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Tax man pleads guilty to snooping

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

COVINGTON — A former Internal Revenue Service employee pleaded guilty Monday on a misdemeanor charge that he exceeded unauthorized computer access to obtain information on 200 celebrities.

In a criminal complaint filed against John Snyder, 56, of Covington, it was alleged that between 2003 and 2008 Snyder had improperly accessed the IRS accounts of sports figures such as Cincinnati Bengals Coach Marvin Lewis and Hollywood actors such as Kevin Bacon, Alec Baldwin, Sally Field, Chevy Chase, Randy Quaid and Tara Reid. Snyder reportedly also accessed five pedestrian accounts, including his next-door neighbors.

The IRS possess personnel and sensitive tax information on all tax payers. IRS employees are permitted only to access information for business purposes.

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Board declares old school as surplus

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Board of Education tackled a lengthy agenda with relative ease during its regular meeting, held at Prestonsburg Elementary School on Monday.

One of the items voted on by the board involved the old Prestonsburg Elementary School, which was the subject of some debate in recent months between the city and the board of education over who actually owned the property. It was decided by the courts that the Floyd County Board of

Education had ownership of the school and the land, and the board voted to declare it as surplus and secure appraisals of the property. There were no objections to the motion.

According to assistant superintendent Pete Grigsby Jr., the board is considering multiple options for the old school site, including possibly moving some of the district's offices to the area. Other organizations have expressed interest in using the site as well.

Also at the meeting, Brent Rose, the newly-hired principal at Prestonsburg Elementary, addressed the board for the

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Newly appointed Prestonsburg Elementary Principal Brent Rose addressed the Floyd County Board of Education during a meeting on Monday. Rose talked about his plans as principal and updated the board on the achievements of the students and staff at the school.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

MORE CONSTRUCTION



photo by Jack Latta

City utilities crews were up to their old tricks again on Monday as they shut down the intersection of Court Street and Arnold Avenue to reconnect a pipe. Utilities officials say the work at that intersection is now completed, and they should be blacktopping the site soon.

Relay moves to Archer Park

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The fight against cancer is ongoing, and residents of Floyd County are gearing up and getting ready to march into battle once again. The Floyd County Relay For Life is scheduled to be at 7 p.m. at Archer Park in Prestonsburg on Friday.

According to Teresa McCoart, public relations chair for this year's Relay For Life, the decision was made to move the relay from the campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College in order to ensure that the teams are closer together.

"The track at the college was a little too large," McCoart said. "We have 23 teams this year, and the smaller track will keep them closer together."

The event brought in \$83,095 last year for the American Cancer Society, and McCoart said the goal for this year's event is \$100,000. The money is used for cancer research and treatment.

Refreshments and games will also be available, and a special survivors' reception is scheduled before the Relay For Life begins.

"We are also having a survivors' reception starting at 6 p.m.," McCoart said. "Any cancer survivor is welcome to attend. One of the special things during the event that is really emotional is when the survivors are honored and presented with a medallion. Then they do the first lap."

At 10 p.m., the luminaria will begin, and candles can be purchased for \$5 in order to honor those who have survived and those who have died from cancer. The names of the survivors and those who have lost their lives to the disease will be read aloud. The candles will line the track and burn throughout the night.

For more information on the American Cancer Society and the Relay For Life, visit <http://www.relayforlife.org>.

Scam lures victims with bad news

by JACK LATTA
STAFF WRITER

A tried and true phone scam which has been making news for several years has now reportedly made its way into Eastern Kentucky, targeting local residents in the 606 area code.

Thelma Carter, of Floyd County, recently received a call from a man claiming to be a police officer with bad news — two of Carter's family members had died in a traffic acci-

dent. The officer said he needed to put Carter in touch with a detective handling the accident, and she need only dial *72 followed by a number.

Carter was actually being duped into what phone companies call an "ingenious" phone scam.

According to the Department of Justice, the *72 phone scam is carried out when a stranger posing in some official capacity tells the person that he has some form of problem, or there is an issue, that requires the person to dial *72 followed by a

number. According to DOJ, "When the customer dials *72 followed by a telephone number, it activates the call forwarding feature, causing all your incoming calls to ring at another number. At the end of the other line — whether calls have been forwarded to a landline, a cell phone or a pay phone — the original caller's partner-in-crime is able to accept all collect and third-party calls, while

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Democratic Senate candidate pumps gas in E. Ky.

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JACKSON — Gas prices remained a prominent backdrop to Kentucky's U.S. Senate race Monday, as Democrat Bruce Lunsford pumped fuel while his first ad of the fall campaign countered a hard-hitting commercial by Republican Sen. Mitch McConnell linking him to higher fuel taxes.

Lunsford, a wealthy Louisville businessman, manned the self-serve pumps at a filling station in this eastern Kentucky city in hopes of tapping into

voter frustration with high fuel prices. Wanda Hudson pulled up in her older Toyota car and asked Lunsford to pump a mere \$2 of gas, enough to get her to the doctor. Hudson, who relies on Social Security checks, said she sometimes has to choose between gas or medicine as fuel prices have skyrocketed.

"It's hit me hard," she said. In the early stages of their campaign, McConnell and Lunsford have linked each other to rising gas prices. Lunsford claims the four-term Republican incumbent has sided with

oil companies, while McConnell has run a TV ad claiming his challenger had a hand years ago in helping pass a state law that has led to periodic increases in the state fuel tax.

The tax rose 1.5 cents per gallon this month under the formula in the law. Lunsford was a key aide to former Gov. John Y. Brown when the law was passed.

"I am sure that visitors to the pumps will appreciate the opportunity to thank Bruce in person for raising their gas tax," McConnell campaign chairman Justin Brasell said Monday.

A handful of protesters waved signs linking Lunsford to the higher tax during part of the Democratic challenger's appearance at the Appalachian filling station. It was part of Lunsford's "On the Job" tour of Kentucky. At several stops, he has pumped gas.

Lunsford debuted a commercial late last week that points to newspaper editorials lambasting McConnell's ad. Lunsford's counter ad also says McConnell has received huge campaign contributions from oil companies

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Obituaries

Larry V. Bentley

Larry V. Bentley, age 64, of Farmers, formerly of Garrett, died Friday, July 25, 2008, in the Veterans Administration Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia.

He was born March 1, 1944, in Garrett, a son of the late Edd and Thelma Blanton Bentley. He was a retired coal miner, and an Army veteran.

Survivors include a son, Bryon Bentley, of Farmers; two daughters: Zelana Bentley of Cleveland, Ohio; and Susanne Freeman of East Point; two brothers: Jack Bentley of Laurelville, Ohio; and Ronnie Bentley of Chesapeake, Virginia; a sister, Drusilla Jean Mayo of Chesapeake, Virginia; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services for Larry V. Bentley were conducted Tuesday, July 29, at 1 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Bill Campbell officiating.

Burial was in the Bentley Family Cemetery, in Garrett, with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Martha O. Chafin

Martha O. Chafin, age 84, of Martin, widow of David E. Chafin, passed away Monday, July 28, 2008, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

She was born November 20, 1923, in Hi Hat, the daughter of the late Milton Osborne and Rosa Hatfield Osborne. She was a former employee of Our Lady of The Way Hospital, and a member of Martin First

Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons: James E. Chafin of Martin; David M. Chafin of Prestonsburg; and John T. Chafin of River; three daughters: Janice Hall of St. Louis, Missouri; Rosa Lee Hall of Pippa Passes; and Virginia Ann Manuel of Martin; a brother, Edgel Osborne of McDowell; two sisters: Kathleen Calhoun and Decles Adkins, both of Ft. Wayne, Indiana; 14 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Eddie Chafin.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, July 31, at 11:00 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Russ Taylor officiating.

Burial will follow in the Newman Cemetery, in Hi Hat, with the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Glenna Levon H. Childers

Glenna Levon H. Childers, age 57, of Banner, passed away Sunday, July 27, 2008, at her residence.

She was born July 17, 1951 at Paintsville, the daughter of the late Earl and Angie Hunt Hall.

She was a retired school teacher and principal in the Floyd County School System; and a member of the Allen Baptist Church.

She is survived by an uncle, Arco (Hattie) Hunt of Prestonsburg; and an aunt, Laura Lewis of Bellevue, Ohio; a niece, Brittany (Jeremy) Johnson; a great-niece, Layla Johnson; and numerous other family members and friends.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, July 30, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Arnold Turner Jr., officiating.

Burial will be in the Jones Cemetery at Allen, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Maxine Stumbo Dye

Maxine Stumbo Dye, age 65, of Frankfort, formerly of Hi Hat, widow of Tilton Dye, passed away Tuesday, July 29, 2008, at Hospice Care Center, in Lexington.

She was born June 8, 1943, in Gearheart, the daughter of James "Bud" Stumbo of Hi Hat, and the late Violet Tuttle Stumbo.

Survivors include two daughters: Shelly Stivers of Frankfort; and Angela Spurlock of Manchester; two brothers: Herman C. Stumbo of Fairborn, Ohio; and Vernon "Pete" Stumbo of Vincennes, Indiana; a sister, Zannie Cramer of Shiloh, Ohio; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services for Maxine Stumbo Dye will be conducted Friday, August 1, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Elders Kevin Spurlock and Barry Spurlock officiating.

Burial will follow in the

Little Cemetery, in Hi Hat, with the Hall Funeral Home, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is after 5:00, Wednesday, at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Alma Kathrin Salisbury Sammons

Alma Kathrin Salisbury Sammons, 88, Printer, widow of Warren G. "Warnie" Sammons, passed away Friday, July 25, 2008, at her residence.

She was born January 26, 1920, in Printer, the daughter of Bill Bryan Salisbury and Virgie Lee Martin Salisbury.

Survivors include a son, Bill Lewis Sammons of Nicholasville; two daughters: Cecelia Lou Sharp of Hueysville; and Linda Sue Sammons of Printer; a brother, Ervin Russell Salisbury of Eastern; two sisters: Genevieve Perkins of Mason, Ohio; and Opal Spurlock of Lexington; two grandchildren: Deborah Gale Sammons and Lisa Diann Eskina; and two great-grandchildren: Alexa Ryan Eskina and Arielle Taylor Sammons.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 28, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Jarrod Hunt officiating.

Burial was in the Salisbury Family Cemetery, in Hunter, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Festa Duane Salisbury II, Darren Sexton, Charles Mutzner, Emmitt

Salisbury, Tim Spurlock, and Aaron Spurlock.

(Paid obituary)

Alean (Hall) Springer

Alean (Hall) Springer, 76, of Minnie, died Sunday, July 27, 2008, at her residence.

Born May 21, 1932, in McDowell, she was the daughter of the late Willie and Stella Osborne Hall. She was a homemaker, mother, and grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William J. Springer.

Survivors include her sons and daughters-in-law: Clinton Dean Springer, wife, Nadine Springer of McDowell; William (Billy) Springer Jr., wife, Carolyn of Marion, Ohio; her brothers: Clayton Hall of Warsaw, Indiana; Ernest Hall of Paintsville; Raymond Hall of Marion, Ohio; and Rex Hall of Willard, Ohio; her sisters: Rosalee Martin of Drift; and Judy Newsome of Warsaw, Indiana; a son-in-law, Henry Poston; and her grandsons: Drexel Springer, Clinton Ray Springer, Henry Miles Poston; John Paul Poston, Steven Henry, and William James Springer; her granddaughters: Brenda E. Johnson, Doris M. Roberts, and Angela Sanchez; 23 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter: Stella Margaret Springer Poston; five brothers: Carroll Hall, Tracy Hall, Benny Hall, Glen Hall, and Paul Ray Hall; three sisters: Irene Hamilton, Loretta Martin, and Vernie Hall; a grandson Curtis Henry; and a special friend, Al Worf.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, July 30, at 11 a.m., at Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church, in

McDowell, with ministers of the church officiating.

Burial will be in the Newman Cemetery, in Hi Hat, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Foster Tackett

Foster Tackett, 82, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, July 27, 2008, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born August 23, 1925, in Melvin, he was the son of the late Will Tackett and Florence Bryant Tackett. He was a former coal miner, and of the Baptist faith. He was a member of UMW, and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Grace Wallen Tackett on January 5, 1999.

Survivors include two sons: Robert Foster Tackett of Birmingham, Alabama; and Rodney Tackett of Prestonsburg; three daughters: Sue Andrews of Jacksonville, Florida; Ollie Faye Bowling of Louisville; and Janet St. Charles of Winston Salem, North Carolina; a brother, Raymond Tackett of Virgie; a sister, Bethel Jones of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; and nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, July 30, at 1 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Elder Don Neeley and United Baptist ministers officiating.

Interment will be in the Wallen Family Cemetery, in West Prestonsburg.

Military services were performed by the Big Sandy Chapter No. 18, DAV.

Visitation, at the funeral home.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

Miner injured in Bell County dies

The Associated Press

MIDDLESBORO — A coal miner has died after being injured earlier this month in an incident at an underground mine in Eastern Kentucky.

The Mine Safety and Health Administration says in a preliminary report that 45-year-old Joseph D. Roberts was riding on top of a scoop on July 17 when he was injured at the Butcher Branch Mine near Beverly in Bell County. The report says driver

attempted to stop the scoop and dropped the bucket to the mine floor, causing the scoop to bow and pin Roberts against the mine's roof.

Roberts was hospitalized in Bristol, Tenn., where he died on July 25 during emergency surgery.

The Lexington Herald-Leader reports it's the first underground mining death for the state in more than a year and a half.

MSHA spokesman Matthew Faraci says there will

be no conclusions about the incident until a final report is made public.

Telephone numbers for mine officials could not be located Monday night.

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At least 8 murderers get partial pardons

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear has granted partial pardons to at least eight convicted murderers and 14 rapists over the past five months, a move that allows them to vote and run for public office.

Records obtained by The Associated Press from the Kentucky Department of Corrections show Beshear also granted partial pardons to 23 people who had been convicted of felony sexual abuse.

Beshear has granted partial pardons to 747 people since March when he streamlined the process for felons seeking to have their civil rights restored. The governor defended his actions in a written statement, saying all the people have completed their sentences and paid their debts to society.

CRIT LUAllen
AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Honorable Robert D. Marshall, Floyd County Judge/Executive
The Honorable John K Blackburn, Floyd County Sheriff
Members of the Floyd County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of revenues, expenditures, and excess fees - regulatory basis of the Sheriff of Floyd County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2007. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Sheriff. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for County Fee Officials issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the Sheriff's office prepares the financial statement on a regulatory basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the revenues, expenditures, and excess fees of the Sheriff for the year ended December 31, 2007, in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated May 28, 2008, on our consideration of the Floyd County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Sheriff and Fiscal Court of Floyd County, Kentucky, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these interested parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Crit LuAllen
Auditor of Public Accounts

May 28, 2008

State law requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit fiscal courts, county clerks, and sheriffs; and print the results in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. The complete audit and any other audit of state agencies, fiscal courts, county clerks, sheriffs, property valuation administrators may be viewed in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.auditor.ky.gov or upon request by calling 1-800-247-9126.



Left to right: Michelle, Melissa, and Meredith

MY SISTER

*My sister was very special, a miracle they say,
And all of us who loved her, felt the very same way.
She loved everything in life, so simple and so pure,
That's amazing to me, because of all that she had to endure.
She had a special bond with her Granny, she was Mamaw's little girl,
She was Uncle Delmer's dark-haired angel, she was her Mommy and daddy's world.
She loved to laugh, listen to music, and dance with her hands as it would play,
She always wanted to scratch your back, and if you painted her nails, you'd brighten her day.
She enjoyed being fed by her Daddy, "I'm lazy" she would say,
She loved watching Mom act goofy, and with her she loved to play.
She made me a better person, just to know her was enough,
After seeing all she'd been through, made me realize life wasn't so tough.
I was the sister she loved to argue with, no matter what,
Every time I saw her, she would say, "go home Shell," and "I'm gonna whip your butt."
Mert was the baby sister and Melissa loved her so dear,
Her eyes would light up every time that she came near.
For the last nine years she attended Happy House, almost every day,
When she came home, she'd laugh and talk about what she had done, while she was away.
Melissa was someone whom everyone loved,
For all of us who knew her, felt the blessing from up above.
I'm going to miss my sister, miss her laugh and special touch,
My family will miss her too, because we all loved her so, so much.
For some reason, we'll never know why our miracle, had to leave,
But in our hearts, she'll live forever, and we're left here to grieve.
But today please remember all the good times that she had,
And know deep in your heart, that Melissa wouldn't want us to be sad.
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Just know in your heart, that Melissa knew that she was loved.*

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Teen on four wheeler dies after being struck by car

by TONYA AMBURGEY
HAZARD HERALD

CHAVIES — A Perry County teen died Monday after the four-wheeler on which he was riding was struck by a car, police say.

According to Kentucky State Police, around 12:55 p.m., Donnie Andrew Stacy, 14, of Chavies, was riding an all-terrain vehicle and pulled out from the Chevron station on Route 28 in Chavies into the path of an oncoming vehicle driven by Chasity Collins, 20 of Krypton.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Derek Hall said that Collins tried to slow down and swerved, but couldn't avoid hitting the ATV. The child was thrown from the four-wheeler on impact.

"Once she saw him, she stated to the other troopers that she slowed down and tried to avoid him. She thought he was going to stop, but he came on out in front of her and then she

swerved," Hall said.

To avoid hitting the ATV, witnesses said that Collins, who was traveling eastbound, swerved into the westbound lane and hit the ditch before running up on an embankment.

Teresa Duff was going to pick up her son in Chavies when she came upon the accident. "I pulled up and ran to see what was going on, so I started to perform CPR on him. He had a slight pulse at first, but it was too late," she said.

Duff said that Stacy had just graduated from Chavies Elementary with her nephew and that he frequently rode four-wheelers with her children at the airport.

"He was a sweet young man. They liked to ride the ATVs and have a good time. He was a great child. They just had fun all the time. The main important thing to come out of this is, children, please wear your helmet. Don't go anywhere without wearing a hel-

met," she said.

Jessie Morris, a friend of Stacy's said they were getting ready to go riding together and that Stacy had stopped at the gas station to get some gas. Morris said that he and Stacy had known each other for years.

"Me and him rode around all the time. We was real good friends with each other and always will be. It's just a terrible loss. I've known him all my life. We was like brothers," Morris said. "He was a real good friend and we'll miss him. He will still be right in our hearts."

Stacy was pronounced dead at the scene by the Perry County Coroner's Office. Police say he was not wearing a helmet. Collins was transported to the Hazard ARH with minor injuries. She was wearing a seat belt.

The investigation is ongoing by the Kentucky State Police. No criminal charges are expected.



According to police, a teen driving this ATV was killed after pulling into the path of a Nissan passenger car in front of the Chevron gas station on Route 28 in Perry County. Police say the driver of the car swerved to avoid the four-wheeler and hit the ditch.

Ky. changes flag policy for fallen soldiers again

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's adjutant general says the state is changing its flag policy for fallen soldiers — again.

The state's new policy calls for lowering flags to half-staff for all personnel based in Kentucky. Maj. Gen. Edward Tonini said. That includes soldiers from other states who are stationed at a military base in Kentucky such as Fort Campbell or Fort Knox, Tonini said.

"I'm very confident that this will end any controversy," Tonini said of the new policy. "I'm convinced that everyone will embrace the policy."

Kentucky had tightened its policy in June to lower the flag only for soldiers who were state residents, and only on the day of their funeral. Officials in Gov. Steve Beshear's administration said the change was

made because flags were lowered so often it was hard to know who was being honored.

Tonini said the change in June, first reported by The Associated Press last week, was intended to highlight the honor being paid to Kentucky residents killed in action.

Tonini had said that Kentucky's previous policy created confusion because flags were lowered so often. Between April 1 and July 2, the state lowered flags for 26 soldiers, only four from Kentucky. And flags sometimes stayed down for more than a week for each fallen soldier.

But veterans argued that all fallen soldiers should be recognized.

"I think there was a lot of perception that in fact it was a degradation instead of an enhancement," Tonini said. "It is an inclusive policy now."

Kentucky's new policy, which still calls for lowering the

flag only for the soldier's burial day, takes effect immediately.

Tonini said last week that an internal review found Kentucky's old policy was among the nation's broadest. Michigan was the only other state to lower flags for such a long time, while many states had no protocol at all.

State Rep. Tim Moore, a Republican who served in Afghanistan as a member of the Kentucky Air National Guard, said he encouraged Beshear last week to rethink the policy.

"I do believe that the administration was attempting to correct what they saw as too much looseness in the policy," Moore said. "They probably overstepped and have very quickly

back-stepped to correct that."

Carlos Pugh, state commander for Kentucky's chapter of Veterans of Foreign Wars, said he was pleased the policy had been changed again to be more inclusive. Pugh said he and other veterans felt any soldier sent from a Kentucky military base who's killed in action should be honored by the state.

"I thank the governor for changing it back," Pugh said.

Sen. Joey Pendleton, a Democrat whose district

includes Fort Campbell, said he had received numerous e-mails and phone calls complaining about the tighter policy. Pendleton said he was pleased by the latest change.

"The men and women who are stationed at our military compounds may not be official residents of Kentucky, but many have adopted Kentucky as their home," Pendleton said. "Flying our flags at half staff is a way to pay them the respect they deserve."

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Guest View

Pickens' way out

It has been 35 years since an oil embargo by Arab nations made Americans aware of the vulnerability created by our dependence on foreign oil. Since then, the problem has grown much more serious. In 1973, we imported about a quarter of our oil supply; now the figure is nearly three-quarters.

This is a scary state of affairs. Nevertheless -- except for disastrous, counterproductive new laws forcing the use of corn as fuel -- our energy woes have barely been addressed by U.S. leaders.

Now, however, a smart proposal to wean us off foreign oil has emerged from an unlikely source: legendary Texas oilman, corporate raider and hedge-fund operator T. Boone Pickens.

Pickens proposes a \$1 trillion scheme - privately funded, but helped along with tax breaks - to build a vast array of wind farms in the gusty corridor from the Texas panhandle to North Dakota to supply 20 percent of U.S. electricity needs. He says improved wind turbine technology has cut the cost to 8 cents a kilowatt-hour - making it comparable to or better than rival energy sources.

Wind-powered electricity would be phased in as natural gas-powered electricity was phased out, under Pickens' plan. That natural gas -- which is cheaper, cleaner and far more plentiful than oil -- would instead be used as fuel for millions of natural gas vehicles. The technology for such cars doesn't have to be developed. There are already 7 million in use around the world.

Pickens' investments in natural gas and wind power -- he's building the world's largest wind farm in Texas -- naturally create skepticism about his motives. But the support he has quickly lined up from energy experts and environmentalists alike is telling.

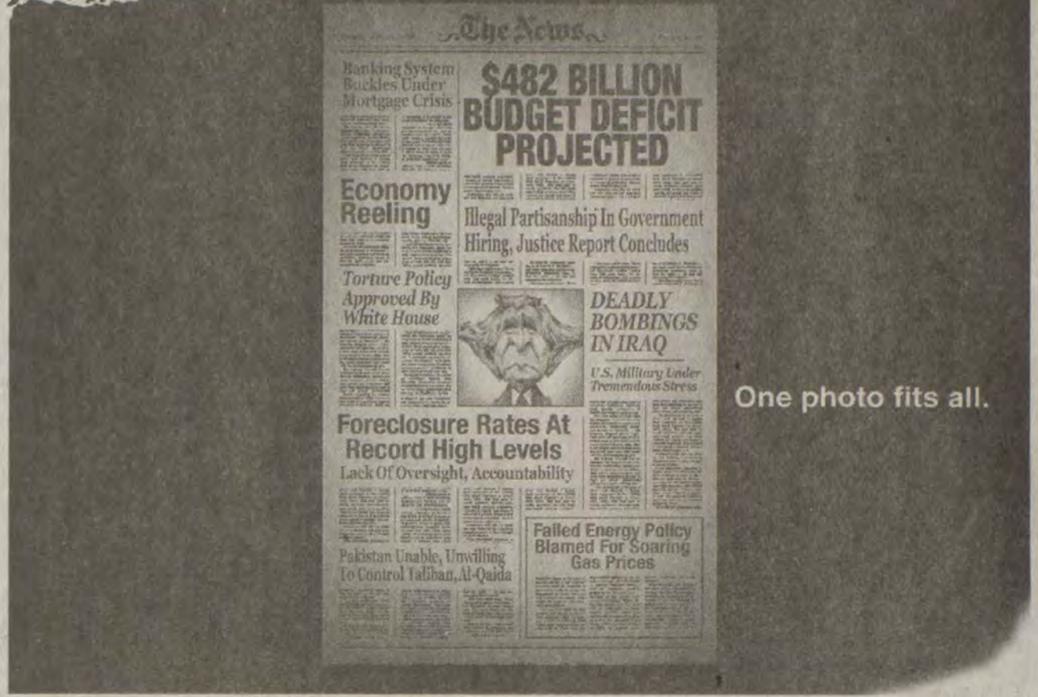
Americans have been waiting for a practical way to abandon the energy status quo. Maybe an 80-year-old billionaire geologist has come up with a good first step.

— San Diego Union Tribune



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Letters

Treated more harshly than other teachers

I'm responding to an article that I got from the Lexington Herald-Leader dated July 31, 1997. The title of this article is, "Penalties few for suspected violations by educators in test for students."

This article is about superintendents of statewide school districts not reporting violations by educators in tests for students.

Many superintendents of statewide school districts have avoided getting teachers into trouble by never bringing the standards board into play. Also, no charges were ever filed in dozens of cases where officials found serious breaches of test rules.

In 1995, there were several school districts throughout the state that failed to report teachers and administrators to the Education Professional Standards Board. Bell County was not punished for suspected violations. There were 74 violations reported, but the stiffest sentence handed down was a halfway training session -- no firing!

People would be upset if they knew how little is being done and that the state isn't even issuing reprimands, much less suspensions.

In the only other discipline cases

that have been decided by the EPSB, charges against five Christian County educators from three different schools were all dismissed in 1995 and 1996, mostly on grounds that they were already disciplined sufficiently by local officials for asking students to revise test answers or for discussing test questions in class. The local penalty in one of those cases was a formal reprimand, a suspension and an agreement that the teacher would resign. But state records show that a teacher was suspended only the final month of the 1994-95 school year. This teacher's resignation did not take effect until June 1996, a year later, which allowed her to qualify for full retirement benefits. (I wish I would have been treated this way with an admonishment. I can't even get my disability retirement.)

In a Pike County school district case, a teacher's case was closed without an investigation because the teacher's certificate expired already. Pike County also had two teachers admonished for CATS test violations, one in 2001 and one in 2003. They both got to teach and didn't lose their jobs. They both will have a chance to retire with full retirement benefits.

A teacher in Bullitt County had his certificate suspended in 1995, but it was applied to the past year-and-a-half, when he was not teaching.

A teacher in Floyd County was not fired and no actions were taken on her certificate until she got put in prison, when it didn't count, because she's

not teaching! (I wish sometimes that I would have been born a good-looking woman instead of a man.)

There were four fourth-grade teacher at Louisa Elementary School in Lawrence County who admitted to typing writing portfolios and the principal encouraged the teachers to memorize test questions and drill students on them in subsequent years. Both were cleared of ethics violations, but the principal was promoted to district coordinator of elementary school curriculum and testing. (This was a female principal.)

Floyd County school district had no charges filed in dozens of cases where officials found serious breaches of test rules. For example, in 1995, state officials scolded local officials in Floyd County, saying they found that teachers let Prestonsburg High School students finish test questions at home, but no charges were ever filed with the standards board.

The 1997 article said that Prestonsburg High School teachers let students finish test questions at home. The superintendent and principal resigned in 1995, after this happened.

Why did former Supt. Paul Fanning uphold my firing in 1999? What about now, in 2008, under new Supt. Henry Webb?

I have filed complaints with the standards board and Office of Education Accountability about this matter.

John Hicks
Hueysville

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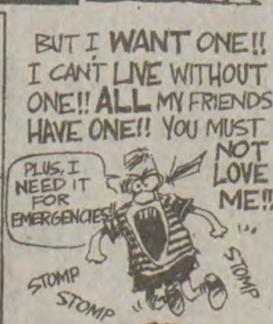
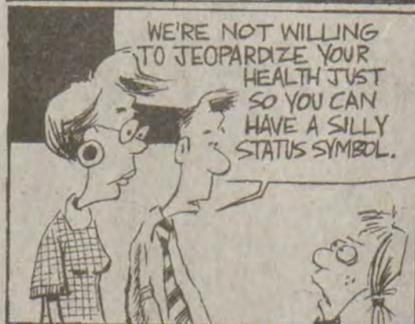
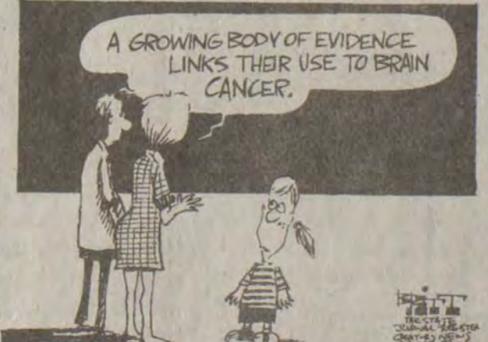
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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Lunch with Congressman Rogers

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce will host "Lunch in Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood" on August 11, with Congressman Hal Rogers. The luncheon will be held at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, May Lodge, at noon. Anyone interested in attending must register with the chamber by calling (606) 886-0364.

Wayland High School Class of '59 Reunion

The Wayland High School Class of 1959 will meet at the Wayland Historical Society Building on Saturday, October 4, at 11 a.m., in Room No. 208, to complete plans for their 50th reunion in 2009. For additional information, contact: PSlone@allegiance.tv, Sclaypool@fuse.net, Judymusic@bellsouth.net

Prestonsburg band alumni to hold small reunion

The Prestonsburg band alumni from the Mr. Coleman era, is having a small reunion with Mr. Coleman at Navajo Austin's place on Richardson Branch (about 7 miles out of town on the left) on Sunday, August 3rd, from 2 p.m. to? For more information, call Navajo at 886-9110.

Pie Supper-Cake Walk

August 1, 2008, at 7 p.m., at the Dwale Shelter. Fund raiser for the Dwale Homecoming 2009. Concession sales, prize drawing, and auction.

Alzheimer Caregiver Support Group

Do you have a friend or loved one who suffers from Alzheimer's Disease or any other dementia? We will be discussing the different stages of Alzheimer's.

We will meet: Thursday, August 7, at 5 p.m., at Dr Naveed Ahmed's Office, located in the Weddington Plaza, 4159 North Mayo Trail, Pikeville, KY.

For more information, contact the UMW Health & Retirement Fund's office at (606) 432-1072, ext. 12, 13 or 14, or Dr. Almed's office at (606) 432-5550. Refreshments will be provided.

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

—August 14th at 6 p.m., "Back To School Open House" at AMS. Students and parents can meet teachers and staff, tour the building and receive information. Refreshments will be served.

—Updated student health records may be dropped off at the school on weekdays. Students must have a 6th Grade Physical form and updated immunization certificate to begin school!

For more information, contact the Adams Middle School Youth Services Center at 886-1297.

Parsons Family Reunion

The Parsons Family Reunion, for the descendants of Isaac and Louisa Parsons will be held on Sunday, August 31, from 11 a.m., to 4 p.m., at the Isaac Parsons Cemetery. Cemetery is located on Parsons Branch Road, off Rte. 979 in Floyd County. Please bring a covered dish. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m. All family and friends are welcome. Call Mrs. E.J. Parsons at (865) 426-7585 or Ray Parsons (313) 383-7262 for more information.

East Kentucky Fair is accepting applications for vendors and exhibitors

It's not too late. The East Kentucky Fair is still accepting applications for vendors and exhibitors for the 2008 fair, to be held 7/31-8/2/08. Call Terry Trimble at 886-2374, or go online to: www.eastkentuckyfair.com for a form.

Betsy Layne High School Class of 1998 Reunion

The Betsy Layne High School Class of 1998, 10-year class reunion will be held August 16, at 6:30 p.m., at the Heritage House, Prestonsburg. Tickets: \$25 per person. For tickets/more information, contact Misty Stevens Bauder at mistybauder@hotmail.com or 606-432-7815.

Highlands Folk Festival General Information

The Highland Folk Festival Committee is now reserving booth space for the upcoming festival to be held September 19 and 20, at the Mountain Arts Center, in Prestonsburg. This year's theme is "From

Heritage to Hero," and will include demonstrations such as woodcarving, basket making, and clogging, just to name a few. Musicians will also be demonstrating mountain musical instruments from banjos to dulcimers. There will also be a special tribute to Floyd County Veterans and Emergency Personnel. Don't forget the Second Annual Chili Cook Off! If you would like more information or if you would like to participate, contact Khrys Varney at (606) 889-9886, or 1-888-MACARTS; or Debi Manuel at (606) 886-0170.

Proceed benefits the Mountain Arts Center Music Education Program.

Prestonsburg High School Class of 1988 Reunion is planned for August 16

Where are you? 20-year class reunion is being planned

on Saturday, August 16, at 6:30 p.m. at Stonecreek Golf Course. Please, contact Kay Skeens-Tungate at 859-948-4411 or Traci Hayes-Rankin at 606-886-8487 for details and to register. More information is available at: www.classmates.com E-mail: kayt2828@aol.com Respond by August 1.

Prestonsburg High School Class of 1998 10-Year Reunion

When: August 9th, at 7 p.m. Where: Heritage Inn (old Holiday Inn) For information, e-mail: juliecstumbo@yahoo.com

Free Bible Lessons

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

Mathias Hughes Lydia Margaret Baldrige Family Reunion

The families of Linda E. Hughes (m) Jake Marsillett, Mary Darcus Hughes (m) John Wright, Sarah (Sally) Hughes (m) James Marsillett, John Malcom Hughes (m) Sally Johnson, James (Jim) Hughes (m) Ida Marsillett.

When: August 31, 2008 Where: Delmer B. and Dearl Faye Holbrook, 143 Holbrook Hollow Rd., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. Phone: 606-886-8481. Time: 10:00 a.m. til ??? Hope to see you there.

Floyd County Relay for Life

Event to be held Friday, August 1, at Archer Park. Opening ceremony, 6:30 p.m. To register a team or to find out more, call Susan Shepherd at (606) 377-1096. You may also visit www.events.cancer.org/rflfloydky. Help the American Cancer Society help save lives!

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Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!

The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. Call 889-0303 for more information.

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Democratic Woman's Club meets at May Lodge

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

Need help with addiction?

Lifeline of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hope in the Mountains

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

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources, available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to

attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.

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

Prestonsburg Rotary Club

Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Made From Scratch Restaurant, 1566 North Lake Drive. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354, or Tommie Layne, 886-2321, ext. 1297.

UNITE

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

"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m.

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

'Earn While You Learn'

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

Senior employment program

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

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GED classes are also available.

Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings

Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Dixie: 3rd Thursday, 12:30 p.m., Dixie Community Room.

David: 1st Monday, 1 p.m., at St. Vincent's Mission.

Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.

Maytown: 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m., Maytown Learning Center.

Cliff: 3rd Tuesday, 12 p.m., Community Center.

Prestonsburg: 2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., Extension Office.

South Prestonsburg: 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Home of members (call 886-2668 for info.)

Left Beaver: 2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., Osborne Elem. School Library.

Special interest groups:

Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild: 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Extension Office.

Newbees Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office. (The Newbees do not meet during the months of January and February.)

Looking for a Support Group?

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

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

Overeater's Anonymous - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red light. Call 889-9620 for more info.

US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658.

Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings

being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

Domestic Violence Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

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

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

PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find

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

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

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

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Political heat turned up at Fancy Farm Picnic

by BRUCE SCHREINER
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LOUISVILLE — Barbecue and bingo are big draws, but adding more zest to this year's Fancy Farm Picnic will be the first showdown between Republican Sen. Mitch McConnell and Democratic challenger Bruce Lunsford — letting voters size up the adversaries side by side in the summer heat.

The picnic in far western Kentucky offers the fellowship of games and food in a relaxed setting. There's a more raucous side to the storied event — as the state's premier political spectacle.

As such, the reunion won't be sociable when McConnell and Lunsford will share the stage Saturday for the first time in the campaign to trade barbs likely as spicy as the barbecue pork and mutton on the menu.

Organizers were still waiting word on whether Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain might show up, which would add the zing of a presidential campaign to an event usually limited to Kentucky politics.

More than 10,000 people are expected to attend this year's 128th picnic in Graves County, where they'll dig into heaping servings of barbecue pork and mutton, plus plenty of fixins' and homemade pies.

The picnic is a fundraiser for St. Jerome Catholic Church and parish.

For political junkies, the main course will be the round of political speeches, sometimes backed by theatrics and spiced by cheering or jeering from partisans packing the audience.

The picnic is a must-attend event for prominent Kentucky

politicians, or those aspiring for such status.

"It really is the closest thing we get to hand-to-hand combat between statewide candidates," said Al Cross, a former longtime political writer for The Courier-Journal of Louisville. "There's a certain sense of being tested in the crucible up there on that platform."

After losses in two gubernatorial primaries, Lunsford will get his time at the podium as a Democratic nominee. He'll be matched against a seasoned politician in McConnell, a fixture at the picnic.

"Our campaign to bring change to Washington is energized and excited to participate in this remarkable tradition," said Lunsford, vowing to hold McConnell "accountable for his loyalty" to big oil companies.

McConnell campaign adviser Scott Jennings said the four-term senator looks forward to the picnic. Like football coaches prepping for a big game, politicians often are reluctant to discuss their strategy.

"Fancy Farm often serves as a stage to reiterate key messages that a campaign might use in the fall election," Jennings said. "Of course, it's also a good place to head fake an opponent."

Meanwhile, picnic organizers have worked to tone down rowdy partisans, some bused from elsewhere in Kentucky. But they don't expect the spectators to put on their Sunday-best behavior.

"That's all right if they want to do a little bit of whooping and hollering, but just don't get to the point of drowning out the speakers," said Mark Wilson, an organiz-

er of the political speaking at the picnic. "You have a lot of people who come in and actually want to hear what they have to say."

This year's master of ceremonies will be state House Majority Leader Rocky Adkins, D-Sandy Hook.

Expected to join McConnell and Lunsford on stage will be other prominent officeholders or political candidates, including Democratic Gov. Steve Beshear. Republican Sen. Jim Bunning plans to attend to support McConnell. Bunning previously said he might never show up again at the picnic after claiming he and his wife were pushed and shoved by supporters of a political opponent in 2004.

Actor Sonny Landham, who is seeking McConnell's seat as a Libertarian, plans to attend but was denied a speaking role. Wilson said it's customary to reserve speaking times only for Republicans and Democrats.

For those given a speaking role, a strong performance can help generate momentum for the fall.

"You've got to have snappers ready, not just your standard speechmaking," said Cross, now director of the Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues at the University of Kentucky.

A flop or uneven showing can knock a candidate on his heels.

In 1998, Republicans turned snippets of Scotty Baesler's frenzied Fancy Farm speech into an ad portraying the usually mild-mannered Democrat as out of control. Baesler narrowly lost that year's Senate race to Bunning.

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John Slife, the 'traffic count guy,' retires after over 33 years

PIKEVILLE — When you read or hear that traffic on US 23 is expected to top 50,000 vehicles a day by the year 2010, ever wonder where that figure comes from?

John Slife, an engineering technician for Highway District 12, explained that every state road in the district's seven counties is counted in three-year cycles, and he's the one who's been doing it for more than three decades.

The Federal Highway Administration started requiring traffic counts in the 1960s. The counts are used to classify roads, justify projects, and document the need for improvements such as traffic signals, advance warning flashers, and bridge replacements. The federal government pays the state to do the counts, "so we are closely monitored," Slife pointed out, "to make sure we do all of the required ones each year and that we get every road at least once every three years."

Classified as a Transportation Engineering Technician III, Slife has been in charge of traffic counts for the district's seven counties for 33 years. It wasn't exactly what he had in mind as a career.

In 1966, John and his best friend, Don Davidson, came from Athens, Pennsylvania, to attend Pikeville College. A walk-on for the Bears' basketball team, John's hoops career was cut short by a juvenile prank that back-fired. While in Wise, Virginia, for a game against Clinch Valley, he and some other players bought fireworks, illegal in Kentucky and on the college campus. They stored the sparklers and cherry bombs in John's closet. One evening some of the other team members decided to have a little fun with them and, even though John wasn't around to participate, he was kicked out of the dorm because of his involvement in procuring and storing the fireworks. "I lived in Bill and Chloeteel Woofers' attic until the end of the semester. They let me finish



John Slife, setting the cable of a traffic-count device

the semester, but I wasn't allowed back the next semester, even though I had a work scholarship. They were really strict about things like that. I doubt the punishment would be that severe nowadays. Especially since I wasn't even around when the fireworks were set off. But, anyway, I went home and attended Corning Community College in Corning, New York."

In May of 1967, just at the end of his freshman year, his roommate and best friend, Don Davidson, died of throat cancer. "At the end of the first semester of 1968, I decided to go back to Pikeville College. I just thought 'I'll go back and finish for Don and myself, for both of us.'"

It took Slife a little longer than the traditional four years to finish his degree — which, surprisingly, is in Elementary Education. "I did my student teaching at Pikeville Elementary, second and fourth grades, at the same time as Jerry and Jennefer Waddell. I was in Teacher Corps at the time. But I had to work and also got married. My son, Craig, was born before I graduated." He also has two daughters, Aimee and Christie, and four grandchildren, with whom he has a standing weekly "date" for "spoiling time."

He put in applications for teaching positions, but also

applied at the Department of Highways. In March 1975, just before graduation, he started working nights and weekends as desk clerk at the Landmark Inn. When DOH hired him for the summer — from May 15 until September 15 — he kept his job at the Landmark, "just in case."

Joe Dean Anderson and Jess Sagraves were among the first people he met at the highway department. Victor Tackett, who was in charge of personnel, was another. Slife was assigned to Planning to do traffic counts.

"The second day on the job, I asked Jess how to get on full time, permanent. He told me to go to Frankfort and take a test, which I did. I heard nothing until September 14. Man, that was cutting it about as close as you can get. My last day was supposed to be September 15. The day before, Victor Tackett called me into his office and told me I had the job permanently."

Just in case, Slife continued working at the Landmark until 1989 — 14 more years! "I got a \$250 a month raise, which is unheard of now, and decided I could afford to quit my second job," he said simply.

Over the three decades that he's counted cars and trucks in Lawrence, Johnson, Martin, Knott, Floyd, Pike, and Letcher counties, Slife has had

his share of adventures. "One night I was working a 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. shift near Pike Central on Buckley's Creek, and someone called the Kentucky State Police to report a state vehicle being there for a long time. They came to check on me. That was a little unnerving, but sort of funny, too."

The types of counters used to track traffic have changed three times during his tenure. "The first one used a roll of paper and only counted volume, not the direction that the vehicles were going. The second type counted volume, direction, and the number of axles, but not what type of vehicle or what its speed was."

The ones he uses now tell the direction the vehicle is going, type of vehicle (determined by the number of axles), the speed, turn direction at intersections, just about everything except the license plate number and how many people are in the vehicle. He also uses a GPS (Global Positioning System) to pinpoint where the counters are located.

When Slife does manual counts, which are still called for from time to time, he uses a counter mounted on the steering wheel of a van. Manual counts are mostly done at intersections to determine how many vehicles are going through each way and how many are turning in each possible direction. "For a while, years back, we had to record whether the license plates were in state or out of state, but that was almost impossible to keep track of. You can't accurately get information like that when you have 15 vehicles in a row going through a green light at 55 miles an hour or more."

Some of Slife's adventures, as he calls them, would have caused lesser people to ask for

a transfer. He's braved all sorts of weather, from extreme heat to bitter cold to electrical storms to high winds that were enough to knock a person down. But it's the "critters" that make for interesting stories: rattlesnakes, copperheads, ticks, and one time a full grown bear. "I've counted traffic on the busiest road in District 12 — US 23 — and the least busy road — Little Shepherd Trail before it was upgraded. That's where the bear and I met up. I just sat in my truck and waited. If he wanted to stay in the middle of the one-lane dirt road all day, I sure wasn't going to argue with him. But he lumbered off in about ten minutes."

Once Slife found a counter box with two bullet holes in it and a note attached that said, "This road won't ever be fixed." Another time he had a counter chained to a telephone pole and it literally burned up when the adjacent property owner was burning off his lot for a garden. "The outside was black; the inside was melted,"

Slife recalled.

"I've been able to work by myself, which I like. I've worked outdoors, which is great most of the time. I had deadlines to meet and a timetable to follow, which gives me structure and motivation. I've met interesting people and been all over our seven counties, which has some of the most beautiful scenery in the world. The only downside to my job is that I had to have surgery on my left knee from years of putting my knee on chains to hold the counter boxes down so they could be tightly secured. I've had counter boxes shot, burned, and stolen, although I have no idea what use they would be to anyone, except for maybe the batteries."

Plans for retirement? He plans to continue living in Paintsville, watch every UK game and spend time with his children and grandchildren (who are in Pike County). "I might even learn how to cook, who knows?"

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Equitable Resources provides grant for Youth Summits

PIKEVILLE — Equitable Resources has agreed to be primary sponsor for the 2008 Operation UNITE Youth Summits.

Through a \$20,000 grant from the Equitable Resources Foundation, Inc., headquartered in Pittsburg, Penn., Equitable Production Company in Pike County will partner with UNITE to promote the drug education and prevention program throughout southern and eastern Kentucky.

Dates for the 2008 Youth Summits have not been determined.

"We are proud to partner with Equitable Resources," said Karen Engle, president/CEO of Operation UNITE. "As a leading corporate citi-

zen in Eastern Kentucky, Equitable understands the importance of helping youth to make the right choices. That includes the decision to remain free from drugs."

The day-long summits provide workshops and motivational sessions designed to activate youth and their sponsors to become leaders in educating their classmates and communities about the dangers of drugs and to empower them to make drug-free choices in life.

In addition, participants are encouraged to become or remain involved with anti-drug UNITE Clubs in their schools.

During the 2007-08 school year, 6,891 students were registered mem-

bers of 122 UNITE Clubs in 29 counties.

Equitable Production Company, a division of Pennsylvania-based Equitable Resources, develops, produces and sells natural gas and related products in the Appalachian region of the United States.

The Equitable Resources Foundation has a proud history of contributing to the communities where they do business, and a firm commitment to helping make a difference on critical issues facing our society. Special emphasis is placed on children and education initiatives.

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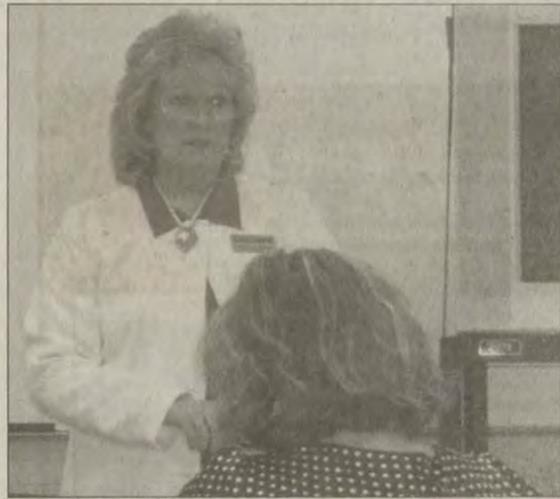


Equitable Resources presented a \$20,000 check to the UNITE Foundation for sponsorship of the 2008 Youth Summits during the Shoot Hoops Not Drugs basketball camp held in Letcher County on June 24. Equitable Resources will be the primary sponsor of these summits, which will be held this fall. From left are former University of Kentucky basketball star Jeff Sheppard, who conducted the basketball camps for UNITE; Karen Engle, president/CEO of Operation UNITE; Liz Wilson, director of the UNITE Foundation; and Lloyd Hall, vice president of operations for Equitable Production Company in Pikeville.

SUMMER LESSONS



On June 12, Citizens National Bank hosted Career Day on the campus of Big Sandy Community & Technical College in Prestonsburg, with 11 young ladies from the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center's Math and Science Summer Career Camp for Girls. Dennis Dorton, president and CEO, presented opening remarks to the group and fielded a variety of questions such as, "What do you do as President?" and "What does a teller do?" Afterwards, Sharon Vanhooose of the Collection Department and Paula Howard, AVP Branch Manager, presented information to the students about credit, identity theft, personal banking and career opportunities in banking. Lunch was provided and each lady received a gift bag and pay check for successfully completing the Camp. The Camp is a four-day event that gives middle school aged girls from surrounding counties the opportunity to participate in various workshops and on-site learning hosted by various business entities. Pictured are Denny Dorton and students, and Sharon Vanhooose and Paula Howard during their presentations



Consol Energy plans West Virginia coal-to-liquid plant

by TIM HUBER
AP BUSINESS WRITER

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Mining company Consol Energy Inc. is placing an \$800 million bet on turning West Virginia coal into gasoline and other products to compete with the oil industry.

Consol said Monday it plans to build a coal gasification plant capable of producing 720,000 metric tons of methanol for chemicals and 100 million gallons of 87-octane unleaded gasoline annually. Consol and development partner Synthesis Energy Systems hope to complete the project in Benwood, in Marshall County, by 2012.

Pittsburgh-based Consol sees the northern West Virginia plant as a way to cash in on soaring world demand and limited supply of petroleum products, spokesman Tom Hoffman said Monday.

"Most observers would say that the balance between supply and demand for petroleum products over the next several decades is probably going to

be a precarious balance," Hoffman said. "If the U.S. can bring on liquids derived from our domestic reserves of coal it certainly not only brings more product onto the market, but from an energy-security standpoint, we think it's a good step."

Synthesis has built a similar plant in China and is working on two others. Several coal-to-liquids projects are under way around the U.S., including one in Mingo County, and others in Mississippi, Wyoming and Ohio.

The state and the Regional Economic Development Partnership in Ohio, Marshall and Wetzel counties, have agreed to providing financing and tax incentives over a 10-year period.

Consol and Houston-based Synthesis said they'll contribute equally to the initial phase of the project. The plant would use mostly marginal coal that would be thrown away from Consol's Shoemaker Mine, also in Marshall County, to produce 720,000 metric tons of

methanol annually for the chemical industry. Methanol also would be used to produce about 100 million gallons of 87-octane gasoline annually.

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Procedure: Formal applications are available at Big Sandy Community & Technical College, Office of Human Resources, Johnson Administration Building, Room 110, via email request: jackie.cecil@kctcs.edu, by phone: (606) 886-7370, or the web: <http://www.kctcs.edu/employee/collegejobs/kctcsfacultyapplication.pdf>

Applicants must submit a letter of interest, a completed faculty application, current resumé with list of references, three original, current letters of recommendation and all college transcripts to: Jackie B. Cecil, Director of Human Resources, One Bert Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.

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Yard Sale

Huge yard sale: Friday August 1 and

Saturday August 2 only 9 Am- 5PM. Lots of items, kids clothes in very good condition, name brand. Girls sizes 5/6 & 7/8 (most from boutiques) whole outfits. Boys sizes 7 up to 14/16 (some husky), boys jeans, nice shirts, shots & tee shirts, swim trunks. Solid Oak kitchen Claw foot table, with leaf and with 6 chairs, full size mattress and box springs set, other furniture items also. Lots of toys, X - B0x & Play station 2 video games, VHS tapes and much more! First yard sale all summer, everything priced to sale! Yard sale located on 1428 between Allen and Martin, just past the Stumbo Park at Allen and just before Kings Supply (about 1 mile from US 23 / Allen intersection).

Yard sale: Saturday August 2 8:00am - 3:00 pm. 1.3 miles up Abbott Creek Rd off US 23. High chair, strollers, chest of drawers, writing desk. More toddler girls & boys clothes, adult clothes, toys, books, etc.

3 Family Yard sale: Aug 1, 2, & 3 from 9am- 7 Adult clothing many sizes. Baby boy clothing zero to 9 months, children toys, stroller, dishes, furniture, knives, fish tanks with some accessories, and much much more!!

Cheap prices everything must go!! Located 1 mile on Salt Lick Rd (Rt 2029) of Hueysville. For questions or directions call 358-0286. If it rains it will be following weekend.

Garage Sale: August 1, 2, 3 & 4. 9am- 5 pm. 3 miles from Save a lot at Martin. To top of the hill on Rt 1210. Rain or shine. Baby girl clothes, boys, juniors, and ladies clothes. Also work clothes, boots neon street glo lights and tires, bunk beds and various household items.

Yard sale: Garden tiller, baby items, household items, sewing machine, and dishware. 1st right @ right fork of Bull Creek. Sat August 2.

Huge yard sale: Children's clothing sizes 3 to 14. Ladies clothes, what nots, dishes and some furniture. Located on Lake Road, Mayo branch. Turn left at Floyd Co Conservation office. Aug 1 & 2 9:00am - 3:00pm

Yard sale: Baby girl clothing, children's toys, adult clothing, household items, avon products and much, much more. Home of Darrell Allen 8489 State Road Fork in Prestonsburg, Ky. You can call 606-886-6478. Yard sale will be held on July 28 thru August 2

between the times of 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. If it rains will not be set out!

Garage sale: Rain or shine, variety of treasures, jewelry, collectable, crafts, computer desk. Friday 8/1 & 8/2 8am-5pm. 6403 Spurlock Cr Rd. 1.8 miles Gray house on right.

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For sale: Home at Valley View estates, Langley. 3 Br, family room, living room, dining room, kitchen has lots of cabinets. 2 full baths one has a jacuzzi tub and utility room. It sits on around 2 acres. Price \$ 95,900. Call 606-285-9694 or 606-757-9661.

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I, Paul Mitchell, a resident of Floyd County, Kentucky, have made, constituted and appointed my mother, Gladys Mitchell, of Grethel, Floyd County, Kentucky, as my true and lawful attorney to act as follows:

GIVING AND GRANTING unto my said attorney full power:

- DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY:** To lease, sell, insure, transfer, mortgage, pledge, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or encumber any and all of my property, real, personal or mixed, in which I now or hereafter have an interest, and to execute and deliver good and sufficient deeds or other instruments for the lease, conveyance, mortgage or transfer of same.
- COLLECTION OF DEBTS:** To collect, sue for, compromise, or otherwise dispose of any claim, debt, rents, or share in an estate in which I now or hereafter may have an interest.
- RECOVERING POSSESSION OF PROPERTY:** To eject, move, or relieve tenants or other persons from, and recover possession of any property, real, personal or mixed, in which I now or hereafter may have an interest.
- ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY:** To buy, receive, lease, accept or otherwise acquire in my name and for my account, property, real, personal or mixed, upon such terms, considerations, and conditions as my said attorney shall deem proper.
- LITIGATION, REPRESENTATION, AND EMPLOYMENT OF ASSISTANCE:** On my behalf and in my name or the name of my attorney, to institute, prosecute, appear in, defend, compromise, arbitrate, settle, or dispose of any legal, equitable, or administrative hearings, actions, suits, attachments, claims or other proceedings, including government claims to which I am or may become a party or in which I have an interest; and to engage and dismiss counsel in connection therewith. To hire, engage, employ and appoint agents, employees and counsel upon such terms and conditions and at such compensation as my said attorney shall deem proper in the exercise of the powers herein granted; to dismiss and remove at pleasure any such agents, employees and counsel heretofore or hereafter employed by me or in my behalf.
- CARRYING OUT ALL BANKING TRANSACTIONS:**
 - To deposit in my name and for my account with any bank, banker, trust company, or other banking institution, all monies which may come into her hands as such attorney and all bills of exchange, drafts, checks, promissory notes, certificates of deposit, and other securities (including, but not limited to such instruments issued by or drawn on the treasurer or other fiscal officer or depository of the United States, or any sovereign state or authority, or any political subdivision or instrumentality thereof) for money payable or belonging to me, and for that purpose to sign my name (in the manner provided herein) and endorse the same for deposit or collection, and from time to time to withdraw any and all monies deposited with such bank, banker, trust company, or other banking institution that has monies so belonging to me, and for that purpose to draw checks and drafts thereon in my name in the manner provided herein.
 - To open and close accounts and to receive statements, notices, or other documents from any bank or other financial institution concerning any and all accounts or banking transactions in my name or in which I have an interest.
 - To endorse, cash, and receive the proceeds of any and all checks, vouchers, certificates of deposit, or other orders for money.
- SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES:** To have access for all purposes to any and all safety deposit boxes or vaults rented in my name or in the name of any person or persons and myself, with full power to use the same for safekeeping any property or papers, and to remove therefrom at any time, or from time to time, all or any part of the contents thereof.
- SAVINGS BONDS:** This power expressly includes the authority to endorse, cash and negotiate United States Savings Bonds.
- BORROWING MONEY:** To borrow money in my name when deemed necessary to my said attorney upon such terms and conditions as my said attorney may deem proper and to execute such instruments as may be requisite for such purpose.
- TAX RETURNS:** To prepare, execute and file income and other tax returns.
- HEALTH CARE:** To provide for my health and medical care needs, my aforesaid attorney will receive my instructions if I am able to participate in those decisions and if I can not participate, in my aforesaid attorney's sole discretion, then my attorney shall carry out my instruction as follows:
 - To receive and review proposed medical treatment and to make sole decisions concerning such treatment.
 - To give or withdraw consent to such medical treatment.
 - To employ and discharge such health care providers to include but not limited to physicians, nurses, psychiatrist, dentists, and therapists.
 - To employ the services of a nursing home or long-term health care facility.

The terms of this section regarding health care shall not be construed to conflict with the provisions of any advance directive or designation of a health care surrogate. If such a conflict should arise, the provisions of the advance directive or the designation of the health care surrogate and the decisions of said surrogate shall prevail.

12. DISABILITY: This Power of Attorney shall extend beyond any disability, either physical or mental, which may impair my ability to act. This Power of attorney will only be limited by my death, but not my physical or mental disability.

FURTHER, I do authorize my aforesaid attorney to perform all necessary acts in the execution of the aforesaid authorizations and generally to do any and all acts on my behalf in any other matter or thing pertaining or belonging to me with the same validity as I could effect if personally present.

AND I HEREBY DECLARE that any act or thing lawfully done by my said attorney shall be binding on myself and my heirs, legal and personal representatives, and assigns;

PROVIDED, however, that all business transacted hereunder for me or for my account shall be transacted in my name, and that all endorsements and instruments executed by my said attorney for the purpose of carrying out the foregoing powers shall contain my name, followed by that of my said attorney and the designation, "attorney in fact."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 22 day of July, 2008.

Paul Mitchell
PAUL MITCHELL

STATE OF KENTUCKY
COUNTY OF PIKE

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Paul Mitchell this the 22nd day of July, 2008.

Gail Houchins Balan
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE AT LARGE

My Commission Expires
September 14, 2008

This instrument prepared by:

Turner & O'Neill, LLP
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BY: *Emanuel C. Turner*

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Beauty Shop For Rent: fully equipped located on South Lake Dr Prestonsburg, Ky. Ready to move in! Call 886-9690 for more info.

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2 Br mobile home for rent. Call 889-0363.

For rent: Nice 2' br Mobile home for rent in Prestonsburg. Call 874-0875 or 226-3207.

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For rent: Small furnished mobile home for rent. Just off of Mountain Parkway on old 114. Call 886-8724.

LEGALS

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ACCEPTING PROPOSALS

The Housing Authority of Martin is accepting proposals from interested professionals to perform architectural, engineering services for a project to be partially funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The amount of the construction is approximately \$148,000 for the building of two (2) Accessible Apartments.

Services are to be provided in accordance with current HUD handbooks and publications, and all local, state and federal laws. You will be required to be registered for practice (licensed) in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

If you are interested, please contact Bruce Coleman, Housing Authority of Martin, P.O. Box 806, Martin, KY 41649, or call 606-285-3681, by August 8, 2008, for more information and/or documents for proposal preparation.

All proposals must be received by 2 p.m., local time, August 11, 2008, at the Housing Authority office.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Bid Proposals are requested for Water Line, Waste Drain and Boiler replacement at our Town Center location. The proposal needs to include all costs to replace all water lines, drain lines and boilers serving 28 apartments. The proposal needs to include the price for material and installation, references for the past 10 years and a Bid Bond. The successful bidder must furnish Insurance Certificates plus Payment and Performance Bonds. Wages must be paid in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local wage requirements, plus other documents as required for working in public housing. For more information, please contact Bruce Coleman, Housing Authority of Martin, P.O. Box 806, Martin, KY 41649. 606-285-3681. All proposals must be received at the housing authority office by 2 p.m., local time, August 1, 2008. The housing authority reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals.

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I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said settlements must do so on or before August 30th, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.

Case Settlement	Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	07-P-350	Birdie Sue Tuttle	Danny Tuttle	6-17-08
Final	08-P-20	Marian Etta Rowe	Steven Walter Weil	6-23-08
Final	08-P-57	Lillian Sizemore	Harvey Sizemore	6-24-08
Final	07-P-409	Charles Wayne Hicks	Adam Hicks	6-24-08
Final	07-P-191	Freddie Collins	Charles T. Collins	6-25-08
Final	07-P-465	Lee Roy Ross	Dianna Ross	6-25-08
Final	02-P-449	James Martin	Darlana Martin	7-2-08
Final	07-P-302	James G. Prater	Ruth Prater & Arnold Huff	7-3-08
Final	07-P-480	Belford Reitz	Barbara & Belford W. Reitz, Jr.	7-7-08
Final	02-P-471	Anna Ray Boyd	Larry D. Boyd & Lenore Rowe	7-10-08
Final	08-P-13	Georgia Conn	R. B. Conn	7-10-08
Final	08-P-17	Myrtle Alberta Skeans	Leroy Skeans	7-14-08
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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIV. II C. A. No. 08-CI-00717
Matthew Castle, single Petitioner vs. Warning Order
Notification
Clarenda T. Bailey/Deceased and the Unknown Heirs of Clarenda T. Bailey; Oma T. Johnson/Deceased and the Unknown Heirs of Oma T. Johnson; Arizona T. Isaac/Deceased and the Unknown Heirs of Arizona T. Isaac; Hagar Thornsby/Deceased and the Unknown Heirs of Hagar

Thornsby; and Floyd County, Kentucky Respondents

I have been appointed as Warning Order Attorney in the above-styled action to attempt to notify the Heirs of Clarenda T. Bailey, Oma T. Johnson, Arizona T. Isaac and Hagar Thornsby of an action that has been filed seeking sale of property jointly owned by Matthew Castle and the above-referred heirs. Pursuant to the petition the petitioner is asking that the Court sell this property, which is located on Reed Branch of Right Beaver Creek, and divide the proceeds among the common owners. According to the petition, Matthew Castle owns a 64% undivided interest in this property and the Heirs of Clarenda T. Bailey, Oma T. Johnson, Arizona T. Isaac and Hagar Thornsby own collectively 36% in this real property.

My job is to attempt to notify these respondents of this pending action, and

because I do not have sufficient address information to do so, or even their names, I am placing this notice in The Floyd County Times in attempt to make such notification.

If you are an heir, or believe you are an heir of the above-named decedents, then you may need an attorney to represent your interests. I do not represent you. The petition may be reviewed and is on file in the office of the Floyd Circuit Clerk. If you decide to respond to this petition, then you must do so by August 20, 2008, and should send your response to the Floyd Circuit Clerk, 127 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, and to the petitioner's attorney, Martin L. Osborne, 119 East Court Street, 2nd Floor, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

GREGORY J. ALLEN
WARNING ORDER ATTORNEY

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE PRIVATE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5361

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky 41549, has applied for a Phase II and III bond release of permit number 836-5361 which was last issued on December 22, 1998. The application covers an area of approximately 678.25 acres located 1.5 miles north-east of Ligon in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 0.3 miles west from KY 979's junction with Buckhorn Branch Road and located 0.3 miles west of Mud Creek. The latitude is 37° 23' 29". The longitude is 82° 40' 35". The bond now in effect for 836-5361 is a surety bond for twenty-three thousand two-hundred dollars (\$23,200). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of (\$38,000) is included in this application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding, and mulching complet-

ed in the Spring of 2000. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by September 17, 2008. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for September 18, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. at the Division for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office located at 3140 South Lake Drive Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by September 17, 2008.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-8066, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby

given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Rd, Scott Depot, WV 25560 has applied for renewal of a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.50 miles south-east of Allen, Kentucky in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 178.08 surface acres making a total area of 178.08 within the permit boundary. The proposed operation is approximately 0.7 miles southeast from KY 1428's junction with US 23 and located 0.1 miles south of Levisa Fork. The proposed operation is located on the Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Adams Real Estate, LP and Banner Coal Terminal, LLC. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6,

Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Southern Water and Sewer District 4:00 PM, August 12, 2008

Southern Water and Sewer District Office A public meeting will take place at 4:00 PM on Tuesday, August 12, 2008, at the Southern Water & Sewer District office at 245 KY Route 680, McDowell, Kentucky for the purpose of providing general information to the public regarding the proposed water system improvement project. The public is invited to attend and comment on such issues as economic and environmental impacts, service area, alternatives to the pro-

ject or any other pertinent issues. Southern Water and Sewer District Paula Johnson, Chairman

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ms. Beverly May, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, 363 Wilson Creek Road, Langley, Kentucky 41645 has petitioned the Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet to declare an area unsuitable for all types of surface coal mining activities, pursuant to 405 KAR Chapter 24. The petition number is LUM 08-2. The petition area is located in Floyd County and consists of 2,006 acres in and around the Wilson creek watershed. A Public Hearing previously scheduled for August 14, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Allen Central High School, 442 KY Rt. 550, Eastern, Kentucky has been canceled. The hearing will be rescheduled in December, 2008. Written comments may still be submitted to Ron Mills,

Director, Division of Mine Permits, Kentucky Department for Natural Resources, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Invitation to Bid

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, Prestonsburg, KY, is now accepting bids for the replacement of a cement lined, 137 gallon, 540,000 BTU burner hot water tank in the male dorm. All interested must visit the center to review specifications. The deadline for bids will be Wednesday, July 30, 2008. Late bids will not be accepted. For more information, please contact Tracy Reichenbach at (606) 886-1037 ext. 131 or Paula Davis at (606) 886-1037 ext. 104 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD

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

Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Attorney
7-02-08	08-P-32	Sera Ellen Lawson	Margaret Hall	
6-20-08	08-P-236	Ethel May Ratliff	Phyllis Lenox	
6-23-08	08-P-239	William T. Wallen	Linda K. Wallen	
6-23-08	08-P-240	Angie Bell Justice	Billy J. Justice	
6-24-08	08-P-242	Tommy Lee Johnson	Sherry Johnson	Sandra Spurgeon
6-27-08	08-P-243	John Andrew Branham	Glenn Hopson & Barbara Hopson	Michael S. Endicott
7-02-08	08-P-244	Dorothy Conley Stover	Leann Stover Rodgers	William G. Francis
7-02-08	08-P-246	Ambers Jarrell	Virginia B. Jarrell	
7-03-08	08-P-249	Johnnie H. Patton	Jimmy Patton & William Patton	
7-7-08	08-P-250	Cynthia Prater	Terry D. Prater & Vernie Prater Jr.	
7-7-08	08-P-251	James Russell Addis	Larry Dean Addis	
7-10-08	08-P-256	Eddie Berger	Kris L. Berger	
7-11-08	08-P-258	James D. McGuire	Darwin E. McGuire & Tracy McGuire	B.D. Nunnery
7-21-08	08-P-227	William R. Little	Linda Little	
7-21-08	08-P-269	Rosena Alley	Zettie Stumbo	B.D. Nunnery
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7-21-08	08-P-271	Christopher Jordan Meadows	Linda Senig	Joseph Lane
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7-22-08	08-P-273	Hargus P. Hughes	Preston Keith Hughes	
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Chill Out

KEEPING COOL IN THE SUMMER HEAT

FAMILY FEATURES

Summer brings nights on the terrace, picnics on the beach — and stifling heat. It's important to find ways to keep cool, so Weight Watchers® has a few tips and recipes to help you keep cool without sacrificing a healthier lifestyle.

Shaping Up. When it's too hot to jog outside, take it indoors.

- An indoor track is ideal for speed drills. Walk at a moderate pace and speed up every fourth lap.
- Love shopping? Then kill two birds with one stone, and walk the mall for one to two hours while shopping for the latest summer fashions.
- For a more tranquil environment and a less intense walk, go for a one-hour stroll at a botanical garden.

Hello Hydration. Drinking water and staying hydrated is important. But what's better — tap or bottled? One isn't better than the other because they both have high standards of regulation. Eating plenty of fruits and vegetables will contribute to your water intake, as well. When basking in the sun, avoid alcohol, which can dehydrate the body.

Soaking Up the Sun. Before hitting the beach, stock up your bag with the essentials — sun screen, beach towel and a good book. For a beachside snack, don't forget to pack a cooler with lots of water and deliciously creamy and refreshing Weight Watchers Ice Cream bars. They are portable and come in flavors like Chocolate Mousse, English Toffee Crunch, Giant Cookies & Cream or Giant Latté.

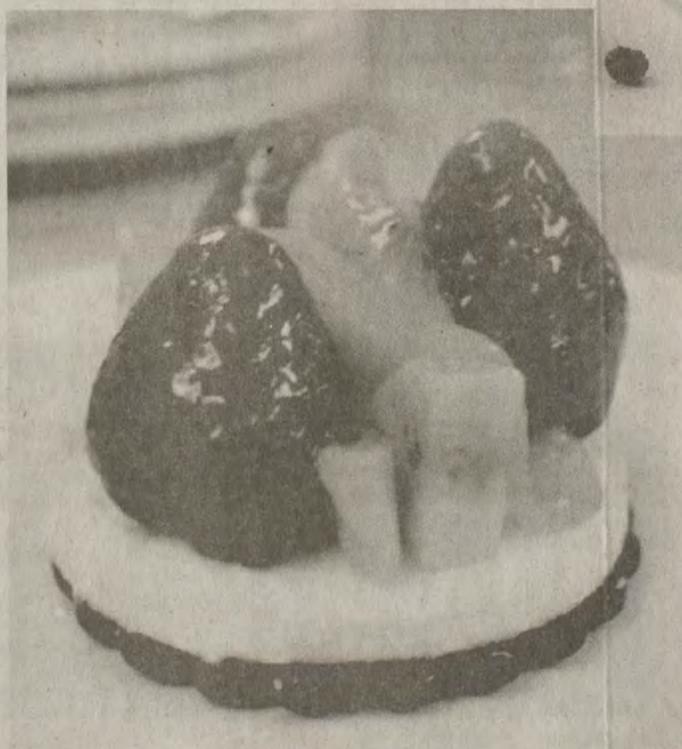
Eating Light. When preparing for the next picnic or back yard barbeque, experiment with sensible foods or menu items that include fruits, vegetables, whole wheat options and foods high in protein and fiber.

- For a luscious appetizer, try wrapping kiwi in a slice of prosciutto.
- Instead of serving traditional pigs in a blanket, pair mini-dogs with a zesty fat free tomato, mayonnaise, mustard and scallion dipping sauce.
- For an entrée that everyone will enjoy, make a pizza with whole-wheat flour tortillas, sour cream, thinly sliced smoked salmon, fresh basil and onion.
- Include seasonal fruits and vegetables with dips made from low-fat or fat-free yogurt instead of mayonnaise or creamy dressings.

Too "Clothes" for Comfort. With the summer heat comes the summer sweat. Dress as lightly as possible to allow the added moisture to evaporate from your body. Light-colored fabrics that are roomy and let the skin breathe are ideal for summer temperatures.

End-of-the Day Quencher. Treats don't have to be high in calories. To quench your taste buds at the end of a hot day, indulge in a Weight Watchers Ice Cream Cup. Ranging from 140 to 170 calories and with only 1.5 to 5 grams of fat per serving, these decadent ice cream cups are available in Mint Chocolate Chip, Turtle Sundae, Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough or Chocolate Fudge Brownie.

For other tasty summer recipes visit www.weightwatchers.com/sensiblefoods.



Ice Cream Sandwich Fruit Tarte

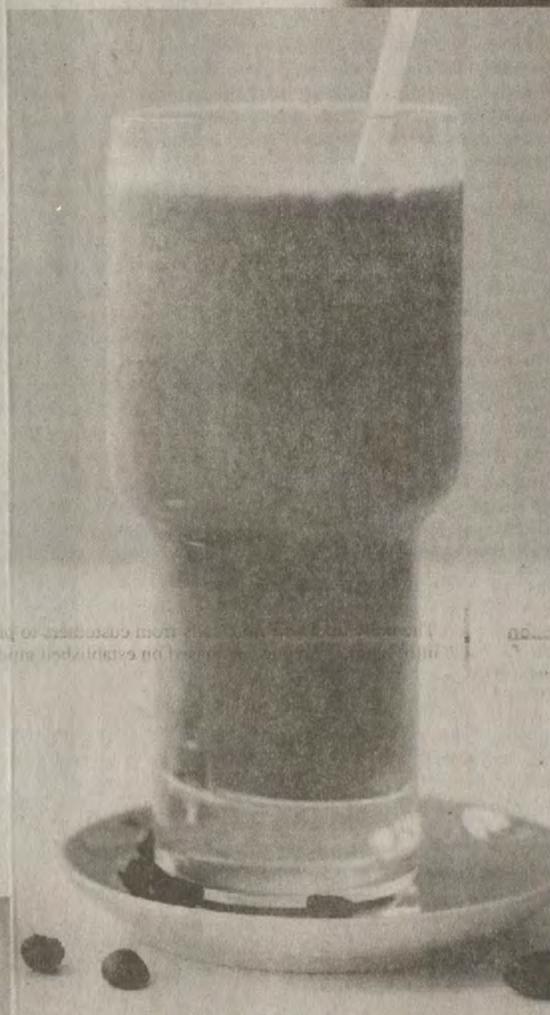
Prep: 8 minutes
Serves 2

- 1 Weight Watchers Round Vanilla Ice Cream Sandwich
- 3 medium strawberries, hulled and halved
- 1 medium peach, thinly sliced
- 1 medium kiwifruit, peeled and diced

Slice ice cream sandwich in half through ice cream so each half has a chocolate bottom. (For easier slicing, hold a sharp knife under hot running water for 30 seconds before cutting the ice cream sandwich in half.)

Place on two plates, chocolate sides down. Divide strawberries, peaches and kiwi on top of each ice cream sandwich half and serve.

Per serving (1/2 sandwich): 150 Calories, 3.5 g Fat, 1 g Saturated Fat, 0 g Trans Fat, 0 mg Cholesterol, 270 mg Sodium, 29 g Carbohydrate, 4 g Fiber, 4 g Protein, 6% Calcium. **POINTS** value: 2.



Multigrain Waffle Ice Cream Sandwiches

Prep: 10 minutes
Serves 4 (1/2 waffle sandwich per serving)

- 4 multigrain waffles, toasted
- 1/2 cup strawberries, hulled and sliced (divided)
- 2 Weight Watchers Giant Cookies & Cream Bars

Once waffles have cooled to room temperature, place 1 ice cream bar on 1 waffle and remove wooden stick. Using butter knife, gently spread ice cream evenly across waffle.

Arrange 1/4 cup strawberries over ice cream, and place 1 waffle on top of strawberries and ice cream to form a sandwich. Repeat with remaining 2 waffles, ice-cream bar, and 1/4 cup strawberries. Cut both sandwiches in half and serve immediately.

Good Idea: Play around with different flavors for your ice cream sandwiches. Use different flavors of Weight Watchers Giant ice cream bars and pair them with your favorite fruits or berries. For example, try Weight Watchers Giant Chocolate Fudge Bar with sliced bananas.

Per serving (1/2 sandwich): 150 Calories, 3.5 g Fat, 1 g Saturated Fat, 0 g Trans Fat, 0 mg Cholesterol, 270 mg Sodium, 29 g Carbohydrate, 4 g Fiber, 4 g Protein, 6% Calcium. **POINTS** value: 2.

Chocolate Latté Milk Shakes

Prep: 10 minutes
Serves 6 (1 cup per serving)

- 4 Weight Watchers Giant Latté Bars
- 4 Weight Watchers Giant Chocolate Fudge Bars
- 1 cup fat-free milk
- 12 ice cubes
- 2 bananas

Remove wooden sticks from all ice-cream bars.

Combine all ingredients in blender and puree on high power until mixture is smooth and creamy, 2 to 4 minutes. Pour equal amounts into glasses and serve immediately.

The new Giant Latté Bar is a rich, coffee-flavored low-fat ice cream bar with only 90 calories, 1 gram of fat and 4 grams of fiber. Each serving has a **POINTS** value of 1.

Try It: Entertaining during cocktail hour? Give your milk shakes an extra kick by adding a splash of Kahlua or Godiva, but be sure to factor in the **POINTS** value.

Per serving (1 cup): 180 Calories, 1.5 g Fat, 0.5 g Saturated Fat, 0 g Trans Fat, 5 mg Cholesterol, 105 mg Sodium, 42 g Carbohydrate, 7 g Fiber, 6 g Protein, 25% Calcium. **POINTS** value: 3.

Board

second time in little over a month. Rose, former principal at Betsy Layne High School, where the last board meeting was held, gave a report on student and staff achievements, along with his goals as principal of Prestonsburg Elementary.

"I've only been here a couple of weeks," Rose said. "It's been a whirlwind. It was a tough decision to leave Betsy Layne, but this is a great facility with great students and I look forward to what we can do in the future."

Rose then read the mission statement for Prestonsburg Elementary School.

"Prestonsburg Elementary will work to reduce barriers so

all students can reach high levels of academic performance. Staff will ensure a positive learning environment. Families and community partners will be welcomed to provide support to students in reaching their full potential as they grow to become responsible, productive citizens."

Prestonsburg Elementary School currently has 710 students and 48 teachers, and has a total revenue, including grants, section money, ESS money and Title I money, of \$2,220,340.57.

After Rose's presentation, a resolution on coal severance line items was read. The items include all county high schools, with \$50,000 for projects at

each school this year, \$25,000 for each school in 2009, and \$25,000 for each school in 2010.

Supt. Henry Webb was authorized by the board to execute and furnish all documentation, including a memorandum of agreement, for all of the projects. Webb was also authorized to serve as the correspondent for the projects with the Kentucky Department of Local Government.

Tim Holt, with the Kentucky School Boards Association, was up next to address the board concerning the superintendent evaluation process.

Holt praised the board and the school system for the progress it has made.

"Remember what we used to have to talk about," Holt said. "Look where you are now. I would like each of you to reflect on the changes that have been made and what you think about them."

Holt suggested that Webb

inform the board about how he thinks he is doing as superintendent in order to start the evaluation process. The board collectively thanked Holt for his help over the years.

The concept of perfect attendance was also an item that the board dealt with, deciding to update its definition to mean, simply, perfect attendance.

Webb said too much trouble was coming from tardiness and what constituted being tardy, so the board decided to amend its policy to include the new definition.

The board also voted to move one of the four preschool classrooms from Prestonsburg Elementary to May Valley Elementary. According to applications received by the

board, a large number of students whose families meet income eligibility are located in the May Valley Elementary area.

The board passed an abundance of consent items in bulk at the end of the meeting, with only amendments to the current tobacco policy causing pause. Board member Carol Stumbo doesn't believe that the policy

is complete.

"We have more work to do on the tobacco policy," Stumbo said.

Webb agreed, and said that he will work on it and bring it back before the board in the near future.

All members except Sherry Robinson were present at the meeting.

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Scam

telling your own legitimate callers that they have the wrong number. You get billed for all calls made because your number is the one from which they are forwarded."

The scam reportedly even overrides a cell phones' inability to receive collect calls, and may go on for several days before the victim becomes aware of it.

According to Carter the scam that got her, which she said was traced to a prison in Indiana, was particularly cruel.

"When someone calls you and tells you that two of your family members are dead, you just do it, you don't think," Carter said.

According to the DOJ, the scheme only works if the victim has signed up for the call-forwarding option with a phone service provider. While *72 is the sequence most commonly used for call forwarding, some phone service providers use different

sequences.

Any person who believes that they have just fallen victim to this scam can press *73, depending on the service provider, to turn off the call forwarding. Victims of the *72 scam on their cellphone may dial *720 and press send. This command cancels the call-forwarding feature.

Phone companies warn customers to be cautious of any phone number that begins with a *, #, 0, or 900-series number. These prefixes, when used for fraud, may allow access to a user's account, which can incur substantial charges.

Phone companies also recommend that citizens never receive collect calls from anyone they do not know.

AT&T representative David McFadden says that any person who thinks they may have been a victim of a phone scam should contact local authorities.

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Lunsford

while voting to give them tax breaks.

"This is a Big Oil administration ... and McConnell's been the enabler," Lunsford said in tying McConnell to President Bush in an interview Monday.

Lunsford called the McConnell ad a distortion. "Since I've never held elective office ... how could I possibly have been involved with this dramatic increase of prices," he said.

Lunsford's campaign has said gas prices have soared by \$2.50 a gallon since McConnell started his fourth term nearly six years ago.

McConnell, the Senate's top-ranking Republican, has given a series of Senate speeches in recent days skewering Democrats for doing too little to try to lower gas prices.

McConnell is pushing a boost in domestic production. The measure would let states seek to lift the federal offshore drilling moratorium off their coasts. The proposal also would provide incentives to develop plug-in electric hybrid automobiles and lift a ban on developing oil shale in the West.

Lunsford touts an energy plan that includes opening the strategic petroleum reserve,

providing a gas-tax holiday, tapping oil shale supplies and requiring oil companies to drill on millions of acres under lease. He also supports developing alternative energy and converting coal into fuel. Lunsford said Monday he supports more oil drilling, but said it should be done selectively to minimize the environmental impact and to have the quickest impact on supplies.

"You pick the areas that make the most sense to drill as quickly as possible," he said.

Brasell said Lunsford's energy plan falls short of what's needed and would "make us more dependent on the Middle East."

Guilty

An investigation by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration discovered that Snyder, who primarily works with business accounts, allegedly had numerous suspicious accesses of individual taxpayer accounts.

Snyder is expected to appear in court again on August 20, where he will face a minimum sentence and up to six months probation.

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StoneCrest hosts junior clinic

Eighty attend free event

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — More than eighty young golfers participated in the StoneCrest Golf Course Junior Golf Clinic held July 14-15. The free clinic featured three hours of instruction daily. Lunch was served at the conclusion of each

day. The participants were shown an instructional film, instructed in putting, chipping, the full golf swing and other aspects of the game. Emphasis was stressed on the proper dress code, etiquette of the game and the rules of golf.

Youth that participated in the clinic hailed from Floyd and other Eastern Kentucky counties.

Instructors for the clinic were StoneCrest head golf pro Wes Jenkins; PGA Professional Dr. Gerald Walford; State Senator Johnny Ray Turner; StoneCrest assistant pros Zach Collins and Robert Chaffin; and Brooks Herrick (Bellarmine University

golf team member).

In addition to the instructors there were several volunteers that helped each day with the instruction, serving lunch and performing various other duties.

The following sponsors provided free funding for the free clinic: Kinzer Drilling Co.; Mountain Enterprises Inc.; Brad Hughes Toyota; First Commonwealth Bank; H2O Construction Co.; Estill Carter; D.L. Maynard Construction Co.; Goggans Construction Co.; Nairn, Inc.; Dr. Rob Herrick, D.M.D.; Progressive Health Care; Hi-Tech Signs & Graphics; Food City and Dr. Chip Salyers.



StoneCrest Golf Course hosted a free junior golf clinic July 14-15. Eighty attended the free clinic at the Prestonsburg golf course.

Madden claims second straight Southern title

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TAZEWELL, Tenn. — Leading all 53 laps at the Tazewell Speedway, Chris Madden (Gray Court, S.C.) wrapped up his second consecutive O'Reilly Southern Nationals Series championship. Madden's series-leading fifth victory boosted him to the title worth \$5,353. The South Carolina driver defeated Dennis Franklin, a three-race winner on the series, who finished fifth at the Tazewell track.

Madden started outside the front row at the high-banked Tazewell and got the jump on polesitter Ronnie Lee Hollingsworth (Northport, Ala.). Madden was never headed throughout the race as he crossed the finish line ahead of Tommy Kerr (Maryville, Tenn.), the previous night's series winner at Volunteer Speedway. Vic Hill (Greeneville, Tenn.) was third. Billy Ogle Jr. (Knoxville, Tenn.) finished fourth. Franklin started seventh and finished fifth but fell short of gaining enough positions to beat Madden for the series crown. Hollingsworth ended up 14th.

Allen driver Brandon Kinzer started the series finale 12th and finished seventh. Kinzer ended the 2008 season third in the Southern National Series points standings. Results of O'Reilly Southern Nationals Series Event #10 of 10 at Tazewell Speedway (Tazewell, Tennessee) on Saturday, July 26 follow.

Car Count: 27. 1. (2) Chris Madden, \$5,300; 2. (4) Tommy Kerr, \$2,500; 3. (3) Vic Hill \$1,500; 4. (6) Billy Ogle, Jr., \$1,000; 5. (7) Dennis Franklin, \$900; 6. (13) Tony Knowles, \$800; 7. (12) Brandon Kinzer, \$750; 8. (9) Jimmy Owens, \$725; 9. (11) Shon Flanary, \$700; 10. (16) Michael Smith, \$675; 11. (20) Chad Ogle, \$650; 12. (23) Danny Yoder, \$625; 13. (21) Brian Smith, \$600; 14. (1) Ronnie Lee Hollingsworth, \$590; 15. (19) Brian Booze \$580; 16. (18) Ethan Hunter \$575; 17. (10) Jeff Wolfenbarger, \$570; 18. (5) Rick Rogers, \$560; 19. (24) Daniel Baggerly, \$555; 20. (8) Bryan Hendrix, \$550; 21. (14) David Payne, \$545; 22. (15) Chris Combs, \$540; 23. (17) Steve Smith, \$535; 24. (22) Terry Wolfenbarger \$530.

Integra Shocks Fast Qualifier (\$100.00): Ronnie Lee Hollingsworth 11.138. Lap Leaders: Chris Madden (1-53). Cautions: 5 (Laps 7, 7, 34, 36, 37). PPM Racing Products Hard Charger of the Race (\$50): Danny Yoder (23rd to 12th). Barry Wright Race Cars Highest Finisher (\$100): Dennis Franklin. Rocket Chassis Highest Finisher (\$100): Tommy Kerr. GRT Race Cars Highest Finisher (\$100): Vic Hill. Delph Communications Highest Finisher (\$50): Chris Madden. Wilwood Tough Brake Award (\$50): Mike Collins. Provisionals: Daniel Baggerly.

American Racer Tires B-Main (Top Seven Advance): Shon Flanary, Tony Knowles, Chris Combs, Steve Smith, Brian Booze, Brian Smith, Danny Yoder, Marty Calloway.

Hoosier Racing Tires B-Main (Top Six Advance): Brandon Kinzer, David Payne, Michael Smith, Ethan Hunter, Chad Ogle, Terry Wolfenbarger, Mike Collins, Randy Weaver, Daniel Baggerly.



BLACKCAT FOOTBALL: The Prestonsburg High School football program hosted its annual grade school skills camp Saturday. PHS coaches and Prestonsburg youth coaches served as instructors at the camp.

UK AD Barnhart optimistic after emotional year

by WILL GRAVES ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — There will be no Southeastern Conference championship banners raised at the University of Kentucky over the summer, the first time under athletic director Mitch Barnhart the Wildcats failed to capture a conference title in any sport.

That doesn't mean Barnhart considers the 2007-08 year a disappointment. "It was a year of consistency," said Barnhart, who just completed his sixth year with the program. "I wouldn't say we've had huge performances. But we had so many great finishes in other areas, academically as well as athletically, and we grew in a lot of different ways. It was one of our most consistent years."

Consistently emotional may be more appropriate. From the giddy celebration on the field after the football team knocked off No. 1 LSU to the men's basketball team's roller coaster season under first-year coach Billy Gillispie to the death of "Mr. Wildcat" Bill Keightley

to the sudden departure of baseball coach John Cohen, you'd couldn't blame Barnhart if he kept a vial of Dramamine in his office just in case.

"We've run the gamut," Barnhart said.

Nowhere were the pendulum swings greater than in men's basketball. The sky-high expectations around Gillispie's debut — there were 23,000 people at Big Blue Madness — were quickly tempered by losses to Gardner-Webb and San Diego. Both losses came at home and left some wondering if Barnhart made the right hire.

Barnhart says he never wavered on his choice, even if it meant Gillispie had some tough lessons to learn about the crucible that comes with leading college basketball's all-time winningest program.

"I don't think you can explain it to anyone until they experience it for themselves," Barnhart said. "Until you walk through that, you just don't realize it.

It's just an incredibly difficult experience but also deeply rewarding. It's the fabric of the state and I think Billy enjoys that."

The boos of December ended with roars in March after Gillispie led the Wildcats to a second-place finish in the SEC, a remarkable turnaround despite the loss of do-everything center Patrick Patterson to injury and a thin bench that provided little help to stars Joe Crawford and Ramel Bradley.

"I really felt like our players came to understand what was expected from our league and from our coach and those two things began to get in sync together," he said. "Had Patrick not been hurt the last couple weeks of the season, we could have made some noise early in the NCAAs I think."

The turnaround seemed to solidify Gillispie's status among one of the most vocal fan bases in the country. Though Gillispie has professed his love for "Big

Blue" he has yet to sign a formal contract with the program 15 months after his hire.

Gillispie is still working under the memorandum of understanding he signed during his whirlwind courtship by the Wildcats in April 2007. The seven-year deal will pay him \$2.3 million annually, with \$850,000 in performance and academic bonuses available if he can return the school to its former perch among college basketball's elite.

After months of stalemates, progress has been made recently during informal talks between Gillispie, Barnhart and university president Lee Todd, and a deal is expected soon.

The lack of a deal hasn't stopped Gillispie on the recruiting trail. He raised some eyebrows during the spring after securing verbal commitments from 15-year-old Michael Avery.

The National Association of Basketball Coaches put out a letter last month asking members to refrain from accepting commitments

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Mitch Barnhart

Soccer registration set for Saturday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Youth Soccer Association will host registration for the 2008 fall season Saturday, Aug. 2 and Saturday, Aug. 9 at the Prestonsburg McDonald's. Volunteers will be at McDonald's to accept registrations between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The registration fee remains at \$40 per child. Parents may also register their children by accessing the league website at www.ekysoccer.org. The registration form posted online should be printed, completed by the parent, and mailed to Robin Simpson Smith, Registrar, P. O. Box 746, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. A check or money order in the amount of \$40 should be included for registration fees. Floyd County Youth Soccer is not responsi-

ble for mail delivery, and registrations are accepted on a first come, first served basis. All children at least four years of age as of August 1, 2008 are eligible to participate in recreational soccer. Parents may be asked to provide a birth certificate or other record for verification of the child's birthdate. Players in the Under6 and Under8 divisions play against other Floyd County teams only. Teams in the Under10, Under12 and Under14 divisions also play teams from surrounding counties. (In the fall, there are no Under16 or Under19 teams.) Floyd County Youth Soccer plays its games at the soccer fields located in Archer Park. In the spring, over 200 boys and girls from Floyd County participated in youth soccer. For more information, contact Robin Simpson Smith, Registrar via phone at 886-9562.



The Highlanders, a group of six girls from Floyd and Pike counties, finished runner-up in the 3v3Live Summer Nationals soccer tournament at Kings Island. The team qualified for the national tournament after faring well in a tournament held in Lexington earlier in the year. The team is pictured. First row (left to right): Paula Jo Roberts, Catherine Dawahare, Kathleen Smith. Second row (left to right): Katy Petry, Kaitlyn Minix, Ashley Underwood.

Hicks makes late rally, wins feature race

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

SITKA — After leading lap 11, Terry Hicks regained the front spot on the race's two laps and won the Late Model feature Saturday night at 201 Speedway. Hicks finished in front of Steve Stollings. The third through fifth running order was comprised of D.J. Wells, Jamie Ferguson and Rodney Davis.

Ferguson, who qualified fastest (14.63) led laps 1-5.

Jason Hall (Open Wheel Modified), Bo Howard (Mr. Metal Bomber) and Shawn Ousley (18S) also claimed feature wins.

Feature race recaps from the four divisions follow.

Late Model Feature: 9-Terry Hicks; 17S-Steve Stollings; 11-D.J. Wells; 13 Jamie Ferguson; 6-Rodney Davis; 25-Albert Butcher; 2-Rick Whitt; 14-Donald Runyon; 3-Richie Edwards; 00-Michael Butcher; 57-Brittany McKinney; 78-Robert Fletcher; R1-Rod Evans; 43K-Kevin Hall; 16-Paul Davis; 26-Shane Case; 9-Jimmy Perkins.

Open Wheel Modified Feature: 911-Jason Hall; 11-Pete Castle; 46-Dennis Deboard; 18-Gary Fitzpatrick; 3H-Jim Lemaster; 30-William Hensley; 35-Jeremy Hayes; 3-Jacob Ross; 0-Jimmy Collins; 41T-Stanley Haddix; 17-Brian Salisbury; 40-Chris Maynard; 7-Matt Spence; B3-Randy Boggs; 22-Randy Caudill; 21-Jimmy Barnett; 1D-Tommy Cordell; 44-Ryan Jarrell.

Mr. Metal Bomber Feature: 20-Bo Howard; 73-Charlie Mollette; J17-J.J. Terry; 45-Tim Mason; P20-Ervin Vance; A85-Allen Turner; 3D-Darren Damron; 77-Harley Hall; P12-Dean Pennington; R17-Don Risner; 5H-James Hale; 23-Bryston Guthrie.

Four Cylinder Feature: 18S-Shawn Ousley; D6-Darrin Rogers; 18K DI Henson; 37-Alan Osborne; 9-Ethan Conley; 30-Estilla Lawson; 68-Nathan Messer; M77-McCaye Sexton; 2T-Jack Tackett; L13-Henry Lawson; A17-Alan Salisbury; 63T-Shirley Tackett; 17X-Shawn Shelton; 18-Ivan Gunnels.

Historic 201 Speedway will host the 2nd Annual Walker Prater "Pop's 40" Late Model feature paying \$5,000-to-win on Saturday, Aug. 2. The highly-anticipated feature race will boast a payout of over \$22,000.

Arkansas coach Petrino discusses SEC rivalries, Falcons

by JOHN ZENOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOOVER, Ala. — Houston Nutt, Tommy Tuberville and the Kentucky Wildcats.

Arkansas' Bobby Petrino walked into the Southeastern Conference with a bunch of built-in rivalries that will at least make good headline fodder — and that's not even including the NFL's jilted Atlanta Falcons.

The Razorbacks' first-year coach was greeted by questions about those topics in his SEC media days debut on Friday. His team was also picked to finish last in the Western Division, but Petrino took it all in stride.

First the Falcons, who Petrino left after one season: "The whole situation, the timing was bad. There's no question about that. If it could have played out any other way, I would have loved to have seen it play out a different way. With the Falcons and with Arkansas, it was really the only way it could work out."

Then there's Nutt, who left

Arkansas to take over West rival Mississippi. Petrino said he hears about that Oct. 25 game a lot from fans, but hasn't brought it up with his players.

And Tuberville. Petrino was courted by Auburn five years ago two days before the Alabama game when Tuberville was under fire.

"This is a business. I understand that," tuberville said. "We all get caught up in certain scenarios. That's just part of it. Bobby and I have talked many times since then. Since he's been head coach there, we've talked several times at meetings."

"It will be a lot of good talk between fans and media, but when it comes to the football teams that really matter in terms of winning and losing, there won't be any effect."

At least any rivalry with Kentucky will be more of the on-the-field variety since Petrino is a former Louisville coach. His record against the Wildcats: 4-0.

"He whupped me up the head pretty good," Kentucky coach Rich Brooks said.

SPURRIER: Steve Spurrier raised the bar for South Carolina at last year's media event, saying the Gamecocks finally were ready to compete for an SEC title.

He didn't exactly repeat that statement on Friday, but didn't shy away from it, either.

"The team this year is probably much better prepared than last year," Spurrier said. "Obviously we were dead wrong in thinking that our team was capable last year."

The Gamecocks lost their last five games and were shut out of a bowl game after a 6-1 start.

Spurrier doesn't think lack of talent will be a proper excuse this season, but figures his team needs to better learn how to pull out the close games that went the other way in 2007.

"We've got ballplayers," he said. "We have absolutely no excuses about ballplayers. We need to coach better and they've got to play like good players. If we get that happening, maybe those close losses

will turn into victories."

Spurrier has made one adjustment, designating his son and assistant coach, Steve Spurrier Jr., as the primary offensive playcaller.

Spurrier will still have plenty of input from the sidelines. Not to mention a little protective fatherly instinct.

"If it goes bad, I did it. If it goes pretty good, he did it," he said.

FAVORED AUBURN: Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville has used the Tigers' perceived underdog status as motivation plenty of times over the years. He wasn't complaining about the league media's prediction that they will win the SEC West, though.

"We need to have a sense of urgency a lot more than we did last year," Tuberville said. "I think this will be a point that we can use with our team, our coaches, and we can use it as a rallying point that a lot of people are counting on us and picked us in certain situations."

Center Jason Bosley wasn't so sure he liked the front-runner role.

"I like being the underdog, because people take you for granted and you can sneak up and beat them," Bosley said. But, he added, "It's an honor to be ranked high."

Tuberville said the status of offensive lineman Chaz Ramsey for the start of pre-season practice is uncertain after back surgery. But he has gotten a good feeling from watching him run recently. "He's come back and he's done some things," Tuberville said. "Is he ready to play this year? We'll have to wait and see. Is he going to redshirt this year? That's always a possibility."

But, he added, "He could be a starter in the first game."

'CATS' HOPES: After two straight eight-win seasons, Kentucky's Rich Brooks thinks his team has earned a little respect even in a division where that might only be good enough for middle of the pack.

"I think we became a viable team in the SEC East," Brooks

said. "I believe we'll be a viable team again this year."

"We were one of the teams that everybody used to think they could put an automatic 'W' up next to as they went into the season."

The Wildcats won't have quarterback Andre Woodson, but Brooks will field what he calls the best defense and best offensive line of his tenure. It might be his speediest Kentucky team too.

Brooks said his first team in Lexington had only one player that could break 4.5 seconds in the 40-yard dash; that number rose to 17 last year.

"We have more speed. We have more talent," he said. "We have players that are capable of playing at Florida and Georgia and Tennessee. I think that we've closed the gap on the talent level."

Coming Wednesday, Aug. 6: The Times' SEC Football Preview.

Rockies complete sweep with 11-0 win over Reds

Colorado improves to 9-1 since All-Star break

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Colorado Rockies are getting that look again.

Garrett Atkins and Jeff Baker homered and drove in three runs, Ubaldo Jimenez turned in another terrific start and the Rockies pounded the Cincinnati Reds 11-0 Sunday to complete a three-game sweep.

Chris Iannetta also homered and Scott Podsednik had three hits for the Rockies, who wrapped up their first sweep of a road series this season and their first in Cincinnati since June 15-17, 2001.

Colorado extended its winning streak to five games, matching its season high, and finished with 14 hits in its biggest win of the season. The Rockies are 9-1 since the All-Star break and have compiled at least 11 hits in eight consecutive games, their longest streak since an eight-game run in September 1999.

Colorado won 21 of 22 to get to the World Series last year, but manager Clint Hurdle is hesitant to draw any comparisons to last season.

"We're not trying to recreate anything," Hurdle said. "We're just trying to play well day to day. Last year, we figured out a way to score one more run than our opponents. Right now, we're finding ways to barrel up some balls. Our offense has been good from the bottom all the way to the top."

The Rockies entered play in third in the weak NL West, six games back of division-leading Arizona.

"We're really fortunate to be

in the position we're in," Troy Tulowitzki said. "We tried to play our way out of it. Now, we're trying to play our way into it. We learned a lot from last year and not much has changed. We still have the same confident guys."

Jimenez (7-9) allowed five hits in six innings, improving to 5-1 with a 1.74 ERA in six July starts.

"I wasn't as sharp as I was in my other starts," Jimenez said. "They were looking for fastballs up and they got them. My fastball wasn't as good as it was in my other games."

Josh Fogg (2-3), pitching with 30 stitches in his lip after being hit by a line drive while tossing in the outfield during practice on Tuesday, lasted just 3-2-3 innings for Cincinnati. He allowed seven runs, eight hits and three walks against his former team.

Fogg said his lip wasn't the problem.

"I wish I could say it walked the four or five guys I walked,

but that was me," he said. "It was just poor pitching."

The Reds finished their longest homestand of the season with a 4-6 record while allowing Colorado to pile up 45 hits, the most by a Cincinnati opponent in a three-game series since Oakland had 51 in June 2004.

"We knew they were a hot club coming in," Reds manager Dusty Baker said. "They were swinging the bats up and down the lineup. Every game, they went around (the lineup) twice before we went around once. I wasn't even playing and I feel beat up watching them get beat like that."

Colorado scored four runs in the fourth to take a 7-0 lead. Podsednik singled with one out and Baker followed with a drive to center on a 1-2 pitch from Fogg, his ninth homer of the season and second of the series.

Atkins chased Fogg with a two-out, two-run homer to left, his 15th of the year.

"You look up and it's 8-0," Reds left fielder Adam Dunn said. "The mood's going to be down all day. This series, we didn't play well. We've got to regroup. It's definitely shocking any time we don't score runs. It's shocking to me."

Ken Griffey Jr. singled in the fourth to extend his hitting streak to 10 games for Cincinnati, his longest since a 15-game streak in 2006.

Plate umpire Jim Reynolds issued warnings to both benches after Jimenez hit Brandon Phillips with a pitch in the bottom of the sixth and Gary Majewski hit Tulowitzki in the top of the seventh.

Notes: Dusty Baker's sister, Tanya, called him Sunday morning from Colombia. "She's in South America doing missionary work and she calls me to see how I'm doing," said Baker, whose team has lost three straight. "She knows how I am." ... RHP Jared Burton, sidelined since July 19 with a

strained muscle in his right side, is scheduled to throw off a mound in Cincinnati on Monday and join Triple-A Louisville in Charlotte for a rehab assignment on Tuesday. ... Reds RHP Aaron Harang, who hasn't pitched since July 8 with a strained right forearm, is scheduled to throw off a mound Monday in Houston. ... Colorado's starting pitcher Monday in Pittsburgh still is undetermined, but RHP Aaron Cook will start Wednesday.

Diamondbacks 10, Giants 2: Pike County native Mark Reynolds hit a three-run homer, Conor Jackson and Chad Tracy also connected and visiting Arizona gave Dan Haren (10-5) plenty of early offense.

Stephen Drew and Chris Young hit two-run doubles in the Diamondbacks' five-run second inning, when the D-backs batted around against Jonathan Sanchez (8-6) on four hits, three of them doubles.

WR Chad Johnson reports to Bengals training camp

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GEORGETOWN — Receiver Chad Johnson had nothing to say when he reported for training camp Sunday, ending the Cincinnati Bengals' offseason drama with a pillow under his arm and a leave-me-alone look on his face.

Now, the Bengals can try to move on.

By showing up on time and without complaint, the Pro Bowl receiver brought his teammates some relief from his failed attempts to get traded. They were glad that Johnson was no longer a hot issue.

"I think it's water under the bridge," said receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh, one of Johnson's closest friends on the team.

The only absence Sunday was first-round draft choice Keith Rivers, a linebacker who was the ninth overall pick. The team's other nine draft selections were under contract before an afternoon workout. The first full practice was scheduled for Monday morning.

Johnson made his entrance without fanfare.

Carrying a pillow under one arm and an Xbox in hand, Johnson walked past reporters without responding to questions and headed into room 113 at the Georgetown College camp. Johnson has decided to continue his practice of ignoring the Cincinnati-area media.

Johnson was criticized last season after he berated quarterback Carson Palmer on the sideline following an interception during a loss to New England. As it turned out, the interception was Johnson's fault — he ran the wrong route.

Palmer was gracious Sunday when discussing his relationship with the receiver, who holds or shares nine team records. He had 1,440 yards on catches last season, a club record.

"There's nothing to mend," Palmer said. "There's never been any hard feelings between the two of us. He has his stance and whether I feel the same or feel different, it doesn't matter. We're teammates and we've been a great tandem and hopefully we'll continue to be a great tandem

for years to come."

In a recent interview with The Associated Press, Johnson apologized to fans who were put off by his lobbying for a trade. He also said he will revert to the way he was before he got caught up in controversy.

"You're going to get the same Chad, maybe a double dosage of what you got in the past," he said. "I'm going to make it fun. I'm going to be flamboyant. I'm going to talk. I'm going to run my mouth. You're going to get everything you got in the past, maybe a little more."

First, he's got to get healthy. Johnson had bone spurs removed from his right ankle June 18 and hasn't fully recovered. He had a pronounced limp when he ran 40-yard dashes at less than full speed Sunday afternoon with the rest of the receivers. He didn't fully participate in the 45-minute workout, which included stretching and running.

Johnson has three years left on his contract, which was reworked in April 2006 and brought him an additional \$10.75 million. The Bengals

turned down a trade offer from Washington before the draft, signifying their insistence that Johnson wasn't going anywhere no matter how much he complained.

Owner Mike Brown is pleased with the outcome.

"It was a rough patch," Brown said at the team's pre-season luncheon last week. "He was doing his little dance and had his reasons for it. I wish it could have been avoided, but it's behind us now. We need him. He's an integral part of this team. He's a brilliant player. I would hate to think of us without him."

The Bengals opened camp without Rivers, who is projected as a starter. They signed receiver Jerome Simpson (second-round pick), defensive tackle Pat Sims (third round), receiver Andre Caldwell (third round), offensive tackle Anthony Collins (fourth round) and safety Corey Lynch (sixth round) to four-year contracts Sunday.

Also, they gave offensive lineman Andrew Whitworth a four-year contract extension through 2013.

SPORTS CALENDAR

East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camp: The East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camp, conducted by East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley, will be held at Sheldon Clark High School July 31-Aug. 2.

The three-day camp will run from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The preregistration fee for the East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camp is \$65 per participant. Two siblings in the same immediate family who preregister can attend the camp for \$100. Each additional sibling in the same immediate family will be able to attend the camp for \$35 through preregistration.

The registration fee for the camp is \$75 per camper. Registration for the camp will be held from 8-9 a.m. on the first day of the event.

Each East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camp participant will receive a T-shirt, participation medal and certificate of completion. The camp will also include giveaways and the chance to win various prizes and awards, including basketball merchandise and trophies.

Lunch will be provided from noon-1 p.m. every day of the camp.

Camp applications are available at the East Kentucky Miners office (located at 237 2nd Street Suite 5, Pikeville) and several area businesses.

Checks for the camp should be made payable to Coach Kevin Keathley. For more information on the East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camps, call 606-437-9715 or 606-794-6409.

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Barnhart

from players who haven't completed their sophomore year of high school. Barnhart has no issue with the NABC's recommendation, or Gillispie's efforts to establish contact with younger players.

"I think the families Billy has been involved with are strong families," Barnhart said. "The parents are invested in the future of their child and are very active in the process."

The same can be said of Barnhart and the future of the athletic program. Barnhart and football coach Rich Brooks got together shortly after the Wildcats beat Florida State in the Music City Bowl and worked together to sign offensive coordinator Joker Phillips to a new contract that will make

Phillips the head coach upon Brooks' retirement.

"He was being courted by several teams to do something different and it made no sense for him to leave our program," Barnhart said.

Barnhart also reacted quickly when Cohen left the Wildcats for Mississippi State just days after the baseball season ended, naming assistant Gary Henderson head coach hours after Cohen's departure.

"I've always believed that there are great assistant coaches out there ready to be head coaches," he said. "Each situation is unique and different, but what I prefer to do is have people from within step up and have some continuity."

It's the kind of continuity the

Wildcats can afford thanks in part to the football team's on-field success. Back-to-back 8-5 seasons have packed Commonwealth Stadium and allowed the athletic department — which is its own entity separate from the university — to pay the bills and then some.

Each program has the full allotment of coaches, and Barnhart has encouraged head coaches to not make money an issue while filling out a staff.

"We've been very fortunate that we've been able to get some quality people on board, and it's helped us tremendously," he said.

Still, there are challenges ahead. Though Rupp Arena remains one of the top college basketball venues in the coun-

try, it has no revenue-generating luxury boxes. It doesn't help that the city of Louisville plans to open a downtown arena that will be the home of the archrival Cardinals in time for the 2010 season.

Barnhart, however, says he's not in a hurry to renovate or replace Rupp, and when he talks about the arena he could just as easily be talking about the program he's spent the last six years trying to rebuild.

"Being first isn't always best," he said. "Sometimes it's best to wait and make sure that you have everything in place."



AUSTIN KIDD, 12, of Dana, competed in the Bluegrass State Games held in Lexington July 19-20. Kidd swam in five events, winning a gold medal in the 50-meter breaststroke, silver medals in the 200-meter freestyle relay and 200-meter medley relays, and a bronze medal in 50-meter freestyle. Kidd placed fourth in the 100-meter freestyle.

BLOWOUTS AT BRICKYARD: Johnson survives tire debacle at Indianapolis

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — It's one of the biggest events of the year at a venue intended to help NASCAR showcase its racing.

Instead, Sunday's race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway left everyone apologizing to the fans for what could only be called a fiasco.

Hopefully NASCAR can bounce back better than Goodyear's tires did over the course of a chaotic caution-filled race that ended with Jimmie Johnson winning his second Brickyard in three years.

Tire troubles derailed one of NASCAR's crown jewel events when Goodyear's product wasn't durable to withstand more than 10 or so laps at a time.

"Every lap. Every lap I was concerned about it. Every corner, for that matter," said Johnson, who beat Carl Edwards to the finish in a seven-lap sprint to the checkered flag.

"As a group, we all knew we couldn't push the envelope. I knew at the end, a seven-lap shootout, I could blast it off in there and I'd be OK."

Johnson was indeed OK. Goodyear and NASCAR were

not OK, left to explain why the race became a debacle.

The tire issue cropped up early Saturday, when drivers learned during the first practice they could only last anywhere from three to 10 laps before the rubber wore down to the cords. NASCAR and Goodyear hoped the conditions would improve — as it has in years past — once enough rubber was laid down on the track.

But the first-time use of the Car of Tomorrow prevented any improvement because of the lack of downforce on the car, combined with its higher center of gravity, created conditions that made it very hard on the right side tires. No matter how much rubber was laid on Indy's notoriously abrasive surface, the tires still weren't strong enough to last more than about 10 laps.

"We came with the best tire we had for the conditions and we fell short. We'll try to get it right," said Greg Stucker, director of race tire sales for Goodyear.

"I don't think anybody likes to race like this, us included. We'll do what we can to make it better."

There were 11 total yellow flags, and NASCAR had to

throw six competition cautions to force teams to pit and change their tires.

It meant the longest green-flag run was an embarrassing 12 laps, causing teams to fear both tire failures and a possible supply shortage. Goodyear shipped in 800 tires earmarked for use next week in Pocono before the race, but they ultimately weren't needed.

It was little consolation as drivers feared going full speed and crew chiefs were forced to gamble on tire strategy. No one was certain when NASCAR would call a caution, or if the sanctioning body would eventually decide to let the drivers go as long as they wanted.

"It was a pretty crazy day," winning crew chief Chad Knaus said.

NASCAR never chanced it, calling cautions every 10-to-12 laps as vice president of competition Robin Pemberton spent the race on pit road, examining tires and talking to frustrated crew chiefs.

After, he defended the job NASCAR did in staging a safe race.

"Not every race is a barn-burner," Pemberton said. "If you are a good fan, and you didn't get what you wanted, it's

OK to be disappointed and we can be disappointed right along with you. We're here to put on the best races we can, and we do a damn good job of it most of the time. Everybody inside these walls works real hard to do that."

Johnson fretted the final two stops, unsure what the right strategy would be. He took two tires on his final stop to emerge from pit road as the leader, then held off Edwards and Denny Hamlin over a final seven-lap green flag run to the finish line.

"I was worried the stop before that maybe we had to go two less to win this thing," Johnson said.

Edwards, sympathetic to NASCAR's plight, said he raced at 100 percent over the final run but couldn't catch Johnson.

"That's a long day. I know everybody's trying to do their best," Edwards said. "I just, personally, (want) to say to the fans, everybody's doing their best to make that race, at least we got to run at the end."

Hamlin, who led late but gave the lead up during the frenzied final sequences of pit stops, said he never got a feel for how good his car was because of the tire concerns.

"I don't think anyone could push their car as hard as they would have liked to, today," said Hamlin. "I was patient as I ever was in any other race. When I wanted to run hard, I could look like I was 20 mph better than anyone else, but I knew I was going to pay for it in the end."

NASCAR started the day with a scheduled competition caution to check tire wear after 10 laps, but it didn't even get that far as Michael Waltrip spun on the fourth lap to bring out the first yellow. Some of the teams decided to pit then, including 12th-place finisher Dale Earnhardt Jr.

"I liked it, because it was less work," Earnhardt said. "It was kind of fun, little 10-lap sprints, little heat races, getting new tires every 10 laps, it was great."

NASCAR pushed back the lap 10 caution to 14, but again the field didn't make it. Kurt Busch wrecked into Kevin Harvick on that lap to bring out another yellow. Because Earnhardt had already pitted, he stayed out and assumed the lead with the intention of trying to

run to the next planned caution on lap 30.

But his tire started to fade four laps short of the stop, dropping him off the pace and a lap down when he had to pit under green.

Still, Earnhardt defended NASCAR.

"The truth of the deal is that was the best show we could put on today, NASCAR did everything right," he said. "It's all we could do aside from loading up and going home and not running at all. Yeah, it wasn't quite the race everybody expected, but shoot it was better than some of the races you've probably seen here."

Juan Pablo Montoya soon lost a tire, as did Matt Kenseth, who spun through the grass when his failed.

"It's a really, really, really disappointing situation," said Kenseth, who finished 38th.

"This is one of the two biggest races of the year ... I feel bad for the fans — we're running three-quarters speed because we're worried about the tires blowing out. They got blown out every eight laps."

Kyle Busch sets NASCAR record with 15th win

by CLIFF BRUNT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLERMONT, Ind. — Kyle Busch was frustrated by NASCAR's latest rule change. He took it out on the competition. Busch led all but three laps Saturday night to win the Kroger 200 for Toyota's 15th victory in 22 Nationwide races this season.

It was the first win since NASCAR mandated Toyota cut 15 horsepower from its engines on Wednesday. NASCAR changed the parameters after rival teams complained, even though Toyota was within the rules.

"We wanted to come out here this weekend and sort of get a little sweet revenge on everybody," Busch said. "It turned out that way, and it worked out in our favor."

Busch won his 15th race of the season spanning NASCAR's three series, breaking the record of 14 set by Kevin Harvick in 2006. He has six Nationwide wins in 20

starts this year.

"It's been a dream season, completely all around," he said. "We're still running and still able to win races, so that's been the greatest fact."

Busch and Jason Leffler, the defending race winner, were upset with NASCAR's decision about the horsepower. Both felt Busch's win showed that there's more to their success than cars with powerful engines.

"It's all about the people here," Leffler said. "I think this week, that got overlooked a little bit. People felt like we had advantages in other places. I think we've got a lot of advantages in a lot of places. You're going to have a tough time taking them all away."

Last year, Toyota was the upstart when the Kroger race was Toyota's first win in what then was called the Busch Series.

Polesitter Colin Braun finished second on Saturday, and Mike Bliss was third. Carl Edwards was four laps down early in the race, but moved to the lead lap toward

the end with the help of some cautions and finished 11th.

Joey Logano, the 18-year-old who finished in the top two in his previous three Nationwide races, finished eighth.

The only laps Busch didn't lead were under caution. Busch said the lower horsepower likely cost him the pole, but it didn't matter because he took the lead from Braun on the opening lap.

"On a short track, you don't normally see one car dominate like that," said Braun, who had his best career finish. "He didn't really run off and leave everybody, he just got track position."

Busch, who also won the Kroger race in 2004, said the drop in horsepower might have helped Saturday because control has added importance on a short track. He said the impact of the decision won't be felt until races on bigger tracks.

"They sort of gave us an advantage for ORP (O'Reilly Raceway Park), but it's going to come down to next week and seeing what we have," he said.

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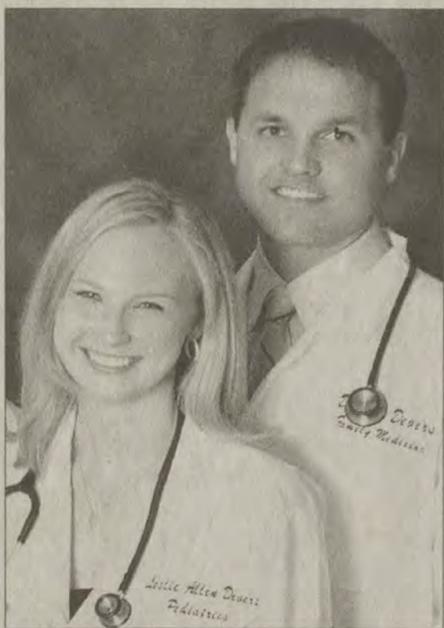
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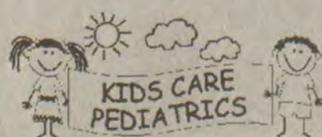


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POISON OAK

About Oh Henry and Bazooka Joe

Surely I'm not the only 60-something to remember the Oh Henry candy bar. I've no idea when (if they really did) quit making them, but it's been many many years since I've seen one.

Anyway, most of my afternoon trips to the company store back in the early 1950s, ended up with my eating some sort of ice cream bar as I sat on the steps, listening to the night-shift miners brag about their coal-loading achievements of the day before. But every once in a while, I chose a candy bar instead of ice cream. They both cost only a nickel in those days, and nine times out of 10, my choice of candy bars was Oh Henry.



Clyde Pack

But, ya know what? After all these years, I've no idea why I picked Oh Henry. Matter of fact, I can't remember what made it good; whether it

was nutty or creamy, crunchy or smooth. Perhaps it was just the fact that it came in a bright yellow wrapper (I think the words "Oh Henry" were brown) or maybe it was just the name itself—which my teacher insisted had nothing whatsoever to do with the O. Henry feller who wrote the Christmas story about the Magi. Whatever the reason, though, I do recall asking for it a lot.

Of course, Oh Henry was not the only goodie displayed in the candy section at the North East Coal Company store. It was full of temptations, and attracted much interest from young customers as we made daily visits on our way to (and from) school.

Much to the chagrin of our teachers, on those early morning stops, we'd load up on blow gum. I always got Bazooka, because it had a little Bazooka Joe comic inside the wrapper on each piece, and Dubble Bubble didn't. Bazooka Joe was a little blond kid who wore a baseball cap and had a patch over his right eye, like a pirate. I often wondered how he got his eye put out, but if I'd have asked my mom, I'm sure she would have said he shot it out with a BB gun.

Another thing about those little Bazooka Joe comics, is that, if you saved a bunch of them and sent them in, you could get some real stuff free—if, that is, you also sent enough money to cover the "shipping and handling" charges.

Anyway, by the time the bell rang to take up school, we'd have a couple pieces of blow gum worked up to bubble blowing perfection. However, by the time our spelling lesson was over (we always had spelling first thing after our singing, and the pledge to the flag) a steady stream of traffic was usually forming, as one by one, both boys and girls, would be marched up to the waste can next to the teacher's desk, to make a quick deposit of the big piece of pink goo.

Since our teachers' disgust to our gum, chewing was not totally unexpected, a few of us would also have stashed away deep in the pockets of our faded (but clean) overalls, a couple of packs of Kits. They were little square wrapped pieces of taffy, and they too, just like the blow gun, came two packs for a penny. Anyway, when the teacher was writing on the blackboard, after a little practice, I could put my hand in my pocket and unwrap a piece without taking my hand out, and quite expertly, even if I do say so myself, sneak it into my mouth.

Kits came in four flavors, banana, peanut butter, chocolate and strawberry. Since I couldn't see what kind I was unwrapping, I even played a little game (with myself, of course) trying to guess which kind I got. But when it came to candy, though, as far as I was concerned, nothing could beat an Oh Henry.

PART OF THE COMMUNITY



photo by Jarrid Deaton

The Goodwill store, located in the Village Shopping Center in Prestonsburg, accepts donations from the community and sells items at highly discounted prices. A large portion of the money is then returned to the community for various programs.

Goodwill joins Floyd Chamber

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

Goodwill Industries, open in Prestonsburg since November 2007, recently became the newest business to join the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce.

Goodwill accepts a wide range of donations from the community that it serves, and the majority of the funds earned from selling the goods are then sent back out into the community, making the business a good fit for the chamber.

Some of the items that are accepted as donations include cloth-

ing, shoes, household items, and electronics.

Goodwill completely depends on donations from the community to remain in operation.

The first Goodwill store in Kentucky opened in 1923, and there are now over 50 stores throughout the state.

The clothing and household goods that are donated to Goodwill are sold nationally in over 2,100 Goodwill retail stores.

"You can find a lot of good things here and they are always cheaper than buying them new from some big store," said Wanda Patton, of

David. "Plus, when you give them your money for something like a shirt, you are helping to fund something in the community."

Patton, like many of Goodwill's patrons, also donates items to the store as well as making purchases.

"There's no real reason not to get rid of things you don't need anymore if they can be used by others," Patton said. "It just helps you to feel better when you donate things instead of trying to make a little money at a yard sale or something."

According to Goodwill's website, more than 84 percent of its total revenue is used to fund education

and career services, along with other community programs.

The goal of Goodwill is to help people with disabilities or other disadvantages to achieve and maintain employment to gain a better quality of life.

Each store returns 87 cents from every dollar they make back to the community to be used for different programs to support Goodwill's mission.

The store hours for the Prestonsburg Goodwill are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. from Monday through Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

2008 BSCTC Leadership Institute graduates

On Thursday July 10, 2008, the Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) 2008 Leadership Institute concluded its final practicum. The Leadership Institute members met on the Prestonsburg campus of BSCTC for the final session and graduation ceremony.

The BSCTC Leadership Institute was implemented in September 2006 by Dr. George D. Edwards, President of BSCTC. It was the first of its kind at BSCTC and one of the few being conducted state wide throughout the sixteen community and technical college system that comprises KCTCS.

Dr. Edwards said, "The leadership potential here at Big Sandy is impressive. This class is just one of the leadership opportunities that we make available to our staff and faculty. Through initiatives like the BSCTC Leadership Institute we "grow our own leaders." It is a rewarding experience to work with our employees and help them grow into the leaders we know they can be."

The purpose of the BSCTC Leadership Institute is to expose employees with aspirations for leadership roles to many of the functional areas of comprehensive community and technical colleges. Participants develop individual leadership competencies, network with potential leaders from a variety of college departments, enhance their problem-solving skills, and work collaboratively to recommend strategies for college improvement.

The Leadership Institute utilized guest speakers and a case study approach which required preparation and follow-through on the part of participants. Much of the work was accomplished in teams. Twenty-eight employees have completed the program since its inception.



Members of the Big Sandy Community and Technical College Leadership Institute graduated on July 10. Front row: Virginia Williamson, Margarita Borders Hampton, Billie Jean Cole. Second row: Kelli Hall, Charlene Carroll, Kathy Lowe, Denese Atkinson, Bonita Dove, Jackie Cecil. Third row: Jason Kretzer, Dr. George D. Edwards, Julian Stone, Dennis Mayo, Randall Roberts.

YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

(July 31 and August 5,
1998)

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen ruled, Wednesday, that a grand jury will review the case of a PTA ex-president accused of providing eighth-grade students with alcohol, and having sex with them during a graduation party.

Jody Pauley, 33, of Inez, was arrested, Tuesday, and charged with holding an area woman at gunpoint in January, while he robbed a safe in the Floyd County residence. He was taken into custody and charged with first degree robbery and unlawful imprisonment.

An apparent argument between Jeremy Goble of Van Lear, and John Gregory Stepp, 33, of Prestonsburg, resulted in the shooting death of John Gregory Stepp. Authorities say that Goble shot and killed Stepp, following a confrontation at Sycamore Hollow in Johnson County.

Floyd residents Joey Palumbo, Tony Skeans and Ryan Shepard recently organized the Commonwealth Wrestling Association, which had a debut performance earlier this month in Floyd County. They formed their own association to feature local talent and provide wrestlers with experience inside the ring.

Floyd County school officials will offer surplus school equipment, resulting from recent school consolidation, for sale at a public auction.

State police officials are searching for Crit Caudill, a McDowell resident, responsible for this week's second shooting incident, that resulted from disputes between area residents. He's being sought for allegedly shooting Laura Blackburn, 23, of Beaver, early Tuesday morning.

A vehicle driven by Patricia Hunter caught fire, Monday afternoon, while she was driving north on U.S. 23, near Prestonsburg. Members of Prestonsburg's fire department, extinguished the fire.

Area police have been notified that a Pikeville pharmacy was burglarized, Thursday, and an undetermined amount of drugs were taken. At approximately 7 a.m., Thursday, a security officer with Pikeville Methodist Hospital, notified city police that the hospital's pharmacy on South Mayo Trail, had been broken into.

Floyd school officials are continuing to make repairs to the old two-story building at

Betsy Layne Elementary, so that students can attend classes August 13.

Next Tuesday, August 11, is the filing deadline for candidates running for public office in the November 3 general election, and the race to fill school seats is picking up. Three people have registered to seek the District Three board seat.

Pikeville police continue an investigation into a theft incident, over a week ago, which resulted in the arrest of Danny G. Tackett, 28, of Bypro, and Gary C. Short, 24, of Melvin. They are both accused of stealing tools from a vehicle belonging to Powell Construction, and a vehicle owned by James Stumbo of Hi Hat.

St. Henry's and St. Luke's Catholic Churches near Earlander, rolled up their sleeves and went to work making life a little easier for some Floyd County residents this week.

A review of applications for candidates seeking the post of a newly-created District Judgeship in Floyd County will be held August 13.

There died: Douglas Raymond Johnson, 60, of Virgie, Monday, July 27, at the VA Medical Center, Lexington; James D. Compton, 73, of Virgie, Wednesday, July 29, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Thomas Reynolds, 69, of Printer, Wednesday, July 29, at the VA Hospital, in Nashville, Tennessee; Chester Garrett, 65, of Prestonsburg, Monday, July 27, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg; Della Howard Shepherd, 77, of Hueysville, Monday, July 27, at Fort Sanders Parkwest Hospital, Knoxville, Tennessee; Blanche Ranier Hall, 84, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, July 28, at Jewish Hospital, Lexington; Margaret A. Dillion, 65, of New London, Ohio, Saturday, August 1, at Fisher-Titus Medical Center, Norwalk, Ohio; Shelby Short, 74, of Hager Hill, Sunday, July 26, at UK Medical Center, Lexington; John Gregory Stepp, 33, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, July 29; Ada Hall, 86, of Hueysville, Monday, August 3, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Calvin Clay, 66, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, July 30, at his residence; Verna F. Price, 75, of Drift, Monday, August 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; Robert J. Richmond, 51, of Brimfield, Ohio, formerly of Garrett, Friday, July 31, at Cleveland Clinic; Daisy Mae Hamilton, 55, of Grethel, Saturday, August 1, at her residence; Ruby Mae Robinson, 75, of Pikeville, Monday, August 3, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Harvey Lynn Howell, 47, of Stanton, formerly of McDowell, Monday, August 3, at the University of Kentucky

Medical Center, Lexington.

Twenty Years Ago

(August 3, 1988)

Last Thursday morning a truck, stolen from Music-Carter-Hughes was recovered on John's Creek.

The Prestonsburg City Council meeting gave city employees a positive boost, as a much more expensive retirement system was adopted.

Floyd schools superintendent Ron Hager reiterated this week, that all four of the county's proposed new schools will be built despite rumors that one or more of the facilities may be delayed.

The first day of school for the county's youngsters was slated to be August 15.

The Public Service Commission recently approved a utility rate increase for two of the county's utilities.

The cleanup of the slate dump at Ligon is scheduled to begin soon. Lightning does strike twice, as two Middle Creek brothers, Russell and Paul Shepherd, found out—same family, two different locations.

Fire alarms have been set off by the usage of bug bombs by area businesses.

There died: James Harris, 85, of Allen, Sunday; Felix Johnson, 73, of Wheelwright, Thursday, at McDowell ARH; Harlos Hall, 51, of Bevinville, Saturday, at his home; Minnie Grace Harris Sutherland, 84, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at HRMC; Joe Osborne, 65, of Harold, Sunday, at his home; Manford Stamper, 53, of Garrett, July 31, at Hindman; and Rudolph Baldrige, 63, of Lackey, Tuesday, at a hospital in Lexington.

Thirty Years Ago

(August 9, 1978)

Add up the figures listed recently by Secretary Calvin G. Grayson of the State Department of Transportation, and you have Floyd County getting \$1,008,960, no less, for its roads. But officials point out that this is very misleading figure—particularly so, because the county doesn't get much of the money and, in fact, actually spends only a fraction of it.

A public information session on the proposed new Big Sandy Regional Airport will be held at 7 p.m., next Thursday, (August 17) in

Pike Auditorium, Prestonsburg Community College.

Major personnel changes made official, at last Thursday's meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education, include the resignation of Fred Setser as coach of the Prestonsburg High School basketball team, and the naming of Ronald Robinson, of Little Paint, as his successor.

Indictments, bail bonds, court orders, names of jurors, court opinions, verdicts—every one of them are destined for Frankfort. And if the county doesn't provide secure storage space for them here, they'll remain in Frankfort.

There died: Mrs. Nealie Gray Springs, 86, of Wheelwright, Wednesday, August 2, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Ben Lyons, 85, of Garrett, last Wednesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Eukie Slone Johnson, 53, of the Rough and Tough section of Middle Creek, last Friday, at U.K. Medical Center; Mrs. Pansy P. Lavender, 63, of Prestonsburg, last Thursday morning at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Rebecca Ratliff Elston, 64, formerly of Langley, July 26, in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana; Oscar Newman, 66, of Grethel, Sunday, at Methodist Hospital in Pikeville; Andrew Jack Ousley, 63, of Risner, Sunday, at his home; Amma McKey Burchett, 95, of Cow Creek, Sunday, at home; Bill Davis, 47, of Hueysville, July 6, at home.

Forty Years Ago

(August 8, 1968)

The Comprehensive Employment Program (CEP) is taking over in this, and other eastern Kentucky counties, for the fading Work Experience & Training Program.

The Dispute between union employees and the Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company, which threatened a general walkout August 17, was settled Monday.

Mrs. Marie Triplett, 33, of Bevinville, was killed, Friday, in an auto crash near Topmost.

The Hobart Manufacturing Company, Troy, Ohio, has notified the Paintsville Chamber of Commerce that it will not exercise its option on 55 acres of the Kenwood site, as a future plant location. The Times learned Wednesday.

In this week's issue of The Times the D.&D. Food Market featured, among other items, a 3-pound can of Maxwell House Coffee for \$1.98, and sirloin steak for 98 cents a pound.

Born: to Sgt. and Mrs. Jimmy Layne, of El



Dawn Skeans

Skeans completes RP program

The College for Financial Planning, located in Denver, Colorado, has announced that Dawn L. Skeans, of Jacksboro, Tenn., has successfully completed the Registered ParaPlanner (RP) Professional Designation Program.

Individuals who complete the educational materials, pass a final exam, sign a code of ethics and disclosure form, and complete an internship earn the right to use the RP mark. The Registered ParaPlanner study topics include the financial planning process, financial statements and cash flow management, time value of money, equities and debt instruments, and tax planning.

Employed by Coulter & Justus Financial Services, LLC, of Knoxville, Tennessee, as an Investment Consulting Coordinator, Dawn brings over seven years of experience in the Financial Planning/Wealth Management profession and five years of banking experience. Along with obtaining the ParaPlanner designation, Dawn also has a certificate in Financial Planning from

(See SKEANS, page six)



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4-H Youth Development

Heather J. Nelson
Floyd County Extension Office



In keeping with the theme, "4-H Stars Making up the Clover Galaxy," 9-12 grade, 4-H Youth Development members attended Teen Conference June 9-12 on the University of Kentucky campus. To accommodate teenagers' active, busy schedules, the conference is held over a four-day format instead of five days. The four days were packed full of exciting events and activities. Floyd County had three teens to participate this year. They were Cesilee Newsome, Karri Keen and Kendra Hall.

Conference participants had the opportunity to tour U.K. campus as they learned about the programs the University has to offer. They

also had the opportunity to learn the history of 4-H. Youth were able to gain knowledge through various workshops and tracks. Some of the tracks the teens participated in are: Super Star Chef, Be Heard: Blogging and Podcasting for Teens, and CSI. One that was of high importance was the Spotlight Track, which was supervised by Floyd County 4-H Youth Development Agent, Heather J. Nelson. Included in this track is the Spotlight Newsletter. Editors worked with the teens to research, write and typeset their own stories. All 4-H Teen Conference participants from across the state received a copy of the SPOTLIGHT

Newsletter and viewed the slide show on Thursday morning.

In addition to attending workshops and tracks, teens had the opportunity to meet other teens involved in 4-H from across the state. Friendships made here do last a lifetime. They also participated in the election process by voting for their State 4-H officers.

For more information on this and other 4-H programs in Floyd County contact Heather J. Nelson (hnelson@uky.edu), County Extension Agents for 4-H Youth Development, at 606.886.2668 or visit her at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service Office at 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



2008 4-H Teen Conference delegates Cesilee Newsome, Karri Keen, Kendra Hall and Heather Nelson CES 4-HYD

KSU and the University of the Cumberlands join the UCM

Kentucky State University (KSU) and the University of the Cumberlands (UC) have joined the University Center of the Mountains (UCM) as on-line affiliate partners. Beginning this fall, Kentucky State University will bring their Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration on-line degree. The University of the Cumberlands will be offering their Masters in Education on-line degree.

"We are pleased to expand our partnership to include these great institutions bringing the total number of partners to eight," UCM Director Deronda Mobelini said. "Our partners are now offering 19 bachelor degrees and eight master degrees through the UCM. In just five years, our partners have awarded more than 500 bachelor and master degrees. More than 800 students have enrolled in UCM partner programming since our beginning in July, 2003."

The University of the Cumberlands' M.Ed. program is designed for qualified students with a Bachelor of Arts degree but who are prevented from coming to Cumberlands' main campus. Though provided through the UCM, the content and management of the program is the sole responsibility of UC. Cumberlands' Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Larry Cockrum said, "We are pleased to partner with service-based institutions that have a similar mission and want to see students do well."

To learn more about Cumberlands' graduate degree programs, call 1-800-343-1609 or visit their website www.ucumberlands.edu.

Students who enroll in the KSU on-line Bachelors in Public Administration program pursue a curriculum that includes exposure to the substantive approach and insight of different disciplines. The curriculum includes intensive training in analytical techniques and offers in depth education in social sciences related to the management of public services. The School of Public Administration also offers a minor in Public Administration. This program is available to every student pursuing a baccalaureate degree at KSU. A minor in Public Administration requires the completion of 18 semester credit hours. KSU Interim Provost and VP for Academic Affairs Dr. James Chapman stated, "We look forward to providing the public administration degree offering in

Eastern Kentucky."

To learn more about Kentucky State University call 1-502-597-6000 or visit their website www.ksu.edu.

For more information about the survey or degrees offered through the University Center of the Mountains visit the UCM website at www.ucmky.org, call 487-3252 or contact the director Deronda Mobelini at deronda.mobelini@kctcs.edu



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Dawn is the daughter of Delbert and Susan Goins of Martin, and the granddaughter of the late Claude and Helen Webb of Langley.



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Yesterdays

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Fifty Years Ago
(August 7, 1958)

Paso, Texas, a daughter, Melissa Kaye, August 3; to Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Alexander of the Middle Creek Road, a son; Willard Allen, July 27, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Collins, of Bypro, a daughter, July 30; to Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Johnson, of Ligon, a daughter, July 30; to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Henry Scott, of Wayland, a daughter, July 30; to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bevins, of Printer, a son, July 31; to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Stegall, of Hi Hat, a son, Aug. 2; to Mr. and Mrs. Hershell Short Jr., of McDowell, a daughter, Aug. 4

The budget approved by the Floyd County Board of Education, at its July meeting, has already provided for a raise in pay for all Floyd County teachers of approximately \$100 a year. County Superintendent V. O. Turner said, this week

Tom Baldrige, 67-year-old Bull Creek farmer, who was found late Monday near his home, died of burns at 1 a.m., Tuesday, at the Paintsville Hospital

A petition was being circulated, this week, among members of the Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative, asking that a new election be held to elect a board of directors of the cooperative

Announcement has been made of the purchase, by Jack Abshire, of the one-half interest of his partner, George Hereford, in the Prestonsburg Drive-In Theatre

Jenny Wiley State Park and Dewey Lake, the Fishtap dam, and roads to serve eastern Kentucky—all came in for study and discussion at the meeting, here, Monday, of the Eastern Kentucky Planning Commission

Azzie James Stevens, 38, of Osborne, was killed instantly by a blast from a gun fired by a 73-year-old man

There died: Mrs. Della Osborne, 81, Tuesday, at her home at Martin.

Sixty Years

Ago
(August 12, 1948)

Results of last Saturday's Primary election are as follows: For U.S. Senator—Virgil Chapman, Democrat; John Sherman Cooper, Republican. For 7th District Congressman—Carl D. Perkins, Democrat; W. Howes Meade, Republican

A. C. and Jack Carter, doing business as the Carter Elkhorn Coal Company, last week, announced plans for the construction of a coal cleaning plant near Maytown, at an estimated cost of \$25,000

The Burl Spurlock Wholesale Grocery Company, with its purchase by Allie M. Howard, of Salyersville, last week, passed from the control of the Spurlock family for the first time since its founding in West Prestonsburg, 65 years

ago
Two Floyd County women are in jail, here, facing murder charges as the result of slayings in the upper Left Beaver Creek section, Friday and Saturday

The Prestonsburg Lions Club will receive its charter at the hands of District Governor Garnie Purcell at the Charter Night banquet, next Tuesday evening, at the Methodist Church

Snow fell in this county in the pre-dawn hours of last Thursday, it was reported by S. M. Hicks, of Hippo, appraiser in the acquisition of lands in the Dewey reservoir area, and W. J. Vaughn, Prestonsburg, former Floyd Magistrate

Married: Miss Fay Dingus, and Mr. Clyde Maynard, both of Mare Creek, Aug. 2, at Paintsville

There died: Mrs. Mary Ann Crisp Shepherd, 26, Aug. 9, at her home at Dwale; Mrs. Roma Owens McPeck, 42, of Wheelwright, Aug. 9, at home;

Miss Anna Martin, 80, Saturday, at her home at Estill; Miss Ettie Tackett, 34, Aug. 9, at Melvin.

Seventy Years Ago
(August 11, 1938)

Although less than half of Floyd's registered vote was cast in the primary election Saturday, Floyd voters gave Senator Alben W. Barkley the greatest majority over Governor A. B. "Happy" Chandler of any of Kentucky's 120 counties, except Jefferson, and McCracken, Barkley's home county

Rising to within a foot and a half of the record height set by the 1918 flood, John's Creek, Thursday night, last week, caused thousands of

dollar damage to corn and other lowland crops, residents of that section reported

County Superintendent Town Hall announced, Tuesday, that the Floyd County Board of Education in its meeting, Saturday, had let a contract for the erection of a \$42,000 school building at McDowell, out of the funds tentatively set aside for construction of a school at Martin

The Big Sandy Valley's newest service station, established by H. B. Patrick and R. V. May, opened in Paintsville, this week, on the corner of College and Main Streets

Married: Robert E. Harlowe, of Wheelwright, and Miss Jess Allen, of Morehead, Aug. 7, at Wheelwright; Miss Malta Hill, Westville, O., and Buford Fultz, of Drift, last Wednesday, at Hindman

There died: William Sherman Clarke, 71, Aug. 8, at his home at Dewey; Elizabeth Griffith, 73, Aug. 9, at her home near Garrett.



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Thursday, July 31

- 4:00 – Close
- 4:00 – Close
- 6:00 – 8:00
- 7:30 – 9:00
- 8:00 – 10:00
- 9:00 – 10:30

- Playland Amusements
- Honey Hill Farms Petting Zoo & Pony Rides
- Guitar Hero Open Jam and Qualifiers (Side Stage)
- Lincoln/Davis Debate – Main Stage
- "Parade of Breeds" – showcases Kentucky's Horse Breeds – Small Ring
- Local Band Showcase – Main Stage



Friday, August 1

- 4:00 – Close
- 4:00 – Close
- 5:00 – 8:00
- 6:30 – 7:30
- 8:30 – 10:30

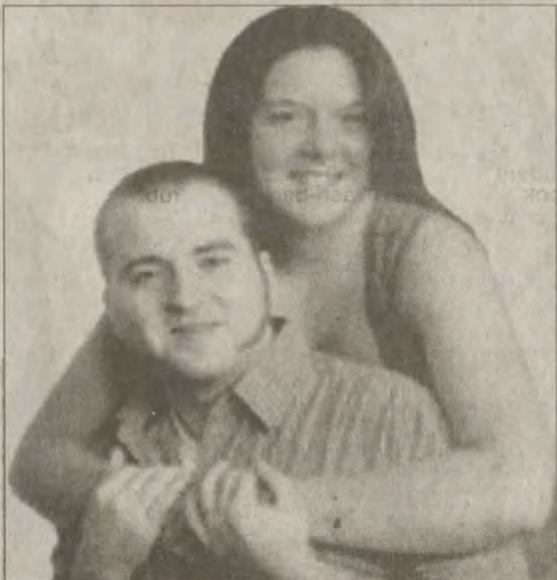
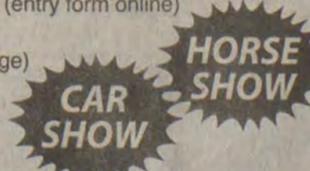
- Playland Amusements
- Honey Hill Farms Petting Zoo & Pony Rides
- Guitar Hero Open Jam and Qualifiers
- Southern Storm – Main Stage
- Local Band Showcase – Main Stage



Saturday, August 2

- 10:30-12:30
- 12:00 – Close
- 12:00 – Close
- 12:00 – 12:30
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- 12:00 – 1:00
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- 2:30 – 3:00
- 4:00 – 6:00
- 4:00 – 4:30
- 6:00 – 7:00
- 6:00 – End
- 8:00 – 8:30
- 9:00 – Close

- Car Show – (Sponsored by Respond Ambulance)
- Playland Amusements
- Honey Hill Farms Petting Zoo & Pony Rides
- Pie Eating Contest
- Soup Bean & Corn Bread Cook-off
- 4-H Dog Show
- Open Class Vegetable Contest (Adults only)
- 4-H Talent Variety Show
- Jenny Wiley Theater Presentation
- Invited Local Bands – Side Stage
- Guitar Hero Qualifiers and Closed Competition from previous qualifiers (Side Stage)
- Kentucky Outlaws Truck Pull – Cash Prizes – Street Legal Class available for locals – All locals invited. (Tentative)
- 4-H Rabbit Show
- ATV Mud Bog Finals Race – Cash Prizes – Locals Invited (entry form online)
- 4-H Goat Show
- Guitar Hero Finals – Prize/award undetermined (Main Stage)
- East Kentucky Fair Horse Show
- Kentucky Opry Jr. Jamboree
- Winning Bands Compete



Lawson-Maynard

Julie and Paul David Lawson, of Betsy Layne, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amanda Gabrielle, to Jesse Dale Maynard; the son of Judith and Andy Swanston, and Dale Maynard of Meta. The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of Betsy Layne High School, and is currently employed by Food City. She is the granddaughter of Gabrielle and (the late) Willie "Hobo" Watson, of Printer, and Ruby and Farris Lawson, of Betsy Layne. The groom-elect is a 2001 graduate of Pike Central High School, and is currently employed by Olan Mills. He is the grandson of Vesta and Dennis Justice, and Marie and Bilton Maynard, of Pikeville. The two will pledge their love and exchange marriage vows in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, September 6, at 3 p.m., at the Grassy Freewill Baptist Church, in Grassy. After a honeymoon in Florida, the couple will reside in Johns Creek.



Allison Leeann Akers will be celebrating her sixth birthday with a swimming party July 31 at Archer Park. She is the daughter of Greg and Lisa Akers of McDowell. Her grandparents are Leroy and Betty Akers of Minnie, Phyllis Henry of Minnie, and Bob Witten of Johnson County. Allison attends Wesley Christian.



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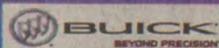
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