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Hearing

in coal case

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

HINDMAN — A court hearing will be held Friday in Knott County that sees a Floyd County coal company facing a \$46 million judgment already brought against it in earlier proceedings.

Last March, Knott Circuit Judge Kim Childers ordered Murriel-Don Coal Company of Garrett to pay \$27 million plus interest at 12 percent to Roberta Jent and \$15 million plus interest at 12 percent to Tony Amburgey for personal injuries they sustained when their vehicle was crashed into on Oct. 20, 2008, by a vehicle operated by a company employee.

The two judgments, totaling \$42 million plus interest, are now final from which additional appeals to a higher court cannot be made, said representatives of Kirk Law Firm, which handled the case.

This past November, the Garrett coal company filed a civil action in the Knott County asking that insurance companies be responsible for paying the judgment.

The lawsuit, filed by Hindman attorney, Jerry Wicker, who has been joined by co-counsel Rhonda Blackburn and Gary C. Johnson, alleges that the company was "covered" by Aspen Insurance Company of London, the United Kingdom and Aspen Specialty Insurance Company of London, Kentucky and that judgment against the insurance companies should be entered by the court.

"Legally speaking, this will be a very interesting encounter between some very good lawyers," Jent's attorney, John Kirk, said.

Court nixes paying judge's wife

Plan would have made her highest-paid on judge's staff

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Fiscal Court held its first meeting of the new year

Friday, a session in government patience as newly-elected magistrate Hattie Owens sent the court into a lengthy executive session with a motion to dismiss personnel. That session started with Floyd

County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall hoping to appoint his wife, Sylvia L. Marshall, to a position within his administration, but ended with her name left out of the approved appointments.

The motion from Owens came just as the court was set to approve Marshall's appointments for his office staff for his new four-year term.

According to the resolution that was on the table as Owens asked

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TACKLING A PROBLEM



Dave Hopkins, project manager for the Kentucky All-Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting (KASPER) system, stresses the value of utilizing prescription dispensing information during a meeting in Prestonsburg as Dr. Jeff Fredrick, right, from Pineville Community Hospital looks on. Van Ingram, executive director of the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy, is pictured in foreground.

KASPER working, but more could be done, group told

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Kentucky's efforts to monitor the sale of prescription drugs continue to be among the best in the country, but there is still much to be accomplished, the head of a national monitoring initiative told members of UNITE's Medical Advisory Council Thursday night.

"The problem is growing

worse rapidly," said John Eadie, director of the PMP Center of Excellence at Brandeis University in Massachusetts. "The rate of drug-related deaths continues to rise. There is no longer the time for niceties. We need to intervene early."

More than two dozen people, representing a diverse array of professions from across the region, participated in the council meeting in Prestonsburg.

"Coroners, health depart-

ments, hospitals, chiropractors, pharmacists, doctors, dentists, social workers, judges, schools, city and county officials — each person sees the tragic result of prescription drug abuse from a different perspective," said Karen Kelly, director of UNITE. "The strength of this council will be its collective voice."

Coordinated prescription drug monitoring programs

(See **UNITE**, page 6)

Arrest made in robbery

by **JARRID DEATON**
FEATURES WRITER

HONAKER — A Ligon man has been arrested in connection with the robbery of the Adkins Kwik Stop in Honaker on Jan. 14.

Jeremy L. Pennington, 31, was arrested and charged with first-degree robbery, possession of a handgun by a convicted felon, and a first-degree persistent felony offender charge, on Jan. 21.

According to the original police report, a white male entered the store around 2:50 p.m. on Jan. 14 wearing a red hooded sweatshirt and armed with a handgun. The suspect reportedly demanded money and took an undetermined amount of cash before fleeing on foot. No injuries were reported.

Kentucky State Police Det. Kevin Newsome was the lead investigator in the robbery. According to information provided by the Kentucky State Police, Newsome was able to identify Pennington based on fingerprints that were left at the scene.

After his arrest, Pennington was transported to the Floyd County Detention Center where he is currently lodged.

Grand jury clears cop in shooting

by **JARRID DEATON**
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — David Hall, the 40-year-old Allen man who was shot by Kentucky State Police Tpr. Cassandra Mullins on Oct. 24, 2010, has been indicted on a charge of first-degree wanton endangerment after a grand jury found that Mullins was justified in her shooting of Hall.

According to the grand jury report, "The undisputed facts in the case were that Trooper Cassandra Mullins was dispatched to the home of David Hall to

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Mountain Comp takes over jail treatment

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Just as the Floyd County Detention Center's Westcare program finds funding tapped out, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center (MCCC) has moved in to continue treatment options for certain inmates. Floyd Jailer Roger Webb said the funding for the Westcare program, which has for the past several years treated inmates with substance abuse problems, finished with the final

payment approved only this past week.

"The program is dropping off at jails all across the state," Webb said. "So, yes, it's good timing with Mountain Comprehensive Care coming in."

County leaders have agreed to partner with the jail, MCCC and the University of Kentucky Center for Drug and Alcohol Research to work toward securing grants for the new program.

The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program will be

designed for offenders at the jail diagnosed with a mental health or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorder. In addition to this criteria, the program will also reserve focus for inmates who have faced, are facing, or could face criminal charges for a misdemeanor or felony that is a non-violent offense. "We will hire folks to come into the jails," said Julie Paxton, who works as an ombudsman for MCCC. "It's a 16-week program through the Department of Justice."

Paxton also provided the county

with letters outlining the specifics of the how the program would work at certain levels. Program activities will include collaborating with the jail staff on confirming appropriate referrals, conducting program participant assessments and sharing data as appropriate by law.

Also, the program would conduct "evidence-based" mental health and co-occurring substance abuse treatment options, incorporate "cognitive-based trauma-informed treat-

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Obituaries

Janette Case

Janette Case, 49, of Honaker, died on January 24, 2011, at her residence. Born October 14, 1961, she was the daughter of Edsel Case and the late Josephine Collins Case. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include brothers and sisters: Joseph Case, of Campton, Odell Case, of Honaker, Sabrina Case, of Honaker, nephew: Justin Case, of Honaker, and a host of other nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, brothers: Adam Case, Edsel Case, Jr. and also by Melinda Case, Melissa Case, Greta Case and Ruth Case.

Funeral services are scheduled for Thursday, January 27, 2011, at 11 a.m. at Little Dove Old Regular Baptist Church, in Honaker, with Old Regular Baptist officiating. Burial will follow at the Case Family Cemetery, in Honaker.

Mavis Gearheart

Mavis Gearheart, age 77, of Hueysville, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 20, 2011, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center. She was born March 3, 1933, at Hueysville, the daughter of the late Orice Stone and Laura Crager Stone Allen.

She was a member of the Salltick United Baptist Church at Hueysville.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Chester Gearheart.

Surviving family includes four sons, Franklin

Ray Gearheart, of Willard, Ohio, Ricky Darrell Gearheart, of Magoffin County, Douglas Wayne Gearheart, of Hueysville, and Gary Vance Gearheart of Royalton; three daughters, Sharon Rose Bryant, Beverly Ann Williamson and Karen Kay Osborne, all of Prestonsburg; two brothers, Russell Allen, of Tennessee, and Sidney Earl Allen, of Garrett; three sisters, Dovie Allen, of Ashland, Lillian Vanderpool and Gladys Bailey, both of Hueysville; eight grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, Jan. 23, 2011, at 1 p.m. at Hall Funeral Home, with James Sherman officiating. Burial was in the Gearheart Cemetery at Hueysville, with the professional care of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Pallbearers were Adam Osborne, Larry Osborne, Timothy M. Hicks, Brian Paige, Jesse Gearheart, Ricky Gearheart, Heath Gearheart and Brad Gearheart.

Bertha Faye Griffith

Bertha Faye Griffith, 72, of Prestonsburg, died on January 20, 2011, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Born September 4, 1938, in Martin, she was the daughter of the late Clark Harris and Sarah Estep Vanover. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by one son, James Arthur Griffith, of Auxier, two daughters: Melissa Stricklin, of

Auxier, Carolyn Griffith, of Prestonsburg, two brothers: Jack Vanover and Larry Vanover, both of Printer, six sisters: Viola Gayle Vanover and Mary Gearheart, both of Prestonsburg, Deborah Rice, of Winchester, Luti Kocik, of Lady Lake, Fla., Barbara Guiliana, of Brooklyn, Mich., and Tracy Williams, of Ypsilanti, Mich., four grandchildren: Madison, Alexis, Jillian and Nadaleigh.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one son: William Ray Griffith, three brothers: Howard Vanover, Teddy Vanover and George Vanover, and one sister: Wanda Winters.

Funeral services are scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 23, 2011, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Richard Greene officiating. Burial followed at Dingus Cemetery, in Martin. Pallbearers were: James Griffith, Chris Judd, Jack B. Vanover, Jack Vanover, Larry Vanover, Justin Salsbury, Steven Vanover and Mark Blackburn.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Phyllis Hensley Mullins

Phyllis Hensley Mullins, 66, of Melvin, died January 23 at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg.

Born December 12, 1944, in Melvin, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late Luther and Haley Newsome Hensley. She

was a homemaker.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Luther Hensley, Jr. and Curtis Lee Hensley; and a sister: Anna Lee Pennington.

She is survived by one daughter: Tracy Mullins, of Prestonsburg, Kentucky; two brothers: Bobby Hensley (Donnah), of Mechanicsburg, Ohio, and Gary Hensley, of Springfield, Ohio; one sister: Deonna Allen, of Martin, Kentucky; a host of nieces and nephews; and a sister-in-law: Gertrude Hensley, of Springfield, Ohio.

Funeral services were held January 25 at Nelson and Frazier Funeral Home in Martin with Omery Chuck Hall officiating.

Burial will be at Gethsemane Gardens in Prestonsburg, Kentucky with Nelson and Frazier Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Thelma O'Bryan Osborne

Thelma O'Bryan Osborne, age 89, of Hunter, widow of Ed Osborne, passed away on Friday, Jan. 21, 2011, in the Pikeville Medical Center. She was born March 25, 1921, in Pike County, a daughter of the late Fred O'Bryan and Ruth McPeck O'Bryan.

She was a member of the Jehovah's Witness Congregation at Paintsville. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; three sons, Freddie Osborne, Danny Osborne and Paul David Osborne; and five brothers, Orville O'Bryan, Fred O'Bryan Jr., Raymond O'Bryan, James O'Bryan and Hershell O'Bryan.

Surviving family includes one son, Dore (Dorona) Osborne, of Hunter, five daughters, Anna (Manis) Samons, of

Florida, Mary (Earl) Webb, of Langley, Glenda (Doyle) Hicks, of Flemingsburg, Joyce Akers, of Prestonsburg, and Lequita (Levi Hall) Osborne, of Hunter; 20 grandchildren, 38 great grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, Jan. 23, 2011, at 3 p.m., at Hall Funeral Home, with Heiko Giese officiating. Burial was in the Osborne Family Cemetery, at Hunter, with the professional care of Hall Funeral Home, of Martin.

Pallbearers were Michael Osborne, John Paul Osborne, Tommy Webb, Dr. Keith Webb, Kyle S. Webb, Justin T. Webb, Mickey Parsons, Lanny Gibson, Woody Hall and Ryan Hall.

Charles Clayton Reid

Charles Clayton Reid, age 81, of Prestonsburg, husband of Annabelle Elswick Reid, passed away Monday, Jan. 23, 2011, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

He was born April 23, 1929, in Virginia, the son of the late Walter Milton Reid and Nellie Hodges Reid. Mr. Reid was a Retired

Vice President of Operations for Wheelwright Mining Company. Mr. Reid was a member of the Allen Baptist Church and the Wheelwright Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Annabelle; four sons, Kenneth Ray Reid, of Warren, Ind., Jason Scott (Carrie) Reid, of Prestonsburg, Birchel Brein Reid, of Prestonsburg, and Stanley Lowe (Lisa) Reid, of Lexington; a daughter, Deane of Reid, Allen; two brothers, Ronald Reid, of Langley, and Walter Reid Jr., of Orlando, Fla.; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death was a son, Charles "Speedy" Reid Jr.; three brothers, Sherrel Reid, Roy Reid and Curtis Reid; and a sister, Carolyn Reid.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 28, 2011, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with the Clergyman Arnold Turner Jr., officiating. Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, with the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is after 6 p.m., Wednesday at Hall Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

The family of Shaun Crider want to thank each and every person that shared our grief for Shaun, whether it was a comforting word or hug, flowers, food or whatever, if you were there or didn't get to be there, thank you for your comfort, prayers and support. Shaun would have been proud, thanks to all the family and friends, pastors and pallbearers, you all will be forever in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless You All. From his Mother Kay, Wife Rachel and kids, brother and sister-in-law Jeremy and Sabrina.

THE FAMILY OF SHAUN CRIDER

Card of Thanks

The family of Sally Lou Shepherd Reynolds 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 Larry Adams for his comforting message, 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 love and kindness that was shown to our family.

THE FAMILY OF SALLY LOU SHEPHERD REYNOLDS

Card of Thanks

The family of Robert C. "Robbie" Joseph 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 David Blackburn and Chester Varney for their comforting message, the Floyd Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic, and the Hall Funeral Home for their efficient services, kindness and understanding.

THE FAMILY OF ROBERT C. "ROBBIE" JOSEPH

Card of Thanks

The family of Edward S. Stratton 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 Chris Stanley and Barry Clark for their comforting message, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All your love and support will always be remembered.

THE FAMILY OF EDWARD S. STRATTON

Card of Thanks

Funeral services were conducted on Jan. 13, 2011, in the Chapel at Hall Funeral Home. Funeral services were conducted by Clinton D. Moore, and songs and music by the Stone Family. Pallbearers were Delbert Ison, Nate Hall, Tyler Williamson, Scotty Ison, Nick Hall, Austin Williamson and John Ison. Honorary pallbearers were class of '55, Gene Davis, Marvin Williamson, Lowell Steele, Frank Stone, James King and Bill Clark.

Patty's daughters, Terri, Lisa and Amy, would also like to thank everyone who came by, sent a card, sent flowers, brought food or said a kind word in their time of need. They especially would like to thank Clinton D. Moore, the Stone Family and Tommy and Johnny Hall of Hall Funeral Home.

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Highway worker killed in one-car crash

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

SALYERSVILLE — A state highway department mechanic was killed on Monday after a single-vehicle accident in Magoffin County.

According to the police report, Bryan G. Shepherd, 23, of Campton, was traveling east on Route 1888 when the truck he was driving crossed the center line into the westbound lane and then traveled over an embankment. Shepherd was pronounced dead at the scene by Magoffin County Coroner Mark Jenkins.

According to reports, Shepherd was traveling to the Magoffin County Garage to help the county prepare for predicted winter weather this week.

The accident is currently under investigation by Kentucky State Police Tpr. Michael Haney. Haney was assisted at the scene by KSP Tpr. Bryan Lane, Magoffin County Rescue Squad, Salyersville Fire Department and the Magoffin County Coroner's Office.

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Committee accepts recommended changes to penal code and drug law

FRANKFORT — A state legislative committee last week moved a step closer to reducing the state's \$500 million annual correctional system costs by accepting task-force recommended changes to Kentucky's prison system.

Recommendations that would strengthen the state's probation and parole system, improve how drug users are handled by the courts, give more support to crime victims and improve government performance in public safety and

corrections spending were explained by officials from the Pew Center on the States before they were accepted Wednesday by the Judiciary Committee.

The Center worked with the state Task Force on the Penal Code and Controlled Substances Act to craft the several pages of recommendations, which will be used to draft legislation overhauling criminal penalties and drug laws for consideration during the 2011 Regular Session.

Committee Co-Chairman Rep.

John Tilley, D-Hopkinsville, said legislation including the recommendations will be filed the first week of the second part of the session, which begins Feb. 1.

Some of the recommendations shared by the Pew Center's Richard Jerome include codifying existing risk and needs assessment tools used on inmates by the prison system, allowing certain inmates to serve the last nine months of their prison sentence on release with mandatory supervision, allowing GPS to be used for

pretrial, probation and post-incarceration, earned credits for parolees and those on probation, creating a "presumed sentence" such as probation and treatment for simple drug possession.

"Dealing with users (who have not engaged in) other criminal activity, there are often better ways than incarceration," Jerome said.

Other key recommendations would create a tracking system for victim restitution payment, and require fiscal statements on cor-

rections spending to include the source of money that is spent.

Lawmakers began considering changes to the state's Corrections system in recent years after national studies showed Kentucky had the fastest growing prison population nationally through 2007. Pew Center officials said Kentucky's prison population rose 45 percent over the past decade - 01-2007 compared to a 13 percent increase nationally - although the state's population has dipped slightly in recent years.

Kentuckians can now vote on 2011 election slogan

FRANKFORT — The public now has the chance to select their favorite election slogan to be used in the upcoming 2011 election cycle.

Students across the Commonwealth have submitted potential voting slogans as part of the Office of

the Secretary of State Voter Slogan and Essay Contest sponsored by the Kentucky Education Association (KEA) Retired and the University of Kentucky Scripps Howard First Amendment Center. To vote for your favorite, visit: www.sos.ky.gov/slogan

poll, by Feb. 11. "Our sponsors and teachers across the Commonwealth have allowed thousands of Kentucky students to become further engaged in important civic discussions via this outstanding contest," said Secretary of State

Trey Grayson. "I encourage all Kentuckians to support these young people by voting for your favorite slogan. We look forward to using the 2011 slogan to help market the 2011 elections."

Although this is the 21st year of the contest, this is only the second time that citizens will be able to vote for the winners online. In previous years, various civics groups were judges for the contest. The slogans were narrowed down to the top twenty choices and are displayed without the name of the submitting student, in order to have votes cast on the merit of the slogan.

The decision is an important one, not only because the slogan will be seen on election materials across the Commonwealth, but because it carries prizes of up to a \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bond for winning slogans. The contest was open to Kentucky sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders.

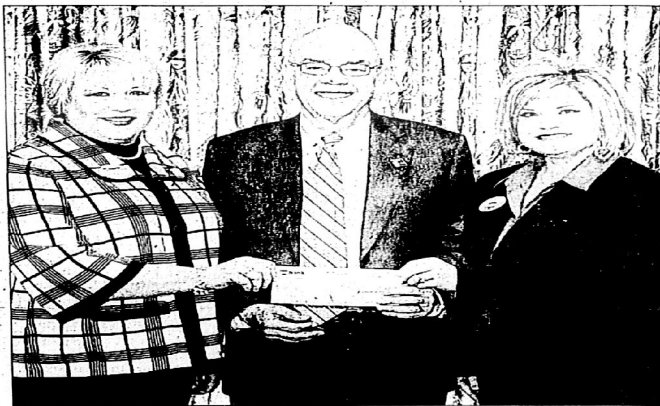
"In order for students to become more engaged in

our society and eventually become active citizens, we must take civic education directly into the classroom. Activities such as the Voter Slogan and Essay Contests allow teachers to bring civics education to life while allowing them to focus on the current Core Content required by the Kentucky Department of Education," said Secretary Grayson.

The Slogan contest is part of the Civic Literacy Initiative of Kentucky (CLIK) and is required under Kentucky statute. CLIK is a multi-year effort that will determine a strategy for enhancing long-term civic engagement and civic literacy within the Commonwealth. As part of that effort, CLIK released a report, Rediscovering Democracy: An Agenda for Action, that calls upon the state to take tangible steps to increase civic literacy. The report, which details four principle recommendations and scores of additional recommendations, was

developed from the work of the Kentucky Workgroup on Civic Literacy and the CLIK.

For more information about CLIK or to find out how to get your school, organization, or family involved in any civic activities taking place across Kentucky, please visit: www.civics.ky.gov.



US Bank has assisted Pikeville College students for many years by providing funding for scholarships. Patsy Scott, left, and Shawna Adkins, right, of US Bank, presented a check to President Paul Patton. "We are blessed to have businesses, like US Bank, who believe in our mission and support our students through the scholarship program," said Patton. "US Bank has been a long-time supporter of the College and a great partner helping us to provide educational opportunities for our region."

Davis named to Transy Dean's List

LEXINGTON — Piast School graduate and Transylvania University sophomore Elizabeth Davis has been named to the Dean's List for the 2010 fall term.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must achieve at least a 3.5 grade point average during the term.

Davis is the daughter of Brett and Virginia Davis, of Prestonsburg.

Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's 16th-oldest institution of higher learning and is consistently ranked in national publications as one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country.

National College announces Dean's List

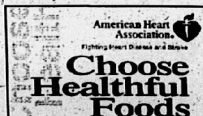
PIKEVILLE — National College in Pikeville has released the Dean's List for the fall term.

The following students achieved a minimum grade-point average of 3.5 out of a possible 4.0 and thus achieved the honor and privilege of being placed on the Dean's List:

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Guest View

Small business economic backbone of rural Kentucky

by JOHN CRABTREE
CENTER FOR RURAL AFFAIRS

In order for Kentucky's rural cities and small towns to contribute fully to the nation's economic recovery, we must enable small, mainstreet businesses to build a better future for themselves, their community, state and nation.

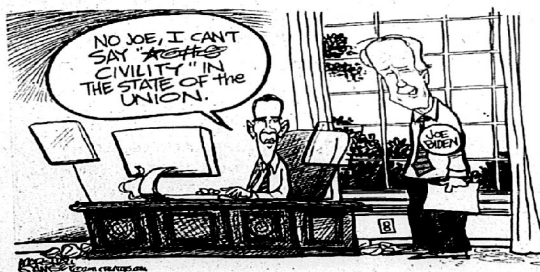
Representative Ron Kind (D-WI) and Representative Wally Herger (R-CA) have introduced legislation to do just that. Their Rural Microbusiness Investment Credit Act (HR 5990) is the first federal tax credit designed to meet the needs of small business in rural areas. It would provide a 35% tax credit - up to \$10,000 - to start or expand owner-operated businesses with five or fewer employees.

In rural America, creating your own job is a way of life. During recession, the reluctance of large businesses to add workers makes small businesses and self-employment even more important. During the 2000-2003 recession, microenterprise employment in Kentucky grew by six percent, while larger firms were still shedding jobs.

Microenterprise led the economy out of recession. It can happen again, but entrepreneurs need and deserve the support of federal policy as much as larger businesses.

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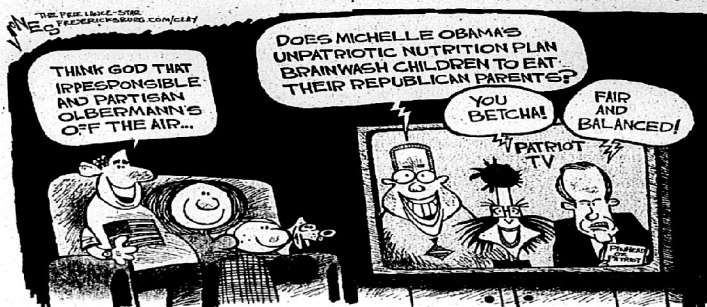
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— Felix Frankfurter



Guest Column

A legislative perspective

by REP. GREG STUMBO
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

While it has been anything but easy for our businesses during the last several years, they can point with pride to one thing: Their safety record is arguably the best it has ever been.

In 2009, workplace fatalities nationwide were at their lowest since records were first kept in 1992, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, and there were nine percent fewer injuries on the job than there had been just the year before.

Kentucky saw the same trend in 2009. Workplace fatalities dipped below 100 for the first time, and the decline in workplace injuries was a key reason why a national rating agency recommended - for the fifth year in a row - that employers pay

lower workers compensation premiums.

The cabinet found that a little more than four out of every 100 workers had an occupational injury or disease in 2009, with education and health services having the highest rate and financial companies having the lowest. Most industries saw a reduction when compared to 2008, but the construction industry made the most improvement.

The state's Labor Cabinet is doing what it can to keep these numbers moving down. In 2009, it was invited 270 times by companies wanting an impartial check of their facilities. More than 2,000 hazardous situations were found and corrected, and there were dozens of other inspections in response to calls of imminent danger.

In recent weeks, there have been reports of other efforts designed to make us safer in ways large and small.

Last month, for example, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services showed that

Kentucky's retailers continue doing a great job of keeping tobacco products out of the hands of minors. The latest annual survey, done in conjunction with the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, found that nearly 95 percent followed the law when secretly surveyed.

Tobacco retailers have hovered around that figure since 2003, and remain well above the national average, which was 89 percent in 2009.

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services recently offered good news in another category: We're among the first four states in the nation getting federal stimulus dollars to move more medical records into the electronic age. Kentucky is expected to receive about \$100 million in additional incentive payments over the next four years, easing red tape for all of us and, more importantly, making it easier for doctors to have a fuller picture of their patient's health in real

(See STUMBO, page 6)

House week in review

by REP. HUBERT COLLINS

New signs of economic recovery were reported last week in Frankfort where state budget officials announced a 7.1 percent, or \$55.9 million, increase in state revenue receipts between Dec. 2009 and Dec. 2010.

The increase is encouraging to state lawmakers who have dealt with miserable revenue growth the past few years. No one really expected Kentucky to close out last December with nearly \$56 million more than we had the previous December. But somehow we managed to do it, finishing the month with \$843.6 million in total revenue.

Budget officials said last month's revenue growth was expected (after unusually poor revenue growth in Dec. 2009) but encouraging, especially sales and income tax growth. If state

revenue can grow at least three percent through the end of June, officials report, Kentucky will meet its revenue projections for the year.

No one seems to know yet how or when the extra \$55.9 million will improve funding for state programs, now in the first year of a new budget cycle. State officials don't expect growth to continue at 7.1 percent per month through the rest of this budget cycle, or else there wouldn't now be talk at the state Department of Education of cutting school funding known as SEEK (Support Education Excellence in Kentucky) by \$50 million this spring to address an unexpected loss in funds caused by a rise in enrollment statewide and lowered property values.

News of the school cuts spread last week in Frankfort, just as lawmakers began a short break before returning to Frankfort on Feb. 1 for the second part of the 2011 Regular Session which began the first week of January. I have little

doubt that lawmakers will return to the Capitol in February determined to assist those schools that are least equipped to handle the shortfall.

The school funding shortfall is just one issue that has garnered the public's attention since the session began. There is no shortage of issues, whether the issue is adding Kentucky to a list of 17 states that now curb payday lending interest rates, criminalizing smoking in vehicles where someone under age 17 is a passenger, or reorganizing how some proprietary, or for-profit, career colleges are supervised by the state.

The smoking proposal, filed on Jan. 7 by House Speaker Greg Stumbo, is similar to legislation that is now law in Louisiana, Arkansas, Maine and Oregon. It is designed to protect children from second-hand smoke, which proponents of the measure say is linked to ear infections, pneumonia and asthma in children.

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Letters

What is being done?

I am a concerned person in Floyd County, wondering what is going to be done with the road and four-lane a the mouth of Town Branch, where so many people are losing beloved family members

and forever destroying lives of the ones that lost family and the people that have done this to our family. Still, nothing has been done with them for destroying family and taking our loved ones.

Juanita Bevins
Banner

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Meeting to discuss plans to address Route 321 hazards

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

HAGER HILL — An informational meeting about a rockfall project on Route 321 is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 27, at the Hager Hill campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Johnson County.

According to Sara George, information officer with Highway District 12, "The purpose of the meeting is to present two design alternatives for a Rockfall Mitigation Project along KY 321 from Porter Elementary to 1,500 feet north of the BSCTC entrance, a distance of about 7,800 feet, or 1.5 miles. Numerous rockfalls and

slides in the area prompted state transportation officials to study ways to improve safety along this stretch of highway. Maps of the two alternatives under consideration show that both would elevate the roadway along the ridge line. In other words, the road would be moved out of the rockfall area. Among other concerns, changes to

current road bed would involve a prohibitive utility relocation. In addition, engineers are reluctant to put added weight on the present road."

District 12 Project Manager John Michael Johnson said the difference in the two options under consideration is that one would be built in front of Christian

Appalachian Project's headquarters and the other would be designed to run behind CAP's building. The second option would require the purchase of the CAP building.

Johnson said a project overview will be given at 5:30 p.m. The format for the meeting is informal and people can attend between 5 and 7 p.m.

Races for statewide office set as election filing deadline passes

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — If prospective candidates for statewide office had not filed by 4 p.m. yesterday then it was too late, as that deadline has now passed, leaving 19 hopefuls standing in the ring.

Gov. Steve Beshear with running mate for what would be his new lieutenant governor, Louisville Mayor Jerry Abramson, will be the sole Democratic candidates

on the ticket for the top race. Republican challengers Barbara Holsclaw and Phil Moffett have also filed papers to run in the governor's race.

However, it is the third Republican candidate who some view as Beshear's most serious threat to return to office. David L. Williams, president of the state Senate, along with his running mate, Agriculture Commissioner Richie Farmer, fill out those in the race.

Four filed to run for secretary of state, a seat that will soon be vacated by Trey Grayson, who recently accepted a job at Harvard. The four are Alison Lundergan Grimes, of Lexington (D); Elaine N. Walker, of Bowling Green (D); Bill Johnson, of Elkhart (R); and Hilda Legg, of Somerset (R).

In the race for attorney general, incumbent Kentucky Attorney General Jack Conway will face Republican challenger Todd

P'Pool, of Madisonville.

Three people filed by the deadline yesterday for the position of state treasurer. They were Steve Hamrick, of Louisville (D); L.J. "Todd" Hollenbach, of Prospect (D); and K.C. Crosbie, of Lexington (R).

With former Commissioner of Agriculture Richie Farmer joining gubernatorial hope-

ful David Williams as a running mate in that race, seven candidates have filed paperwork in the race to fill that position. They are Robert "Bob" Farmer, of Louisville (D); Stewart Gritton, of Lawrenceburg (D); John Farris Lackey, of Richmond (D); David Williams, of Glasgow (D); B.D. Wilson, of Frankfort (D); James R. Comer, of Frankfort (R);

and Rob Rothenburger, of Shelbyville (R).

As with the state treasurer race, three candidates have also filed for the state's auditor of public accounts. They are Adam H. Edelen, of Lexington (D); John T. Kemper III, of Lexington (R); and Addia Kathryn Wuchner, of Florence (R).

Wife

for the hour-long executive session, Marshall listed seven people for appointment.

Those included his current deputy judge, Barry Davis, at a \$2,078 bi-weekly salary, financial officer Ella Clay at a \$1,302.04 bi-weekly salary, social services director Vickie Boyd at a \$1,153.85 salary, Marshall's wife, Sylvia L. Marshall, as an administrative assistant and FEMA agent at a \$2,186.54 bi-

weekly salary and clerks Libby Lawson, Donna Dye and Sandra Allen at hourly rates of \$10.35, \$11.45 and \$11.45, respectively.

After approximately an hour in executive session, court members returned and approved six of the seven appointments without further discussion. Marshall's wife was the sole appointment seemingly cut out during the closed-door discussion.

During Friday's meet-

ing, the fiscal court also:

■ Approved state funds totaling \$41,600 to be divided equally between the county's 16 fire departments when funds become available.

■ Voted to issue \$5,000 to the Disabled American Veterans Post #18 when funds become available.

■ Authorized a check totaling \$25,000 to be made payable to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for ABC fees.

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UNITE

(PMPs) are currently operating in 34 of the 43 states and territories that have authorized them.

"You guys have taken the lead as a state," Eddie said. "I'm here to suggest that Kentucky, along with some other states, can serve as a model for the next generation of prescription monitoring programs."

The Kentucky All-Schedule Prescription Reporting Electronic (KASPER) system has evolved to become an efficient and useful tool in identifying prescribing trends and potential abuse since its launch in 1999, said Dave Hopkins, KASPER project manager

for the state Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

Hopkins said a recent report showed just over 98 percent of medical providers who utilized KASPER reports in 2010 say they are satisfied with the system, but added there is a "huge need for more medical practitioners to utilize KASPER data."

Van Ingram, executive director for the Kentucky Office on Drug Control Policy, said he would like to see all licensed prescribers have a KASPER account, stricter regulations for pain clinics and require a certain level of continuing education for medical professionals.

Specific topics where greater education may be needed include the value of KASPER as a tool for providing proper patient care through informed decisions, how prescription drugs are being used illegally, what can be done when a patient is found misusing or abusing a prescribed narcotic and addiction as a disease.

Members of UNITE's Medical Advisory Council agreed to make practitioner education a top priority in the coming months. A committee was named to craft a proposal that can be discussed at their next meeting, scheduled for March 3.

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Stumbo

time.

With our collective health in mind, another issue that affects all of us — living relatively close to the New Madrid Fault — is gaining more attention in light of last year's devastating earthquake in Haiti.

In 1811-12, a series of quakes along the fault were so immense that they altered the course of the Mississippi River and rang church bells in Boston. Little damage was done then because few people lived in the area, but it

would be a far different story today.

On April 11, at 10:15 a.m., everyone in the region around the fault is encouraged to take part in the 2011 Great Central U.S. Shake Out, a program designed to bring more awareness about what to do if this disaster strikes again.

To build on that, state officials will take part this May in one of the largest earthquake exercises in the country. This type of forethought can make a world of difference when it's truly

needed.

With the General Assembly set to re-convene the 2011 Regular Session next week, my fellow legislators and I will continue looking for ways to do even more to promote safety.

As always, your thoughts on these issues, or any other involving state government, are certainly welcome. Should you want to contact me or any legislator, the number is 800-372-7181. For those with a hearing impairment, the number is 800-896-0305.

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Collins

Supporters of the proprietary education bill hope it will bring more accountability to the industry as it undergoes increased scrutiny at the federal level, while the payday lending measure is expected to address the growing debt of payday loan clients, many of whom are trying to pay off multiple loans annually. These bills will likely be taken up in House committee shortly after the General Assembly reconvenes in February.

Few followers of Kentucky politics expect the House to take action on bills passed by the Senate during the session's first

week. So far House majority leaders have given the Senate little hope that the bills, ranging from charter schools to a new pension plan for new state employee hires, will pass the House chamber. I will let you know, however, if there are any obvious signs of a change of heart for the Senate agenda by House leadership.

Remember that you can stay informed of legislative action on bills of interest to you this session by logging onto the Legislative Research Commission website at www.lrc.ky.gov or by calling the LRC toll-free

Bill Status Line at 866-840-2835. To find out when a committee meeting is scheduled, you can call the LRC toll-free Meeting Information Line at 800-633-9650.

If you would like to share your comments or concerns with me or another legislator about a particular bill under consideration this session, you can call the toll-free Legislative Message Line at 800-372-7181. Again, I look forward to serving you in Frankfort when we return for a busy second part of the 2011 Regular Session next month.

Shooting

check on a female after a complaint was made by a third party that the female was not being permitted to leave the home because of a man there who had a gun. Upon arriving at the residence, Trooper Mullins knocked on the door, announced her presence there, and identified herself as a police officer. After a lengthy delay, David Hall opened the door and pointed a shotgun at Trooper Mullins. The officer drew her weapon and instructed David Hall to

put the gun down. After multiple commands from the officer to lower the gun, Trooper Mullins observed David Hall's hand and fingers moving toward the trigger area of the gun and she fired one shot at David Hall, striking him in the torso.

Hall was in serious condition at Cabell-Huntington Hospital after being shot, but was later upgraded to fair condition and has since been released.

After reviewing the evidence, the grand jury decided

that, "Trooper Mullins had reason to fear for her safety and was justified in firing her weapon to defend herself. It is for this reason that we are returning a No True Bill as to Trooper Mullins' actions, which we believe were justified and consistent with her training. The only crime that we believe occurred here was the crime committed by David Hall in pointing a weapon at a police officer."

Hall was indicted on the first-degree wanton endangerment charge on Jan. 19.

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Jail

ment for female offenders," work with the jail staff to ensure support after they are released from custody.

With some preliminary steps already taken, Webb said the transition should prove to be beneficial.

"We're going to try to

pick up the slack where we lost funding," he said Friday. "So far it's working good."

In a Jan. 10 letter from MCCC Executive Director Promod Bishnoi to the Floyd County Fiscal Court, Bishnoi said the center will also make referrals to its other existing

treatment programs including outpatient individual, group, or family therapy, psychiatric services, substance abuse and case management, including both outpatient and residential services, veterans counseling, among many others.

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Raiders roll past Runnin' Rebels

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – The visiting Allen Central Rebels found themselves in Dakota Territory Wednesday night in a road game at South Floyd's Raider Arena. Dakota Hall poured in a game-high 33 points and Dakota Newsome netted 17 as South Floyd defeated longtime rival Allen Central 79-57 in the hardwood version of the Battle of the Beavers.

The Raiders claimed their second

straight win. Allen Central, headed in an opposite direction, suffered its fourth straight loss.

South Floyd separated itself from Allen Central during the first half. The Raiders outscored Allen Central 21-11 during the opening quarter and carried a 41-16 lead into halftime.

The Raiders kept pace throughout the second half, leading 63-36 when the third quarter closed.

Senior forward/center Shannon Turner tossed in 12 points and junior

guard/forward Brandon Marson added six for the Raiders.

Balanced scoring proved to be key for South Floyd in the district matchup. Tyler Daniels netted four points, Luke Rhea tossed in three and Austin Salisbury and Jacob Cramer contributed two apiece for South Floyd in the district victory.

Nine different Allen Central players broke into the scoring column. Braxton



South Floyd senior guard Dakota Hall (2) defended against Allen Central's Micah Harlow (55) Wednesday night.

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Lady Raiders fend off rival Allen Central

Kiana Hall leads
South Floyd past
Lady Rebels

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – The South Floyd Lady Raiders defended their home gymfloor last Wednesday, defeating 58th District/Floyd County Conference foe South Floyd 62-49 at Raider Arena.

Junior guard/forward Kiana Hall netted a game-high 18 points for the Lady Raiders. South Floyd enjoyed balanced scoring with juniors Ashley Castle and Gabby Bailey adding 15 points apiece.

Hall was the go-to-player for South Floyd in the second half as she netted 16 points after halftime.

Freshman guard/forward Joslyn Isaac netted seven points, senior guard/forward Chelsie Tuttle tossed in six and junior center Branda Hamby scored on a free throw for the Lady Raiders.

Isaac led South Floyd on the boards, securing 17 rebounds.

South Floyd outscored Allen Central 20-13 in the first quarter but clung to a 26-25 lead at halftime. The Lady Rebels extended their lead in the second half, outscoring Allen Central 18-12 in the third quarter.

Freshman guard Sarah Rife paced Allen Central with 12 points. Senior center Sarah Kinney and freshman guard Brooklyn Martin netted 11 points apiece for the Lady Rebels.

Alyssa Moore (six points), Krista Parsons (five points), Hannah MacElhose (two points) and Deshea Elliott (two points) also provided scoring for Allen Central in the district/conference matchup.

In the boys' game, South Floyd defeated Allen Central 79-57.

South Floyd 62,
Allen Central 49
South Floyd (62): Tuttle 6, Hall 18, Castle 15, Bailey 15, Hamby 1, Isaac 7.
Allen Central (49): Kinney 11, MacElhose 2, Martin 11, Rife 12, Krista Parsons 5, Elliott 2, Moore 6.

SF.....20 6 18 17-62
AC.....13 12 12-49



Allen Central sophomore guard Junior Handshoe (12) sent a no-look pass to teammate Micah Harlow (55) during Friday night's home game versus Prestonsburg. Prestonsburg sophomore guard Bryson Williams (10) is pictured defending.

Blackcats turn down AC

P'burg sweeps
district rival

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Cody Bentley poured in a game-high 24 points and Williams added 21 as visiting Prestonsburg defeated Allen Central 78-65 at traditional J.E. Campbell Arena.

Prestonsburg used a 20-8 run in the third quarter to defeat Allen Central and snap a three-game losing streak. The Blackcats owned the second half.

Allen Central was the early aggressor, outscoring Prestonsburg 24-19 during the first quarter. The Rebels led 42-36 at halftime before stumbling in the second half.

Prestonsburg, under the tutelage of veteran head coach Jack Pack, used the 20-8 run in the third quarter to catapult past the Rebels. The Blackcats outscored Allen Central 22-15 in the fourth quarter.

Alex Griffith just missed double figures, finishing with nine points. Corey Carter and Robinson scored four points apiece and Seth Carter added two for the Blackcats.

Junior Handshoe paced a

balanced Allen Central offensive attack with 17 points. Seth Jarrell and Tyler Cole followed with 13 points apiece.

Braxton Tackett tossed in 12 points as four different Allen Central scorers reached double figures.

Micah Harlow and Stephen Goble pushed in four points apiece and Salyer added two for the Rebels.

Girls – Prestonsburg 56, Allen Central 36: Alexis DeRossett poured in 19 points and Kristian Waugh added 12 as Prestonsburg defeated Allen Central 56-36 in the 58th District girls' basketball matchup played as part of the boys-girls doubleheader.

Cassie Burchett and Katie Burchett chipped in eight points apiece and Caitlin Kidd contributed six for the Lady Blackcats.

D.J. Slone and Tiffany Meadows rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring with three and two points, respectively.

The Lady Blackcats owned the boards, pulling down a total of 45 rebounds.

DeRossett recorded a double-double, rounding up 12 rebounds to go along with her 19 points.

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Below: Allen Central junior guard Seth Jarrell drove to the basket against Prestonsburg's Cody Bentley (3). Above: Prestonsburg's Alex Griffith (15) and Caleb Petty (2) defended against Allen Central's Tyler Cole (44).



Bobcats defeat South Floyd, remain perfect in district

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – Casey Adkins scored a game-high 22 points and Nathan Martin netted 16 as visiting Betsy Layne defeated South Floyd 52-44 Friday night at Raider Arena. With the win, Betsy Layne maintained its position atop the 58th District standings.

The Bobcats shot 53.8 percent (21-of-39) from the field (two- and three-point field goals combined) en route to the win.

Betsy Layne (11-5 overall, 3-0 district), which defeated Paintsville for the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship earlier in the week, overcame a slow start. Host South Floyd thrived early, outscoring Betsy Layne 13-9 in the opening quarter. Reigning 15th Region All "A" Classic champion Betsy Layne, however, clamped down defensively and heated up on the offensive end. The Bobcats outscored South Floyd 15-8 in the second quarter to lead 26-21 at halftime.

Betsy Layne managed to add to its lead in the third quarter, outscoring South Floyd 11-5.

Adkins led Betsy Layne on the boards, claiming a team-high eight rebounds. Martin added five rebounds for the Bobcats.

Derek Tackett and Dylan Hamilton chipped in five points apiece for Betsy Layne in the road victory. Dylan Maldonado and Andrew Roberts rounded out the Bobcat scoring with two points apiece.

Shannon Turner led South Floyd (6-7 overall, 3-2 district), scoring a team-high 18 points. Dakota Hall also stepped up offensively, adding 14 points for the Raiders.

Brandon Marson (six points), Kyle Bailey (four points) and Luke Rhea (two points) also chipped in points for the Raiders.

Betsy Layne 52,
South Floyd 44
Betsy Layne (11-5): Maldonado 2, Tackett 5, Martin 16, Roberts 2, Adkins 22, Hamilton 5.
South Floyd (6-7): Turner 18, Hall 14, Marson 6, Bailey 4, Rhea 2.
BL.....9 15 11 17-52
SF.....13 8 5 18-44

Floyd's Bolton, Fitzpatrick earn Kentucky Hunter Ed awards

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

MOUNT OLIVET – Two individuals heavily involved with Floyd County Hunter Education – Joe R. Bolton and Chris Fitzpatrick – were honored during the Kentucky Hunter Education Instructor Appreciation Banquet held on Saturday at Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park.

Bolton, a Magoffin County resident, was inducted into the KHEA Hall of Fame. Bolton also received the Region

IV Award for the Outstanding Hunter Education Instructor Award for the year 2010.

Fitzpatrick, a Floyd County resident, received the James G. Nackle Award as the bow hunter instructor of the year.

Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources officials Dr. Jonathan Gassett (Commissioner) and Tim Slone (Director of Information & Education) attended the banquet.

The next hunter education banquet will be held at Kentucky Dam Village in Gilbertsville on Jan. 28, 2012.



Joe R. Bolton (right) and Chris Fitzpatrick (middle) were honored during the Kentucky Hunter Education Instructor Appreciation Banquet held over the weekend at Blue Licks Battlefield Field Resort Park.

East Ridge handles P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LICK CREEK — Eighth-grade guard Johnny Miller netted a game-high 23 points as host East Ridge beat Prestonsburg convincingly Tuesday night. East Ridge built a 15-point lead in the opening quarter and eventually won convincingly, defeating the Blackcats 71-49.

East Ridge remained atop the 15th Region standings, moving to 13-3. Prestonsburg dropped to 5-12 following the loss.

Miller was one of three East Ridge players to reach double figures. Senior forward Dyllon Reynolds tossed in 13 points and senior center Jake McClanahan added 11 for the Warriors, winners of seven of their last eight games.

East Ridge returned to the win column following a disappointing district loss to Pikeville two days earlier.

The Warriors set the tone in the opening quarter, outscoring Prestonsburg 18-3. East Ridge packed a 41-15 lead into halftime and remained out in front throughout the second half.

Junior guard Kory Thacker narrowly missed double figures, finishing with nine points. Senior guard Brent Taylor tossed in six points and junior forward Hayden Mullins added four in East Ridge's victory. Senior guard D.D. Adkins and freshman center Nate Coleman rounded out the East Ridge scoring with three and two points, respectively.

Cody Bentley paced Prestonsburg with 13 points. Bryson Williams joined Bentley in double figures with 12 points. Tyler Shelton tossed in eight points and Seth Carter added five for the Blackcats.

Corey Carter, Trey Stapleton and Cody Bentley added two points apiece for Prestonsburg in the non-district setback.

Inside the scoring...

East Ridge 71, Prestonsburg 49
Prestonsburg (5-12): C. Carter 2, Bentley 13, Williams 12, Griffith 2, S. Carter 5, Shelton 8, Stapleton 2, Bentley 2
East Ridge (13-3): Taylor 6, Thacker 9, Reynolds 13, McClanahan 11, Adkins 3, Mullins 4, J. Miller 23, Coleman 2.



HUNTER EDUCATION HONOREES

Joe R. Bolton (above) and Chris Fitzpatrick (left) received awards over the weekend during the Kentucky Hunter Education Instructor Appreciation Banquet at Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park.

58th DISTRICT GIRLS: Lady Cats upend South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — Senior guard Taylor Hott scored a game-high 18 points and Taylor Watkins, a senior forward/center, added 15 as Betsy Layne pulled away to defeat South Floyd 58-40 Friday at Raider Arena.

Betsy Layne, which claimed its second straight win following a disappointing 36-61 loss to Shelby Valley in the 15th Region All "A" Classic, limited South Floyd to six points in the game's final quarter.

Betsy Layne improved to 9-6 overall and 4-0 in the 58th District/Floyd County Conference.

South Floyd slipped to 7-7 overall and 3-2 in the district/conference.

The Lady Cats carried a lead out of each quarter, outscoring South Floyd 16-11 in the opening period. Betsy Layne mused a 25-19 lead at halftime before pulling away in the second half.

Betsy Layne, under the guidance of head coach Devon Akers, led 44-34 at the conclusion of the third quarter, eventually ending the contest on a 14-6 run in the final period.

The Lady Cats were 16-of-23 from the free throw line. T.J. Tackett and Paige Watkins aided the Betsy Layne attack with eight points apiece. Taylor Watkins tossed in seven points and Courtney Burgess contributed two for the Lady Cats.

Kiana Hall led South Floyd with 17 points. Tuttle joined Hall in double figures for the Lady Raiders, adding 11 points. In other South Floyd individual scoring, Ashley Castle netted eight points and Gabby Bailey chipped in three. Joslyn Isaac also scored for the Lady Raiders, connecting on a free throw.

South Floyd shot just over 50 percent from the foul line, draining 11-of-21 free throw attempts.

Betsy Layne 58, South Floyd 40
Betsy Layne (58): T.J. Tackett 8, Burgess 2, Watkins 15, Hott 18, T. Watkins 7, P. Watkins 8
South Floyd (40): Tuttle 11, Hall 17, Castle 8, Bailey 3, Isaac 1

BL.....16 9 17 14-58
SF.....11 8 15 6-40

Raiders

Tackett paced the Rebels with 15 points. Seth Jarrell followed closely behind Tackett, adding 13 points. Junior Handshoe netted seven points for the Rebels in the setback.

Allen Central is scheduled to host South Floyd Jan. 28.

South Floyd 79,
Allen Central 57

Allen Central (57): Handshoe 7, Jarrell 13, Tackett 15, Cole 5, Harlow 4, Goble 4, Dingess 5, Salyer 2, Hamilton 2
South Floyd (79): Hall 33, Turner 12, Newsome 17, Marson 6, Rhea 3, Salisbury 2, Crager 2, Daniels 4
AC.....11 5 20 21-57
SF.....21 20 22 16-79

Blackcats

Catie Burchett corralled a game-high 13 rebounds for the Lady Blackcats. (78): Prestonsburg (8-9 overall) prevailed for the third time in four outings.

Boys: Prestonsburg 78, Allen Central 65
Prestonsburg (78): C. Carter 4, C. Bentley 24, Williams 21, Griffith 9, S. Carter 2, Robinson 4, Petry 14
Allen Central (65):

Continued from p1
Handshoe 17, Jarrell 13, Tackett 12, Cole 13, Harlow 4, Goble 4, Salyer 2
P.....19 17 20 22-78
AC.....24 18 8 15-65



RAIDER BALL: South Floyd junior guard/forward Brandon Marson (23) lofted a pass while Allen Central guard Braxton Tackett (42) defended.

Lady Bears beat Alice Lloyd

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — Four players reached double digits and Pikeville College dominated both ends of the glass in an 89-79 win over Alice Lloyd College on Thursday night.

The game had been rescheduled for Jan. 31 in order for the Lady Eagles to make up a league game on Thursday, but when that was postponed again the schools played on the originally scheduled date.

Pikeville (13-6) won the game despite shooting only 39.4 percent from the field, thanks largely to rebounding and holding Alice Lloyd to 33.9 percent shooting.

The Bears held a 54-39 advantage on the glass, including 22 off the offensive end. Senior Nateria Hinton recorded 17 points and 17 rebounds, with five being off the offensive

end. She was followed by junior guard Megan Mosley, who had 15 points on 3-of-4 shooting from the arc and added seven assists. Freshman Brogan Conley, a Johnson Central High School graduate, came off the bench for 13 points, while senior Lakia Bailey hit 9-of-10 from the line to finish with 11 points and six rebounds.

Senior Whitney Compton had nine points and nine rebounds for the Bears.

Alice Lloyd (6-11) was led in scoring by senior point guard Bree Frazier, who paced all players with 25 points. She hit 9-of-11 from the line and added five assists.

Senior Nicole Lutes and freshman Courtney Crowder followed with 11 points each, while freshman Ariel Nickell had a solid 10 points, 12 rebounds and four steals in the loss.

Pikeville women defeat Wise

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WISE, Va. — Senior Nateria Hinton scored 17 of her game-high 21 points in the second half to lead Pikeville to an 85-71 win over U.Va.-Wise Saturday afternoon.

The win raised Pikeville to 14-6 overall and 4-5 in the Mid-South Conference at the midpoint of the league schedule, having won four straight league games after opening the campaign 0-5.

Hinton added nine rebounds for Pikeville, while sophomore Sally Roberts pulled five of her seven off the offensive glass to lead the Bears to a 42-40 rebounding advantage.

Pikeville got the win hitting 27-40 from the free-throw line for 67.5 percent. The Cavaliers were 19-of-33 (57.6 percent) from the line in a game that featured 56 fouls called.

Hinton led five Bears in double figures in the scoring column. Pikeville got 13 from junior guard Megan Mosley, while junior guard Jilisa Jones scored all 12 of her season-high total after the break.

Sophomore Sally Roberts tipped in 11, with nine coming in the first half, while senior Lakia Bailey came off the bench to toss in 11.

U.Va.-Wise (7-10, 1-8) got a terrific game from junior guard Amber Carter, who finished with 21 on 8-of-11 shooting from the floor. Junior center Kristin Mullins followed with 15, while senior forward Meghan Rutherford tossed in 12.

Mullins led Wise with eight rebounds, while sophomore Chelsea Cuesman had seven to go with nine points.

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EVERYBODY'S SCIENCE

Wrecking Elmer Fudd's day

by SANDY MILLER HAYS
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Poor Elmer Fudd -- he's going to be vewy, vewy upset.
Since 1940, he's been hot on the trail (with a notable lack of success) of Bugs Bunny, our favorite vegetarian. So he's probably not going to be very pleased to find out that Bugs' favorite food, carrots, could become even more healthful, which means that Bugs himself could be around to plague poor Elmer for a lot longer.

That's because scientists with the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) have found a way to rev up the antioxidant capacity of carrots, and the secret is as natural as sunshine. In fact, it's ultraviolet B, one of the three types of invisible light rays in sunshine. (For those of you who are burning with curiosity, the other two are ultraviolet A and ultraviolet C.)

Why do we care about antioxidants? Because they're natural compounds that could reduce our risk of cancer and cardiovascular disease, for one thing. Antioxidants help defend our bodies against oxygen-free radicals, which are also "natural" in that they're produced by our bodies, but they then go around wreaking havoc in our blood vessels and other body parts we'd just as soon see unscathed.

The ARS scientists say we're not talking about zapping these carrots until they glow in the dark or anything as dire as that. They say their studies suggest a 14-second dose of UV-B can approximately triple fresh sliced carrots' antioxidant capacity. That's an energy-efficient dose of UV-B and doesn't dry out or even significantly heat the carrots.

So, as Elmer might say, "What's going on with those cawwots?"

Scientists have known for some time that exposing plants to UV-B may cause what's called "abiotic stress." The ARS scientists say they suspect that's what happened with the sliced carrots.

Contrary to conventional wisdom, sometimes a little stress can be a good thing--and that's the case here. Plants respond to abiotic stress by cranking up their production of two natural enzymes with names only a mother could love: polyphenylalanine ammonia-lyase and chalcone synthase (and please don't ask me to ever repeat those). As production of those enzymes climbs, levels of phenolics, which are compounds produced by the enzymes, also climb. Here's the bonus: Some of those phenolics are antioxidants.

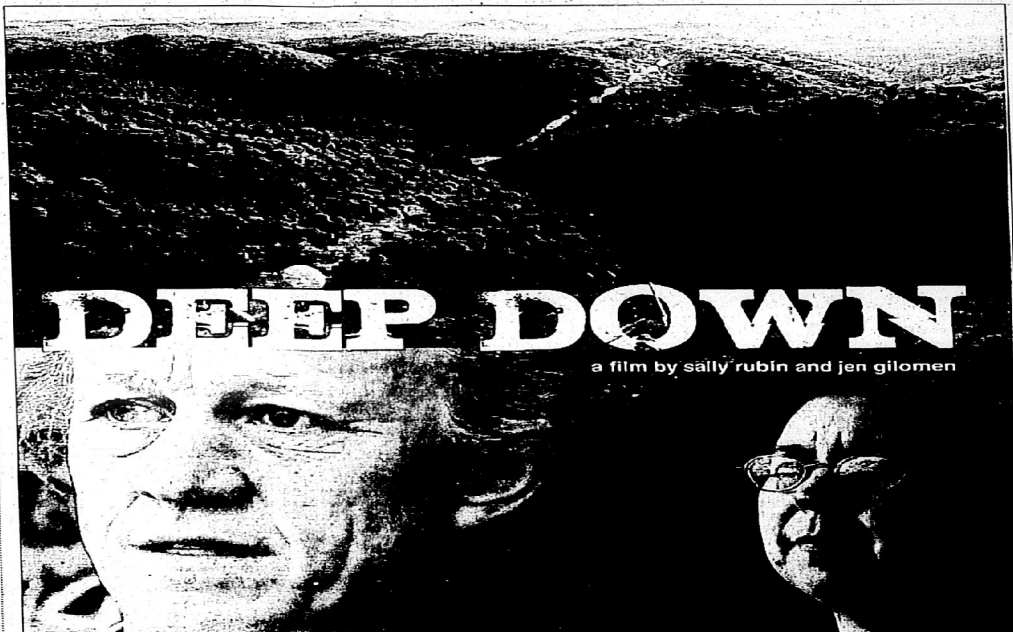
Given all of this prior knowledge about plants' responses to stress and to UV-B, you would think the idea of using UV-B to boost fresh veggies' antioxidant powers would have been plowed over many, many times already--but the ARS scientists say that's not the case. So they've been working to fill in the knowledge gap.

Actually, carrots aren't the first entry in this race to put UV-B to work on veggies. In earlier research, the same ARS scientists teamed with a California company to explore the potential of using UV-B to boost the vitamin D content of mushrooms. Again, that wasn't a new idea, but it hadn't yet been commercialized.

You might say mushrooms have been holding out on us, because while they're rich in a substance called ergosterol, which can be converted by sunlight into vitamin D, they spend a lot of time in the dark, especially in commercial production.

So the ARS scientists and their commercial collaborator found a way to use UV-B in produce packing to persuade the mushrooms to "be all they could be," nutritionally speaking. This led to the first-ever commercial use of UV-B to boost vitamin D content, and the commercial partner in 2008 launched a line of mushrooms that delivers at least 100 percent of the adult daily requirement of vitamin D

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DEEPLY HONORED

Film selected for American Documentary Showcase

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

A documentary about mountaintop removal that focuses on two residents of Maytown has been chosen by the U.S. State Department for the American Documentary Showcase.

The documentary, titled "Deep Down," follows Beverly May and Terry Ratliff both of Maytown, as Miller Bros. Coal attempts to advance into the holler where they live.

During the course of the documentary, Ratliff considers signing away his land rights, a decision that could impact both his home and the home of Beverly May, Ratliff, who lives in a cabin he made by hand, struggles with the decision throughout the documentary as May and others visit him and explain their views on mining.

"As the latest WikiLeaks story unfolds,

the launch of a third year American Documentary Showcase with support from the federal government is a powerful statement in support of our freedom of speech and freedom of the press," said Co-Director Jen Gilomen, who convened with fellow Showcase filmmakers and program directors in Los Angeles last weekend to learn about what the year will bring. "The impact of showing these documentaries to communities who lack such freedoms cannot be understated. There is no better way for us to support democracy globally than by giving international audiences glimpses of independent thought and social issues here in America."

According to information provided by Lora Smith, the outreach director for the film, "Deep Down" is one of 20 films chosen to represent America and contemporary American issues this year. The American

Documentary Showcase brings award-winning American documentaries to audiences around the world to offer a view of American society and culture as seen by independent documentary filmmakers.

The directors of "Deep Down," Jen Gilomen and Sally Rubin, will travel internationally with experts and embassy representatives, speak to audiences and student groups, and share their work to provoke discussion and cultural exchange.

The American Documentary Showcase, which highlights documentaries that foster understanding, cooperation, dialogue and debate, is funded by a grant from the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and curated and administered by the University Film and Video Association.

For more information on "Deep Down" visit <http://www.deepdownfilm.org>.



Hi-Voltage Electronics, a member of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, recently held a ribbon cutting ceremony at their new location in Allen. Located at 5087 Route 1428, Hi-Voltage Electronics specializes in building new computers and packaging them as complete systems. They have the largest selection of accessories for your computing needs, as well as computer repair and updates on your existing computers. No matter if it's home- or office-based, they have you covered. High Voltage Electronics is the combination of over 30 years of computer and information technology experience, years of classroom and hands-on training, combined with real-life business situation experience that cannot be taught in the classroom. "Why outsource to a company out of state when you have it all right here in Eastern Kentucky. We are your ultimate choice," said owner Joey Collins. Located at the Derby & Allen Insurance office downstairs, Hi-Voltage is partnered with Eclipse Data Solutions. Together both companies bring you 100 percent quality in home and office solutions that meet all of your electronic and internet needs, ranging from computer repair to building you a website to simple technical help and troubleshooting. Give Joey Collins a call at (606) 259-6118 or stop by the new location across from Allen Elementary.

QUINETY YEARS

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

Ten Years Ago

(Jan. 14, 17 and 19, 2001)

A special meeting of the Martin City Council was held on Thursday evening at 6 a.m. First on the agenda was discussion pertaining to the hiring of a wastewater operator. A decision was made to name Kevin Potter to the position. Floyd County Jailor Roger Webb, chief deputy jailor Damon Newsome and deputy jailor Dennis Johnson inspect contraband allegedly brought into the jail by Richard Vance, an inmate serving time on a DUI charge. The cleanup and rehabilitation of Left Beaver Creek and its tributaries could get back underway this week, County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson said Friday. All that is currently standing in the way of the project is winter weather. However, Thompson said that if the recent spate of milder weather continues, the work could be back to work this week. A Prestonsburg Fire Department employee was arrested last week on charges of shoplifting that allegedly occurred at the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart. Stephen A. Parker, 33, a city firefighter, was arrested by a Kentucky State Police trooper on Tuesday afternoon. As indicted in previously released school audits, the site-based Elementary School Council at Allen Central Middle School may not be fulfilling its leadership role. That's a threat throughout the ACMS audit report, disseminated recently by the Kentucky Department of Education. The Eastern school, along with Stumbo Elementary and South Floyd Middle Schools, were scrutinized last fall by a KDE-sponsored team of educators, as a result of the lack of student progress on annual standardized exams. Governor Paul Patton announced, Tuesday, that \$840,000 in community development block grant funds would be coming Floyd County's way to help pay for a sewerage system and related items. Money received from the grant will be used to design and construct 38,200 feet of sewer lines, a pump station and related items. The project is part of the Honey Branch wastewater treatment system. A Floyd County ruled Monday that Prestonsburg Utilities owes a David woman \$18,000 for damages caused after a sewer line backed up into her house last year. Janet Salisbury had filed suit against the utility and the City of Prestonsburg on April 26, four months after the sewage spill. The City was later dropped from the suit. A Melvin man who served as commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals under the governors has died. Willard Stanley, 80, died of chronic heart failure Saturday at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington, where he had made his home for the past two decades. A Melvin man who served as commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals under the governors has died. Willard Stanley, 80, died of chronic heart failure Saturday at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington, where he had made his home for the past two decades. An early morning rain and wet blacktop were apparently to blame for the collision of a school bus and a pickup truck, yesterday on KY 979 on Big Mud Creek. No one was reported seriously injured, according to Floyd County Schools Superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning, but a bus aide and one student reportedly sought medical treatment on their own "for precautionary tests." A man wanted on a theft has been apprehended by Floyd County. Jeremy Paul Smith, 21, was arrested by local authorities Wednesday evening at a residence on Mountain Parkway. The Floyd County Ethics Commission, at its Tuesday meeting, discussed the possibility of recommending to area legislators that they seek adoption of a statewide ethics policy. Commission chairman John Rosenberg volunteered to investigate the feasibility of the local group's mounting an effort to push for ethics regulations that would apply in all governments across the commonwealth. Long-time local businessman Paul Ward Thompson, 90, of Floyd County, father of Floyd County

Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, died yesterday. The former owner of Jenny Wiley Village and other local grocery businesses was born at Stark, in Elliott County, on October 26, 1910. There died: Mary E. Clark, 95, of Betsy Layne, Wednesday, January 10, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Pete Mullins, 66, of Robinson Creek, Wednesday, January 10, at Parkway Manor Nursing Home; Gracie Mosley Combs, 76, of Garner, Thursday, January 11, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Madison Tracy and Mason Lucas, twin sons of Lucas and Stephanie Tackett of Hi Hat, died shortly after they were born, Wednesday, January 10, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Ted "H" Salisbury, Jr., 73, of Martin, Wednesday, January 10, at the Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center; Virgie Castle Hale Hicks, 96, of Crestville, Sunday, January 14, at Mt. Manor Nursing Home; Arlene "Donna" Howard, 98, of Hueysville, Thursday, January 11, at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Martin Meeks, 69, of Prestonsburg, Friday, January 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Grace Evelyn Ratliff, 62, of Rineyville, Friday, January 12, at U.K. Children's County Memorial Hospital; James Arvin Griffith, 59, of Martin, Sunday, January 14, at his residence; Keith David Lawson, 34, Thursday, January 11, in the line of duty, serving his second tour in the U.S. Military; Lonnie Jarrell, 76, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, January 11, at his residence; Shawn Dalton Collins, 9 months old of Harold, Friday, January 12, at U.K. Children's Hospital; Willard Stanley, 80, of Lexington, formerly of Melvin, Saturday, January 13, at Lexington; Fred Kelly Marshall, 56, of Langley, Saturday, January 13, at his residence; Albert James, 78, of Betsy Layne, Wednesday, January 10; Claude Bentley, 63, of Grethel, Tuesday, January 16, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Eloise Adkins, 61, of Harold, Wednesday, January 17, at her residence; Juanita Harrington Conn, 64, of Honaker, Tuesday, January 16, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Olive Mullins, 56, of Hi Hat, Wednesday, January 17, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Richard Franklin "Frankie" Spencer, 48, of Paintsville, Monday, January 15, at her residence; Loretta Mullins Stephens, 53, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, January 17, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Paul Ward Thompson, 90, of Wheelwright, Thursday, January 18.

Twenty Years Ago

(January 16 & 18, 2001)

Prestonsburg's Abigail Theater, closed since 1965, could regain some of its entertaining quality in the future if a proposal to develop a community center downtown progresses. Property tax bills for 1990 are in the mail, and Floyd County property owners will be paying more this year, according to Floyd County Property Administrator Lovel Hall. Classes at Betsy Layne High School, which was cancelled yesterday in order for students

to attend the funeral of Cynthia Mullins, a Betsy Layne High School student killed in a car crash, Saturday, in Pike County. The war in the Persian Gulf escalates, the efforts of Floyd Countyans to show support for American troops have also gotten underway. With the war less than 24 hours old, Allied bombers in Iraq had reportedly begun dropping leaflets on Iraqi defense positions Thursday, urging soldiers to surrender. Meanwhile, Libyan dictator Muammar Khaddafi, an ally of Iraq's Saddam Hussein, suggested that the start of hostilities in the Middle East could possibly lead to the beginning of a third world war. The flames of patriotism will flare at a candlelight rally to support American soldiers stationed in the Middle East on Monday, Jan. 21. The rally will be held at a candlelight rally to support parking lot, located in front of the courthouse in Prestonsburg. Times reporter Lieutenant James Whittier, who is part of Operation Desert Storm, called his grandparents, Jim and Anna Lamoreaux in Ohio, shortly after the attack on Iraq, Wednesday. Harold Merchant E.W. Conn, 93, of Mt. Sterling, died Sunday, at the Mary Chiles Hospital, Dearborn, Michigan. J. Huber, 33, of Warsaw, Indiana, Thursday, January 10, at the Kosciusko Community Hospital, Dearborn, Michigan. 56, of Taylor, Michigan, formerly of Hi Hat, Thursday, January 10, at the Oakwood Hospital, Dearborn, Michigan. 63, of Alpha Jean Caudill, 63, of Bevinville, Saturday, January 12, at her residence; Arthur Franklin Hughes, Tuesday, at the Central Baptist Hospital.

Thirty Years Ago

(January 21, 1981)

Yellow ribbons were placed on trees by Floyd County residents this week in a show of support for American hostages being held in Iran, were arrested for arson in connection with the burning of a Beaver Creek store. HUD authorities confirmed the eligibility of a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant to be used for revitalization of downtown Prestonsburg. Staff members at the Prestonsburg Job Corps Center prepared for the arrival of the very first trainees of the program. The Floyd County Fiscal Court moved to seek a court order to prevent Mike Little from raising cable television service rates for customers of the Burton Antenna Service. There died: J. Graham Porter, 73, of Prestonsburg; Orville Clark May, 61, of this county; Frank Adams Sr., 63, of Prestonsburg; Clyde Hubbard, 75, of this county; Eliza Campbell, 83, of McDowell; Elzie Osborne, 57, of Grethel; Mrs. Virginia Collins Mead, 56, of Hi Hat; Nick D. Frabutt, 69, of McDowell; Peggy S. Napier, 46, of Prestonsburg; Alfonso Patton, 75, of Hueysville; Adis Ousley, 55, of Gunlock; Mark Reed Sr., 73, of Prestonsburg; Buck Allen, 58, of Eastern; Earl Hinkle, 59, of this county; Edward C. Miller, 63, of West Prestonsburg; Chad Haywood, 68, of this county; Marie Spears Hall, 53, of Martin.

Forty Years Ago

(January 21, 1971)

Advertisement for
Floyd County Schools
Local Planning Committee Meeting

The Floyd County Schools' Local Planning Committee will meet February 1, 2011, at 6 p.m., at May Valley Elementary, Martin KY.

This meeting is an orientation for the committee and is one of a series of meetings to develop a District Facilities Plan for the Floyd County Schools. The Public is invited.

A sewer system and sewage disposal plant to serve the same area of the county into which the Beaver-Elkhorn Water District will lay 82 miles of water mains within the next 18 months is envisioned in an application for federal funds filed Jan. 10. J.C. Wells, of Estill, leader in the huge improvement program, said this week. The Island Creek Coal Company filed separate petitions Monday, for restraining orders against two local unions representing almost 500 of its striking employees. A gathering of Floyd Democrats which packed the county courtroom here last Friday night named County Clerk C. "Ollie" Robinson, chairman of the Bert Combs campaign for Governor in this county, with Circuit Clerk Frank DeRossett and Jailer Lawrence Hale as co-chairmen. Development of a War Remosa area at Archer Park here has advanced to the point that work may be begun soon on the bronze plaque bearing the names of Floyd County's war dead. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stumbo, of Prestonsburg, a son, David Hill, January 2, in Lexington; to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stone, of Prestonsburg, a son, Kevin Lee, December 14, in Lexington; to Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Stepp, of Louisville, a son, Brian Douglas, December 21; to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Royal, of Ada, O., a daughter, Cecile Rena, December 28; to Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Hall, of Orkney; a daughter, Jan. 7; to Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Hall, of Orkney, a daughter, Jan. 9. There died: Mrs. Florence Brown Spradlin, 84, of Prestonsburg, Sunday; Mrs. Minnie Amburgey, 79, of Martin, last Monday; at Sydney, O.; Rosie Collins Wells, 87, of Auxier, Jan. 7; Elder Henry Porter, 71, of Allen, Saturday; Mrs. Edith Huffman, 68, of Orkney, Thursday; John "Long John" Shepherd, 62, of David, last Friday; John Stumbo, 59, of Hueysville, last Tuesday, at Martin.

Fifty Years Ago

(January 19, 1961)

Bids on the remaining 2.86 miles of road needed to provide a scenic highway skirting Dewey Lake all the way from the dam to the Jenny Wiley State Park boat dock will be opened Friday by the Department of Highways. Articles of incorporation have been prepared for the Kentucky Mountain Crafts and Folk Song Center, which plans initial operation here this year. It was announced this week. The total number of visitors at Dewey reservoir last year rose to 380,690—154,720 more

than all who visited the lake and park the preceding year. With the Jan. 24, midnight deadline only six days away, "Operation Bootstrap," the local effort to raise \$30,500 in order to qualify for County Board of Education assistance in the construction of an athletic field and stadium at Prestonsburg high school is only \$4,725 short of its goal. There died: Lincoln Tibbs, 21, of Endicott, Jan. 7; Donnie Edward Hicks, 26, formerly of Langley, Jan. 10, in an auto accident at St. Mary's O.; William A. Malone, 62, Sunday, at his home at Allen; Mrs. Lizzie Little Johnson, 73, Jan. 3, at the home of a son at Wheelwright; William B. Tackett, 84, of Craynor, Saturday; Robert Raney, 84, Saturday, at his home at Garrett; Birchfield Johnson, 56, Sunday, at his home at War. There died: Roscoe C. Howard, 51, Monday, at

Sixty Years Ago

(Jan. 18, 1951)

Reported as missing in action in Korea are: Pfc. Charles R. Boyd, 18, Prestonsburg; Pfc. Leslie Dale Click, 18, Martin; Pvt. Clyde Hamilton, of Beaver; Sgt. Clyde Whitaker, of Alger, O., formerly of David; Pfc. Raymond Cook, of Buckingham. The new census shows Prestonsburg has had a 53 per cent population gain in the last 10 years. United Fuel has increased the price of gas produced in Kentucky and West Virginia from 12 to 15 cents per thousand cubic feet. Floyd county lumbermen are irate about the new federal edict banning construction of commercial buildings for 30 days. Married: Miss Lola Evelyn Kendrick and Mr. Henry Hamilton, Jr., of McDowell, Dec. 29, at the First Methodist. There died: Paintsville. There died:

Science

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

PURSUANT TO ANNE HUNTER

NUMBER 836-5506 OPERATOR

CHANGE

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8-010, notice is hereby given that ECOC Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 1200, Robinson Creek, Kentucky 41560 intends to revise Permit No. 836-5506 to add an operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Blackhawk Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 1200, Robinson Creek, Kentucky 41560. The operators will be Blackhawk Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 1200, Robinson Creek, Kentucky 41560 and Pike-Friend Street, Suite 101, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The operation is located 1.31 miles east of Drift in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 1.80 miles east from KY Route 122's junction with Simpson Branch County Road and located 0.10 miles north of Simpson Branch. The operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 42 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

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NUMBER 836-5527

CHANGE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Laurel Mountain Resources, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 1.08 miles southeast of Blue Moon in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb a 9 surface acres and will underlie 696.9 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 704.9 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 1.03 miles southeast of Little Mud Creek Road's junction with KY Route 2030 and located 0.1 miles east of Little Mud Creek. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will underlie land owned by SEC CHAPTER 11 V The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Emory Newman, Isaac Newsome, Willis Newman, Joseph Tackett, Charles Newman, Thurman Newman, Marie Newman, Joseph Tackett, Commonweath of Kentucky, James Newman, Terry and Gayle Hall, Max and Margaret Akers, East Moore, Palmer Hamilton, Clifford Hall, Elvyn Parsons, East Kentucky Network LLC, Nancy Leedy Estate, Andy Hall, and Judy Tackett. The operation will affect an area of approximately 1.03 miles north of KY Route 122 and located 0.10 miles north of Simpson Branch. The operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 42 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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NUMBER 836-5506 Major Revision No. 2

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, 81 Enterprise Drive, Debord, Kentucky 41214 has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.5 miles southeast of Odds in Martin, Floyd and Johnson Counties. The major revision will add 0.00 acres of surface disturbance and add 567.12 acres of underground mining area making the total area within the permit boundary will be 11,194.40 acres. The major revision area is approximately 2.5 miles south of Kentucky Route 3's junction with Big Sandy Regional Airport Road, and located in Sycamore Creek and Daniels Creek and Crooked Branch of Johns Creek. The proposed major revision is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amendment is to add additional underground mining acres only. No surface disturbance is proposed under this amendment. The operation will underlie land owned by Isaac Richmond Heirs/Harkins & Browning Family Trust. This revision is to add additional underground mining acreage only. The

Position Available

Eastern Ky Association of Realtors needs clerk Applicant needs to be proficient in clerical and computer skills, including QuickBooks, accounting experience, self-motivated, willing to travel, needs organizational and communication skills. Starting salary is based on experience and qualifications. Send Resume to: EKAR- Personnel Task Force 360 Conn Street Ivel, KY 41260 or email: Debbie Allen: debbie_ann_allen@hotmail.com

NOTICE OF ACTION COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I C.A. NO. 10-CI-1247

BILLY PATTON and CAROLYN PATTON

PLAINTIFFS

vs.
JUNE CASEBOLT, UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES
AND LEGATEES OF JUNE CASEBOLT, UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF MOSE YOUNTS;
FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY and
RALPH HAMILTON

DEFENDANTS

NOTICE TO PETITION TO SELL PROPERTY

I have been appointed by the Floyd Circuit Court to attempt to locate and notify the heirs of Mose Younts and his widow Hettie Younts of this lawsuit now pending in the Floyd Circuit Court to sell property located at Harold in the Stumbo Addition to the Town Site of Lanesville which is alleged to be owned now by June Casebolt and the heirs of Mose Younts, Hettie Younts and others. It is believed that Mose Younts was born June 23, 1915, and died December 15, 1976, in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio. It is believed his widow, Hettie Younts, was born October 1, 1915 and died June 11, 1991. The Plaintiffs are asking the court to sell this property which would include any interest owned by the heirs of Mose Younts and Hettie Younts. If you have information that would help to locate and notify the heirs of Mose Younts and Hettie Younts you may contact me.

I have been appointed only for the purpose of notifying the heirs of Mose Younts that this action is pending. If they want to be represented in this action then they may need an attorney to answer the petition for them. You may request a copy of the petition from the Floyd Circuit Clerk. If you choose to answer the petition yourself you should mail it to (1) Floyd Circuit Clerk, Justice Center, 127 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 and (2) Martin L. Osborne, Counsel for the Petitioner, Osborne & Heaberlin, 119 East Court Street, 2nd Floor, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

James A. Combs, Warning Order Attorney
Combs, Isaac & Castle, PLLC
199 North Lake Drive, Suite 201
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
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LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD

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

DATE OF APPOINTMENT	CASE NUMBER	ESTATE OF	FIDUCIARY	ATTORNEY
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01-04-11	11P-4	MARIE O'BORKE	PEGGY HENKOWE	
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01-03-11	11P-3	EDWARD HAYFIELD	RONNIE LEE HAYFIELD	
01-03-11	11P-6	DORIS HAMILTON	LISA HAMILTON	
01-03-11	11P-7	ARNOLD MOORE	SUN AN EUGENIA OULLEY	
01-06-11	11P-9	CLYDE E. HARKINS	CLYDE E. HARKINS	B.M. MCGUIRE
01-07-11	11P-11	MOLODY TOWN CIDER	JOHN A.W. TOWN	
01-10-11	11P-12	H. A. DONALD LITTLE	RUTH DEWE LITTLE	
01-10-11	11P-14	DORIS TUNICE	LORRA F. RACKER	
01-10-11	11P-15	HELMAN MULLIN	MILDRED MULLIN	

NOTICE (OFFICIAL SETTLEMENT)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, Do hereby certify that the following settlement of Estate has been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exception to said settlement must do so on or before FEB. 24, 2011, at 10:00 a.m.

Settlement	Clerk Number	Estate Of	Fiduciary	Date Filed
FINAL	09-220	MONTIE WALKER	VALERIE SPEAR	12-28-10
FINAL	09-240	WILLIAM HILL CHORNE	VERONICA CHORNE	12-28-10
FINAL	09-240	JOE WALKER	DEBRA WALKER	12-28-10
FINAL	09-247	MICHAEL HARRISON	DOUGLAS HARRISON	12-28-10
FINAL	10-272	DARREN LAWRENCE	DOUGLAS LAWRENCE	01-03-11
FINAL	09-310	HAROLD ADKIN	TAKARA ADKIN HARRISON	01-03-11
			AND	
			ANITA A. BAKER	
FINAL	10-257	DEBBY LOAN	GARY WILLIAMS	01-03-11
FINAL	09-254	MARVIE E. MUNE	MARK E. MCDONALD	01-03-11
FINAL	09-254	GARRETT COLE	GARRETT COLE	01-03-11
FINAL	09-254	JOEY FARMER	JOEY FARMER	01-03-11
FINAL	09-222	ERIKA LACROIX	ERIKA LACROIX	01-03-11

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major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation, and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 14111 Highway, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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public notice
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parts of Left Fork of Middle Creek, Map I.D. Number 024-00-00-010-00 Floyd County, Kentucky, that a civil action has been filed against them in Floyd Circuit Court, Division III, as C.A. No.: 11-CI-27. Said Defendant must immediately file an Answer in this matter, otherwise judgment may be entered against him. Said Defendant should contact the undersigned attorney immediately.
Anthony Craig Davis
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Notice to Unknown Occupants of Left Fork of Middle Creek Map I.D. 024-00-00-010-00 Warning Order
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