Violence' again he would kill her," the arrest warrant says. "The victim did not respond and put her head down. At that time Eric Howard shot the gun beside the victim's head."

Victim and told her if she sault and third-degree terroristic threatening.

> He pleaded not guilty during a Nov. 13 hearing in Floyd District Court. District Judge Jimmy Marcum scheduled a preliminary hearing to be held in the case this week.

> > Pikeville

"Once inside the restroom the subject pointed a 9mm rifle at the

Martin claims in the document that the bullet went through the shower wall and the outer wall of the residence. He also claims that Howard hit the female and a child who was in the home at the time.

Howard was charged with two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment, endangering the welfare of a minor, fourth-degree as-

Sheriff department recovers stolen car

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department recovered a 2004 Chevy Trailblazer that was allegedly stolen this month.

According to documents filed in Floyd District Court by Floyd County Sheriff's Department Sgt. Kevin Shepherd, the vehicle was recovered in a garage at a home on Hale Road near Frank Arnett Drive in Prestonsburg earlier this month.

Shepherd arrested Gregory Shepherd, 39, and James P. Allen, 55, following an investigation into the alleged theft of the vehicle.

Sgt. Shepherd reported in the citation that he got permission to search the garage from Gregory Shepherd, and that Gregory Shepherd told him

Allen "came home that morning and asked him to put the White Chevy Trailblazer in his garage."

"Greg told me that he got in the vehicle and pulled in his garage," the citation says.

Sgt. Shepherd also found a bag of tools that could be used for "unlawfully entering property," the documents say.

Gregory Shepherd was charged with felony counts of receiving stole property \$10,000 or more, and possession of burglary tools. Allen was charged with receiving stolen property \$10,000 or more.

Both men entered not guilty pleas during their arraignments last week. They are expected to return to court this week for preliminary hearings in the cases.



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Boys' 58th District basketball preview

By Steve LeMaster Sports Writer

Floyd Central is poised to compete in its second season after capturing the 58th District boys' basketball title during its debut campaign. The Jaguars, under the direction of head coach Kevin Spurlock, ranked among the 15th Region's top boys' basketball teams throughout the 2017/2018 season.

A look at each of the four 58th District boys' basketball teams follows.

Floyd Central: Reigning 58th District champion Floyd Central returns senior power forward Brady Conn (6 foot 5). One of the top boys' high school basketball players in Eastern Kentucky, Conn scored his 1,000th point during the 2017/2018 season. The productive Conn is 39 caroms away from reaching 1,000 rebounds for his high school career.

As a junior, Conn averaged 14.4 points and 9.2 rebounds per game for the Jaguars.

In addition to Conn, Floyd Central returns junior guards Ethan Smith-Mills (6 foot 2) and Dalton Boyd (5 foot 10).

Smith-Mills, fresh off a solid football season, is among the 15th Region's most underrated boys' basketball players.

A versatile performer, Boyd can play either guard position. Due to an injury, Boyd was limited during the 2017/2018 season. Other returning players for the Jaguars are Grant Blackburn (6 foot 7, Jr., C), Payton Tackett (6 foot 5, Jr., F), Markus Thacker (6 foot 1, Jr., PG), Brady Jones (6 foot 2, Jr., F/C), Hayden Hall (6 foot 2, Jr., G/F), Skyler Hall (5 foot 10, So., G) and Dalton Younce (5 foot10, So., G). Newcomers for Floyd Central are Brandon Little (6 foot 5, Jr., F/C), Kobe Brown (5 foot 10, Sr., PG), Jacob Hamilton (6 foot, Sr., G) and Sebastian Tackett (6 foot 2, Sr., F).



Floyd Central senior Brady Conn boxes out against Betsy Layne in action last season. Conn is back to lead the Floyd Central boys' basketball team in the 2018/2019 season.



The Jaguars will host a holiday tournament in December.

Floyd Central fell to Paintsville in the opening round of the 2017/2018 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament.

The Jaguars are slated to tip off the 2018/2019 season at home against Magoffin County on Tuesday, Nov. 27.

Prestonsburg: Brent Rose is set to guide Prestonsburg as its head coach. Rose, who guided Betsy Layne as its head coach in a previous coaching stint, replaced former head coach Brandon Gearheart on the

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Floyd Chronicle and Times file photo by Steve LeMaster

Prestonsburg's Graham Burchett battles with Betsy Layne's Byron Hammond for a rebound during the 2017/2018 boys' high school basketball season. Burchett is among the leaders back on the court for the Blackcats.

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Senior Grant Orsborn is due to return to the court in late-December. Orsborn suffered a torn ACL over the summer.

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Blackcat bench.

Prestonsburg finished runner-up to Floyd Central in the 58th District last season.

Returning starters for the Blackcats are juniors

Adam Slone (10 ppg) and Graham Burchett (8 ppg) and sophomore Grant Justice (5 ppg, 6 apg).

Senior Blake Slone gives Prestonsburg a strong presence inside. Another senior, Josh Hall, transferred from Betsy Layne and is a solid shooter for the Blackcats. Sophomore Will Gullett and senior Andrew Hale (6-4) are additional key contributors for 58th District member Prestonsburg.

After finishing runner-up to Floyd Central in the 58th District, Prestonsburg fell to perennial 15th Region title contender Johnson Central in the first round of the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament last season.

Prestonsburg will continue to host its annual holiday tournament in December.

The Blackcats are scheduled to visit Pike Central for a season opener on Tuesday, Nov. 27.

Betsy Layne: Brad Short is on the Betsy Layne bench after replacing Gary Keathley as the Bobcats' head coach.

Short spent six seasons as head coach of the Allen Central boys' basketball team. His ten-

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ure as head coach of the Rebels ended when Allen Central and South Floyd high schools consolidated to form Floyd Central High School.

Grant Orsborn, Nate Mims and Zack Bentley lead an experienced group of Betsy Layne seniors. Orsborn tore his ACL over the summer but is expected to be back in late-December.

Sophomore Jordan Frazier is the top underclassman back for the Bobcats. Frazier helped to lead Betsy Layne throughout the 2017/2018 season.

Sophomores Davey Bentley and Shawn Howell as well as freshmen Chase Mims, Brady Robinson and Luke Manns will contribute for the Bobcats. Mims concluded his freshman football season as the Betsy Layne football team's starting quarterback in October. Betsy Layne lost to Prestonsburg in the opening round of the 2017/2018 58th District Boys' Basketball Tournament. Shortly after the season-ending loss, Keathley announced his resignation as the Bobcats' head coach. Betsy Layne is slated to visit Jenkins for a season opener on Tuesday, Nov. 27.

Lawrence Coun-

ty: A former champion, Lawrence County was the youngest team in the 15th Region during the 2017/2018 season. As a first year member of the 58th District, Lawrence County fell short in a bid to return to the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament.

Junior Tyler Maynard and freshman Cody Maynard are set to lead the Bulldogs. The Maynards combined to average 30plus points per game for the Bulldogs during the 2017-18 season.

Along with the Maynards, senior Noah Fairchild and junior Chase Sartin are among the other accomplished players back for the Bulldogs. The Bulldogs, under the tutelage of head coach Travis York, showed much improvement in the offseason. With York at the helm of the program, Lawrence County captured its first 15th Region title in 2016. Lawrence County is scheduled to host East Carter in a season opener on Tuesday, Nov. 27.



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Class A semifinals Raceland at Pikeville

BY RANDY WHITE REGIONAL SPORTS EDITOR

Who: Raceland (11-2) at Pikeville (10-2) Kickoff: Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Location: Hillard Howard Field, Pikeville.

Coaches: Raceland, Michael Salmons. Pikeville, Chris McNamee.

Notes: Raceland knocked off Paintsville 14-7 last week in the Class A Region 3 championship, while Pikeville cruised to a 57-16 win over Williamsburg in the Class A Region 4 championship.

Rams will square off in the Class A semifinals for the second straight season.

picked up a 17-14 win over Pikeville.

That loss has fueled Pikeville all season.

hoping that they'd get a shot at revenge.

gets its shot.

This season, Raceland's two losses came against Ashland Blazer and Paintsville.

The Rams avenged their regular season loss to Paintsville last week.

Raceland had 229 yards of total offense against Paintsville.

In last year's game between Pikeville and Raceland, it all came down to a field goal.

With only three sec-

backer Conner Wright came up with an interception to give the Panthers the ball back on Racleand's 18-yard line.

Penalties backed Pikeville up all the way to midfield, though and the Panthers had to punt.

Penalites played a big part in the game. The Panthers were penalized nine times, while Raceland wasn't penalized at all during the game.

Pikeville held a 6-0 halftime lead.

On Raceland's opening possession of the second half, Judd Adkins The Panthers and the scored to give the Rams a 7-6 lead after Lemaster made the extra-point.

Pikeville responded on its next possession. Last year, Raceland Zack Roberts scored on a two-yard TD run with 3:53 left in the third. Connor Roberts ran the two-point conversion in The Panthers were to give Pikeville the 14-7 lead

The Rams answered Friday night, Pikeville on their next possession. Judd Adkins scored on a five-yard TD run with 1:02 left in the third. That tied the game up at 14-14.

> The two teams exchanged punts, until Raceland took over with just over five minutes left in the game. Pikeville wouldn't get the ball back as the Rams ran the clock all the way down and ended the game with Lemaster's 37-yard field goal.



Pikeville's Connor Roberts runs with the ball against Williamsburg last Friday in the Class A Region 4 championship. The Panthers cruised to a 57-16 win over the Yellow Jackets. Pikeville will host Raceland at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Class A state semifinals.

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onds left on the clock, Raceland kicker Luke Lemaster put an end to the game and Pikeville's season as he made a 37-yard field goal as time expired to give the Rams a 17-14 win in the Class A state semifinals.

The Panthers got going early. Connor Roberts found Christian Billiter on a 60-yard TD screen pass with 7:29 left in the first quarter. The Panthers couldn't convert the exlead.

Pikeville drove the ball down the field late in the first quarter, but turned the ball over on downs on the Raceland 16-yard line.

Connor Roberts had a big game for Pikeville. The signal caller finished 11 of 19 for 154 yards and a TD passing, while he added 23 yards rushing.

Zack Roberts led Pikeville's running attack with a team-high 135 yards and a TD.

Those wouldn't be the only points Pikeville left off the scoreboard.

On Raceland's possession, Pikeville line-

The Panthers remember that.

That's fueled them all season and Friday night. Pikeville gets its chance at revenge.

Who 2 Watch: Pikeville's defense.

Last season, the defense only gave up 17 points.

If the Panthers can do that again this season, the offense is much more explosive.

Connor Wright had tra-point and held a 6-0 an interception last year. Wright has put together a solid season at linebacker and fellow linebacker Jon Collum has had a big season. Kyle Watkins makes some big hits for the Panthers as well.

> Chrisitian Billiter is an interception machine and Jackson Hensley and Seth Pugh add speed to the secondary.

Jesse Sparks and Bradyn Hunter are two staples on the defensive line.

The Panthers get to the ball quickly.

If Pikeville can limit Raceland offensively, look for the Panthers to have a good shot at making a trip to Kroger Field.

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GENERAL FICTION Life After By Katie Ganshert Giving thanks

n the United States, we celebrate Thanksgiving every year on the fourth Thursday of November, and it is good to do so. But if the official holiday is the only time we are making a conscious effort to be thankful, then we are clearly deficient in giving thanks. Saint Paul advises us to "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

(Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV) Being in constant communion with God by praying at all times and giving thanks in all circumstances may seem impossible, but perhaps it isn't as difficult as it might seem. Paul's advice to the Thessalonians quoted above is in the context of telling them to appreciate the hard work of those around them and admonishing them not to be idle or disruptive. Paul knows that we all have (or should have) work to



do, but that doesn't mean that we can't be praying and giving thanks in the empty gaps in our day. The internal monologue that all of us carry on throughout the day can often be filled with grumbling and rancor, whereas Paul's advice suggests that we transform our grumbling into thanksgiving. The irritating boss or co-worker gives us a chance to develop patience. The trials and tribulations of our life help us to develop wisdom and character. Give thanks at Thanksgiving but be determined to carry it over into the rest of the year. Being thankful at all times is perhaps the quickest and most direct route to a happy and blessed life. - Christopher Simon

> "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever." -1 Chronicles 16:34 NIV

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) – Someone will use emotional tactics to take advantage of your good nature. Don't be gullible or allow yourself to be taken for granted. Personal change is encouraged.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) – Don't get down about the things you cannot change. Focus on what you can do and give it your all. Don't wait for someone else to initiate change and disrupt your plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) – A positive change to how you earn your money will develop. Talk over new possibilities with a loved one. Altering where or how you live will result in benefits.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) – Take a moment to adjust to emotional matters that are out of control. Anger won't solve problems, but common sense and patience will help you deal with the situation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) – Go over your investments or expenditures in detail to find a way to make your money work for you. A contract can and should be negotiated.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) – You'll learn something worthwhile through observation. Someone with experience will make an impression on you. Don't get involved in a joint venture. Emotional manipulation and ulterior motives are apparent.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) – False pretenses will lead you down a slippery slope. Avoid working hard for someone else's bene-



fit. Pour your energy into your ideas and reap the rewards for your efforts.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) – Don't feel you must make changes or offer your help, skills or services just because someone else does. Do your own thing and be open to starting a creative endeavor.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) – Make time for friends and family. A social event will encourage you to make a positive change in your lifestyle. Romance is highlighted.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) – Emotional differences will surface if you or someone else isn't honest about feelings and motivations. Be careful whom you confide in. Meddling will pose a problem.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) – Communication will help resolve an issue that has been hanging over your head. Say what's on your mind and offer solutions that are beneficial to everyone involved. Personal improvements can be made.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) – You won't be surprised by others' actions if you check the facts and use your intuition to figure out if someone is being legitimate with you. Trust has to be earned.

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