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Martin, county settle for \$41 K

by SHELTON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Fiscal Court issued a check to the city of Martin Monday afternoon for \$41,133, after attorney Clyde Johnson, on behalf of Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson and city workers, approached the court during a special meeting concerning money issues Johnson said needed to be

dealt with or else the city itself might cease to exist altogether.

Tuesday afternoon, after more than three hours in executive session called to consider what Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley categorized as a "threat of litigation," the court agreed to pay the city of Martin the money as something of a compromise.

Johnson, the city's attorney, had asked Monday for a total sum of \$65,000 to make good on monthly

fees from the county for the city workers' efforts to remove run-off from the Garth landfill, as agreed upon through a contract which expired on Jan. 24, 2010.

The agreement between the county and the city was first embarked upon in 2000, when the county was informed it would be required to make arrangements to perform treatment and filtration of the "leachate," or run-off, from the landfill at Garth.

The county and city leaders in Martin entered into an agreement that the city would take care of this for a monthly payment of \$2,500.

However, the county had not received payments for garbage collection for the city and had been covering those costs during the time period the city had complained they had not been receiving payments for taking care of the

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David die one acci

by JARRID
FEATURE

DAVID — A 28-year-old David resident was killed in a single-vehicle accident on Route 404 Monday.

According to Kentucky State Police, Kennis Burchett was traveling west on Route 404, when his vehicle crossed the centerline and traveled down the shoulder of the eastbound lane before striking a tree.

Burchett was pronounced dead at the scene by Coroner Roger Nelson.

The accident is currently under investigation by Kentucky State Police Tro. Brad Hamilton. Hamilton was assisted at the scene by Officer Dennis Hutchinson.

PROMOTING HEALTH



The Built Environment Committee discussed ways to make Floyd County healthier during a meeting at the UK Cooperative Extension Service office in Prestonsburg on Tuesday.

Committee focuses on getting county healthier

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Getting Floyd County healthy was the focal point of a meeting at the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service office in Prestonsburg on Tuesday.

Members of the Built Environment Committee discussed numerous ways to help improve the health of those in Floyd County, including extending the reach of the Second Sunday event that

takes place in October. While a proposed monthly event was deemed not to be fiscally possible, the committee agreed to a possible quarterly event under the Second Sunday banner.

"We can do a quarterly event called Second Sunday on the Move, and the activities and locations of the events will change," said Theresa Scott, county extension agent. This year's Second Sunday event is scheduled to take place on Oct. 9 at Elkhorn Park.

The office also created a brochure that lists areas throughout the county that feature different types of physical activities. The brochure includes a symbol guide that lets readers know what types of activities are available at the specific locations.

Scott and members of the committee also discussed approaching local independent restaurants about listing health information and providing

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None hurt in DUI bus wreck

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

TOLER CREEK — A Grethel man was arrested and charged with his second DUI and 22 counts of first-degree wanton endangerment after allegedly hitting a Floyd County School bus in the Toler Creek area March 9.

The case against Gary Newman, 55, was waived to a grand jury on Monday.

Along with DUI and the 22 wanton endangerment charges, Newman is also charged with possession of an open alcoholic beverage, no insurance, no registration and careless driving.

According to Supt. Henry Webb, no injuries were reported, although two students were taken to a medical facility to be checked out.

"We are very happy and lucky that no kids were hurt," Webb said.

Newsome is free after posting a \$50,000 cash bond.

Inmate dies in suicide jump

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — A Floyd County native and inmate at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center died Friday, after allegedly jumping from the second floor area of the jail and landing on his head in a reported suicide.

Delmer Kendrick Sr., 58, of West Liberty, was arrested on two charges of first-degree sexual abuse in Morgan County on Feb. 1 and

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McConnell, Rogers call for quicker coal permits

by SHELTON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The back-and-forth between Washington lawmakers and the Environmental Protection Agency in regard to coal mining continued this week with proposals by U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell and U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers to speed up coal mining permits.

The EPA has been tightening inspections and looking more closely at mining permits over the

past year, citing a series of mining accidents as the reason to begin taking more precautions.

However, McConnell and Rogers say this close attention is slowing the wheels of industry, with Rogers saying this week the agency itself has become a "headache."

"They're the biggest headache we have in the country to business and jobs," Rogers said.

Both lawmakers are saying the

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A Monday afternoon accident involving a tanker truck and an automobile stalled traffic on U.S. 23 at the mouth of Abbott Creek. Police were able to divert cars around the accident, rather than having to detour traffic through town.

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Obituaries

Elder Wavis "Red" Alley

Elder Wavis "Red" Alley, 81, of McDowell, died on March 9, 2011, at Central Baptist Hospital, in Lexington. Born February 16, 1930, in McDowell, he was the son of the late David and Mary Osborne Alley and the husband of Jennie Jones Alley. He was a retired coal miner and a minister of the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church of the New Salem Association.

Survivors include two sons Gary (Barb) Alley, of Ind., and Bilge (Shelia) Alley, of McDowell, one daughter, Dorothy Lynn Alley, of McDowell, one brother, Homer Alley, of Detroit, Mich., two sisters: Kathleen Baldwin, of Fla., and Bea Ramsey, of Ohio; grandson: Zachary Alley; step grandson: Dan (Shawn) Hughtart and step great grandchildren: Jacob, Noah and Gracie.

He was preceded in death by brothers and sister: Joseph Alley, Rev. W. S. Audrey Alley and Pauline Jacobs.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 12, 2011, at the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church of the New Salem Association. Burial followed at Alley Cemetery, in McDowell.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Lorena Marris

Beatty

Lorena Marris Beatty, 75, of Prestonsburg, died March 12, 2011, at Highland Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg.

Born August 2, 1935, in Garrett, she was the daughter of the late Perry Bailey and Mollie Marie Patton Rice. She was a retired CNA for Golden Years Rest Home of Letcher and a member of the Hueysville Church of Christ.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one sister: Verda Johnson.

She is survived by one daughter: Debie (Paul) Manuel of Prestonsburg, KY; two sisters: Carrie Rice of Garrett, Agnes Rice of Auxier; three grandchildren: Lisa Wells, Jennifer O'Brian and Bradley Manuel and great-grandchildren: Jeremiah O'Brian, Haidyn O'Brian, Jerry O'Brian, Caitlin Manuel and Reiley Wells.

Funeral services are to be held today, March 16, at 1 p.m. at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home in Martin with Chester Varney officiating.

Burial is to follow at Arnett Cemetery in Prestonsburg.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home are to be in charge of funeral arrangements.

Billy Joe Caudill

Billy Joe Caudill, age 59, of Prestonsburg, formerly of Langley, passed away on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He was born August 21, 1951 at Martin, the son of the late Billie and Audrey Hicks Caudill.

He was a Supervisor for the Probation and Parole office for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, a member of the Pleasant Home Baptist Church, member of the John Hall Masonic Lodge at Martin, the 101 Club at UK and the Ridge Runners Car Club.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon T. Wise Caudill; two sons, Billy Joe "BJ" Caudill II and his

wife, Sara, of Prestonsburg, and Louis Jr. Hairston and his wife, Beth, of Lexington; a daughter, Kelly R. Deborde, and her husband, Doug, of Ashland; and three grandchildren, Sam Hairston, Will Hairston and Alex Deborde.

Funeral Services for Billy Joe Caudill were conducted Tuesday, March 15, at 11 a.m., at Hall Funeral Home in Martin, with Clergyman Mark Tackett officiating. Burial was in the Family Cemetery at Langley, with Hall Funeral Home, Martin, caring or those arrangements.

Survivors include: Larry Brewer, Dewey Hackworth, Jason Osborne, Allen Mumby, Gary Compton, Larry Hicks and Jimmy Stratton.

Tammie Jean Compton

Tammie Jean Compton, 47, of Prestonsburg, died on March 13, 2011, at St. Joseph's Hospital, in Lexington. Born June 9, 1963, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late James and Caroline Blair Goble and the late Frank Compton. She was a homemaker and attended the Garrett Church of God.

Survivors include three daughters: Sandra Compton, of Hueysville, Barbara Compton (Sam Bradley), of Garrett and Tammie, of Compton, of Paintsville; three sisters: Patricia Rose, of Garrett, Sandra Collins, of Ivel and Brenda Hunt, of Lawrence Co.; grandchildren: Makayla Bradley and Dylan Bradley; special grandchildren: Natalie Martin and Nathan Brewer and special friends: Kenneth Mullins, Kim Mynhier and Chad Mynhier.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother: Elmer Kendrick, and a sister: Daisy Mae Hamilton.

Funeral services were held March 15, 2011, at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry. Burial followed at the Old Hamilton Cemetery at Tinker Fork.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Henry Ray Dorton

Henry Ray Dorton, 82, of Elizabethtown, formerly of Georgetown, husband of Charlotte Emogene Hall Dorton, died Wednesday, March 9, 2011, at his residence in Elizabethtown.

Born in Tom's Creek, Va., he was the son of the late Homer F. and Gustavia Fannon Dorton.

A graduate of Pikeville College and Morehead State University, Ray was a

credit manager with Southern States Cooperative. He was a lifelong member of Lambert Baptist Church and a member of Masonic Lodge #889 in Wheelwright. Ray loved spending time with his grandchildren and enjoyed fishing, RVing and he was an avid UK, Cincinnati Reds and Cleveland Browns fan.

Besides his wife, he is survived by four children, Karen L. Weaver, of Lexington, Martha D. (Ronald) Moore, of Stockbridge, Ga., Alan R. (Jean) Dorton, of Versailles, and Lisa A. (Larry, Jr.) Baber, of Lexington; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a sister, Shirley Adams, of Somerset.

Funeral services were held 2 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at Kerr Brothers Funeral Home, 3421 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington. Visitation was held 1-2 p.m. Saturday. Entombment followed in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Woodford County.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are encouraged to Hospice, 105 Diecks Dr., Elizabethtown, KY 42701, or Mayo Clinic Cancer and Heart Research, 200 First St. S.W., Rochester, MN 55905.



Rolland Gayheart

Rolland Gayheart, age 72, of Sunset Road, Hillsboro, Kentucky, passed away Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at his residence.

Rolland, October 26, 1938, in Floyd County, Kentucky, he was the son of the late Vester and Bertha Cook Gayheart. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Dorothy Dye; one daughter, Theda Gayheart Walters; and one grandson, Gregory Todd Walters.

His wife, Gertrude Dye Gayheart, passed away October 22, 1996.

Rolland is survived by

one son, Hank Junior Gayheart and his wife Gail of Hillsboro, Kentucky; two daughters, Patty Cole of Waterford, Michigan, and Dolleen Bentley of Allen, Kentucky; one brother and one sister, Bethel Gayheart and Ethel Gayheart, both of McDowell, Kentucky; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Gayheart had been a coal miner and farmer. Funeral services will be conducted 11 a.m. Saturday, March 12, 2011, at the Hutton Funeral Home with Brother Gerald Saunders officiating. Burial will follow in the Hillsboro Cemetery.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

Visitation is after 5 p.m. Friday, March 11, 2011, at the Hutton Funeral Home, Hillsboro, Kentucky.

View memorial tribute or sign guestbook at <http://www.northeasttandson.com>.

William Frank

Gilliam

William Frank Gilliam, 87, of Beaver, died on March 9, 2011, at Hazard ARH. Born February 21, 1924, in Shelby Gap, he was the son of the late William Sherman and Ellen Mullins Gilliam and husband of the late Ruby Humphrey Gilliam. He was a retired coal miner, member of the UMWA 6365 Ligon, and a member of Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include daughters: Barbara (Paul) Francon, of Cleveland, Ohio, Deloris (Phil) Ilandshoe, of Winchester, Evelyn Gilliam, of Winchester, Judy (Charles Ray) Johnson, of Weeksburg and Clea Baywood, of Prestonsburg; 2 grandchildren; a host of great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

He was preceded in death by one son: Ronnie Gilliam; brothers and sisters: Lawrence Gilliam, James Gilliam, Tolbert Gilliam, Morris Gilliam, Charles Gilliam, Woodrow Gilliam, Claude Gilliam, Flora Newberry, Alphonse Reynolds and June Stone.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. Burial followed at the Frazier Family Cemetery.

Card of Thanks

The family of Gary Blackburn Robinson would like to sincerely say, "Thank you," to all of our friends and family who helped to comfort us during this very difficult time. Those who sent flowers, food, or just came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Clergyman Gary Mitchell and Bruce Coleman for their comforting message, the Martin City Police Department and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All

Card of Thanks

The family of Timothy Dean Wallen would like to extend their appreciation to those who helped comfort them during the time of sorrow. Thank you to all those who sent flowers or just spoke kind words, all your acts of kindness will never be forgotten. We would like to send a special thanks to Clergyman Will Hunt for his comforting message, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All your love and support will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF TIMOTHY DEAN WALLEN

Card of Thanks

The family of Charlene Sexton would like to sincerely say Thank You to all of our wonderful friends and neighbors who helped to comfort us during this difficult time. Those who sent flowers, food, or came by to share our loss. A special thanks to Clergyman Randy Osborne and Larry Adams for their comforting message, to all the singers for their uplifting songs, the Garrett First Baptist Church for all the love and support that was shown to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. We will always remember all the expressions of love and kindness to our family.

THE FAMILY OF CHARLENE SEXTON

in Price.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Bruce Dee Keathley, 29, of Banner, died March 11, 2011, at Auxier.

Born May 21, 1981, he was the son of Suzanna Spears Keathley and Ronnie Howard and the husband of Maria Alexandra Keathley. He was a member of the Army National Guard.

He was preceded in death by one brother: Chuck Lee.

He is survived by three children: Rene Deuber, Dennis Weiss and Nathalie Weiss, all of Germany; one sister: Nicole Keathley of Banner; and two nieces: Myra and Maddie Deskins.

Funeral services were held March 13, 2011, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home in Martin with Shane Powers officiating.

Burial followed at the family cemetery at Banner.

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Delmer Kendrick

Sr.

Delmer Kendrick Sr., 58, of West Liberty, died on March 11, 2011, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, in Paintsville. Born April 26, 1952, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Virgil and Bertha Bryant Kendrick and the husband of Marhonda Hamilton Kendrick. He was a construction worker.

He is survived by a host of children and grandchildren, five brothers: Clyde Kendrick, of Ivel, Bill Kendrick, of Richmond, Palmer Kendrick, of Teaberry, Milford Kendrick, of Mich. and Jimmy Hamilton, of Mich.

He was preceded in

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It has been one year since the Lord reached His hand down and took you home to be with Him to suffer no more. It was March 12, 2010 at 2:00pm.

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You will always be in our hearts and it gets harder everyday without you, but God only knows best.

We all miss you and love you so much.

Dearl Faye; Jessica; Jimmy; Jeremy; Jessica Lynn; Courtney; Jordan & Hailey

In Memory



"Old Friends and Family"

There's some old faded snapshots in my family album that were taken a long time ago, filled with old memories the years have not tarnished a time and place I love so. In those pages I can bring back the friends and family that life has taken away, and I just added one more photograph to these faces: someone I lost today...

Goodbye is so hard to say when your heart is breaking in two and words don't come easy, cause deep down inside you never thought it would happen to you. The road seems much longer than it did yesterday and you're not sure you'll make it through, but there's an old friend beside you who will always guide you, a friend that you'll never lose...

I still can't believe he's really gone, now I pray it's all just a dream, but deep down inside I know life must go on no matter how bad it may seem. There's a stairway to heaven and one day I will find it. When my life has come to an end and I reach the top there will be a reunion and we'll all be together again...

A tribute to Earl Bringham
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Our View

Fun in the spring

Folks have been asking us when it would start. The answer: Now.

It's that time of year again — time to begin scouring the newspaper to clues that will solve the 2011 Great Easter Egg Hunt.

This year, the rules are the same as in the previous seven. In each issue, we will publish one clue to the whereabouts of an egg we have hidden, and we will publish it only once. Whoever finds the egg and returns it and the certificate within to us will receive \$500.

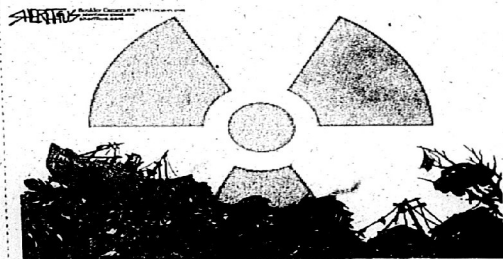
If you miss or forget a clue, you can always check with the sponsors of the contest, who this year include:

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- Wal-Mart

And that's about it. We hope you have fun with this year's contest, and good luck to everyone who plays.

But, if egg-hunting isn't your cup of tea, you can always head to our website and enter our March Mayhem NCAA tournament bracket challenge. One lucky winner could take home \$1 million for picking every game correctly.

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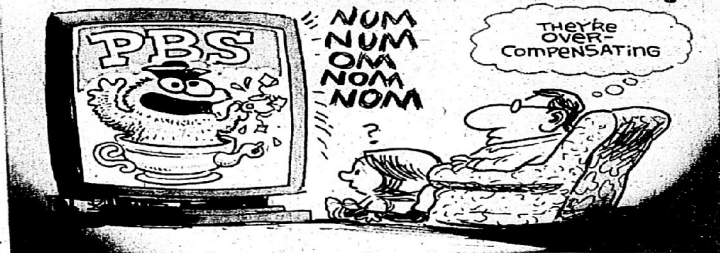
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Guest Column

A legislative perspective

by REP. GREG STUMBO
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

When the General Assembly began the 2011 Regular Session in January, there was only one thing that had to be done: Plug a sizeable deficit in Medicaid.

Work on doing just that began in November, when Governor Beshear offered a plan that would keep the solution within that healthcare program. In essence, it calls for using money set aside for next year to cover the short-term problem and then implementing a wide array of cost-saving managed care programs across the state that are similar to those that have long been used for Medicaid recipients in the Louisville area. That would give us enough time to smooth out the deficit, and do it without cutting any program or raising taxes.

About a month ago, the House overwhelmingly voted to take this approach. The state Senate, however, chose a different tactic when it unveiled its plans just four days before the legislative session was effec-

tively scheduled to end. It called for across-the-board cuts, including more than \$30 million to be taken directly out of the classroom. Universities would have lost \$22 million more.

A letter from Kentucky Chief Justice John Minton said this cut, when added to eight others made over the last several years, "would mean a staggering 28.5 percent reduction of the Judicial Branch budget since Fiscal Year 2009."

Public defenders and prosecutors alike would have been hit hard as well. The first group would have seen a loss of more than 40 people, putting case-loads at approximately 500 per attorney. The second group, meanwhile, would either have had to resort to layoffs or rely on furloughs even more.

The issue arose late last year, when Congress did not appropriate as much stimulus money for the healthcare program as Kentucky — and more than two dozen other states — expected.

Medicaid is a unique state and federal partnership, where the state provides about 25 cents of every dollar spent. But to get that federal match, we must put our portion up first. The reduction in stimulus money, then, is dramatically magnified when you factor in the reduced federal match. The deficit is more than

a half-billion dollars.

Because Kentucky must balance its budget each year, unlike the federal government, we have to close that hole before June 30th. Governor Beshear says healthcare providers will see their payments reduced by 30 percent over the next three months if this issue is not resolved. That would undoubtedly close many of these companies' doors and potentially disrupt the system for years.

With that in mind, a special session was called to begin this past Monday. The House would have preferred using the one legislative session day we had reserved on March 21st for vetoes, but the Senate precluded that possibility when it met this past Wednesday without the House. That means we have no opportunity to re-consider any of the bills that were sent to the governor over the last month that he might veto.

For now, the House and those in the state Senate who supported the governor's approach will see if we can work out a compromise in as short a time as possible. The goal is to avoid any cuts, especially to education, because there is a viable alternative. The Governor should be given the opportunity

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Letters

Unequal and unfair treatment

McDowell Senior Citizens Center has been without a director since Sept. 2010. As of today, we still do not have a director.

The Floyd County Senior Citizens Board has voted to hire a part-time director at the center. We do not think this is fair to our center, the only center that has had the position of director cut to part-time.

In the past, the McDowell center kept functioning due to kind-raising events. We did not receive any money from the county, until Nov. 2010, and by that time, overdue bills had mounted and the money received at that time paid past due bills.

We believe this is a form of discrimination toward McDowell. Due to lack of funds, other centers should have been cut as well. Under the newly formed "umbrella" system, each center (according to an article in The Floyd County Times on Feb. 23) will be treated equally. Not so, if the center director is not a full-time employee.

The seven senior citizens' center in Floyd County are to receive equal funds from the recent grant that was given to Big Sandy Area Development District. We at McDowell should not be exempted in any way from receiving the

equal amount from this grant, regardless of location and the services to the senior citizens.

McDowell Advisory Board

Return stolen items

On Monday, March 7, someone staged a break-in at my father's house. Several items were stolen. We know who has the items and how they were purchased. This individual lives on Arkansas Creek. One item that was taken was a firearm, and the rest were tools and jewelry. We have firsthand knowledge that this person has the items.

I am asking this individual to return them and be a man about it. I know you are in trouble with the law and do not want any more trouble. I'd like to leave the law out of this, because there are family members involved. I will pay you what you were out, and no hard feelings will be held against you. But if you do not return the items, family members will be arrested, as well as you.

This is my promise to you and to God. Make no mistake: If you do not return the items, I will see you behind bars, and I am not going to wait much longer. I am asking you to do the right thing.

Vance Hale
Martin

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Obituaries

death by his parents; a brother: Elmer Kendrick; and a sister: Daisy Mae Hamilton.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 15, 2011, at Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, in Teaberry. Burial followed at the Old Hamilton Cemetery, at Tinker Fork.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Jimmy Douglas Martin

Jimmy Douglas Martin, 56, of Teaberry, died March 12, 2011, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington.

Born February 9, 1955, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Adren and Euggie Newsome Martin. He was a disabled coal miner.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother: Billy Ray Martin.

He is survived by two sons: Nicholas (Kandice) Martin and Nathan Martin, both of Teaberry; one

daughter: Emily (Jamie) Hamilton of Teaberry; sisters: Janet Compton of Grethel, Charlene Martin, Kathleen Johnson and Willavene Tackett, all of Teaberry; three grandchildren: Dylan, Boston and Kinleigh; special companion: Linda Gayheart of Harold and her children: Adam, Mike, Kevin and Breanna.

Funeral services were held March 14, 2011, Pilgrims Home Old Regular Baptist Church of Grethel with Tracy Patton and various Old Regular Baptist Ministers officiating.

Burial followed at Jones Cemetery at Teaberry. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home are to be in charge of funeral arrangements.

Verlie Sammons

Verlie Harrington Sammons, 94, of Blain Highway, Chillicothe, Ohio, died 8:10 a.m. Tuesday at her residence.

She was born June 30, 1916, in Prestonsburg, the daughter of the late Joseph Hall and husband, Michael, of Lee Harrington and Tennessee (Crisp)



Harrington. On June 28, 1932, she was united in marriage to William Howard Taft Sammons, who preceded her in death on Oct. 28, 1995.

Surviving are one son, Howard Franklin Sammons, and wife, Jackie, of Savannah, Ga.; four daughters, Vivian Culver and husband, Walter, of Marion, Ohio; Thelma Sammons, of Chillicothe, Ohio; Joan Bracken and husband, Robert, of Raleigh, N.C. and Tonda La Hall and husband, Michael, of Theodore, Ala.; six

grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; step-mother, Faye Harrington, of Pikeston, Ohio; and one brother, John L. Harrington and wife, Karen, of Jasper, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two sons, Don and Raven Sammons; four brothers, Clyde, Homer, L.B. and Oliver Harrington; and four sisters, Ida Moore, Golda Higby, Tamara Higby and Draxie Hamilton.

Verlie was a member of the Canal Church of Christ in Waverly and was a homemaker.

A special thanks to Carolyn Arndt, Faye, John and Karen Harrington and Adena Hospice.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 19, 2011, at the Boyer Funeral Home in Waverly, with Dean Manning, Minister, officiating. Burial will follow in Mound Cemetery, Pikeston, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home 5 to 8 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. until

the service on Saturday. www.boyerfuneral.com.

Phillip Sparks

Phillip Sparks, 51, of West Liberty, died on March 13, 2011, at Pikeville Medical Center. Born March 9, 1960, in Floyd County, he was the son of Mornie Brown Sparks, of Prestonsburg, and the late Abe Sparks. He was the husband of first wife Lana Howard Sparks and second wife Alka Lucille Smith Sparks.

He is survived by one son: Phillip Michael Sparks, of Blue River, two stepsons, one sister: Phyllis Sparks, of Prestonsburg, nine step grandchildren and a host of several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother: Willis Sparks and one sister: Avonelle Sparks.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 16, 2011, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Don Nealey officiating. Burial will follow at the Hill-Sparks Cemetery, in Prestonsburg.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Brian Keith Tackett

Brian Keith Tackett, 36, of Teaberry, died March 11, 2011, at Teaberry.

Born July 4, 1974, in Pikeville, he was the son of Winston and Willavene Martin Tackett. He was a disabled truck driver for the state highway department.

He is survived by one son: Preston Tyler Tackett of Pikeville, Kentucky; a brother: Randal Lee Tackett of Pikeville, Kentucky; two sisters: Jennifer Schultz (Greg) of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky and Tammy Bowyer of Pike County, Kentucky; a nephew: Shane Mulkey and two nieces: Stephanie and Courtney.

Funeral services were held March 14, 2011, at the Pilgrim Home Old Regular Baptist Church at Branham's Creek in Grethel with various Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial followed at Hall Cemetery at Grethel. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home are to be in charge of funeral arrangements.

2011 legislative session adjourns

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky General Assembly's 2011 regular session came to a close Wednesday as the 30th and final day permitted by the state constitution expired.

The session ended without an agreement on changes to the state budget to make up a \$166.5 million shortfall in the state's Medicaid fund. The governor has called a special session to begin Monday on the issue.

More than 650 bills were filed during the session, ranging from comprehen-

sive criminal code reform to government transparency. In all, 100 bills and a handful of substantive resolutions were sent to the governor's desk for his signature or veto. Because the chambers will not re-convene, any gubernatorial vetoes will stand and cannot be overridden.

In addition, lawmakers sent a constitutional amendment to the November 2012 ballot. If approved by a majority of voters, the right to hunt and fish would be included in the commonwealth's bedrock docu-

ment.

Among the issues addressed by legislation awaiting the governor's signature are the following:

African-American Heritage. Senate Bill 64 creates the Kentucky Center for African-American Heritage and outlines its board membership.

Businesses. SB 8 creates a one-stop online portal for businesses to conduct their transactions with state agencies and gather information on potential economic development incentives. An advisory commit-

tee will issue recommendations on the portal's operations by the end of the year.

Carbon dioxide. SB 50 includes pipelines for captured carbon dioxide in the eminent domain process, allowing such a pipeline to be constructed through Western Kentucky.

Consumer protection. House Bill 382 prohibits businesses and attorneys from soliciting car accident victims as clients until 30 days following the accident.

Courts. SB 108 increases the jurisdiction of

district courts in civil cases from \$4,000 to \$5,000 and the jurisdiction of small claims courts from \$1,500 to \$2,500.

Criminal code. HB 463 alters the state's drug laws, putting an emphasis on treatment, community supervision, and other diversion programs for

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Graden stepping down as development director

by SHELTON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — After more than half a decade as Prestonsburg's director of economic development, Brent Graden is stepping down from that

position to start a clinic with his wife, local physician Joanna Santiesteban. "I am taking my own advice," Graden said Tuesday. "I am starting a new business in Prestonsburg."

Graden has spent the past five years engaged in a number of projects aimed at attracting business, tourism and other opportunities for growth of the city of Prestonsburg.

During his time as the city's economic director, Graden spearheaded a host of projects, including grant writing, formation of the Main Street Association, the Prestonsburg PRIDE Association, local business expansion, and regional and national recruitment.

He has also represented the interests of Prestonsburg in both state offices in Frankfort and at federal offices with local representatives. He outfitted downtown Prestonsburg with free wireless internet through state funding awards and has formulated many unfunded projects for

the city to pursue.

Graden said Tuesday there had not been a decision by city leaders to replace him in his position.

Graden will officially leave the office for the last time on April 13 and begin working toward making his wife's clinic as successful as possible in Prestonsburg, he said.

"I have been planning this for many months now," Graden said. "When the month of May comes around, my wife and I will be opening a new state-of-the-art OB/GYN center at Archer Clinic in Prestonsburg. It will be called Harper OB/GYN. We named it after our daughter."

Graden has expressed his gratitude to those who have helped him in his many ventures for economic development in Prestonsburg over the past five years on Tuesday.

"I also just wanted to take a moment and thank all the good people in Prestonsburg and Floyd County for trusting me with

their development," Graden added. "I think we have left it in good financial shape, as many new businesses are opening this month alone and in the coming months. You will see a lot of new construction soon."

The new clinic will open in early May, Graden anticipates. He will act as general manager at the new business.

As for any loose ends, Graden stayed busy enough that he does have some things he's not willing to set aside as he leaves office.

"I would like to see the city pursue some unfunded projects that I have written a comprehensive plan for," he said. "The one agenda item that I will continue to work on, even after my working days here, is a community center for the city. It should not only be a safe place for kids to go to after school is out for the day, it should also be a great indoor sports complex much like the Knott County Sportsplex."

Coal series to premiere at East Ky. Expo Center

by SHELTON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — An organization formed last year to provide a national platform to shine a light on the hard work, dedication and freedom that miners provide every day has announced that they will partner with Spike TV to support the launch of a new documentary-style reality series focused on coal mining.

The series, "Coal," will have a premiere showing at the East Kentucky Expo Center on Tuesday, March 22, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The organization working with Spike TV in seeing the series brought to television is called RememberTheMiners.org, formed last year.

"We're proud of our coal miners, their families, and the hard work and dedica-

tion they prove every day," said event coordinator Todd Mercer.

The new show comes to Spike TV from Thom Beers' Productions, a FremantleMedia Company responsible for other Spike shows such as "Ice Road Truckers," "Deadliest Catch," and "Ax Men."

In the same tradition as the shows before it, "Coal" will detail the extreme conditions and lives of the people in this profession, which the production company representatives call "an integral part of the American economy and the lifeblood of communities across the U.S. and the world."

The show will focus on the operations of a single mine, Cobalt Coal, located in the town of Big Sandy, W.Va.

The series centers on co-

owners of the mine, Mike Crowder and Tom Roberts, as well as many of the mine's crew members including more than 40 machine operators, foremen, electricians, shove haulers and bolt operators. In addition, the show will also depict multigenerational families of miners who work side-by-side in the mine.

RememberTheMiners.org has gained support through grassroots participation and by creating events and programs in NASCAR, NCAA sports and local festival and concerts. As part of the kickoff for the series, the organization will show the premier in Pikeville as well as areas in Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

The world premiere of "Coal" is currently set to air on Wednesday, March 30 at 10 p.m.

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Martin

Garth run-off.

The negotiations between Bartley, Johnson, Martin city representatives and county leaders continued through Monday morning and finally concluded with the agreement for payment to the city for the lump sum as a compromise and also a new contract.

The contract will be along the same lines as before, Bartley said, and will cover five years.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Bartley explained that it was basically a situation where the county and the city of Martin "basically get back to exchanging checks again."

The fiscal court passed a resolution after negotiations were finished Monday to authorize Bartley and Johnson to sit down and figure out the details of the new contract between the county and city, this after a check was given to city representatives for the agreed amount.

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Permits

proposal, a bill that would limit the EPA to 60 days to examine a permit, would help avoid what they view as prolonged looks at permits that are holding up both employment opportunities for Kentuckians and, in turn, financial stability in a grim economic climate.

With more than three decades in Washington, Rogers says he wants to directly address the agency's power, while EPA officials have said careful examination of each permit is no more than the agency's obligation to ensure prevention of harm to the environment.

"If we want to be competitive in the world," added Rogers, "we need reasonably cheap electricity, which we've had because of coal."

As for McConnell, the veteran politician said he, along with newly-elected U.S. Sen. Rand Paul, have

brought to the table a bill similar to Rogers'.

Rather than pinning much of the blame on EPA's growing concern for carefully looking at mining permits, McConnell has said that his and Paul's proposal would not eliminate the agency's jurisdiction,

but would take proactive steps in seeing permits handled with more efficiency.

"It does eliminate the slow-walking they're typically engaged in," McConnell said this week. "They just leave you hanging and hanging and hanging."

Suicide

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was transported to the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center on Thursday due to overcrowding.

According to Randy Madan, interim warden at Big Sandy Regional Detention Center, video footage shows Kendrick climbing the rail to the second floor twice, and on the second trip, jumping over and falling 15 feet to the floor, landing on his head.

"Other inmates tried to

stop him, but they didn't get there in time," Madan said. "By the time help got to him, his heart had stopped."

Madan said that officers with the Kentucky State Police have been investigating the incident, and, after reviewing the video, determined that no foul play was involved in Kendrick's death.

"It was a suicide," Madan said.

Health

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healthy food alternatives. "A lot of people throw caution to the wind when they go out to eat," Scott said.

The committee also discussed promoting water as the beverage of choice at local events and increased physical activities in schools, including bringing back an active recess period. The Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Program delivers research-based educational outreach across Kentucky.

For more information, contact Theresa Scott by calling the Floyd County Extension Office at (606) 886-2668.

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National College hosts medical career fair

PIKEVILLE — The Pikeville Campus of National College held its first Medical Career Fair on Wednesday, Feb. 9. The event, titled "Medical Career Fair: Caring for Our Economy," was the campus's first job fair focused solely on the medical field.

"Due to the impressive job outlook in the medical field we felt a career fair with special emphasis on health care occupations would be perfect not only for our students, but for our graduates and the local community as well," said Career Center Director Bobbi Anne Vowels. "A great aspect of a medical career fair is that

health care establishments hire more than just medical professionals. They hire professionals from all fields including information technology, business, accounting, and more. There is a position in the healthcare industry for every program that National offers."

In attendance at the fair was a combination of 16 local employers and agencies, including: Pikeville Medical Center, Signature HealthCare, Office of Employment and Training, Smith & Smith Dentistry, Wellness Center, and Big Sandy Health Care, just to name a few. These companies had numerous positions

available and accepted applications and resumes on the spot during the career fair.

Employers were looking for candidates with the necessary skill sets, certifications and experience to fill their positions and knew that National was the place to be to find such qualified applicants.

"We look for National College graduates when trying to fill positions at the hospital because we know how thorough the education and training is that National graduates receive," said Brittany Hall, Human Resource Assistant at Pikeville Medical Center. Over 100 students, gradu-

ates and members of the community attended the fair and networked with the employers in attendance. The fair also sparked several calls from other employers in the community who were interested in considering National students and graduates for employment.

"If you don't go to a career fair, you really don't know who's hiring and who's not," stated Veronica Webb, a work-study and recent graduate from the Pikeville Campus. "The fair was a really good opportunity to see what's out there in the medical field and get my foot in the door with top employers."



Job seekers talk with Patricia Hatfield and Priscilla Hager of Good Shepherd Community Nursing Center.

Session

those convicted of simple possession and eliminating harsher penalties for repeat offenders of those crimes. The bill also requires treatment and other anti-recidivism programs to show evidence they work before being adopted by the state.

Diabetes. SB 63 creates a collaborative group to identify goals and plans to reduce incidences of diabetes and improve diabetes care. SB 71 creates a licensing process for diabetes educators.

Doctoral programs. SB 110 allows the state's six comprehensive universities to offer certain advanced practice doctoral programs within limits.

Drugs. HB 121 bans possession and sale of a new class of street drug sold over the counter and marketed as bath salts, plant food, and other everyday items.

Economic development. House Joint Resolution 5 creates a study

of the state's economic development programs and their effectiveness.

Education. HB 425 allows out-of-state veterans to qualify for in-state tuition at public colleges and universities.

Elder abuse. HB 52 prohibits anyone convicted of abusing, neglecting, or exploiting an elderly or vulnerable adult from being placed in a position of trust such as guardian or power of attorney. The bill also prohibits such people from inheriting or otherwise benefiting from the person they abused.

Eye care. SB 110 allows optometrists to perform certain types of laser surgery, including treatments for glaucoma and cataracts.

Firearms. HB 308 establishes a program for people who have been banned from purchasing a firearm due to mental illness to recover that right.

HB 302 allows military reenactments to include swords and firearms.

Fireworks. HB 333 expands the types of fireworks that can be sold in the state, including bottle rockets and Roman candles.

Flu shots. SB 40 allows pharmacists to give flu shots to children ages 9-13.

Government publications. HB 33 bans state agencies from mailing most publications to the public unless they are requested by the recipient.

Government transparency. SB 7 requires the three branches of state government to put all available spending records in a searchable online database with public access.

Homelessness. SB 26 reduces the fee for ID cards for the homeless from \$12 to \$4.

Homestead exemption. HB 244 allows certain disabled people to docu-

ment their disability when they apply for a homestead exemption on their property taxes and not have to re-file for the exemption annually.

Horse racing. SB 24 makes Kentucky the first state to join an interstate horse racing compact that would develop joint rules for horse racing and wagering. State officials would reserve the right to opt out of any rules adopted by the compact. Kentucky will become the first state to join the compact, which takes effect once six states sign on. HB 387 allows the state to track out-of-state wagering on Kentucky races so incentive funds can get their proper share.

Hunting and fishing. HB 1 places a constitutional amendment on the November 2012 ballot to place protections on hunting and fishing. HB 173 exempts active-duty military from having to obtain a license to hunt or fish on

state-owned military property.

License plates. HB 187 creates an "I Support Veterans" license plate.

Occupational and physical therapy. SB 112 limits health insurance co-pays on occupational and physical therapy sessions to no higher than that of regular doctor's visits.

Prescriptions. HB 311 allows Schedule II prescriptions, including oxycodone and hydrocodone, to be transmitted electronically or by fax. The bill also allows Schedule III-V drugs to be transmitted by fax; those can already be transmitted electronically.

Principals. SB 12 authorized local school superintendents to appoint principals after consultation with the school-based decision making council, a reversal of the current procedure.

School board elections. HB 228 increases

the contribution limits for school board candidates to \$200 for individuals and \$1,000 for organizations.

Traffic laws. HB 289 adds fines for driving over the 70 miles-per-hour speed limit and clarifies that vehicle-integrated GPS units are exempt from the state's ban on texting or using other communications devices while driving.

Voter registration. HB 192 requires high schools to provide seniors information on how to register to vote and related information.

Wellness programs. SB 114 allows private health insurance plans to offer incentives and awards for wellness programs.

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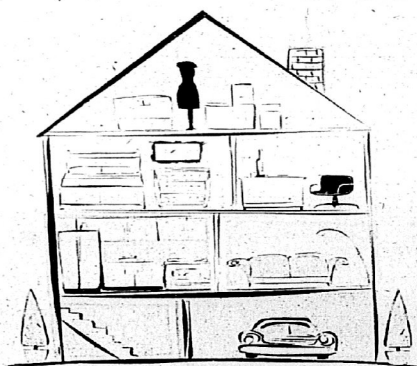
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Future of strip mining in Appalachia could depend on something called conductivity; what is it?

by JON HALE
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ISSUES

The future of surface coal mining in Appalachia could depend on a scientific standard that the Obama administration has adopted as a sort of litmus test for water pollution but one that the coal industry says hasn't been proven in the field.

In January the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency voted what would have been the largest mountaintop-removal coal mine ever, Arch Coal's Spruce No. 1 Mine in southern West Virginia's Logan County. At the heart of EPA's veto was conductivity, a measure of stream health, which the agency announced last April it would consider in mountaintop removal permitting.

EPA says research has proven that high conductivity, which indicates a high level of salts, damages aquatic life in streams. The coal industry says that research is far from conclusive.

"EPA says it's basing [permitting decisions] on science," said Steve Gardner, president of Engineering Consulting Services in Lexington, Ky. "It's more political science than hard science."

For Rick Handshoe, who has been using the science to test streams in Eastern Kentucky's Floyd County, EPA's word on conductivity is good enough.

"I think that President Obama has said that this [permitting] is going to be done on sound science," said Handshoe, a retired state-police employee and a leader in Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, which opposes mountaintop-removal mining. "I have to believe the EPA has done their research and background on this."

In its veto of the Spruce Mine permit, EPA said "Conductivity itself is not a pollutant, but is an excellent indicator of the total concentration of all ions," created by dissolved salts in the water. Conductivity can

be measured instantly on site with a meter, without laboratory analysis, "and is precise and accurate," EPA said.

Handshoe uses such a meter, which he calls "a tool that can be used by a common person like me."

While conductivity reveals the amount of solids dissolved in water, it does not reveal what those solids are. When Handshoe found elevated conductivity readings in the stream near his home, the Sierra Club paid for testing that revealed elevated levels of manganese, zinc and aluminum in the water.

Handshoe said his meter "doesn't tell you what is in the water, but it tells you something is there."

The food chain

EPA says conductivity is a valid measure of a stream's health because of its effect on invertebrates, animals without backbones. Those living in water must maintain certain levels of ions in their blood and tissues. Since aquatic organisms in undisturbed Appalachian streams are accustomed to water with relatively low amounts of dissolved solids, EPA said, minerals released from surface mines' valley fills "can have a toxic effect."

In vetoing the Spruce Mine permit, EPA said the elevated conductivity and selenium from the proposed valley fills would have a devastating effect on mayflies, stoneflies and caddisflies, and declines in those invertebrate populations would hurt salamanders, fish, birds and bats that feed on them.

Gardner says the theory of effect on the food chain and downstream waters is not proven. "The science has not been done to support that argument."

But EPA's independent Science Advisory Board found in September that the agency was correct in concluding that valley fills increase conductivity in downstream waters, threatening stream life.

"This independent review affirms that EPA is

relying on sound analysis and letting science and only science guide our actions to protect human, health and the environment," said Pete Silva, then the EPA assistant administrator for water.

Measuring conductivity is measured in microSiemens per cubic centimeter. EPA has set a range of 300 to 500 microSiemens per cc as the level consistent with protecting life in Appalachian streams. The agency says mining proposals with predicted conductivity levels above 500 would impair streams, which the federal Clean Water Act does not allow. For permits with predicted conductivity between 300 and 500, EPA says it will require mitigation to ensure conductivity does not exceed 500.

If EPA's standards remain in place, coal companies will find it difficult or impossible to win approval for mountaintop-removal permits like those issued in the past, industry and agency officials agree.

"Minimizing the number of valley fills is a very, very key factor," EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson said when the agency announced its new guidance for permitting. "You're talking about no or very few valley fills that are going to be able to meet standards like this."

And that is one thing on which the industry agrees with Jackson. "The standard being imposed is really a low standard that is going to be very difficult to comply with without new techniques and new mining processes," said Gardner, who as a mining engineer is in the business of designing such techniques.

Procedure questioned

Because EPA called the new standard "guidance" for federal and state agencies that actually issue the permits, not a new regulation, it did not have to receive formal public comment before going into effect, and that has brought complaints from the industry and its allies in government.

"The EPA has turned the permitting process, which is already cumbersome to deal with, into a back-door means of shutting down coal mines," Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky wrote in a commentary sent to newspapers. "That is outside the scope of their authority and the law, and represents a fundamental departure from the permitting process as originally envisioned by Congress."

"The industry argues that the new standard will discourage companies from mining in areas that have already been mined, because the downstream waters have already been degraded and will be difficult to bring into compliance."

"The mining we are doing today, which is in many cases re-mining of old areas, can in fact improve the quality of water due to the reclamation techniques we are performing today," Gardner said.

In the April document announcing the conductivity standard, EPA said that if a new mine is proposed near streams that already exceed the threshold of 500 microSiemens per cubic centimeter, the agency "will coordinate with the permitting authority on a site-specific basis to ensure these new discharges will not cause or contribute to a violation of water quality standards."

For some, the new challenges facing surface-mining permits are too strict, regardless of the science behind the new standards. McConnell and others argue that EPA is unnecessarily putting Appalachian coal jobs at risk to protect the environment.

Opponents of mountaintop-removal mining say they understand the region's need for those high-paying jobs, but also believe federal and state officials have an obligation to enforce the Clean Water Act. "I'm not against coal," Handshoe said. "I'm against this method of mining, because I've never seen it done right."

Jackson says her agency isn't trying to end surface mining in Appalachia. "This is not about ending coal mining," Jackson said in a conference call after the agency announced its conductivity guidance in April. "This is about ending coal

mining pollution."

The writer is a graduate assistant at the Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues, which is based in the School of Journalism and Telecommunications at the University of Kentucky, as an extension program for rural journalists and news outlets. It takes no positions on issues, and advocates only for strong news coverage, responsible commentary and things that make them possible, such as open-government laws. For more information see www.RuralJournalism.org.



Mr. and Mrs. Delbert "Red" Martin, of Hueysville, would like to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Tabatha Sue, to James Albert Morley, of Johns Creek. James is the son of the late James and Madge Morley, of Johns Creek. Tabatha is the granddaughter of the late Dockie and Geneva Prater, of Hueysville, and Graydon and Anzie Martin, of Langley. The wedding will take place Saturday, March 19, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. at Graceway United Methodist Church, Langley.

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to manage through this crisis, as he has done in shrinking state government by more than a billion dollars during the last several years. The evidence is on his side that it can be done.

Although this issue will understandably dominate our time, Governor Beshear did add another to consider during the special session: Raising the high school dropout age from 16 to 18. The House has supported this several times in the

past, including the just-concluded legislative session. We did that because about 6,000 students drop out across the state each and every year, and we need to do all we can to keep these children on track to get a diploma. Dropping out severely limits their ability to find a good-paying job. It's time to change a rule that was put in place nearly a century ago. I want to thank all of you who contacted me this past

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Earthquake in Japan

On March 11, 2011 a major earthquake off the coast of Japan damaged buildings throughout the nation and caused a tsunami that brought about even more destruction and loss of life.

This special Kid Scoop page explains how earthquakes and tsunamis happen and ways you can help victims of the disaster in Japan.

Measuring Earthquakes

An earthquake is one of the most powerful forces on earth. Scientists use an instrument called a seismograph to measure earthquakes.

Try this activity to get an idea of how a seismograph works.



Try This

1. On a table place a small toy car on a piece of paper.
2. One person holds a pencil with the lead lightly resting on the paper.
3. The other person moves the paper back and forth very slowly. What kind of line does the pencil make? Does the car move?
4. Move the paper so that the car starts to slide around. What kind of line does the pencil make now?

How do earthquakes happen?

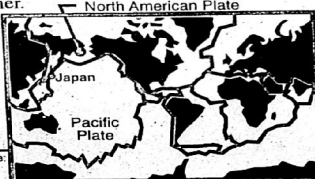


When you crack the shell of a hard-boiled egg, you get a lot of separate pieces or plates of shell. The crust of the earth is like the shell of a hard-boiled egg. It is broken up into plates, too. But, unlike the pieces of a

hard-boiled egg, the plates of the earth's crust move.

When these plates move and collide, one of the plates can slide beneath the other.

On March 11, 2011 the Pacific plate slid beneath the North American plate causing the earthquake and tsunami in Japan.

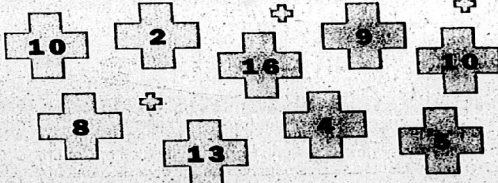


Standards Link: Earth Science. Students know that plate tectonics account for major geological events.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

When the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers flooded in 1884, a group of six children put on a play, raised money and sent it to the American Red Cross. The money helped a family that suffered greatly from the flood.

To find out how much money the children raised, add up all of the even numbers on the red crosses below.



Standards Link: Math: Compute sums to 100.

ANSWER: \$50

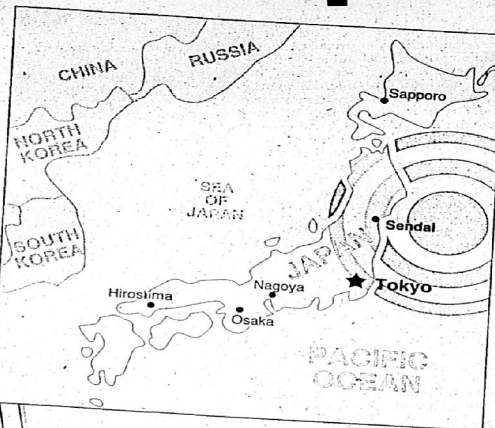
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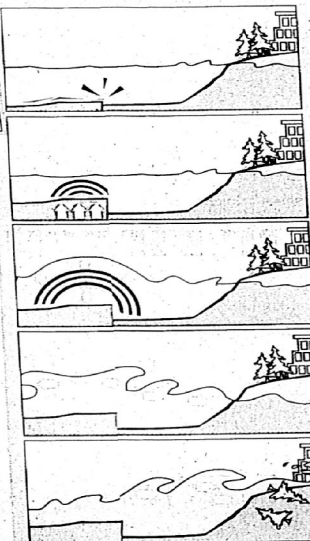
Look through today's newspaper for the names of organizations that help people in your local community. Cut out the information and start a scrapbook of these organizations. Select one organization your class could help.

Standards Link: Social Science: Know the responsibilities of citizenship.



How a Tsunami Forms

A tsunami (soo NAM eee) is a series of large ocean waves created by an underwater earthquake or volcano. The waves can cause destruction when they reach land.



1. An earthquake strikes deep below the Pacific Ocean as two plates push against each other.
2. The ocean floor cracks and part of it rises, lifting huge amounts of water above it.
3. Tons of water swells high above normal sea level, forced upwards as the plate below rises.
4. The massive swell spreads out in all directions in the form of large waves.
5. The tsunami hits the shore in waves as high as 30 feet, flooding lower land areas and destroying some buildings.

Create a Poster!

Several organizations are asking the public to donate money to help get the supplies they need to assist people affected by the earthquake.

Make a poster, or several posters, that includes these words:

HELP JAPAN'S EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS!

Please donate what you can to:
(name of organization)
(Web address)
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Illustrate your poster with helping hands, smiling faces, or people saying "Thank You!"

Ask local businesses, doctors and dentists offices and more if they will display your poster in their windows.

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American Red Cross

The American Red Cross provides help to people affected by disasters like the Japan earthquake and tsunami. You can help by making a donation to support American Red Cross Disaster Relief.
<http://american.redcross.org>
1-800-HELP-NOW

Salvation Army

The Salvation Army has been in Japan since 1895 and is currently providing emergency assistance to those in need.
www.salvationarmyusa.org

Save the Children

Save the Children has been in Japan for 25 years assisting with disaster relief in many Pacific nations. Teams are being sent to assist in caring for children in the aftermath of the quake and tsunami in Japan.
www.savethechildren.org
1-800-728-3843

Americares

Americares' emergency team is mobilizing resources and emergency response managers to the region to provide humanitarian aid and medical supplies.
www.americares.org

Kid Scoop-doku™

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word CARING in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



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EARTHQUAKE INSTRUMENT

TSUNAMIS

MASSIVE

PLATES

SENDAI

COAST

JAPAN

OCEAN

WAVES

SLIDE

LOSS

LIFE

PUSH

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

The Power of the Paper

Newspapers provide more than just news about disasters. They also bring people together to help those suffering from disasters like Japan's earthquake. Newspapers help people support each other in their own communities. As you complete this special newspaper page, look around and get to know how your paper delivers news and hope. Newspapers make the world a better place.

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UK set to make 51st appearance in NCAA Tournament

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — After claiming its 27th Southeastern Conference Tournament title the University of Kentucky men's basketball team (25-8) will make its NCAA-leading 51st appearance in the NCAA Tournament as the No. 4 seed in the East Region. Kentucky will play Princeton (25-6)

Thursday, March 17 in Tampa, Fla.

Kentucky holds a 1-0 record against Princeton in the NCAA Tournament and is 2-1 all-time against the Tigers. The last meeting in the NCAA Tournament took place in 1997, with UK winning 72-58. Princeton won the 2011 Ivy League Championship to claim its 24th NCAA Tournament appearance. UK is

12-3 all-time against the Ivy League.

The Wildcats will play their second and third round games in Tampa, Fla. The game with the Tigers will mark the second time the Wildcats have played a NCAA Tournament game in Tampa, with UK holding a 10 record in past tournaments. The Wildcats last played a NCAA Tournament game in Tampa in 1983, a 57-40 victory

over 11th-seeded Ohio in the second round.

If UK prevails over Princeton, it will face the winner of fifth-seeded West Virginia (20-11) and either 12th-seeded Clemson (21-11) or UAB (22-8) on Saturday, March 19. Kentucky has a 0-1 record against West Virginia in the NCAA Tournament after the Mountaineers defeated the Wildcats 73-67 in the Elite 8

last season. UK holds a 13-5 all-time record against West Virginia with that Elite 8 matchup the last meeting between the two schools.

UK has never played Clemson in the NCAA Tournament but holds a 12-4 record all-time against the Tigers. Kentucky's last meeting against Clemson came on Nov. 29, 1997, UK won 76-61. UAB plays Clemson in the

First Four with the opportunity of advancing against West Virginia in the second round. The Cats are 1-2 against the Blazers in the NCAA Tournament with UK winning the last meeting in 2006, 69-64. Kentucky is 2-3 all-time against UAB, losing the last matchup 79-76 on Dec. 15, 2007.

(See NCAA, page two)

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

- 2011 KHSBCA Preseason Poll**
1. Harrison County
 2. St. Xavier
 3. Lexington Catholic
 4. Apollo
 5. Pleasure Ridge Park
 6. Eastern
 7. Male
 8. Trinity
 9. Central Hardin
 10. Ballard
 11. Lexington Christian
 12. West Jessamine
 13. Lafayette
 14. Christian County
 15. Henderson County
 16. Henry Clay
 17. Lawrence County
 18. Lone Oak
 19. Bryan Station
 20. Clay County
 21. Mercer County
 22. Pikeville
 23. Oldham County
 24. Tates Creek
 25. Warren Central

Others Receiving Votes

Russell County, Butler, Paul Dunbar, Danville, Hopkinsville, DeSales, Boone County, Madison Central, Perry County, Davless County, Elizabethtown, John Hardin, Owensboro Catholic, Beechwood, Fleming County, Somerset, Boyd County, Bowling Green, Greenup County, Lurie County, Simon Kenton, Ashland Blazer, Warren East, Dixie Heights, Corbin.

TNA Wrestling returning to Pikeville, Expo Center

Globetrotters at Pike venue tonight

by STEVE LeMASTER, SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Professional wrestling will once again take the spotlight in Pikeville in just over two weeks from now as one of the nation's top promotions visits Pikeville. The superstars of Total Nonstop Action (TNA) Wrestling's "TNA IMPACT!" on Spike (Thursday 9 p.m. ET/PT) are set to return to Pike County. TNA Live! will hit the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center on Friday, April 1, beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale online at www.ticketmaster.com or maybe be purchased by charging via phone at 800-745-3000. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center box office as well as Appalachian Wireless retail stores at Coal Run and Paintsville.

The Harlem Globetrotters will be in town tonight at the East Kentucky Expo Center as part of their annual tour. Tickets, as of press time, remained available.

The following TNA wrestlers will be appearing: "The Charismatic Enigma" Jeff Hardy; Mr. Anderson; Olympic Gold Medalist Kurt Angle; "King of the Mountain" Jeff Jarrett; Mick Foley; "The Phenomenal" AJ Styles; Matt Hardy; "The Blueprint" Matt Morgan.

(See WRESTLING, page two)



Allen Central High School senior Rebekah Potter signed with Pikeville College on Friday morning. Potter starred at Libero for the Rebels.

Allen Central Libero Potter signs with Pikeville College

by STEVE LeMASTER, SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Another member of the Allen Central High School volleyball program is set to play at the next level. Allen Central High School senior Rebekah Potter signed with the Pikeville College volleyball program on Friday morning during a ceremony held at her high school Potter is a four-year

player who played Libero for the Rebels. During her senior year, Potter attempted 660 receptions while committing only 53 errors for 92 percent. She also earned 442 digs.

Offensively, Potter served at a 96 percent rate, earning 51 aces. She had 14 assists and recorded 13 kills for the Larry Maynard-coached Allen Central volleyball team. Potter contributed immensely and was key to Allen Central's success in each of the past four

years as a member of four Floyd County Conference championship teams, three 58th District title squads, three 15th Region All 'A' championship teams, and the 2009 15th Region championship club.

Potter was All-Conference three years, All-District two years, an All-Southeast Kentucky All-Star selection for two years and First-Team All-Southeast Kentucky during her senior season.

Baseball: Miller honored as Preseason All-State selection

Junior shortstop returns to lead Pikeville Panthers

by STEVE LeMASTER, SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — Pikeville High School junior shortstop Gavin Miller has been named to the KHSBCA (Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association) Preseason All-State Team. Miller was a key player for the Pikeville High School baseball team last season as the Panthers captured the 15th Region championship.

Miller and Lawrence County senior Chandler Shepherd, a signee for the University of Kentucky baseball program, represent the 15th Region on the KHSBCA Preseason All-State Team.

The rest of the KHSBCA Preseason All-State Team shapes up as follows: Luke Daugherty (Apollo), Matthew

Johnson (Apollo), Sam Huner (Ashland Blazer), Anthony Bayus (Ballard), Sutton Whiting (Ballard), Jackson Laumann (Boone County), Jacob Bodner (Boyle County), Ryne Combs (Bryan Station), Michael Bollmer (Bryan Station), Chaz Jackson (Bullitt East).

Zach Lucas (Butler), Dylan Dwyer (Calloway County), Zach Wise (Carroll County), Russ Norse (Central Hardin), Alex Davie (Christian County), Kyle Spencer (Christian County), John Wilson (Clay County), Trace Vorbeck (Corbin), Andrew Lassure (Danville), Cameron Langfins (Dunbar), Spencer Drake (Eastern), Joe Hunt (Fleming County), Aaron Goe (Grant County), Logan Dailey (Harrison County), Shane Fowler (Harrison County), Jordan Martin (Harrison County), Eric Sanders (Harrison County), Corey Bays (Henry Clay), Walker Fuehler (Henry Clay),

Josh Drake (Hopkinsville), Cody Creamer (John Hardin), Blake Smith (Lafayette), Chandler Shepherd (Lawrence County), Tanner Sexton (Letcher Central), Will Hurt (Lexington Catholic), Tyler Arthur (Lexington Catholic), Isaac Smith (Madison Central), Brandon Allen (Male), Craig Pearcey (Manual), Clay Cinnamon (Mercer County), Mathew Honnell (Mercer County), Ryan Lakin (Oldham County), Wade Mason (Oldham County), Connor Hurt (Perry Central), Kevin Smith (Perry Central), Marcus Brown (Pleasure Ridge Park), Hunter Best (Russell County), Taylor Sears (Somerset), Ryan Loehner (St. Xavier), Matt Spalding (St. Xavier), Ian Tompkins (St. Xavier), Ryan Fucci (Tates Creek), Mark Biggs (Warren East), Jackson Deyer (West Jessamine).

Brewer named KIAC Pitcher of the Week

by STEVE LeMASTER, SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — Alice Lloyd College sophomore pitcher Cory Brewer was named the KIAC baseball pitcher of the week by KIAC officials on Monday, March 14.

Brewer pitched Alice Lloyd College to its first win in the Cocoa Beach Expo, giving up six hits and no runs in a 4-0 victory over NCAA Division III Manhattanville College. He also struck out five Manhattanville batters. Alice Lloyd is currently 5-5 overall.

The Eagles were due back in action in the Cocoa Beach Expo on Tuesday in a double-header against Talladega College. Results from the double-header were unavailable at press time.

Holland is UIFL Offensive Player of the Week

by STEVE LeMASTER, SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Eastern Kentucky Drillers quarterback Allan Holland has been named the Ultimate Indoor Football League (UIFL) Offensive Player of the Week for the week ending March 13. Eastern Kentucky nearly doubled up Northern Kentucky on Saturday night, defeating the River Monsters 60-33.

Holland claimed the Conquest Cards Offensive Player of the Week award after accounting for eight touchdowns on a 23-of-38 passing effort that racked up 244 yards in the Drillers' win. He is the second Eastern Kentucky player this season to earn the league's weekly award, as Aric Evans was the inaugural winner.

A former standout at Eastern Kentucky University, Holland is heading into his first season as Pikeville College offensive coordinator.



ALLAN HOLLAND

Sheldon Clark falls in Sweet 16 quarterfinals

Sophomore guard Newsome leads Lady Cards in scoring

by STEVE LeMASTER, SPORTS EDITOR

BOWLING GREEN — Following a convincing win over 16th Region champion Boyd County in the opening round, Sheldon Clark fell to

Calloway County on Friday in the Girls' Sweet 16 quarterfinals. Calloway County pulled past Sheldon Clark in the tournament matchup, defeating the Lady Cardinals 62-51 at Western Kentucky University's EA Diddle Arena.

Senior forward Avee Fields led Calloway County with 22 points. Taylor Futrell followed. Fields in the Calloway County scoring column, contributed 14 points for the Lady Laker. The backcourt duo of

Katelyn Newsome and Carla Booth accounted for most of Sheldon Clark's scoring. Newsome, one of the state's top sophomores, paced the Lady Cardinals with a game-high 23 points. Booth, a signee for the Eastern Kentucky University women's basketball program, added 19 points as Sheldon Clark suffered the season-ending setback.

Calloway County, which improved to 32-1, advanced to the state tournament semifinals after notching the win.

Sheldon Clark carried a hard-fought 28-26 lead into halftime but was limited offensively during the second half. Calloway County outscored the Lady Cardinals 36-23 over the final two quarters.

Kandice Porter added six points for Sheldon Clark in the loss.

Sheldon Clark ended the 2010-11 season 25-9.

KHSAA Girls' Sweet 16 Quarterfinals at WKU

Calloway County 62, Sheldon Clark 51.
Calloway County (32-1): A. Futrell 8, Wilson 9, T. Futrell 14, Smotherman 2, Cunningham 7, Fields 22.
Sheldon Clark (25-9): Booth 19, Hatfield 2, Newsome 23, Porter 6, Spurlock 1.
CC.....15 11 12 14-62
SC.....14 14 9 14-51

Both PC bowling teams qualify for national championships

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The Pikeville College bowling teams survived the grueling two-day Sectional Qualifier and will both be making the trip next month to the USBC Intercollegiate Team Championships in Columbus, Ga.

The Pikeville College women finished second in the Allentown, Penn., sectional to reach the national event for the 10th time in as many tries. For the men, a fourth-place finish will send them to the tournament for a fifth time since the program began in 2001.

The top four finishers in each of four qualifiers around the country advance to the ITC's, which is set to be held April 20-24. The Top 10 in both the men's and women's latest Power Rankings have all qualified for the national tournament.

For the women, ranked No.

9 in the latest power ratings, they settled in right behind the University of Central Florida and cruised to a spot in the nationals.

UCF finished the 64 Baker Game qualifier at 12,537, while the Bears came in second at 12,110.

Also qualifying from Allentown were Kutztown with a score of 11,896 and Adelphi at 11,689.

The men held off a furious rally by William Paterson to finish fourth at Allentown. WPU rolled a final block total of 3,255 while Pikeville finished the final 16 games at 2,975 to finished the 64 games at 12,339 just ahead of WPU's 12,286 for fourth place.

Rochester Tech (12,669), Purdue (12,657) and Saginaw Valley State (12,559) also qualified from Allentown.

The Bears entered Allentown 17th in the country in the latest power rankings, yet qualified for the 16-team

ITCs. Four teams ranked ahead of them failed to make the national tournament.

Academic All-Americans: Pikeville College placed 11 bowlers on the Academic All-American list. Members from the men's team were Mark Allen, a sophomore from Mason, Ohio; John Bartisiewicz, a freshman from Sewell, N.J.; William Jones, a junior from Erlanger, and Fidel Marchena, a freshman from the Dominican Republic.

Women's team members: Rebecca Chase, a freshman from Elwell, Mich.; Chelsea Gilliam, a junior from Pecanica, Ill.; Andrea Guzman, a freshman from Pasadena, Texas; Brandy Hensley, a sophomore from Corpus Christi, Texas; Kaylee Magazine, a freshman from Clearwater, Fla.; Rebekah Wilhelms, a freshman from Middletown, Ohio; and Kim Yioulos, a junior from Rochester, N.Y.

If the Wildcats advance past the second and third rounds, they will play in Newark, N.J. in the East Regional Semifinals on March 25. If UK continues to win, it will play in the East Regional Finals on March 27, with a victory moving the Wildcats to the National Semifinals on April 2 in Houston, Texas. The National Championship game is scheduled for April 4.

UK, Clemson, Princeton, UAB and West Virginia will join four teams from the 2011 NCAA Tournament's Southeast Region in Tampa for the second and third round, including second-seeded Florida, 15th-seeded UC Santa Barbara, seventh-seeded UCLA and 10th-seeded Michigan St.

Tickets for first and second

round games in Tampa are still available online at ticketmaster.com or available through the host site. Those wishing to purchase tickets that are not season-ticket holders or donors need to call the host site for ticket information.

Game times and the ensuing schedule of events will be available from the NCAA at a later date.

Eagles draw No. 13 seed, familiar foe Louisville in NCAA Tournament

In-state rivals to meet in Denver

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University men's basketball team will be a No. 13 seed and will face fourth-seeded Louisville in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The game, as part of the Southwest Region, will be played in Denver,

Colo. in the Pepsi Center on Thursday, March 17 at 1:40 p.m. Eastern Time. The game will air on TBS.

The matchup was announced Sunday night on CBS Sports' annual selection show, televised in front of a group of Eagle faithful that gathered at Johnson Arena with the team.

This will be the fourth NCAA Tournament meeting between MSU and the Cardinals. This will also mark the third straight NCAA

Tournament that the Eagles have faced Louisville. U of L leads the all-time series 12-29 with the last meeting in the 2009 Tournament first round.

Morehead State is 24-9 overall and captured its second Ohio Valley Conference Tournament title in the past three years last Saturday with an 80-73 win over Tennessee Tech. The Eagles, led by fifth-year coach Donnie Tyndall, have had a school-record three consecutive 20-win seasons.



REBEKAH POTTER is the latest signee for the Pikeville College volleyball program.

MINOR LEAGUE BASKETBALL

Energy to host ABA Eastern Conference semifinals

Games set for weekend at Pike Central High School

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The East Kentucky Energy will host the ABA Eastern Conference Semifinals Saturday-Sunday as four teams come together to vie for a spot in the league's Final Four.

The Energy, which completed the regular season with only one loss, will host the 7-City Knights, Lake Michigan Stallions and Savannah Storm in a two-day tournament Saturday and Sunday at Pike County Central High School.

The Knights and Admirals will meet at 5 p.m. on Saturday with the Energy and Storm clashing at 8 p.m. The championship game is scheduled for Sunday.

The undefeated Jacksonville Giants have already wrapped up a berth in the Final Four. The Southeast Texas Mavericks, defending champions and Final Four hosts, have also locked up a spot in the Final Four.

The expansion Energy finished the regular season ranked No. 4 in the ABA. The team's only loss was a setback in Suffolk, Va. The 7-City Knights defeated East Kentucky. The Energy averaged that loss the following week at home. A potential third and decisive matchup between the Eastern Conference's second- and third-ranked teams looks on Sunday.

But first, East Kentucky will take on Savannah, which emerged from the Atlantic South Division playoffs in the second game Saturday. The first game of the tournament will pit the North Central Division champion Lake Michigan

Admirals against the 7-City Knights.

All-Stars J.R. VanHoose and Daniel Price led East Kentucky during the regular season. VanHoose averaged more than 25 points and 18 rebounds per game for the Energy. The Paintsville High School graduate also claimed the 3-point Shootout championship at the ABA All-Star game in Jacksonville.

Price, the league's reigning Defensive Player of the Year, averaged more than 27 points and three steals per game during the regular season.

Player/coach: Galen Young, a veteran professional who spent three seasons in the NBA after being drafted in the second round by the Milwaukee Bucks, guides the Energy from the sidelines. Young led the Perth Wildcats to the NBL Championship while playing in Australia last season. He was an assistant coach earlier this month during the ABA All-Star game.

Joining VanHoose, Young and Price in the starting lineup is standout point guard Jarell Jones and power forward Sanderl Spann. Rounding out the Energy roster are veterans Roderick Smith and Neil Rasmussen and rookies Scotty Samanco, Anthony Smith, Ewan Linton and Philip Myers.

Losing woes continue for Stallions

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GEORGETOWN — A disappointing season for the Kentucky Bluegrass Stallions continued Sunday. The Rochester Razor Sharks defeat-

ed the Kentucky Bluegrass Stallions 109-95 at Georgetown College's Davis-Reid Alumni Gym.

The Stallions (5-13) were officially eliminated from Premier Basketball League (PBL) playoff contention on March 8 when they fell to the Quebec Krebs 116-103. That loss was the Stallions' eighth in its last nine games and came just days after head coach and former University of Kentucky Wildcat Jay Shidler was dismissed. Shidler was replaced by former Bryan Station and University of Pittsburgh stand-out Jarom Brown, who had served as a Stallions assistant coach for the past two seasons.

Rochester led 33-26 after the first quarter on the strength of 12 points from former University of Virginia captain Keith Friel. The Stallions rallied to close the deficit to one at halftime, 51-50, then scored the first eight points of the second half to briefly assume control of the game. But Rochester (9-7) dominated the remainder of the second half by shooting a torrid 56.4 percent from the field. The Razor Sharks shot 65.0 percent from the field in the third quarter.

"It was a frustrating game," said Brown. "As a team we've put together two good quarters of playing together, but today we didn't put four (quarters) together. We had some breakdowns on defense, which hurt us in the second half. We tend to get frustrated when things don't go our way or we don't get the calls, and that can't carry over to our defense the way it did tonight."

Five Rochester players scored in double figures. Friel paced the Razor Sharks with 21 points. Eric Walton added 18 points for Rochester in the road win.

Kenny Jones led the Stallions with a game-high 31 points and nine rebounds. Bo Harris and former University of Louisville Cardinal Reggie Dell chipped in 14 points each for Kentucky in the loss.

Wrestling

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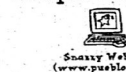
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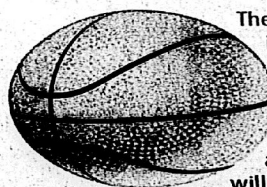
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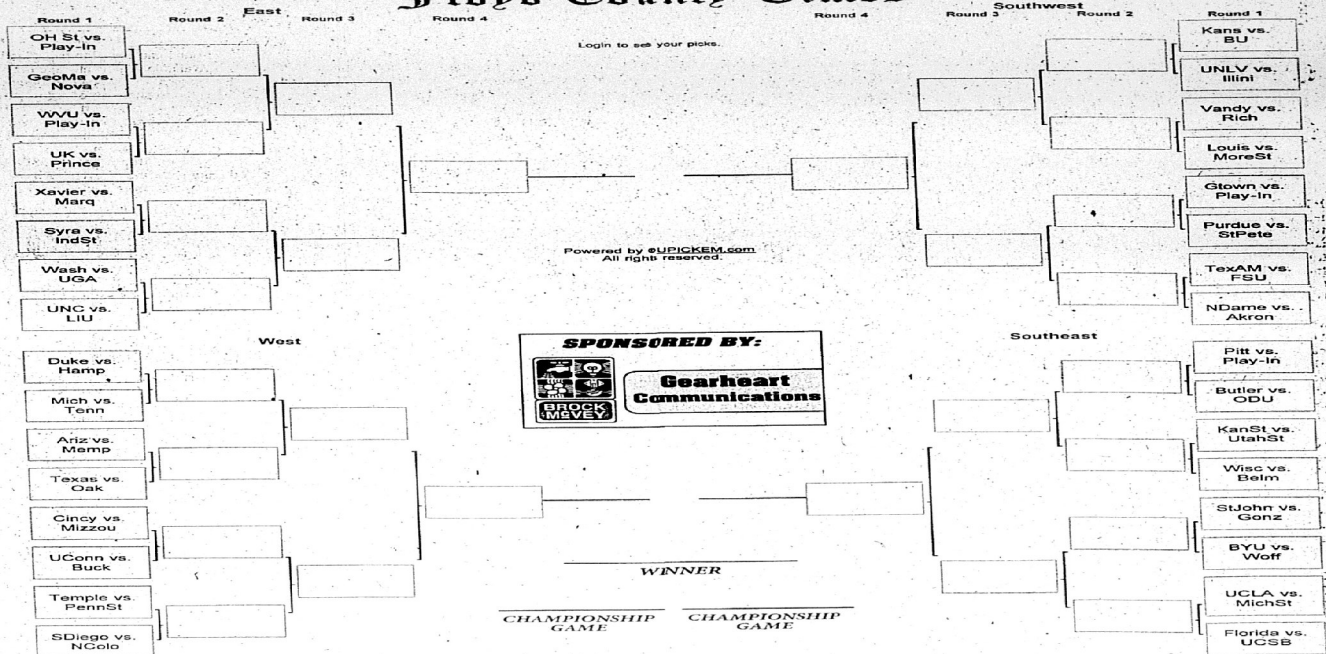
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Floyd County Times



Earnhardt Jr., Patrick head field of drivers in Scotts EZ Seed 300 at Bristol

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. will once again compete in both the Scotts EZ Seed 300 and the Jeff Byrd 500 Presented by Food City at Bristol Motor Speedway March 19-20 as he tries to mirror his August 2004 sweep at the World's Fastest-Half-Mile.

While Earnhardt goes after what would be his second NASCAR Nationwide win at BMS, his teammate Danica Patrick will taking on the high-banked concrete oval for the first time.

Patrick is coming off a fourth-place finish at Las Vegas, the highest finish ever for a woman in a NASCAR event. Not only will this be Patrick's first time at Bristol, but also will be her first short track event. Carl Edwards, Kevin Harvick, Trevor Bayne, Brad Keselowski and Joey Logano are among the Sprint Cup series regulars who, like Earnhardt, will be pulling double duty next weekend.

Among the Nationwide stars battling for the Scotts EZ Seed 300 is Justin Allgaier, who won the race a year ago. Allgaier started 30th in the race and methodically made his way to the front, ultimately beating Keselowski to the checkered flag to claim his first Nationwide Series win.

Reed Sorenson will enter the Scotts EZ Seed 300 first

in the series point standings with 111 points, followed by Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (109), Jason Leffler (106), Patrick (98) and Allgaier (95). Knoxville native Bayne is sixth in the points with 87.

Tickets for the Scotts EZ Seed 300 March 19 start at \$45, while tickets for the Jeff Byrd 500 Presented by Food City March 20 are available for \$93. Ford Fan Friday tickets (March 18) are only \$5 and are just \$4 for fans who have tickets to the Jeff Byrd 500.

Practice for Ford Fan Friday begins at 8:30 a.m. for the Scotts EZ Seed 300 March 18, with practice for the Jeff Byrd 500 Presented by Food City getting under way at noon. Qualifying for Sunday's Jeff Byrd 500 is at 3:40 p.m. Qualifying for the Scotts EZ Seed 300 is March 19 at 9:40 a.m. with the race slated to go green at 2 p.m. The Jeff Byrd 500 is at 1 p.m. Sunday.

A March race weekend package for both the Scotts EZ Seed 300 and the Jeff Byrd 500 can be purchased for as low as \$99.

The 2011 season ticket package also is available and consists of both the Jeff Byrd 500 and IRWIN Tools Night Race Sprint Cup events and the Scotts EZ Seed 300 and Food City 250 Nationwide races. Also included are lower-priced options to add Pole Day (March 18) and the O'Reilly Auto Parts 200 Camping

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For more information concerning tickets, visit www.bristolix.com or call the BMS ticket office at 423-BRISTOL (274-7865).

Chassis Certification Set for April 8-9

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — NHRA officials will be in Thunder Valley on Friday, April 8 and Saturday, April 9 to conduct chassis certifications for the 2011 season.

Inspection will take place Friday from 4 p.m. — 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. — 4 p.m.

Anyone interested in having their cars inspected for the upcoming season should contact Red Whitmore at 423-989-6952 or red@bristolmotorspeedway.com to arrange an appointment.

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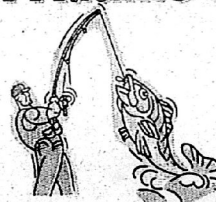
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Immediately after the forum, the Local Planning Committee will meet in session and the public is welcomed to attend. Hope to see you there.



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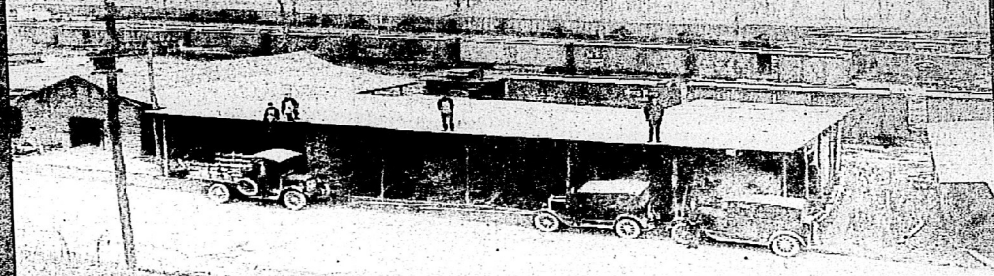
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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

The fruits of love

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
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Talk about your socially awkward situations: I'm ashamed to look my mail carrier in the eye.

It's not that I've really done anything socially abhorrent to him (and some days it's a "her"), but alas, I am a catalogue junkie. I apparently receive just about every catalogue known to mankind; on a single day recently, the haul at my house was 35 catalogues, versus a pitiful handful of "real mail."

And what's worse is, I like it. I love reading catalogues. I even read them online!

But honestly, the information you come across is so darn interesting. For example, did you know that Thomas Jefferson was probably our Founding Father of Tomatoes? He was a real pioneer of tomato production, and grew them in his kitchen garden from 1809 until his death in 1826.

Tomatoes are a ticklish subject. For one thing, they're actually a fruit, not a vegetable. If you called them by the name under which they were first grown in Europe, that would be more evident, because they were known there as "love apples," since they are botanical cousins of the mandrake or "love plant" mentioned in the Bible for its reputed aphrodisiac qualities. (It turns out mandrake has quite a reputation; according to one legend, when the mandrake root is dug up, it screams and kills all who hear it. Yikes!)

I have some friends who are so passionate about finding the perfect tomato that the quest almost merits an entry on their "bucket list" (you know, the list of things you really, really intend to do before you kick the proverbial bucket).

With all this love flowing toward the tomato, you'd be justified in thinking they were treasured like rubies. But in fact, about 20 percent of them meet a sad fate—spoilage—from hanging around so long on shelves or lost in the back corner of the refrigerator. Tomato shelf life, like beauty, can be fleeting.

But a plant physiologist with the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) is working to change that. He's teamed up with a horticulture professor at Purdue University to enhance tomatoes so that they not only offer better taste (hurray!) and higher nutrient levels, but also a longer shelf life.

If you've ever seen the wonderful World War II-era movie "Mrs. Miniver," you know that Mr. Ballard, the railway station manager, is also a fan of catalogues. In the movie, he's bred a new and astonishingly beautiful rose, and while he's aware that the rose catalogues have a fanciful legend about the source of roses' beauty, he explains to the movie's heroine that "What goes to make a rose, ma'am, is breeding, and budding ... and horse manure, if you'll pardon the expression."

But the ARS scientist and his university colleagues are using an ingredient that's slightly more sophisticated: a class of nitrogen-based organic compounds called "polyamines." These compounds act as signals and play a role in the plant's growth, flowering, fruit development, ripening and other natural functions.

Another plus: Polyamines have been linked to the production of lycopene and other nutrients that lower our risk of developing certain cancers (such as prostate cancer) and other diseases.

The scientists introduced a specific yeast gene into tomato plants to get the plants to boost their production of a type of polyamine called spermidine. In case that worries you a bit, spermidine is found in all biological organisms, so it's not as "foreign" as it sounds.

The results? Introducing that yeast gene not only increased the spermidine levels in the plants, it also boosted their growth and significantly

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SURVIVOR

Rutherford overcomes challenges, helps others

by SANDRA SAAD
BSCTC FACULTY

PRESTONSBURG — Like many young girls, Lisa Rutherford couldn't wait to leave home. She wasn't motivated by a need for independence, but rather a need to be truly loved and accepted. Raised in an unstable environment involving abuse, violence and fear, the thought of having her own home sounded like heaven. So, at the age of 17, she married her boyfriend and first love.

With the marriage, her situation had definitely improved and she willingly slipped into what she and he agreed were her assigned roles — cook and housewife. In retrospect, she recognizes: "I was the human remote."

"He worked and I took care of everything at home," she explains. "I waxed the cars, painted porches, took care of all the household chores, and cooked up three meals a day."

When her husband was temporarily laid off from his job at a coal mine, Lisa secured a job as a janitor at Belfry High School. While there, she eventually moved into a teacher's aide position in Special Education, which encouraged her to dream about one day becoming a teacher herself. But each time the thought would pop into her head, she would squash it ruthlessly with the negative thought: "I'm not college material."

Eventually she became a mom to two daughters and immersed herself in the mother role, teaching Sunday School, escorting them to library reading hours, and helping with their Girl Scout troop. "The girls became my life," she notes.

The family's lives were thrown into chaos when Lisa's husband was nearly killed in a mining accident that permanently damaged his lower back, knee and ankle. Lisa immediately assumed the role of nurse and care-giver, dedicating herself to helping her husband recover as much mobility as possible. But his working days were over.

As the years passed and the couple's daughters grew older, Lisa began to yearn for something more. She had participated willingly and fully in so many roles but she had never had time to devote to finding out who she was.

Even though her husband encouraged her to go back to school, Lisa just wasn't

confident she could succeed in college, especially since she had never been an A student before. At the age of 41 and with her older daughter already attending the Pikeville Campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College, Lisa was hesitant to enroll in college, not wanting to encroach on her daughter's territory. But, when she asked her daughter, Kristin, what she thought about her mom enrolling in college, Kristin replied: "I think it would be wonderful! We could ride together."

Lisa began by taking the entrance exam and, considering it had been nearly 24 years since she had been a student, she ended up needing a number of developmental classes. She signed on, began working her way through them, and succeeded. Then she moved on into regular college classes and, lo and behold, she started getting As, in math, English, history, and Spanish! She finally started to realize: I can do this. I am college material!

With a high grade point average, Lisa was invited to join Phi Theta Kappa, an honor society at BSCTC. She began as a volunteer in the club's office where her organizational skills and hard work ethic caught the attention of club sponsor, Dr. Bill Loftus. When the post of club president became open, Loftus encouraged Lisa to run for president, and she won!

Under Lisa's leadership, the active club became even more popular, attracting large numbers of students and getting involved in a number of new projects, most notably the Faces of Hunger project that works to provide a free brown-bag lunch each week to college students in need of aid. Separate from that, Lisa began the Momma Lisa's Recipe for Hunger, an initiative which works to raise funds for the weekly lunches. "My confidence was building and I was happy," Lisa explains. But then, she hit a roadblock. She enrolled in a class in Human Potential and a lot of long-buried memories about the abuse she had experienced as a young girl began to bubble to the surface.

She remembers running in terror from her family home on multiple occasions, desperate to escape the abuse and violence. She would seek temporary refuge with other family or neighbors and can clearly remember telling one such supporter: "I'm different than them."

The Human Potential class helped Lisa

realize that she needed to finally face and deal with her childhood memories and all the terrible experiences she had endured. As a very young child, she had had nowhere to turn for support. She had been taught that girls should "sit still" and "keep your mouth shut." And that's exactly what she did for nearly four decades.

But, at the age of 45, Lisa was tired of being still and silent. She began to face the realities of her childhood and discuss those memories with family and others when tragedy struck. Lisa's husband died of a massive heart attack on Thanksgiving Day 2010. His sudden death was a tremendous blow.

Then, when she returned to school in January 2011, Lisa found out that she had lost her financial aid. She had been preparing to become a teacher but, despite her 3.9 grade point average, could not score high enough on the standardized ACT exam to qualify for the program.

"God, what am I going to do?" she remembers asking. And then, she realized, "God put me here to help me grow and realize that I had a place in the world."

With the help of faculty and friends at BSCTC and via the inspiration of a Women's Leadership class, Lisa began examining other career opportunities. As president of Phi Theta Kappa, she was known as Momma Lisa, supporting and counseling younger students who had also experienced significant troubles and trauma just as she had as a child.

"I had come to the point where my past met my future," she explains. "I decided I don't want my past to dictate me. I want to be able to go on and help someone else that may have been in the same situation."

Currently, Lisa has worked through her financial aid challenges and enrolled in the Human Services program at Big Sandy. Once she obtains her degree, she plans to transfer to Morehead State University and pursue a Master's Degree in Social Work. Although she recognizes she still has some issues to address and work through, Lisa has a healthier perspective on her past and a more hopeful perspective on her future.

"I don't look at my past as a tragedy," she says, "but rather something that helped me be a better person." Then, she adds with firm conviction: "I am a survivor."

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: fedures@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-served basis as space permits.

Free clothes and household giveaway

Free clothes and household items will be given to anyone in need on Friday, March 25, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, March 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Old Middle Creek Fire Department, on Route 114.

The giveaway is sponsored by the Middle Creek Ladies Auxiliary. For more information, contact Daryl Holbrook, at (606) 886-8481 or (606) 226-3525, or Faye Click, at (606) 889-0216.

Donations of any kind are accepted.

Free Tax Filing Available

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program is once again offering FREE help for eligible tax filers in preparing and filing tax returns. The service is available in Johnson, Martin, Floyd and Pike Counties for persons earning under \$49,000. IRS-certified BSACAP staff prepares and electronically files tax returns, screens individuals for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), and offers the service free of charge to qualifying residents. To schedule an appointment, call (606) 789-3641 for Johnson, Floyd and Martin Counties; for Pike County, call (606) 218-2106, and for Magoffin County, call (606) 349-2217.

Science

extended the tomato's shelf life after harvest. Imagine this: Shriveling of those tomatoes was delayed by up to three weeks, and there was a slower rate of decay caused by tomato plant diseases. Plus, the tomatoes had higher levels of lycopene!

Although this work was done specifically in tomatoes, it looks like polyamines are anything but a one-trick pony. Since they're found in other

Free Parenting Classes

To determine eligibility, call John 791-9887.

Autism Awareness & Support Group

2nd Monday of each month. Calvarys Call Church, Lancer, Ky. (6-7 p.m.). Contact: Billie Chain, castkyautismawareness@gmail.com

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

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

Non-profit agency needs foster parents

Non-profit agency in need of foster parents in your area. Financial compensation/ bonuses, free foster parent trainings, mileage reimbursement, and 24-7 support are available. All foster children get a medical card, free school lunches, and clothing vouchers/other reimbursements. Call for more information, at 606-886-0163 or visit our website at: <http://www.benchmarkfamily-services.org/>

Auxiliary Learning Center offers home repair aid

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

Foster parent info

Benchmark Family Services is offering a free informational session for anyone interested in becoming a foster parent. If you have ever wanted to help a child in need, this is your chance. Monday, Jan. 24, at 10 a.m. and

Wednesday, Jan. 26, at 5 p.m. at Benchmark Family Services Office. For more information, please call (606) 886-0163.

FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes

The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall genre exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. at May Drive, just off 1428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg.

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

Become a Volunteer with Victim Services Program

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

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

OutPatient Drug Treatment

Program and Education. Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse. Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208. www.drugsnos.com

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

Free Bible Lessons

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

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.

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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.

Hope in the Mountains

Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Water Gap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church. Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.

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

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!

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

Prestonsburg Rotary Club

Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at

Made From Country at Heart. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354.

UNITE

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

"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m. Living Free is a faith-based 12-step support group open to all who are searching for recovery. There is no fee to attend. For more info., contact Shirley Combs at 874-3388 or 434-8400.

'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior

Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

Senior employment program

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

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OUR YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from
The Floyd County
Times,
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Twenty Years Ago
(March 13-15, 1991)
The Floyd County Chapter of the American Red Cross has planned a day for patriots: Flags Across America, on Thursday, March 21.

There was no shortage of input at Tuesday Board of Education meeting in Wheelwright, with 14 speakers signed up. Speakers ranged from a teacher to parent groups to a high school student, with each expressing their concerns about problems in the school system.

A Pike County man was lodged in the Floyd County jail following the weekend shooting of a Price man at his home. According to state police reports, Ralph G. "Jerry" Newsome, 26, was charged with murder in connection with the Saturday morning shooting death of Gregory Dean Perry.

"All I want to do is go home, get some rest and enjoy some peace," said Eddie Watkins, of Middle Creek, one of Floyd County's first soldiers to return from active duty in the Persian Gulf. "The first thing I want to tell people is that I am not a .50 caliber machine gunner," joked Watkins, as he hugged his mother. "I am a Dragon gunner."

There died: Junior O. Perry, 74, of Albion, Mich., Thursday, at Marshall Manor Care Center; Maude Wallen Gibson, 92, former Prestonsburg resident, Tuesday, at the residence of her daughter, Mae Belle Crites, in Camden, Tenn.; Mary Vaughn Webb, 86, of Princeton, W.Va., formerly of Dwayne; Ethel Conley Willis Pulliam, 74, of Prestonsburg; Gregory Dean Perry, 28, of Hi Hat; Joseph Hawley Stephens, 28, of Hi Hat; Mary Elizabeth Wolverton, 71, of Allen; Denise "Dee Dee" Ober, 25, of Jefferson, Ohio, of injuries suffered in a fire; William Bill Hall, 60, of Prestonsburg; Ellis Green Hall, 69, of Banner; Walton Davis, 68, of Flint, Mich., formerly of Waverly; Byron "Rig" Thompson, 72, of Lucasville, Ohio; Lawrence Prater, of Amherst Ohio; and Nannie Rhoton, 81, of Martin.

Thirty Years Ago
(March 18, 1981)

An emergency session of the grand jury named three men on murder charges. James Noel and Denver Patrick were accused in the slaying of James Niemi. Otis Lee Wallen was charged with the shotgun slaying of Paul Mullins. Elected county officials will get a 12.4 cost of living salary increase as a result of a fiscal court decision last week. As a result of the wage increase, the county judge-executive, sheriff and county court clerk will earn \$26,058, county magistrates will earn \$19,139 and the county coroner will receive \$9,216. The county attorney could earn as much as \$34,000 per year, depending on the case-load. The state Department of Energy announced that it will begin exploratory natural gas drilling at Cliff. If found, the gas could mean a virtually free supply of fuel for the city. Workers at a Highlands Regional Medical Center voted to go on strike against the hospital at midnight Sunday. The 1980 census showed the official population of Floyd County to be 48,764 people. There died: John Short, Burchett, 80, of Cow Creek; Glenn Mullins, 63, of Emma; Orris Delano Stumbo, 48, of Prestonsburg; Donna Shepherd, 87, of Gunlock; Sallie Jane Stephens, 78, of Harold; Marie Webb

Hobson, 61, of Auxier; Sadie A. Hunter, 65, of Estill.

Forty Years Ago (March 18, 1971)

Prestonsburg High School Monday morning had the first bomb scare experienced in the Floyd school system when a threat was received by telephone. The building was quickly evacuated and a search was made before classwork was resumed. Coach Pete Grigsby's McDowell team, ranked among the top 10 in the state all season, proved its mettle by defeating Maytown in the district meet here and then easily downing Pikeville High in the 15th region play-offs at Johnson Central, Paintsville, last Saturday night, 82 to 52. A continuing drive to raise the \$25,000 necessary for the completion of the Floyd County War memorial at Archer Park here will be taken to every part of the county. Estill Lee Carter, chairman of the fund-raising committee, said on Monday. New proposals to regular surface-mine drainage, blasting and prospecting were announced by Elmore Grim, director of the Reclamation Division of the state Department of Natural Resources. Spec. Gary Shepherd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Shepherd, of David, recently received the Army Commendation Medal in Vietnam. There died: Mrs. Nancy Johnson Bryant, 86, of Hi Hat, Tuesday, at a nursing home here; Mrs. Anna Short Fitzpatrick, 71, of Flatwoods, formerly of Prestonsburg, at a hospital here, Saturday; Mrs. Vera Alma Darnon, 45, of Harold, at a Pikeville hospital, Wednesday; Vernon Bates, 21, of Punchedon, was electrocuted Saturday while climbing a utility pole; W. L. (Dock) Hamilton, 72, of Ashland, O., formerly of Honaker, in Ashland Saturday; Milt Lewis, 72, of Betsy Layne, Wednesday at Pikeville; Walter Hamilton, 37, of Teaberry, Saturday at his home; Miles M.

Branham, 80, of Prestonsburg, Saturday at a Pikeville hospital; Mrs. Cleo Mae Wilson, 50, of Wayland, Tuesday at a Martin hospital; Mrs. Donna Ratliff, 74, of Risner, Sunday at home.

Fifty Years Ago (March 16, 1951)

Commissioner of Highways Henry Ward told Kentucky Congressmen this week that Floyd County has 236.9 miles of highways under the Federal Aid System but 151.7 of these miles do not measure up to the standard set for such roads. Princess Elkhorn Coal Co. at David has reacted to poor market conditions by cutting off 162 employees. The comptroller of the currency last Thursday approved the First National Bank plan for a branch bank at the "Twin Bridges," just outside Martin. The slump in the coal market has cut the average mine work week to two days in Floyd County, it was announced by the Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Assoc. The Wheelwright Trojans last week defeated the Paintsville Tigers in the regional tournament here, and are in the state tourney at Lexington this week. There died: the Rev. William Fraley, 82, at Drift Friday, while funeral rites were being conducted at Cliff for his brother, Benjamin, 74; Willis Hobson, brother of Prestonsburg attorney Joe Hobson, Friday, in Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Ella S. Layne, 68, former post-mistress at Justell, Sunday at her home in Clermont, Fla.; Mirphy Jarrell, 59, of Dona, Tuesday at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Grover C. (Dock) Patton, 76, Saturday at his home near Mantion; William E. Stinnette, 50, federal mine inspector and former Martin resident, March 6 at Lackey, West Virginia.

Sixty Years Ago (March 15, 1951)

Upward of 70 school children miraculously

escaped serious injury Friday morning when a crowded school bus lost a wheel and plunged over an embankment at the junction of the Toler's Creek and Mud Creek

highways. Eight from Prestonsburg High School will be among those attending the Kentucky Youth Assembly when youngsters from all parts of the Commonwealth gather in Frankfort, April 4-7, to conduct a mock legislative assembly. The deadline for filing forms with the Office of Price Stabilization (the new OPA) is March 28. Forty-two registrants with Draft Board 25 here will leave next Tuesday morning for Portsmouth, O., where they will undergo pre-induction examinations. Three South Charleston, W. Va., men, one of whom was a former resident of Prestonsburg, died instantly late Tuesday afternoon when their car reportedly exploded upon colliding with a tractor-trailer west of Milton, W. Va.

Among the dead was Don Leford Williamson, 34, who lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Williamson, here until a few years ago. Wayland High School Wasp will meet Lyon County in the State Basketball Tournament at Lexington, Friday afternoon. The county's population grew from 52,986 in 1940 to 53,473 in 1950, according to the U.S. census. Three women, all residents of the Prestonsburg area, escaped serious injury Monday morning, though their car was a total wreck after it had skidded from the highway at Knotley Hollow. Mrs. Worth Music and Mrs. Billy Perwitz suffered head injuries, and Miss Barbara Jean Hall sustained bruises. Borna A. daughter, Deborah Lucille, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Taylor Hyden, who formerly resided here, now of Louisville. There died: Patsy Lewis, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elder Lewis, Saturday

morning of burns suffered at her home on Cow Creek; Mrs. Margaret Moore Meade, 79, Monday at her home on Spurlock Creek, near Printer.

Seventy Years Ago
(March 13, 1941)

Surfacing of the entire Left Beaver highway will be done this year, County Atty. Forrest D. Short was assured recently by Thomas H. Cutler, chief engineer for the State Highway Commission. Receivers of the Elk Horn Coal Corp. this week moved to evict miners and their families from company-owned property at Wayland. B. H. Cox, owner of Valley Chevrolet Sales, last week purchased the Carter Motor Sales, Buick and Oldsmobile agency, here. Prestonsburg High School won the district basketball title at McDowell, defeating Garrett. Both teams are in the regional here this week. For the fourth consecutive year Edith F. James and her Plainsong Chanters have been invited to participate in the National Folksong Festival in Washington, D. C. Miss Kay Hopson, of Prestonsburg, freshman at Morehead State College, has been elected queen of the college's annual Winter Carnival by the student body. There died: James Caddo Smith, formerly of Prestonsburg, Monday at the Dakotah, W. Va. home of his son, Todd Smith; Mrs. Virginia Ford, 29, of Prestonsburg, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Henry Wright, 60, of Martin, Sunday at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Mrs. Carrie Belle Rice Davis, 32, Friday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital.

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THE LINCOLN LAWYER (R), Mon-Thu, 5:55-9:15; Fri, (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat-Sun, (1:55-4:15) 6:55-9:15
Cinema 4 - **Hold Over**
ADJUSTMENT BUREAU (PG-13), Mon-Thu, 7:00; Fri-Sat, Sun, (4:20) 7:00

TAKE ME HOME TONIGHT (R), Mon-Fri, 9:30; Sat-Sun, (2:00) 9:20
Cinema 5 - **Hold Over**
BEASTLY (PG-13), Mon-Thu, 7:15-9:30; Fri, (4:30) 7:15-9:30; Sat-Sun, (2:15-4:30) 7:15-9:30
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Cinema 8 - **Starts Fri, March 18**
PAUL (R), Mon-Thu, 6:55-9:15; Fri, (4:15) 6:55-9:15; Sat-Sun, (1:55-4:15) 6:55-9:15

Cinema 9 - **Hold Over**
RANGO (PG), Mon-Thu, 7:15-9:15; Fri, (4:30) 7:15-9:15; Sat-Sun, (2:20-4:30) 7:15-9:15
Cinema 10 - **Hold Over**
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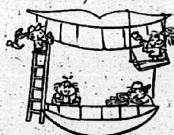
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Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that Catherine Baker, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to file around two houses and yard small project. The property is located 2 and one half miles from Harold on Tolens creek. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water Resources Branch, 14 Rellay Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

100 Legals**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5463, Renewal in accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 has applied for a permit for a renewal for an underground coal mining operation located approximately 0.25 miles northwest of Burton in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 13.2 surface acres and will underlie 0.25 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 493.2 acres. The proposed operation is located 0.65 miles northwest of KY Route 1498's junction with KY Route 122 and located 0.25 miles west of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The proposed operation is located on the Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 Atract 12 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 8. Comments for a permit conference of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 12 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application, all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

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Help Wanted - General

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Real Estate Rentals**Houses For Rent**

For Rent
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6000 Employment**Help Wanted - General**

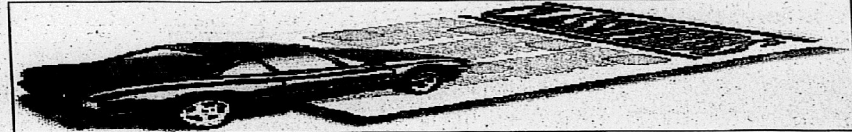
Local agency seeking full time case manager must have a bachelor's degree in human services or a registered nurse. Experience with SCL is a plus for the position, send resume to P.O. box 468 Allen KY 41601

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RENGIE DYE & OF 2817 FRAISURE CREEK ROAD, HEREBY DECARES INTENTION(S) TO APPLY FOR A RETAIL BEER BY PACKAGE AND DRINK LICENSE(S) NO LATER THAN MARCH 21, 2011. THE BUSINESS TO BE LICENSED WILL BE LOCATED AT 2817 FRAISURE CREEK ROAD, MC, BUSINESS AS DOUBLE O, THE (OWNERS); PRINCIPAL OFFICERS AND PARTNERS, LIMITED PARTNERS, OR OWNERS; FOLLOWS: OWNER: RENGIE DYE OF 2817 FRAISURE CREEK ROAD, MC, ANY PERSON, ASSOCIATION, CORPORATION, OR BODY POLITICAL MAY PROTEST THE GRANTING OF THE LICENSE(S) BY WRITING THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL, 1009 TWILIGHT TRAIL, FRANKFORT, KY, 40601-9400, WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS LEGAL PUBLICATION.

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Qualified applicants may submit a resume and letter of application to Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Attn: Human Resources Manager, 230 Court Street, Painsville, KY 41240 or via email to lwbb@bsacap.org. Closing date for applications for is Friday, March 25, 2011. An equal opportunity employer.

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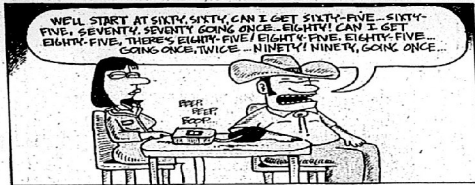
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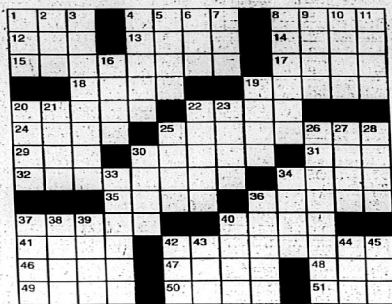


"She can lick me, so I'm letting HER eat him."

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Haven't paid yet
4 Battery measure
8 Sacred bird of Egypt
12 Coop occupant
13 Sandwich treat
14 Staff member?
15 Lots of power?
17 Huffed and puffed
18 First victim
19 Appears ominously
20 Christmas tree topper, often
22 Someone who's gonna get it?
24 Porter's "Let's —"
25 Total abstinence from meat and dairy
29 Curry of NBC News
30 Stogie
31 Old French copin
32 Considered
34 Clay-rich soil
35 Young horse
36 Insurrection-



- ist
37 Distorted
40 Top-notch
41 Actress
42 Major French airport
46 Layer
47 Oil cartel
48 Meadow
49 Hourglass
50 Lillian of silents
51 Melody
ist
4 Purchase from Pat?
5 Exam format
6 Allow
7 Youngster
8 Natural
9 Philippine
10 Particular
11 Stitches
16 Help
19 Tale weaver
20 Hebrew month
21 Zilch
22 German philosopher
23 "Zounds!"
25 "Livin' La — Loca"
26 Columbus' benefactor
27 Aching
28 Think (over)
30 Singer
31 Sheryl
33 Frightened, in dialect
34 Carte
36 Kitchen pest
37 — and crafts
38 Actor
39 Acute
40 A very long time
42 Poach
43 — (Prof)
44 Mainlander's memento
45 Listener

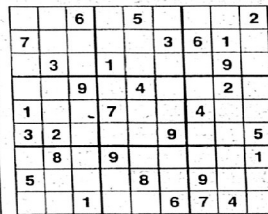
DOWN

- 1 Resistance unit
2 Tiny
3 Attractive

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: *

* Moderate ** Challenging *** HOO BOY!

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What two nations lie directly north of the Gulf of Oman?
2. U.S. STATES: Which state's name is Spanish for "snow clad"?
3. MOVIES: What was the name of the Volkswagen made famous in "The Love Bug"?
4. FAMOUS PEOPLE: What abolitionist was the first black woman to win a court case against a white man for illegally selling her son as a slave?
5. LITERATURE: In what book did the characters Tweedledum and Tweedledee first appear?
6. LANGUAGE: What's another word for a plebsite?
7. HISTORY: How much did the United States pay Russia for the Alaskan territory in 1867?
8. MUSIC: Who wrote "The Theme from Shaft"?
9. GAMES: Which chess piece looks like a castle tower?
10. U.S. PRESIDENTS: What was Harry Truman's home state?

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DIFFERENCES: 1. SCHOOL SIGN IS DIFFERENT. 2. BOY'S SHIRT SLEEVES. 3. BOY'S SHIRT SLEEVES. 4. BOY'S SHIRT SLEEVES. 5. BOY'S SHIRT SLEEVES. 6. BOY'S SHIRT SLEEVES.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution code in which each letter used stands for another. If you know that X equals O, it will help you find the rest of the puzzle. Solution is accompanied by hint and answer.

Clue: Z equals P

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IS WOOR WAOLLUORV WMCV? O
NRUORH OC IFR AOWFI IS DAG
NRDAV.

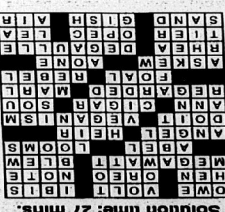
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Should people be permitted to give grizzlies guns? I believe in the right to arm bears.

Cryptoquip

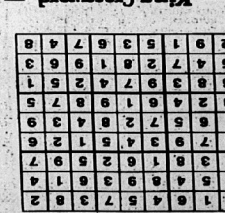
10. Missouri
9. Rook
8. Isaac Hayes
7. 27.2 million
6. Rectentum
5. "Through the Looking-Glass"
4. Sopranos
3. Helele
2. Nephthys
1. Iran and Pakistan

ANSWERS



Solution time: 27 mins.

ANSWERS



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