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Floyd County's community leaders were invited to learn some hard truths about human trafficking, and how the crime that preys mostly upon young, vulnerable girls has already made its way into Eastern Kentucky.

Marissa Castellanos, with Catholic Charities of Louisville, led the conference and told those in attendance that traffickers often find a system that works for them and repeat

WEATHER

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Prevalence on human trafficking opens eyes

it with new girls. "It tends to be that traffickers find a MO (method of operation) that works for them, and do it over and over," said Castellanos.

Castellanos describes the human traffickers as "pimps" and "daddies" who have been known to look for runaway girls or girls who appear vulnerable at bus and train stations, malls, newspaper ads, and online. Sex traffickers, typically between 18 and 35 years of age, often work their

way into the lives of their victims, creating a false sense of loyalty and dependence.

Human trafficking is defined as modern day slavery, which is now widespread throughout the United States. Trafficking of humans is one of the largest and fastest growing criminal enterprises worldwide.

Many victims of trafficking are made to engage in prostitution, pornography, or exotic dancing, though it also occurs in forms of labor exploitation, the most notable of which are

sweat shops and migrant agriculture work.

"It will continue to exist until we do something about the demand," said Castellanos.

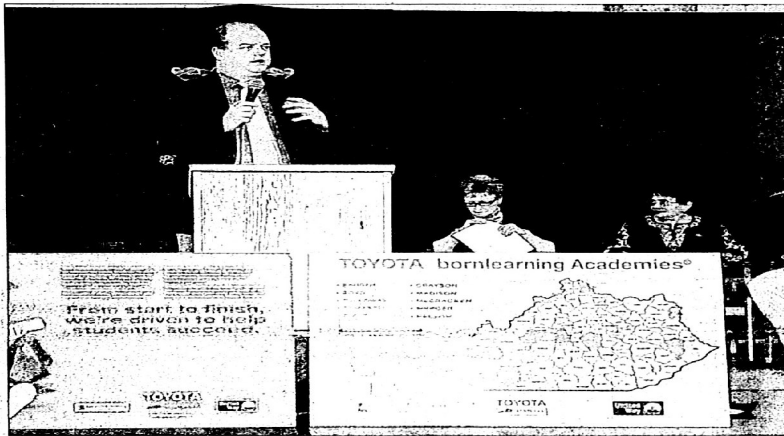
According to the Polaris Project, 43 calls were made in 2012 to law enforcement referencing human trafficking, and there were at least seven cases of human trafficking which entered into the justice system. Of those seven, six were female and two were minors. To date, there have been 71 crisis calls in Kentucky, and

more than 500 total calls referencing human trafficking.

Castellanos brought that message to the doorsteps of the audience, noting that there are currently several websites which are advertising "escorts" in Eastern Kentucky. Castellanos said that the rule of thumb with regard to the ads was that anyone advertised as 24 or younger is likely a minor.

A Human Trafficking Victims Rights Act is set to be introduced into the 2013 Ken-

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President of the United Way David Eberhart discussed the new bornlearning Academy which is set to begin at May Valley Elementary.

May Valley Elementary receives grant

Jack Latta Staff Writer

Officials with the United Way and Toyota Motors were present Thursday at May Valley Elementary to announce their partnership in an innovative new program aimed at improving school readiness in pre-K children.

Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc. (TMMK), with help from United Way of Ken-

tucky and Floyd County Schools, plans to launch an innovative early learning program at May Valley Elementary School. The early learning program comes with a \$11,500 grant courtesy of the auto manufacturer.

"The Toyota bornlearning Academy at May Valley Elementary is an expansion of a successful pilot program launched by the United Way in Northern Kentucky," said Doug Eberhart,

President of the United Way. "Statewide expansion of that model would not have been possible without funding and support from Toyota."

The local grant is one of 10 statewide that will help create Toyota "bornlearning Academies" in 10 Kentucky elementary schools this year. Toyota has committed to investing \$500,000 over the next five years in preparing Ken-

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McConnell highlights 'fiscal cliff' eminence

Jack Latta Staff Writer

WASHINGTON D.C. — In the wake of Tuesday's election, Kentucky's senior senator offered congratulations to President Barack Obama on Wednesday, while urging a need to address the quickly approaching "fiscal cliff."

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell spoke from Washington D.C. Wednesday, offering his well wishes to both the President and his challenger, Mitt Romney. "I extend my sincere congratulations to President Obama and Vice President Biden on their hard-fought victory, and I would like to thank Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan for running a great campaign based on concrete solutions to the tremendous economic

challenges we continue to face."

McConnell says that Obama's re-election is an act of the U.S. people to give him a second time to fix the things he said he would.

"The American people did two things: they gave President Obama a second chance to fix the problems that even he admits he failed to solve during his first four years in office, and they preserved Republican control of the House of Representatives," said McConnell. "The voters have not endorsed the failures or excesses of the President's first term, they have simply given him more time to finish the job they asked him to do together with a Congress that restored a balance to Washington after two years

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Outside election money a sign of things to come, Stumbo says

Jack Latta Staff Writer

The race for a seat on the 7th District Supreme Court brought in a lot of outside PAC money, and Janet Stumbo says it's a sign of things to come.

During this year's race between incumbent Will T. Scott and challenger Janet Stumbo, a lot of mud was tossed about. Stumbo was put on the defensive with regard to the use of her maiden name by the Scott campaign, who stated that she was "miss representing her identity."

"It was definitely a hard fought election," said Stumbo. "One of the more difficult ones I've had."

The election was a prelude to what may be a more regular occurrence in judicial races around the state.

One ad, paid for by Citizen's United, a Karl Rove Super PAC, was noted in a Lexington Herald-Leader opinion piece published last week that the Judicial Campaign Conduct Committee said was false and misleading and appeared to be "designed to appeal to racial prejudice."

Stumbo says that misleading negative Super PAC ads in a judicial race was unusual for Kentucky.

"It was unusual for Kentucky, the volume of it," said Stumbo. "But this is a coming thing."

Stumbo says that in the wake of Supreme Court decisions in Minnesota v. White and Western Tradition Partnership, Inc. v. Attorney General of Montana there is a lot of corporate super PAC money flowing into state Supreme Court and Appeals court races.

According to Stumbo, one troubling aspect of this PAC money coming into judicial elections could be seen in West Virginia this year where Don Blankenship with Massey spent over \$2 million dollars in a supreme court race. "There is an appeal sitting in that court that could potentially cost him \$20 million dollars," said Stumbo.

Stumbo says she didn't see any evidence of Super PAC's targeting specific cases in the Kentucky election, but added that it is something that will continue to grow.

Stumbo has two years remaining on her current seat on the Kentucky Appeals Court. "Unless something comes up or I change my mind, I'll be planning to run again in two years."

Time running out on tax amnesty in Kentucky

Tougher penalties await those who don't pay amnesty-eligible taxes

FRANKFORT — The final weeks of Kentucky's tax amnesty are winding down, as delinquent taxpayers have until Nov. 30 to apply for amnesty or else face tougher penalties and fees, plus a higher interest rate.

The amnesty program began Oct. 1, allowing most persons or businesses owing back taxes to the Commonwealth of Kentucky to pay up without penalties or fees and

with the interest owed cut in half.

"We've seen a great response so far," said Lori Flanery, Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet. "Since amnesty began some six weeks ago, we've received thousands of payments for millions of dollars. We've also fielded more than 20,000 phone calls, and our website has had page views from more than 31,000 unique visitors. So, overall the

response has been strong, but we expect a significant increase in activity as the deadline approaches."

To provide additional assistance, the Kentucky Department of Revenue is extending operating hours at its 10 field offices around the state. Each office will be open regular hours plus extended hours as noted:

Saturday, Nov. 17: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Saturday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Monday, Nov. 26 through Thursday, Nov. 29: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Friday, Nov. 30: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. (or until last tax

payer in line leaves)

Payments have come in from every county in Kentucky and from all states except Vermont and Montana.

"In most cases, the amount owed by a person or business is not a large sum," said Tom Miller, Commissioner of the Department of Revenue. "So we recommend that all taxpayers who qualify for amnesty to take advantage of it. After the deadline, penalties are more severe and the enforcement efforts get more aggressive."

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Obituaries



Forrest Music
 Forrest Music, 83, died Friday, Nov. 2, 2012 at Highlands Regional Medical Center.
 He was born Nov. 1, 1929 to the late Claude Landon Music and Agnes Stewart Music. He was the husband of the late Virginia Faye Goble Music.
 He was preceded in death by two brothers, Claude O'Dell and Ralph. He is survived by his daughters, Deborah Faye (Phillip) Ward of Auxier and Forrest Denise (Richard) Robinson of Blountville, TN; brother Jerome Dean (Suva) Music of Hilliard, Ohio; and grandchildren John Phillip Ward and Haley Summer Robinson.
 Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012 at Jones-Preston Funeral Chapel with Art Beasley and Jim Price officiating. Burial followed at Music Family Cemetery in Ford Gap, Auxier.
 Auxier Chapter 18 of DAV conducted military rights.
 In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Johnson County Retired Teachers

Association. Jones-Preston Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Jared Chase Hamilton
 Jared Chase Hamilton, 28, of Belcher, Ky., died Monday, Nov. 5, 2012 at Markey Cancer Center in Lexington.

He was born Oct. 11, 1984 in Pikeville to Terry and Lucia Bentley Hamilton, both of Stanville. Chase was the husband of Tina L. Spradlin Hamilton of Belcher, and worked as a coal miner.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Claude Bentley, and a paternal great-grandfather, Greenbury Hall.

He is survived by his brother, Brenton Hamilton of Feds Creek; paternal grandparents James and Betty Hamilton; maternal grandmother Roxana Bentley; and a paternal great-grandmother, Marie Hall. He also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends to mourn his passing.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Nov. 9, 2012 at noon at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home of Martin with Rick Worrix officiating. Burial will follow at Getsemane Gardens in Greensburg.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Vannie Rickman
 Vannie M. Rickman, 89, of Canal Winchester, Ohio, passed away on Saturday,

Nov. 3, 2012 at Mt. Carmel East Hospital in Columbus, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Floyd County on May 14, 1923 to the late George W. and Margaret (Hunt) Lewis.

A hardworking woman her entire life, Vannie ran two restaurants in Betsy Layne, and a residential care facility in Washington Court House, Ohio. She also worked as assembler at Norse Industries in Wayne, MI. Her greatest joy, however, was caring for and cooking for her family. She was an excellent cook and baker, and won several blue ribbons for her pies and for her beautiful hand-sewn quilts.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, George B. Rickman; daughter Georgia M. Rickman; brothers Harold, Mack, Joe Wheeler and Rudolph Lewis; sisters Myrtle, Krisley, Callie Lewis, Amma Jackson, and Bonnie Spears; daughters-in-law Diane M. Rickman and Norma Goble; beloved grandsons Clarence "Bub" W. Goble, Jr. and Ronald Lee Morgan; and her beloved great-grandsons, Gary Lee Adkins, Jr., Charles David Crum, and Thomas Clifford Crum.

Vannie is survived by her children, Clarence Wesley Goble and Kathy of Harrison County, Ky.; Lorine Caldwell and husband Hershel of Mt. Olivet, Ky.; Kathryn Dunt of Canal Winchester, Ohio; and Jeffrey Rickman and wife Marsha of Pikerington,

Ohio; and her dear sister, Mary Wright of Warsaw, Ind.

She is also survived by her loving "Granny," "Grandma," and "Mom Mom," and Pam Vanetta and husband Tony, Chris Goble and wife Gina, Kimberly Bryant and husband Jerry, Mark Goble and wife Paula, Scott Goble and wife Whitney, Theresa Colson and husband Blaine, James Morgan and wife Brenda, Regina Greene and husband Terry, Timothy (Chris) Caldwell, Paula Caldwell-Westmeyer and husband John, Melissa Caldwell, Shane Caldwell, Maria Stevens Catron, Wendy Crum and husband Charles, Brian K. Dunt, Christopher T. Dunt, Scott Dunt, Tonya Black and husband Tony, Daniel Rickman and wife Erin, Taylor Rickman, Rachel Rickman and Hannah Rickman; 31 great-grandchildren; and 18 great-great grandchildren. Vannie is also survived by a host of nephews and nieces, cousins, and friends.

Friends and family were welcomed on Thursday, Nov. 8, 2012 at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home of Martin. Funeral services will be held Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012 at 11 a.m. with Pastor Doug Lewis officiating. Christian burial will follow at Davidson Memorial Gardens in Keokuk, Iowa.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Denver Stone
 Denver Ray Stone, 56, of Bevsinsville, Ky., died Sat-

urday Oct. 27, 2012.

He was born March 4, 1956 to the late Raymond and Laverne Slone. He is the husband of Carol Hall Slone, and has been a disabled truck driver for Triplett Trucking.

He is survived by his sons and daughters, Linnay Tackett, Christopher Isaac, Harry Arnett, Johnny Arnett, Chasity Tackett, Angela Mucalski, Kristina Santure; brothers and sisters Rickie Slone, Theresa Ousley and Janet Reynolds; 10 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Oct. 31, 2012 at Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church in Wheelwright, with Louis Ferrari officiating. Burial followed the services at the family cemetery at Riley's Branch in Bevsinsville.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Don Yates
 Don "Duck" Yates, 66, of Martin, died Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012 at St. Joseph Martin Hospital.

He was born Jan. 26, 1946 to the late Gus Yates and Birchie Garrison Yates Kilburn. He was the husband of Glenda Scarberry Yates, and a disabled coal miner.

He was also preceded in death by his brother, Earl Yates, and sisters Brenda Hagans and Bill Collins.

He is survived by sons, Randy Yates formerly of Banner, and Devin Yates of Martin; daughters Stacy Yates and Jennifer Yates of

Lexington; brothers and sisters Gene Yates, Mike Yates, Danny Yates, Tim Yates, Sue Blevins, Trudy Tackett and Sockie Crum; and several grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Nov. 9, 2012 at 2 p.m. at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home in Martin. Burial will follow the services at Martin Cemetery in Martin.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Betty Steele
 Betty Cordellia Steele, 85, passed away Friday, Nov. 2, 2012 in Roseville, Ca.

Betty was born in Williamson, WV, and was preceded in death by her father, Charles Vincent, parents Merl Vincent and Stella Brown Vincent, and son Roger T. Steele.

She is survived by her beloved and devoted husband, Roger D. Steele, of 64 years; son James G. Steele (Mia) and daughter Stella Rene' McDowell (Daniel); and grandchildren Scott Mock, Tyler Steele, Cayley and Collin McDowell.

There will be a viewing on Saturday, Nov. 10 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Lambert Funeral Home 400 Douglas Blvd., Roseville, Ca. A private family funeral will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the American Red Cross for Hurricane Sandy victims.

Arrangements handled by Lambert Funeral Home.

For the Record

Charges Filed
 Angel Williamson, 25, McDowell - complicity burglary second degree, complicity theft by unlawful taking.
 John Terrance Hall, 35, Ivel - making false statements to prevent/reduce benefits \$100 or greater.
 Christopher Cochran, 27, Lovely - flagrant non-support.
 Donald Quillen, 42, Blue River - flagrant non support.
 Shawn Thomas Hamilton, 30, Teaher - terrorist threatening third degree.
 William J. Marnhout, 27, Pomeroy, OH - fourth degree assault.
 Jake Poston, 34, Prestonsburg - third degree terrorist threatening, harassment.
 Kelli F. Perry, 51, River - public intoxication of a controlled substance, possession of controlled substance second degree, controlled substance not in original container.
 Harry Helton, 44, Salyersville - alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest.
 Jake Poston, 34, Prestonsburg - harassment.
 Whyane W. Marnhout, 23, Prestonsburg - fourth degree assault.
 Carlos D. Hoover, 25,

Prestonsburg - theft by unlawful taking.
 Chasity Dawn Fannin, 31, Tomahawk - operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, possession of a controlled substance - third degree, disregarding stop sign, failure to illuminate head lamps.
 Johnny Lee Fogle, 45, Frankfort - no operators/moped license, controlled substance prescription not in original container, drug paraphernalia.
 Bill Whitaker, Jr., 37, Langley - fourth degree assault.
 Kimberly D. Hamilton, 36, Allen - public intoxication of a controlled substance.
 Raymond Goble - first degree wanton endangerment (3 counts), second degree disorderly conduct, criminal mischief, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest.
 John Wesley Dawson - first degree possession of a controlled substance, second degree possession of a controlled substance.
 Mikel McKinney - second degree assault.

Civil Suits
 Community Trust Bank v. Kellie N. Case - contract.

Donnie Mullins v. Mr. Metcalf - contract.
 Sacor Financial INC. v. Robin Mullins, et al - contract.
 Marcus Stumbo v. Tony Smith - contract.
 Asset Acceptance, LLC v. Tracy Keens - contract.
 Asset Acceptance, LLC v. Shirley Gomez - contract.
 Asset Acceptance, LLC v. Ross Goble - contract.
 Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. Anita Mullins - contract.
 Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. Leah Cook - contract.
 Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. T.H. Daniels - contract.
 Roundup, LTD. v. Denny Stephens - contract.
 Capital One Bank v. Dawson S. Moore - contract.
 Green Tree Servicing LLC v. Chris Brown, et al - contract.
 Rock Mountain Holdings v. Jeffrey Jones - contract.
 Buffy N. Hensley v. Herman J. Hensley II - dissolution of marriage.
 Acquilla J. Johnson v. Clint L. Johnson - dissolution of marriage.
 Jessica S. Risner v. Michael E. Risner - dissolution of marriage.
 Commonwealth KY

Transportation Cabinet v. Claude McKenzie et al - contract.
 David Wade Conway v. Malcolm Layne - personal injury.

Marriages
 Sabrina A. Moore of Hi Hat to Wendell Adams Jr. of Wheelwright.
 Christopher Marvin Conley to Wendy Renee Ousley, both of Hueysville.
 Rhonda Kay Jarrell of Pikeville to Robert Smith Jr. of Knoxville.
 (Property Transfers)
 Kristan A. Adams to Ronnie Adams; No Description.
 Donna Bartrum to Donna S. Osbourne; Right Beaver Creek.
 John Bartrum to Donna S. Osborne; Right Beaver Creek.
 Edith Butcher to Brian and Misty Pugh; no description.
 Jerry Butcher to Brian and Misty Pugh; no description.
 Janet Caudill to Garrie Caudill; no description.
 CCNR Properties LLC to Sharon Growth One LLC; no description.
 Donna Compton to Kathy and Stephen Elswick; no description.
 Robin Day to First Guaranty Bank; Melvin.
 Sanford Dwayne Day to

First Guaranty Bank; Melvin.
 First Guaranty Bank to First Guaranty Bank; Melvin.
 Gail Hall to First Guaranty Bank; Melvin.
 Kyle Hall to First Guaranty Bank; Melvin.
 Shaliou Hall II to Kentucky Housing Corporation, Mae Gearheart Subdivision.
 Terry Hall to First Guaranty Bank; Melvin.
 Martha Hard to Charles and Heather Hart; Cow Creek.
 Catherine Johnson to Kevin Thacker; no description.
 Ricky Dale Johnson to Kevin Thacker; no description.
 William Kendrick Master Commissioner to Pilgrim Energy; no description.
 William Kendrick Master Commissioner to First Guaranty Bank; Melvin.
 William Kendrick Master Commissioner to Kentucky Housing Corporation; Mae Gearheart Subdivision.
 Kentucky Housing Corporation to Kentucky Housing Corporation; Mae Gearheart Subdivision.
 Michael Kirk to Pilgrim Energy Inc.; no description.

Delores Kirk to Pilgrim Energy Inc.; no description.
 Unknown spouse of Delores Kirk to Pilgrim Energy Inc.; no description.
 MJ Pennington Land Corp to Robert Nelson Moore; Dickie Town.
 Robert Nelson Moore to MJ Pennington Land Corp.; Dickie Town.
 Pilgrim Energy Inc. to Pilgrim Energy Inc.; no description.
 Kelvin Sherman to Charlie and Patricia Borg; no description.
 Phyllis Sherman to Charlie and Patricia Borg; no description.
 Robin Simpson Smith to Mary Stanfield; no description.
 Jimmy D. Stumbo to Deborah and Ronnie Williamson; Drift.
 Rita Stumbo to Deborah and Ronnie Williamson; Drift.
 Taylor Bean and Whitaker Mortgage Corporation to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; no description.
 Miranda Tussey to Miranda S. Tussey; no description.
 Thomas R. Tussey to Miranda S. Tussey; no description.

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tucky General Assembly. The bill is designed to help protect child victims, target the financial gains of human traffickers, and provide law enforcement effective tools to combat human trafficking.

If you or someone you know is being forced to submit to growth activity and cannot leave, whether it is commercial sex, housework, or any other activity, call the national human trafficking resource center hotline at 1 (888) 3737-888 to access help and services.

For more information about human trafficking and sex crime laws, contact the Kentucky Association of Sexual Assault Programs at www.ksasp.org, (502) 226-2704 or munderwood@ksasp.org.

Thank You

The Family of Richard A. Castle of Drift, KY would like to thank everyone for their support during our time of loss. He left behind many family members who will miss him dearly. Beyond the love he had for his family, Richard had a great love for the outdoors and appreciated the beauty of all of God's creations. We would like to thank Nelson Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. A special thanks to all those who attended his service and comforted us during this difficult time.

The Family of Richard A. Castle

Community members gathered at Jenny Wiley Convention Center for a conference on human trafficking.

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Fatherhood 101 program to roll out with APCC

Times Staff Report

Fathers will have a new resource coming to Eastern Kentucky as the Appalachian Pregnancy Care Center kicks off its new Fatherhood initiative.

The Appalachian Pregnancy Care Center (APCC) announced its new "Fatherhood Program 101 Initiative" this week, for any father, or father-to-be, wishing to learn more about being a dad in today's world. The program is designed to address the excitement and apprehension that most fathers encounter in parenting.

According to organizers, the program will allow fathers to meet one-on-one with a trained male client advocate and explore the various roles of fatherhood and parenting. Participants gain awareness, understanding and practical knowledge about the different roles of a man within the family.

With each visit, fathers and father-to-be earn "baby bucks" which can be used to purchase baby items from the center's Bundle of Joy Room.

APCC Executive Director Kay Ham-

mond says that fathers who participate in the program can erase past negative experiences while working toward success as a dad.

Carolyn Hall, VISTA volunteer and coordinator of the program, says, "Interested fathers and fathers-to-be are welcome to take advantage of the center's fatherhood program even if the mother of their child is not a client at the center."

Several fathers attended the Oct. 19 Fatherhood Program kick-off at APCC. Dana King, Director of Guest Relations at Pikeville Medical Center, presented a program explaining life skills and volunteer opportunities for men at PMC that could better enable them to find employment. Josh Huffman, who is joining APCC's mentoring program for fathers, spoke of his own family dynamics. Josh has assumed the "fatherhood role" within his home.

APCC encourages other fatherhood mentors to help with the program. Please contact the center at 606-433-0700 for more information.

New hearing for judge denied; ordered to prison next month

Cris Ritchie
Civitas News Service

PIKEVILLE — A new hearing for Knott County Judge-Executive Randy Thompson and three others convicted of vote buying in the 2006 election was denied this week, and they have now been ordered to begin serving their respective sentences next month.

Thompson, along with John Mac Combs, Ronnie Adams, and Phillip Champion, were convicted during a jury trial in 2008 for using public funds to influence the general election in 2006. It was during that election that Thompson won his first full term in office. He was originally appointed to the office by former Gov. Ernie Fletcher, and later won a second term during the 2010 election.

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Taxpayers won't like what happens if they fail to take advantage of tax amnesty. The amnesty legislation calls for all penalties and fees to be reinstated once amnesty is over, which may include: 25 percent cost-of-collection fee; 25 percent assessment fee;

50 percent fee for not filing a tax return; 25 percent fee on liabilities discovered through an audit; and all interest owed will be reinstated, plus another 2 percent added to the interest rate.

On average, taxpayers save about 30 percent on their total tax bill under amnesty. After amnesty,

their liability will substantially increase, even tripling in some cases.

"This program has teeth," said Sec. Flanery. "If you wait for us to come collecting, you'll pay much more than if you had paid under amnesty."

To learn more about Tax Amnesty, visit www.amnesty.ky.gov.

Grant

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tucky's children for kindergarten. "Having this best practice model at May Valley Elementary means we can offer Martin-area parents and caregivers access to hands-on training and strategies they can use every day to help ensure that their children arrive at kindergarten ready to learn."

said Floyd County Superintendent Henry Webb. "By offering these workshops before the children even enter school, the students avoid having to play catch-up right from the start and have a much greater chance of success throughout their school years."

The bornlearning Academies help teach parents and caregivers

of children from prenatal to five years old how to turn everyday moments into learning opportunities. The bornlearning concept, created by United Way Worldwide and launched as a pilot project in Northern Kentucky 2010, provides a community resource for parents and teachers to collaborate in early childhood

development so that children are better prepared to learn when they enter school.

Terry Tolan, the executive director of the administration's Office of Early Childhood, says the bornlearning Academies are an ideal pairing of public and private agencies to create a stronger learning environment for Ken-

tucky's children. "Parents are a child's first and most important teachers, and every parent wants to see their child succeed. Bornlearning Academies help parents of young children learn how they can best meet their child's needs to assure they will be ready for kindergarten."

McConnell

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of one-party control."

Of paramount importance in the coming weeks will be how the President and Congress handle the quickly approaching fiscal cliff. Several laws are set to change at midnight, December 31, including an end to last year's temporary payroll tax cuts (resulting in a 2 percent tax

increase for workers), the end of certain tax breaks for businesses, shifts in the alternative minimum tax that would take a larger bite, the end of Bush era tax cuts from 2001-2003, and the beginning of taxes related to President Obama's health care law.

At the same time, the spending cuts agreed upon as part of the debt ceiling

deal of 2011 will begin to go into effect, which would amount to deep cuts in over 1,000 government programs — including the defense budget and Medicare.

Due to this massive economic shift, the one bright spot incurred by going over the cliff would cause a reduction in federal deficit by over \$500 billion in the

first year. Though many economists believe that the U.S. economy is still too fragile to absorb such a blow and would lead to a second depression.

McConnell says that now is the time for the President to propose solutions that will meet bipartisan approval. "To the

extent he wants to move to the political center, which is where the work gets done in a divided government, we'll be there to meet him half way," McConnell said. "That begins by proposing a way for both parties to work together in avoiding the 'fiscal cliff' without harming a weak

and fragile economy, and when that is behind us work with us to reform the tax code and our broken entitlement system."

McConnell adds that Republicans are eager to hear the President's proposals on these issues, and get to doing the people's work.

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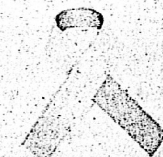


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— Gregory Nunn

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An open letter to President Barack Obama

Jack Latta

Dear Mr. President,
First, I would like to say congratulations on your recent re-election. I found your campaign to be one of promise and hope for America, where everyone regardless of race, creed, religion, or sexual orientation are given the same opportunities to succeed. It's one of the things I admire most about your presidency.
I am writing you today because I would like to draw your attention to a region of America that is short on those opportunities, mired in soul-crushing prescription drug abuse, consistently under-performing education, rampant unemployment, and poverty. My home, Eastern Kentucky, sir, is one of the poorest regions in this great country. According to recent surveys, the 5th Congressional District of Kentucky has the most intense and widespread poverty of any district in America. It's not for lack of trying, sir, but there are painfully few opportunities. Those industries that we have clung to over the years — tobacco and now coal — have turned out to be bad bets. But we've tried to make the most of what we had lying around. That's our way.

Your vision for the future of coal appears to be bleak. I believe your policies concerning coal are a sincere attempt to do what is best for America, working to eliminate environmentally damaging coal fire plants. But you can't and you shouldn't fault people here for feeling unfairly targeted by these policies. You may note that Floyd County, a historically Democratic county voted nearly 3-1 against your reelection. Those votes are a direct reflection of the decline of the coal industry.

We've worked and depended on the mines that produce that coal for two generations. It shouldn't take your economics adviser long to ascertain that destroying an already impoverished region's sole industry will decimate communities and have a trickle down effect on all other business.

So my question to you sir is this. If not coal, then what?

I invite you, Mr. President, to visit the 5th Congressional District of Kentucky, an honor you have yet to take. Meet a hardworking industrious people. A people who have worked tirelessly in some of the worst conditions for over a century. A people who take care of their own; no one sleeps on the streets here. We are a people, who frankly, sir, simply need an option, and we'll run with it. Help us. Give us a direction.

All we ask is that if you must strip us of our past, please help us find a path to a future.



Paul Driessen

Horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing have boosted shale gas production from zero a few years ago to 10% of all US energy supplies in 2012, observes energy analyst Daniel Yergin. Fracking has also increased US oil production 25% since 2008 — almost all on state and private lands, and in the face of more federal land and resource withdrawals, permitting delays and declining public land production.

In the process, the fracking revolution created 7 million jobs in oil fields, equipment manufacturing, legal and information technology services, and other sectors. It will generate over \$60 billion this year in state and federal tax and royalty revenues, reduce America's oil import bill by \$75 billion, and save us \$100 billion in imported liquefied natural gas, concludes a new IMF Global Insight analysis.

A resurgent American petroleum industry could add "as many as 3.6 million jobs by 2020, and increase the US gross domestic product by as much as 3 percent," says Citigroup's "Energy 2020" report. Fracking is bringing new jobs and revenues to states underlain by shale deposits, and could give our nation over a century of hydrocarbon energy that will keep prices low for fuel and petrochemical feed stocks.

That means more manufacturing and other jobs for millions of graduates and unemployed workers, and new prosperity for the "Rust Belt" and other areas. "Plunging natural gas prices have turned the US into one of the most profitable places in the world to make chemicals and fertilizer," says the Wall Street Journal. It's also "slashed costs for makers of energy-intensive products such as aluminum, steel and glass."

It could make North America energy independent and even a net exporter of natural gas. In fact, this amazing new technology could turn the United States into the world's #1 oil producer within just a few more years.

For people still concerned about "catastrophic manmade global warming" (despite 16 years of stable global temperatures), unconventional gas also provides a way to cut carbon dioxide emissions by up to 40% using clean-burning fuel that costs a third less than oil on a per BTU basis, notes Danish economist Bjorn Lomborg. The USA's CO2 emissions are now at their lowest levels in 20 years, because of natural gas, a sluggish economy, and the retirement of 100-200 coal-fired power plants due to an EPA regulatory onslaught that is based heavily on agenda-driven, slipshod and even fraudulent and illegal science.

Logic and common sense would engender unprecedented public, political and even environmentalist support for hydraulic fracturing and expanded oil and gas production. Indeed, that is Governor Romney's perspective and policy. Unfortunately, Team Obama remains largely opposed to domestic drilling, fixated on "renewable" energy, despite having already wasted some \$97 billion on wind, solar and algae projects

and poised to unleash a boxcar of new EPA and BLM rules designed to usurp state control and restrict or hyper-regulate fracking on federal, state and private lands alike, win or lose on November 6.

Team Obama justifies its stance by citing public anxiety over fracking. It fails to mention that this anxiety has been nurtured and orchestrated by a host of environmental pressure groups whose existence, monetary sustenance and political power depend on a steady stream of new ecobogobins. Their fractured fairy tales about this game-changing energy technology would be as funny as the Rocky and Bullwinkle tales, if the economic, employment, national security and environmental consequences weren't so serious.

Hydraulic fracturing devastates their mantra that we are running out of oil and gas. It annihilates their incessant assertions that hydrocarbons are the energy of the past, and renewables are the future. In reality, wind and solar cannot live with cheap natural gas (because they cannot possibly compete with it) and cannot live without it (because they only work 20% of the time and need gas as constant backup power).

Consequently, the anti-fracking factions have concocted a hodgepodge of eco-scares, each one more absurd and indefensible than the last.

Burning tap water. Yes, you can ignite methane at your kitchen faucet, if your well was drilled through gas-bearing rock formations and was not properly cemented and sealed to keep gas out. (Eternal Flame Falls in New York's Chestnut Ridge Park is one example of natural methane leakage.) But fracturing zones are thousands of feet below groundwater supplies; production wells use cement and steel casing that extends hundreds of feet below the surface; and sensitive instruments monitor down-hole activity, to ensure that valuable gas does not escape into near-surface formations or the atmosphere.

Groundwater contamination. Fracking fluids are 99.5% water and sand. The other 0.5% is chemicals that fight bacterial growth, keep sand particles suspended in the liquid and improve production. The vast majority today are found in household items that Americans use, safely every day — in toilet paper, beer, canned fish, dairy desserts, shampoo and cosmetic products. New fluids like those developed by FamilyJoule and Halliburton represent the new kinds of entirely nontoxic and biodegradable chemicals that almost all drillers are now using.

Steadily improving technologies, techniques and regulations minimize risks even further. For instance, heavy plastic liners are now commonplace under drilling rigs, storage tanks and containment pits. Along with modern drilling and well casing methods, they help make the likelihood of chemical or salt contamination of groundwater a minuscule fraction of what is posed by winter salting of icy roads.

Wastewater and water depletion. In addition to changing the composition of fracking fluids (and making that information readily available online), to address concerns about

water use and wastewater disposal, drilling companies increasingly recycle the water they use. Devon and other companies have recycled hundreds of millions of gallons, and some 90% of water produced in the Marcellus shale region of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia is now reused. Moreover, the amount of water used in fracking is far less than what is required to grow corn and process it into ethanol.

Earthquakes. Fracturing rocks does cause cracking that can be measured with ultra-sensitive equipment. But these micro-seismic events measure around 0.8 on the Richter Scale, about what is caused by a car passing by. Even loaded dump trucks register only a 3 (the minimum that can be felt by humans), and property damage does not begin until level 5. Deep injection of water for geothermal energy development or enhanced oil recovery operations (or to dispose of petroleum, municipal, or industrial wastewater) has caused detectable seismic activity; however, of more than 800,000 injection wells nationwide, only about 40 were actually felt at the surface. Rules and practices increasingly address these injection well issues.

Fracking regulations. State and local regulation and cooperation with industry, constant refinements and improvements in rules and practices, and accommodation to public concerns about water, drilling and fracking fluids, road congestion, community impacts and other issues have been ongoing for decades. That is part of the reason that 2.5 million instances of fracking worldwide (over 1 million in the USA) since 1949 have not caused any serious harm. That's a safety record any industry would envy.

Unfortunately, environmentalist fractured fairy tales cost us energy, jobs, revenue and prosperity — for no ecological benefit. The ultimate irony in Europe, where Big Green opposition to fracking and nuclear power, is ushering in a coal-burning renaissance. Germany and other central EU countries will be building 10,600 megawatts of new coal-fired electrical power plants during the next four years!

Meanwhile, green power mandates have already pushed Germany's electricity prices to the second highest in Europe (32 cents per kWh, compared to an average of 10 cents in the USA) — and the average German household faces another big rate hike over the next year. Countless jobs are also at risk.

America has the world's largest reserves of oil, gas and coal. We need access to these deposits, under national regulations that reflect reality, instead of eco fairy tales. We need people in the White House, Congress and government bureaucracies who can distinguish between fact and fiction, understand how to produce real energy, jobs and revenues, and don't have an agenda to "fundamentally transform" our nation.

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Mikah Kylie May



Our families rejoice, a new life has begun. Our circle is richer, with the birth of this little one. It's with much joy and pride that we introduce to you Mikah Kylie May, born on September 24, 2012 at 7:50 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 inches. Mikah Kylie May is the daughter of Jared and Jonna May of Prestonsburg. She is the granddaughter of Michael and Kenni Gambill and Lon and Denise May, also of Prestonsburg.

KFTC to help ratchet up efforts following election

GEORGETOWN — Election results are taken as new marching orders by Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, and the group plans to ratchet up its focus on health care and the environment, specifically a shift toward more clean energy production.

A member of the group, Rosanne Fitts Klarer, knows it can be a tough sell in the heart of coal country, but she says voters have sent a clear message. "Many people want to see us transition to cleaner energy

and not just be stuck in one type of energy."

Klarer, who helped lead KFTC's voter-empowerment efforts, says nearly 5,000 voters were registered leading up to the election.

"It actually, in my opinion, counteracts the negative ads and the cynicism that's out there."

KFTC also used voter guides and made calls to people, urging them to vote.

Recent survey shows Kentucky manufacturers plan to hire in 2013

FRANKFORT — Fifty-two percent of Kentucky manufacturers say they plan to hire between one and 19 employees in 2013, according to the recently conducted 2012 Annual Manufacturing Wage and Benefits Survey.

The survey is sponsored by the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet's Department of Workforce Investment and the Kentucky Association of Manufacturers (KAM), and will be distributed beginning Monday, Nov. 12.

"This study represents data collected from 184 companies in Kentucky representing over 68,000 employees," said Beth Briny, commissioner of the Department of Workforce Investment. "It gives us a valuable snapshot of what is happening in the manufacturing industry. It shows that manufacturers are pleased with their workforce and that turnover rates remain fairly low."

The survey showed that the positions of manufacturing employees included in the survey made an annualized average of \$47,486 in 2012. Most companies that responded to the survey — 94 percent — offer health insurance to their employees, while 92 percent of those cover family members as well. Questions about benefits showed that 79 percent of the companies provide nine or more paid holidays per year and 55 percent provide an annual bonus.

"KAM clearly understands the importance of helping the Commonwealth's manufacturing community control costs, especially when making hiring and promotion decisions," said Greg Higdon, KAM president and CEO. "KAM's annual Wage & Benefits Survey Report is a valuable tool for manufacturers to use in their efforts to compensate employees in a fair and competitive manner."

Sixty-four percent of Kentucky manufacturers surveyed are emphasizing education and training in green practices, such as reducing their energy use, making environmentally friendly products, reducing pollution, conserving natural

resources and being more cost effective. This number is up 10 percent from last year. New green products are being developed by 32 percent of these companies.

IQS Research of Louisville collaborated with KAM on the development of the wage and benefits survey for Kentucky's manufacturing community. The Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet's Department of Workforce Investment, Bowling Green Area Chamber of Commerce, Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation, Northwest Kentucky Forward, Greater Louisville Inc., Northern Kentucky Tri-County Economic Development Corporation and the Foundation for Kentucky Industry also supported the survey this year.

In addition to the statewide report, the Department of Workforce Investment worked with KAM to produce a set of regional reports. The information gives manufacturers timely and accurate wage and benefits information such as paid vacation and sick time, health insurance and overtime pay when making hiring and promotion decisions.

To conduct the survey, IQS Research e-mailed invitations to Kentucky manufacturers. Information was collected and compiled from July 2012 to September 2012. Of the employers who participated, 39 percent said that they had fewer than 100 employees. All of the information provided in the report is in aggregate form, so as to not identify individual companies.

Companies were also asked about hiring temporary workers. About 73 percent of the employers currently use temporary staff as compared to 67 percent in the last report. Furthermore, 45 percent of the employers plan to maintain this level.

The manufacturing sector employs about 217,338 people in Kentucky as of March 2012, according to the Department of Workforce Investment.

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Office of constable outdated, according to report

FRANKFORT — The office of constable is outdated and irrelevant as an arm of law enforcement and poses potential liabilities for counties, according to a report released today by Justice and Public Safety Secretary J. Michael Brown.

Citing several high-profile incidents involving constables over the past year, Sec. Brown in April directed the Department of Criminal Justice Training to convene a working group to assess whether constables still had a viable role in modern day law enforcement function.

"I asked DOJCT to develop a comprehensive, objective view of the authority, usefulness and purpose of constables —

to look at all angles of the office and determine if a position that served a defined need 200 years ago was still relevant today," Sec. Brown said. "The answer is a resounding no."

The six-month review included an historical perspective of constables in Kentucky and other states' experiences with the office, as well as statewide surveys conducted with primary stakeholders that elicited more than 1,400 responses.

The report, "Constables in Kentucky: Contemporary Issues and Findings Surrounding an Outdated Office," reveals an overwhelming majority of county and law enforcement officials see little to no practical purpose behind the constitutional office, and believe it should be abolished or its law enforcement authority eliminated or restricted.

The report also notes there is no required training, education and experience among office holders — a standard in consistent with other Kentucky law enforcement officers, who

are certified according to the Peace Officer Professional Standards.

"Certified peace officers undergo more rigorous pre-employment standards and training and are regulated through multiple layers of oversight in public scrutiny," Sec. Brown said. "That standard is diluted when law enforcement powers are shared with individuals who lack the required training and accountability."

The actual law enforcement benefit to counties is negligible, the report indicates, as constables currently perform less than one-fourth of one percent of the law enforcement work in Kentucky.

For the most part, constables perform security guard functions, direct traffic at events, or serve civil warrants. As none of these functions require law enforcement authority (and sometimes unauthorized) activities, these liabilities and risks to counties, according to the report.

Even among constables themselves, who were a sixth key stakeholder surveyed, there exists a dramatic disparity in the type of duties they perform; the understanding of what their role is; and the level of education and training they receive.

"While constables undeniably wish to perform a public service, the fact remains that for many of them the role is a part time position with no certified requirements, no certified standards and no training," said DOJCT Commissioner John Bizack. "What we have today is a position that has been called a hobby. And as a hobby, the office shouldn't have the same law enforcement authority as trained, certified professional officers."

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Wesley Christian falls to Oak Hill in opener

Times Staff Report

MOUTH OF WILSON, Va. — Heading into a season-opener at Oak Hill Academy, Wesley Christian was looking to pick up its first win of the 2012-2013 season. After coming out and hanging with Oak Hill Academy (Red) for the first 16 minutes, Wesley Christian only faced at eight-point deficit at the start of the third quarter. Oak Hill, however, managed to fend off Wesley Christian, defeating the visiting Riders 66-37.

"I couldn't have been happier with the way we played the first two quarters," Wesley Christian Head Coach Jack Jarrell commented. "We played good defense, took care of the basketball and moved really well against the bigger Oak Hill Academy team."

Heading into the third quarter, trailing by only eight points, Wesley Chris-

tian's momentum quickly went away as it was forced into committing nine turnovers during the eight-minute period. The Warriors converted on every one of the Wesley Christian miscues en route to a 26-2 scoring advantage during the frame.

"We went from doing everything right to totally going away from our game plan and just didn't play good basketball the third period," Jarrell noted. Trailing 57-25 heading into the final period, Wesley Christian got back into the form it had enjoyed during the first two periods, outscoring the home team 12-9.

"It was a total reversal, the fourth quarter from the third," Jarrell stated. "We went from not being able to do anything right to outscoring Oak Hill Academy in the final period. I was pleased with our effort for three quarters of

basketball and I saw what this team is capable of doing."

Senior center Stephen Goble paced Wesley Christian with a double-double, scoring 18 points and grabbing 13 rebounds.

Thomas Hall was the only other Wesley Christian to reach double figures. Hall scored 11 points and claimed three rebounds for the Riders.

Oak Hill Academy (Red) 66, Wesley Christian 37

Wesley Christian: Goble 18, Hall 11, Caldwell 4, Mosley 2, Thompson 1, Turner 1

Oak Hill Academy (Red): Ufu 14, Scott 13, Fovkus 4, Uburu 17, Ngom 5, Lock 6, Kutukeu 4, Norris 1, Stephens 2

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The Wesley Christian High School boys' basketball team tipped off the 2012-13 season with a game played at the gym of national powerhouse Oak Hill Academy.

UPIKE women drop road game to VIC

Times Staff Report

BRISTOL, Va. — Virginia Intermont College put three players in double figures and recorded 17 steals to knock off the University of Pikeville 77-64 Wednesday night.

The Coltras got the win despite being out-rebounded 44-37 and committing 18 turnovers in the game.

Pikeville (0-2) led only one time in the game, at 1-0, and trailed by as many as 21 late in the game.

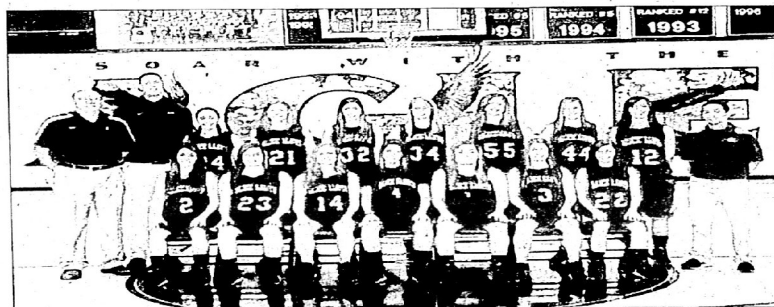
The Bears were led by junior Brogan Conley's 22 points, seven rebounds and four assists. The Paintsville native made all four of her team's three-point shots.

Freshman Kayla Day came off the bench for 10 points, six rebounds and three assists. Senior Sally Roberts had six points and matched Conley's seven rebounds.

VI was led by Ashley Lindholm's 15 points. She was 3-of-5 from the arc. Kayla Orrick scored 14 while pulling down seven rebounds. She was also credited with four steals.

Ramey Story finished with 11 points and a game-high eight rebounds off the bench.

Pikeville will be back in action on Thursday, Nov. 15 when it travels to Campbellsville to open Mid-South Conference play. The game is set for a 6 p.m. opening tip.



The Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team is off to a 2-0 start.

ALC ladies open season with two wins

Times Staff Report

PIPPA PASSES — The 2012-13 edition of the Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team opened its latest season on November 2 and head coach John Mills is excited about the potential of his latest squad.

"I really like the personnel we have this year," Mills said. "We have multiple players who can do multiple things, and we should be much harder to defend this season."

The team performed well in its two exhibition games, and since that point, has gone on to notch two wins against Martin Methodist (in the Union Classic) and Kentucky Christian University.

The Eagles' roster features no seniors. It consists of several juniors with big-game experience and several quality sophomores who garnered major minutes last season. Throw in a couple of skilled transfers and some plucky freshmen and you can see why Mills is excited to open play.

The key returner is Ariel Nickell. Last season, the 5-9 junior forward from Tazewell, Tenn. averaged 22.4 points per game. Her scoring average

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Bears nail three at buzzer, edge Life

Times Staff Report

MARIETTA, Ga. — Senior guard James "Deuce" Briscoe had 37 points, including the game-winning three-pointer at the buzzer to give ninth-ranked University of Pikeville a 102-100 win over Life University Wednesday night at the Eagle's Nest.

Briscoe, a 6-0 guard from Baltimore, had only seven first-half points, as did fellow senior guard Trevor Setty. The duo finished with 64, including 13 of their team's 16, overtime points to will their team to the win.

Life (1-2), a talented team that got votes in the NAIA Div. 1 preseason men's basketball poll, led by 14 (35-21) at one point in the first half and held a 45-33 edge at halftime.

But Pikeville (5-0), which shot only 31.4 percent in the first half, came out firing in the second 20 minutes, lifting its shooting to 46.5 percent.

Tied at 85, the Bears had a chance to win the game in regulation but a shot by junior guard Darnell Tubbs fell short.

In overtime, Pikeville went 6-of-13 from the field but 3-of-5 from the arc. Briscoe sank both of his, including the game-winner as the horn expired.

The Bears got the ball with 27.7 seconds left after senior guard Bobby Smith sank his free throws to put his club on top 100-99. Smith led five Runnin' Eagles in double figures with 23 thanks to 11-of-12 shooting from the line.

Pikeville got a shot that failed and a tip that missed before the ball wound up in Briscoe's hands with nine seconds left on the right wing. Both teams seemed out of control, but the calm senior elevated and hit his fifth three-point shot in nine tries on the night to end the game.

Setty, who also had seven in the first half, finished with 27 points. Junior guards Tubbs and Josh Whitaker each tossed in 11.

Whitaker added nine rebounds, eight coming off the offensive glass, to go with three steals before fouling out in the final minute of play.

Junior forward Brandon Greene, the early leader in blocked shots in the Mid-South Conference, had eight points and 11 rebounds to go with five deflected shots.

Life had five players in double figures. After Smith was senior guard Greg Thomas, seeing his first action of the season, fired in

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Stumbo defeats Allen for county title

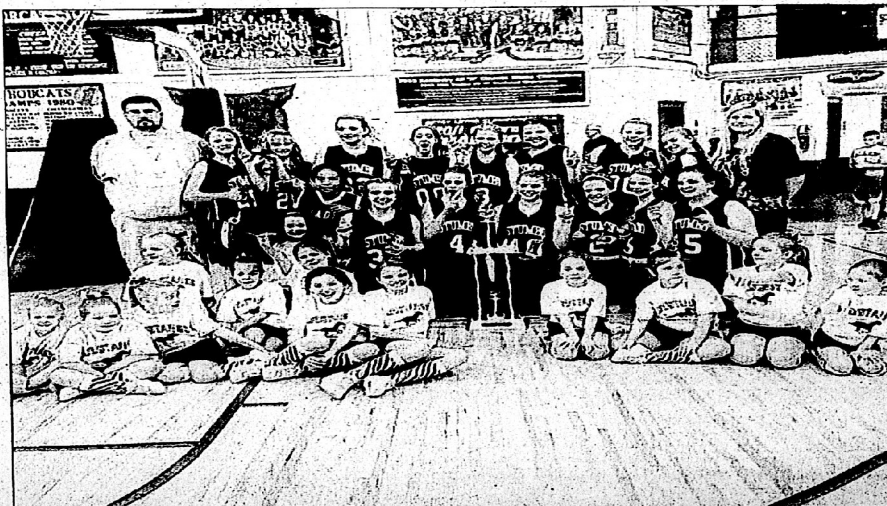
Times Staff Report

BETSY LAYNE — John M. Stumbo captured the Floyd County A-Team girls' basketball title on Wednesday, defeating familiar foe Allen 52-41 in the Dome. With the win, Stumbo dethroned Allen as Floyd County's top A-team squad.

Stumbo battled back from behind to register the win. The Lady Mustangs used a 19-6 run in the final quarter to claim the victory.

Allen outscored Stumbo 29-21 in the opening quarter and following a second period owned the same advantage at halftime. The Lady Eagles led 42-33 at the conclusion of the third quarter.

Stumbo was 14-for-37 from the field. Thriving from three-point range, Stumbo drained six-of-seven attempts from beyond the arc.



Stumbo defeated Allen for the Floyd County A-Team girls' basketball title.



The University of Pikeville women's bowling team placed third in the Brunswick Southern Open.

Bears place third, fourth in Brunswick Southern Open

Times Staff Report

MARIETTA, Ga. — The University of Pikeville bowling teams continued their solid pace this weekend as they competed in the Brunswick Southern Open.

The UPIKE women finished third in a field of 18 teams, four of which are Top 10 programs, while the men were fourth out of 22 teams.

In the women's draw, McKendree (Ill.) won the title, with Webber International (Fla.) finishing second. Pikeville was followed by Lindenwood (Mo.).

Three Bears made the all-tournament team, finishing in the top five among individual competitors. Junior Christina Halen was second with an average of

200.1, while sophomore Astrid Valiente was third with an average of 194. Senior Brandy Hensley finished fifth with a 189 average.

On the men's side, the champion was Lindenwood, followed by Webber International, Florida State and the Bears.

Sophomore Lucas Hohnstein of Boise, Idaho, was ninth in a crowded field of individuals with an average of 202. Teammate Fidel Marchena, a senior from the Dominican Republic, was 11th overall and averaged 199.

The teams will be back in action this weekend when they travel to participate in the Raider Classic. While the men compete in Dayton, Ohio, the women will be in Kettering, Ohio, for the same event.

Morehead State University to open season in Brooklyn

Times Staff Report

MOREHEAD — The Sean Woods Era will begin on Friday when the Morehead State University men's basketball team opens its 2012-13 regular season against defending Northeast Conference champion LIU Brooklyn. Tip-off from the brand-new Barclays Center in Brooklyn is set for 5:45 p.m.

The contest will also be the season opener for the Blackbirds, who finished 25-9 overall last season and advanced to the NCAA Tournament. MSU and LIUB have not met in men's basketball since the 1982-83 campaign, when the Blackbirds squeaked out an 81-79 win on a neutral floor.

Woods previously spent time with five

Division I men's basketball programs and led Mississippi Valley State to the 2012 NCAA Tournament.

A former standout guard for the University of Kentucky, Woods led Mississippi Valley State to 50 overall wins and 44 Southwestern Athletic Conference victories from 2008-2012. The 2011-12 Delta Devils finished 21-13 overall, 17-1 in the SWAC, won the conference tournament and advanced to the school's fifth-ever NCAA Tournament.

MVU improved by 14 overall wins and 10 conference victories from his first season to his fourth. Woods was recognized as the 2011-12 SWAC Coach of the Year and earned the prestigious Ben Jobe Award, which honors the top minority coach in NCAA Division I men's college

Runyon wins Tug Valley Bass Anglers' tourney on Boone Lake

Times Staff Report

KINGSPORT, Tenn. — On November 3-4, the Tug Valley Bass Anglers held its ninth tournament of the 2012 season on Boone Lake in Eastern Tennessee. Twenty-one qualified anglers competed in the event. This was the Club Classic, the final tournament of the year. In the end, longtime angler Kevin Runyon won the tournament.

Weather for the tournament was good. Practice day on Friday was devoted with partly cloudy skies but the wind blew 20 to 25 miles per hour nearly all day with an air temperature around 48 degrees, which made it trying and uncomfortable at times. Both days of the tournament were nearly identical with partly cloudy skies, light winds and temperatures in the mid 50s.

Boone Lake was in the process of being drawn down for winter and was about 10 feet below summer pool. The water on the lake is very clear from one end to the other.

This was only the club's second time holding a tournament on this lake.

The fishing was good all weekend. With the water being as clear as it was the fish would bite so early in the morning. Once it got bright out, however, fish would head to deep water and suspend. Needless to



Kevin Runyon is pictured with his winning catch from Sunday afternoon.

say the fishing was very tough for the majority of each day.

The fish were caught on the main lake as well as in the creeks and were from 2 to 10 feet deep.

There wasn't one main pattern for this tournament, fish were caught all over the lake and on various kinds of baits. The only common factor seemed to be that most fish were on steeper banks.

The top finishers were as follows: 1. Kevin Runyon, five fish, 16.69 lbs.; Big Fish - 4.63 lbs.; 2. Brandon Staten, five fish, 11.01 lbs.; 3. Brian Fields, four fish, 8.99 lbs.; 4. MO, four fish, 8.51 lbs.; 5. Trent Ramey, two fish, 3.99 lbs.; 6. Gary Varney, two fish, 3.93 lbs.; 7. Lynn Fields, two fish, 3.87 lbs.; 8. Michael Salyer, two fish, 3.73 lbs.; 9. Keith Pacific, two fish,

3.17 lbs.; 10. Lacy Edmiston, one fish, 2.54 lbs.

Sports for the Tug Valley Bass Anglers fishing club are Elliott Supply & Glass, Borders Sporting Goods, TMK Security and Personnel, Young Brother's Electric, Perry Distributors, Fat Boy's ATV Lodging, Muncie's Auto Recycling, Robinson Repairs, City Insurance, Nanaek Mini Warehouse & Storage, Omega Insurance Agency, Little B's Reel Service and Custom Fainting, Atlas Copco, Smith Adjusting, Don's Street Machine, Extreme Sounds, Stanley Lures, Thoroughbred Steakhouse, AGC Flat Glass, Trey K Electric, Wallen Puckett & Anderson, SKS Security Solutions, Blizzard Industrial Supply Company, Geoscan, BASCO Enterprises Inc. and Great Outdoors Marine.

Bears

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22 and hit all three of his three-point tries. Senior forward Andrew Woods had 14, senior center Mike Robertson 13 and senior center Stefan Pope 10.

Life edged the much smaller Bears 47-45 on the glass, with nobody having more than senior Dennis Harris with seven.

Life lost on a night it shot 52.1 percent

overall, 40 percent from the arc and was 20-of-26 (76.9 percent) from the line at home.

Pikeville will be back on the court at the East Kentucky Expo Center on Saturday afternoon against regional rival Alice Lloyd College. Tipoff for the Pikeville-Alice Lloyd men's basketball game is slated for 4 p.m.

ALC

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was good enough for fourth nationally. She also ranked 15th nationally in rebounds averaged per game (9.5). For good measure, Nickell was 18th in total steals with 80 and 25th in steals per game (2.5). She also led her club with 18 blocks. For her efforts, she was named Second Team All-American by the NAIA and First Team All-American by the USCAA. Furthermore, she was also selected both KJAC Player of the Year and KJAC Female Athlete of the Year (a first for Alice Lloyd College).

Nickell claimed the KJAC Female Athlete of the Year award.

"It was a great honor," Nickell said. "I didn't even know I was in the running. It shocked me. In my opinion, though, that award went to my whole team and Coach Mills. I couldn't have gotten it without them."

With such an impressive list of awards an accolade, one can understand why Nickell could be feeling some pressure this season. But the Lady Eagles' leader is not fazed.

"Last season, I was the primary scorer, but now, we've added several players to our team who can put up points. That takes ten pounds off my shoulders. We're all hungry to win!"

Alongside Nickell are her fellow juniors Courtney Crowder (Harrigate, Tenn.) and rugged Laken Gilliam (Church Hill, Tenn.), who are expected to provide valuable experience and leadership.

A trio of sophomores, Chelsea Brown (Frankfort), Chelsea Smith (Corbin) and Carla McDaniel (Sneedville, Tenn.), provided big minutes last season and have all improved their games over the off-season. Smith has



Ariel Nickell

blossomed into an athletic shot blocker, and McDaniel is, in Nickell's words, "a rebounding machine." Classmate Laciada Hack (Frankfort) was a bright spot as well and also will be counted on for heavy play.

Two transfers, sophomores Carla Booc (Warfield) and JJ Hickson (Lake City, Tenn.), have blended in well and are both loaded with ability. Each is expected to strengthen the backcourt with their exciting guard play. Hickson is already turning heads with stellar shooting from three-point range, and Booth provides the Lady Eagles with the steadiness and consistency they need at the point guard position.

Booth was quickly becoming a star guard at Eastern Kentucky University when she opted to leave Richmond for Pippa Passes.

"When I got to ALC, I automatically felt comfortable," Booth said. "I'd rather play in the Mountains, anyway. And Coach Mills is awesome. He's the best coach I've ever had."

Other newcomers that have Coach Mills excited about the future include Kiana Hall (Hi Hat), Megan Jones (Paintsville), Serena Nickell (Lazewell, Tenn.), Sophia Shearer (Beers), Kayla Stambaugh (Jenkins) and Courtney Stiltner (Tbsia, W.Va.).

Mills expects his team to make strides throughout the 2012-13 season. "We are picked in the preseason in fourth place for the conference and will go through some growing pains early on as we get used to each other," Mills said. "However, we will be fine once we adapt, and should be highly competitive by season's end."

"We have the pieces in place to be a high-scoring team on offense as well as an intense squad on the defensive end. In the game of basketball, that usually equals success."

The Lady Eagles defeated Kentucky Christian University 83-53 on November 6. Alice Lloyd will host Milligan College on Friday at 7 p.m. in a game at the Grady Nutt Athletic Center.

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CEDAR PROGRAM

CEDAR Presents it's Nineteenth Annual Teacher-Of-The-Year Award

THE 21ST CENTURY HAS USHERED IN MAJOR CHANGES IN OUR ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS. THESE CHANGES ARE HIGHLY REFLECTED IN COAL PRODUCING STATES THROUGHOUT AMERICA. BASICALLY CITIZENS HAVE LITTLE UNDERSTANDING OF THE COAL INDUSTRY'S IMPACT ON OUR ECONOMY AND DAILY LIFE. THIS 2012 COAL STUDY UNIT WAS DEVELOPED TO GIVE ALL STUDENTS AND THE COMMUNITY A BALANCED APPROACH ABOUT ENERGY NEEDS INCLUDING COAL. THE MAIN GOAL OF THE UNIT WAS TO DEVELOP A WELL-INFORMED, EDUCATED CITIZEN THAT CAN ENACT POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGE FOR NOT ONLY THE COAL INDUSTRY BUT FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL.

TO REACH THE GOAL OF THE UNIT, ACTIVITIES WERE PERFORMED IN SOCIAL STUDIES, MATH, SCIENCE, PRACTICAL LIVING, TECHNOLOGY, AND LANGUAGE ARTS. KEY TOPICS OF STUDY WERE WATER QUALITY OF OUR STREAMS, NUCLEAR, AND COAL TO LIQUID TECHNOLOGIES, AND ALTERING CARBON FOOTPRINTS. THE ACTIVITIES WERE FORMULATED TO CREATE INDEPENDENT CRITICAL THINKERS WHO COULD BRING ABOUT ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL CHANGE. DURING THE UNIT, STUDENTS BEGAN TO UNDERSTAND THAT CITIZENS HAVE THE POWER TO ENACT CHANGE ABOUT COAL NOT ONLY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, BUT IN THE NATIONAL ARENA. THEY REALIZED THAT THE COAL INDUSTRY AND CIT-

ZENS IN OUR REGIONS HAVE A COLLECTIVE COMMITMENT TO ECONOMIC GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

THIS YEAR'S TEACHER-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD RECIPIENT LED A GROUP OF TEACHERS FOR A PERIOD OF 6 WEEKS, TEACHING 179 STUDENTS IN 7TH AND 8TH GRADES AT ELKHORN CITY ELEMENTARY AND IN TURN, THESE 7TH AND 8TH GRADE STUDENTS BECAME MENTORS TO 4TH AND 6TH GRADE STUDENTS.

MS. JUDY BEVINS IS A TEACHER AT ELKHORN CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN PIKE COUNTY, KY. ONE OF HER MOST IMPORTANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AS FAR AS I AM CONCERNED, IS THAT SHE HAS CREATED, DEVELOPED, AND IMPLEMENTED A COAL STUDY UNIT IN HER CLASSROOM (19) OF THE (37) YEARS THAT SHE HAS BEEN TEACHING. THAT, IN AND OF ITSELF, IS WORTHY OF RECOGNITION.



Judy Bevins

The above description of Ms. Bevins' unit was written and presented by Ms. Karen Smith at the 2012 North Carolina Coal Institute's Summer Trade Seminar in Myrtle Beach, SC, where Ms. Bevins received the 2011-2012 CEDAR Teacher-of-the-Year Award. The award included \$2,000 for four night expenses plus a \$1,000 cash prize, making the total award valued at \$3,000. In order to qualify for this Award, Ms. Bevins' Coal Unit had to place first in her

grade-level category of 5th-8th grades, where she competed against (39) other teachers who participated in (15) other Coal Units. After receiving her Grade-Level Award of (\$741), Ms. Bevins' Coal Unit was judged against the First Place Units in both the 5th-8th, and 9th-12th grade levels in order to receive the overall award of Teacher-of-the-Year.

In summary, Ms. Bevins was selected to receive

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2012 STUDENT PROJECT OF THE YEAR



From left to right: Cody Neace, Sarah Compton, Team Captain Cody Phillips and Jerred Workman. Not pictured is team member Andrew Bevins.

The 19th Annual CEDAR Regional Coal Fair was one for the record books. Not only was it our largest event ever with 529 projects on display, it was also the first time in the history of the program that we had students create a project in the Technology/Multimedia cate-

gory that explored Artificial Intelligence; specifically "robotics, hydraulics or pneumatics" as they relate to coal.

During the school year, this team of students participated in an international competition known as FRC, or First

Robotics Competition. After the FRC season ended, Mr. Mendoza, the high school soccer coach and current coal miner at Alpha Natural Resource's Taylor Fork Energy jobsite, and Dr. Haridas, the team's mentor and FRC coach, met with the students to discuss taking what they had learned in the robotics competition and applying it to a project for the upcoming CEDAR Regional Coal Fair.

Mr. Mendoza brought in pictures of mining equipment to help generate ideas. With recent advancements in the field of robotics, the students reasoned that the coal mining industry would be safer and could dramatically reduce the chances of death or serious injury by using remote-controlled robotic equipment to mine coal. The team met for four days straight to design what would become their first RMV, or Robotic Mining Vehicle. The unit featured a continuous miner and was equipped with its own roof support system all controlled by a compact hard drive.

While half of the team began planning

and building a model underground coal mine, the other half started constructing the robot. Working after school every afternoon for three weeks, sometimes as late as 8 o'clock at night, assembly of the project began to take shape.

The base of the unit the team used in the international competition was repurposed, and most of the wiring redone. The core component of the robot was a cRio. This compact hard drive was developed by National Instruments and stored all robot code to run the unit. All the robot code was programmed by one of the team members. The robot was controlled by setting up a secure wireless connection between the robot and a mini-laptop and was operated from a drive station using joysticks.

The decision was made to equip the mining arm with a push lawn motor blade to represent a continuous miner. The main motor used was a CIM motor. This standard motor powered the continuous miner and also the wheels for driv-

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COAL STUDY UNIT - TEACHER AWARDS PROGRAM

During the 2011-2012 school-year, CEDAR Granted \$17,556 for the creation, development, and implementation of (40) Study Units (lesson plans on coal), involving (118) teachers and (3,818) students representing (28) schools from the following (9) school districts: Breathitt County, Floyd County, Johnson County, June Buchanan, Knott

County, Letcher County, Paintsville Independent, Pike County, and Pikeville Independent.

CEDAR provides an awards program that gives incentive for teachers to participate and cash rewards for those who excel in the implementation of their Unit and the reporting of its activities. Teachers are judged within their respec-

tive grade-level of either: K-4th, 5th-8th, or 9th-12th grade. The awards are on a pay-for-performance basis and are as follows based on a 100 percent possible scoring system:

First Place \$8 per percentage point
 Second Place \$5 per percentage point
 Third place \$3 per percentage point

The above applies to each of the three different grade-level categories resulting in a total of nine teachers receiving cash awards. CEDAR would like to congratulate the following teachers for their accomplishments in the 2011-2012

CEDAR Coal Study Unit Program:



Christy McCoy
 1st Place;
 K - 4

Southside Elementary



Judy Bevins
 1st Place;
 5 - 8

Elkhorn City Elementary



Patrick Lester
 1st Place;
 9 - 12

Phelps High School



Wendy Poe
 2nd Place;
 K - 4

Prestonsburg Elementary



Amy Swiney
 2nd Place;
 5 - 8

Southside Elementary



George Diamond
 2nd Place;
 9 - 12

Pike County Central High School



Latonya Rowe
 3rd Place;
 K - 4

Highland Elementary



Jennifer Wells
 3rd Place;
 5 - 8

James D. Adams Middle School



Mitch Justice
 3rd Place;
 9 - 12

Belfry High School

SCHOOL COORDINATORS' PROGRAMS

COAL STUDY UNIT PROGRAM

In order for schools to participate, and CEDAR to better implement its Coal Study Unit (CSU) Program, CEDAR invites Principals to select a teacher to serve as their schools' CSU Coordinator.

Workshops are conducted for Coordinators to receive all program information and materials so they can return to their school and recruit other teachers to participate. Teachers recruited by the Coordinators are invited to create a Study Unit about coal, and then submit a grant request to CEDAR to fund its implementation in their classroom, at no cost to their school.

CEDAR provides an awards program to reward those Coordinators who excel at performing their duties as their school's Coordinator. For judging purposes, all participating schools are grouped by the following:

Class "A" - having 1-15 teachers; Class "B" - having 16-30 teachers; and Class "C" - having 31 or more teachers. The Coordinators are scored on the following: percent of meetings attended; percent of reports submitted by deadline; percent of participating teachers at their school; and the weighted average score of all Coal Units from their school. The Awards Program is on a pay-for-performance basis and awards \$6.00 per percentage point scored to the Coordinator from each of the three above class categories having the highest score in their respective class category.

CEDAR wishes to congratulate the following teachers as recipients of the 2011-2012 Coal Study Unit Coordinator Awards: See right.

2011-2012 COAL STUDY UNIT COORDINATOR AWARDS



Loretta Shepherd,
Coal Study Unit Program:
Class "A"

(Jones Fork Elementary -
Knott County)



Jennifer Wells,
Coal Study Unit Program:
Class "B"

(James D. Adams Middle
School - Floyd County)



George Diamond,
Coal Study Unit Program:
Class "C"

(Pike County Central HS -
Pike County)

COAL FAIR PROGRAM

In order for schools to participate, and CEDAR to better implement its Coal Fair Program, CEDAR invites Principals to select a teacher to serve as their schools' Coal Fair Coordinator.

Workshops are conducted for the Coordinators to receive all program information and materials so they can return to their school and promote the program by encouraging students to participate. The Coordinator organizes and manages their school's Coal Fair and oversees the selection process of determining which projects will represent their school in the CEDAR Regional Coal Fair.

The Coordinator is then responsible for making sure the selected projects are delivered to the Regional Fair on the day of registration so they can be displayed and judged for the Student Awards Program.

CEDAR provides an Awards Program to reward those

Coordinators who excel at performing their duties. The awards are on a pay-for-performance basis and the scoring is based on the following: percent of meetings attended; percent of reports submitted by deadline; percent of subject categories entered (7 total) at the Regional Fair; percent of projects entered in the Regional Fair versus the number of projects invited; and, the weighted average score of all projects from their school. The following three place awards are presented based on the dollar amount shown for each percentage point earned:

First . . . \$9.00 per point
Second . . . \$7.00 per point
Third . . . \$5.00 per point

CEDAR wishes to congratulate the following teachers as recipients of the 2011-2012 Coal Fair Coordinator Awards: See right.

2011-2012 COAL FAIR COORDINATOR AWARDS



George Diamond,
Coal Fair Coordinator:
First Place

(Pike County Central HS -
Pike County)



Jennifer Fowler,
Coal Fair Coordinator:
Second Place

(Paintsville JR/SR High -
Paintsville Independent)



Charlene Owens,
Coal Fair Coordinator:
Third Place

(Central Elementary -
Johnson County)

CEDAR OF EAST KY COMPLETES NINETEENTH YEAR OF COAL EDUCATION

The CEDAR Board of Directors wish to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to all who have played a role in the planning, implementation, funding and any other area of support to CEDAR of east Kentucky for the past nineteen years.

After beginning as a pilot program in Pike County, Kentucky in 1993 the CEDAR program was offered to all school systems in the 2011-2012 school-year in the twelve eastern Kentucky counties of: Breathitt, Floyd, Harlan, Johnson, Knott, Lawrence, Leslie, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, Perry and Pike.

Over the past nineteen years CEDAR has funded (1,076) Coal Study Units, (teacher created lesson plans about coal), in the amount of (\$584,352) involv-

ing (2,283) teachers and (77,970) students researching and studying about many of the benefits the coal industry provides each of us in our daily lives. From these "lesson plans" students have created approximately (42,000) projects for entry in each participating school's Coal Fair with (7,685) of them advancing to the CEDAR Regional Coal Fair where (1,371) of them have received cash prizes totaling (\$202,800).

Over this nineteen year period CEDAR has expended \$3.15 million providing opportunities, incentives and rewards to teachers and students to discover for themselves many of the benefits the coal industry has, and continues to contribute to our standard-of-living and way-of-life.

The CEDAR story is a classic example

of what is possible when various entities sharing a common cause unite for a mutual purpose for the greater good of all. Without coal, we in this region, state, and nation would not be able to have had nor continue to enjoy the standard-of-living available to us today. Additionally, since World War II, the coal industry has been the primary contributor of energy required by our country to produce the needed equipment and provide the energy independence required to help defend and preserve the freedoms that we enjoy today.

Again, we say thank you to all who have participated in, or supported in any way the CEDAR program and we invite you to visit us at www.cedarinc.org for more information on all aspects of the CEDAR story and its programs.


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CEDAR invites you to visit our webpage where you can access the following;

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- * Coal Study Unit Coordinator Program;
- * Coal Fair Program;
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CEDAR, Inc FUND-RAISING EVENTS

HILLBILLY DAYS BOOTH

For the past 18 years, CEDAR has displayed and maintained a booth at the annual Hillbilly Days Festival in Pikeville. The booth is used to display and sell coal figurines, which has become very popular with many returning festival goers who add to their collection of previous years' purchases. The figurines are made of pulverized, (ground to fine power form) coal that is mixed with a resin, (a glue-like substance), then poured into a pre-cast mold of various coal and region related items. The proceeds of the sales go to help fund various CEDAR activities.

For the past several years the booth project has been led by volunteers from the Stanville, KY office of Brandeis Machinery. Janice Justice manages and leads the administrative part of the project and Rick Johnson handles the set-up and tear-down of the booth, which is a display tent that was purchased and donated by Brandeis Machinery under the direction of Barry Justice, Brandeis' East Region Manager.

CEDAR wants to express its sincere thanks to Barry, Janice and Rick for the great job they have and continue to do,

making it possible for CEDAR to enjoy the benefits this project provides, both financially and public relations as well. It also has enabled many of the festival goers to take a little part of our most abundant, reliable, and affordable natural resource home with them, COAL, the resource that continues to fuel our economy.

GOLF SCRAMBLE

For the past 15 years TECO Coal Corporation has sponsored the course fees at the Raven Rock Golf Course in Jenkins, KY for CEDAR to conduct its annual Golf Scramble, which continues to be its' single largest fund raising activity. The 2012 Scramble saw a record 137 golfers that withstood a rainy Spring day in May in order to assure the success of this event for the benefit of CEDAR and those that we serve, and for that we are most appreciative. Our sincere thanks go to the TECO management for this most generous contribution making this event possible and profitable.

Other major sponsors for the 2012 Scramble were as follows:

• Alpha Natural Resources -

Golf Prizes :

1. Low Gross Team Score - Cash Prizes (1st-3rd places)
 2. Longest Drive - New Putter
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- SGS Mineral Services - Lunch and Refreshments
 - Highland Machinery Corp - Door Prizes
 - James River Coal Sales - Hole Prizes (Hole-n-One, and Par 3's)
 - Summit Engineering - Conducted a Hit-The-Green Contest with the proceeds going to CEDAR.

The success of the Scramble depends heavily on the volunteers that make it all happen on the day of the Scramble. CEDAR was very fortunate to have the very capable services of Mr. Lloyd Harvey, and Tom Cravens, who served as the CEDAR representatives carrying out many tasks throughout the day required for hosting the Scramble. They were very ably assisted by Mr. Estell Isaac who traveled from Lexington to Jenkins in order to assist CEDAR with the Scramble, and for that we are very appreciative for his time

and extra effort.

QUILT RAFFLE

For the past 16 years CEDAR has purchased 7 quilts, made in the east KY area, to raffle-off at the North Carolina Coal Institute's (NCCI) Summer Trade Seminar in Myrtle Beach SC. This is the event where the CEDAR Teacher and Student-of-The-Year Award recipients are recognized and presented with their grand prize. The NCCI places a surcharge of \$25 on each paid registration that goes to CEDAR as a contribution, and for that CEDAR provides these quilts to be given-away in a raffle the evening of the Banquet.

This year's quilts were purchased from Lucy Coleman of Elkhorn City and Dan Borders of The Shady Shack at Lowmansville, KY. This quilt raffle has become a tradition at the Myrtle Beach meeting that attendees very much look forward to each year.

CEDAR wants to express its sincere thanks to the NCCI Board of Directors and their entire membership for continuing to provide this very significant fund raising opportunity for CEDAR.

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CEDAR Coal Exhibit

In March 2007, CEDAR, Inc. and the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, entered into a partnership to establish a permanent coal display to be housed in a portion of the lobby at the MAC. Known as the "CEDAR Coal Exhibit," the display focuses on the coal industry's role in the heritage of the eastern Kentucky area, including social, economic and other important facets of life in the region. It also serves as an informational and educational hub enabling visitors to make a real-life connection between themselves and the industry, as well as many of the benefits the industry has and continues to provide, either directly or indirectly, in our personal lives.

In addition to highlighting the social and economic impact of coal on Eastern Kentucky, the exhibit also shows how the indus-

try provided the resource that fueled the industrialization of America, how it continues to play a significant role in our nation's security while providing a high standard of living for our citizens by supplying an abundant and affordable energy source.

The exhibit consists of industry-related artifacts, as well as projects entered in past Coal Fair programs, along with photographs depicting early life in the eastern Kentucky coal fields, including but not limited to a focus on coal camp life in the early years of the industry.

The MAC plays host to an estimated 125,000 visitors each year, and it is hoped that the CEDAR Coal Exhibit will instill a renewed sense of pride and awareness of the importance the coal industry has on our local, state, and national landscape.



The "CEDAR Coal Exhibit" consists of industry-related artifacts and focuses on the coal industry's role in the heritage of the eastern Kentucky area.

STUDENT continued from front

ing the unit within the mine. A camera, also mounted on the mining arm, allowed the operator to see where and how to move the RMV.

To control the speed of the unit a Jaguar-a speed controller was connected from the power supply into the CIM. Joysticks on the drive station controlled the amount of electricity sent to the motor.

The roof support feature was powered by a pneumatic system. The system consisted of an air compressor attached on the base, and solenoids, pneumatic tubing, an air tank, and pneumatic jacks that connected the compressor to the air jacks. The compressor pumped air through the pneumatic lines into the air tank where it could be stored for use. The air was held in the tank until a button on the joysticks was pushed, sending a wireless signal to the robot. The robot recognized the signal and told the solenoid to open allowing the air to flow to the jacks pushing up the roof support. When the unit was ready to be repositioned or moved to the next location, the operator pushed another button sending a signal to tell the robot to bleed the pressure out of the system allowing the roof support to slowly fall back into its resting position.

This allowed the RMV operator to easily control the up and down movement of the roof support and provided the strength required to hold the roof up. In a real life situation, hydraulics would take the place of the pneumatic system for greater strength and failure resistance.

When the students met with the judges at the CEDAR Regional competition, their model underground coal mine allowed them to demonstrate all the features of the robotic mining vehicle in action. The judges were very impressed with the science, technology, engineering and math skills of the students as well as their ability to present their project so professionally.

This fall seventeen-year-old Team Captain, Cody Phillips, and teammates Andrew Bevins, Cody Neace, and Jerred Workman will be entering their Senior year and sixteen-year-old Sarah Compton her Junior year at Belfry High School, located in Pike County, Kentucky. All five students excel academically, and their future plans are as varied and unique as each of them. In this group we have a budding journalist, medical specialist, high-performance mechanical engineer, and one who plans to go into public service. If the ingenuity and dedication they exhibited in this year's winning project are any indica-

tion, the future holds much promise for them.

We at CEDAR are proud to have this talented team of students represent the Coal Fair Program this year. Please join me in congratulating them on a job well done. Ladies and gentlemen, with us this morning Team Captain Cody Phillips and teammate Sarah Compton...

The above introduction was written and presented by Ms. Karen Hamilton, Manager of the CEDAR Coal Fair program at the presentation of the 2012 CEDAR Student-of-the-Year Award in Myrtle Beach, SC. The venue was the Summer Trade Seminar of the North Carolina Coal Institute where Team Captain Cody Phillips, and team mate Sarah Compton were recognized in front of the convention attendees. The award included \$2,000 for four night expenses plus a \$1,000 cash prize, making the total value of the award \$3,000. In order to qualify for the Student-of-the-Year Award, the Team placed first in the Technology/Multi-Media category of the 9th-12th grade-level where they were awarded (\$124), then placed first in the 9th-12th Grade-Level Overall judging, where their project was judged against the first place projects from the other six categories, thus receiving (\$391) for the Grade-Level Overall Award. The final stage of judging involved taking the first

place project in each of the three grade-levels (K-4; 5th-8th; 9th-12th) and judging them against each other to determine the best over-all project of the Regional Coal Fair. It is worth noting that before a project can be declared the best over-all, all twenty-one judges (three for each of the seven subject categories) must reach the unanimous decision of selecting the best over-all project, thus determining the recipient of the Student-of-the-Year Award.

CEDAR is very proud and honored to have Cody Phillips and Team as the recipient of its 2011-2012 Student-of-the-Year Award.

TEACHER continued from front

the CEDAR Teacher-of-the-Year Award from a total of (118) participating teachers from (28) schools representing (9) school districts from (7) counties of eastern Kentucky. Her Coal Unit was selected as best among (40) Units, and netted her a total of (\$3,741) in cash prizes.

CEDAR is very proud and honored to have Ms. Judy Bevins as its 2011-2012 Teacher-of-the-Year, a well-deserved honor.

STUDENTS COMPETE IN REGIONAL COAL FAIR

Students from (36) schools in the counties of Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Letcher, and Pike participated in their local school's Coal Fair program completing (2,559) projects demonstrating their understanding of how coal is formed, mined, and transported, as well as how the industry affects their daily lives. Five hundred and twenty-nine (529) of these projects were on display at the CEDAR Regional Coal Fair held April 9th-13th at the U Pike Gymnasium, where some (3,800) students, and teachers toured the event, along with many visitors from across the region who came to marvel at the talent and resourcefulness of our area's ele-

mentary and secondary students.

Projects were entered in the seven subject categories of: Science, Math, English/Literature, Art, Music, Technology/Multimedia, and Social Studies. Exhibits ranged from homemade quilts, paintings, and sculptures; to original songs, stories, mine replicas, science experiments, and computer animation, to the first time ever of a robotics model featuring a continuous-miner machine, as well as in-depth analysis of critical issues facing the coal industry today.

Students were awarded on a pay-for-performance basis. Cash prizes were given in each category in the

three grade levels of, (K-4, 5-8, and 9-12). Awards were based on the average percent of total points earned versus points possible: First Place - \$1.25; Second Place - \$1.00 per point; and Third Place - \$0.75 per-point. Sixty-three category prizes totaling \$5,676 were awarded, but the biggest reward was a hands-on education in coal.

In recognition of their outstanding achievement, an Awards Luncheon was held April 14th at the Landmark Inn's Mark V Convention Center in Pikeville where students were presented their cash awards.



After the judging to determine the First, Second, and Third Place winners in each of the seven subject categories, in each of the three grade-levels (K-4, 5-8, 9-12) was completed, the judges revisited the seven, First Place, projects in each of the three grade-levels to determine the First, Second, and Third Place Grade-Level Over-all winners in each of the three Grade-Levels.

The cash prizes for these nine awards were based on the following scale with one hundred percentage points for each being possible:

First Place: \$4.00
(for each percent scored)

Second Place: \$3.00
(for each percent scored)

Third Place: \$2.00
(for each percent scored)

CEDAR wishes to congratulate these students for a job well done!

1st Place



K-4
Emily Fowler
Paintsville Elementary



5-8
Alex Fowler
Paintsville Elementary



9-12
Cody Neace, Sarah Compton, Cody Phillips, Jerred Workman and Andrew Bevins (not pictured)
Belfry High School

2nd Place



K-4
Lukas Ritchie & Garrett Ritchie
Hindman Elementary



5-8
Austin Dillon
Belfry Middle School



9-12
Ashley Justice, Erica Stapleton and Josh Johnson
Pike County Central High School

3rd Place



K-4
Ross Damron
Pikeville Elementary

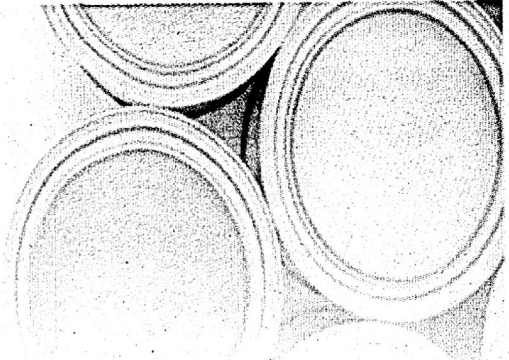


5-8
Kiera Lovell
Southside Elementary



9-12
Laken Parsons
Allen Central High School

ART



1st Place



K-4
Riley Gilliam
Pikeville
Elementary



5-8
Amber Wolford
Southside
Elementary



9-12
Laken Parsons
Allen Central
High School

2nd Place



K-4
O'Riley Akers
Prestonsburg
Elementary



5-8
Collin Mosley
Carr Creek
Elementary



9-12
Austin Casebolt
Pike County Central
High School

3rd Place



K-4
Logan Triplett
Porter Elementary



5-8
Hunter Dyer
Porter Elementary



9-12
Timothy Mounts
Belfry High School

English

1st Place



K-4
Emily Fowler
Paintsville
Elementary



5-8
Hunter Hylton
June Buchanan



9-12
Alyssa Gregory
June Buchanan

2nd Place



K-4
Johnathan
Blackburn
Prestonsburg
Elementary



5-8
McKenzie Bentley
Phelps Jr. High
School



9-12
Dustin Brooks
Pike County Central
High School

3rd Place



K-4
Dalton Maynard
Mullins Elementary



5-8
Kolton Hofsess
June Buchanan



9-12
Wendi Smith
Pikeville High
School

Mathematics

1st Place



K-4
Alyson Prater
Majestic Elementary



5-8
Logan Billiter
Virgie Middle School



9-12
Jasmine Newman, Drew Burke (not pictured)
Pike County Central High School

2nd Place



K-4
Jordan Blankenship
Phelps Elementary



5-8
Jake Long
June Buchanan



9-12
Erin Edwards, Gunner Ratliff and Wayne Matheny
Pike County Central High School

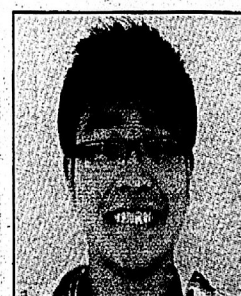
3rd Place



K-4
Ava Grace Hyden
Prestonsburg Elementary



5-8
Dylan New
Phelps Elementary



9-12
Chin Li, Reagan Clark (not pictured) & Justin Runyon (not pictured)
Pike County Central High School



MUSIC

1ST PLACE



K-4
Kylie Hall
Phelps Elementary



5-8
Kaley Long
Belfry Middle School



9-12
Marlana VanHoose
Johnson Central High School

2ND PLACE



K-4
McKinlee Potter
Pikeville Elementary



5-8
Brooklyn Hatton
Whitesburg Middle School



9-12
Caleb Hall
Pikeville High School

3RD PLACE



K-4
Emma Stewart
Prestonsburg Elementary

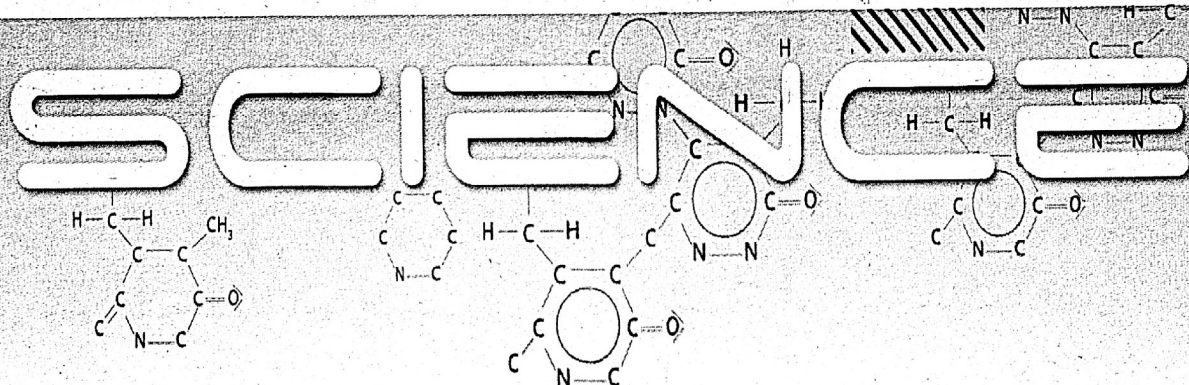


5-8
Jamie Sione
Carr Creek Elementary



9-12
Kenneth Gibson
Pike County Central High School

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1ST PLACE



K-4
Emily Conn

Hindman
Elementary



5-8
Austin Dillion

Belfry Middle
School



9-12

Ashley Justice, Erica Stapleton and Josh Johnson
Pike County Central High School

2ND PLACE



K-4
J.T. Dials

Highland
Elementary



5-8
Josh Griffith

Betsy Layne
Elementary



9-12

Kinsey Patton,
Darianna Friend
(not pictured) and
Dewey Copley
(not pictured)

Pike County Central
High School

3RD PLACE



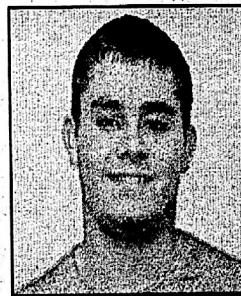
K-4
Luke Hyden,
Karsten Poe and
Jake Hyden

Prestonsburg
Elementary



5-8
Ashley Bergman

Hindman
Elementary



9-12

Kyle Salisbury,
Alton Stevens
(not pictured) &
Jacob
Blackburn
(not pictured)

Pike County Central
High School

Social Studies

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1st Place



K-4
Ross Damron
Pikeville Elementary



5-8
Kiera Lovell
Southside Elementary



9-12
Anna Sisco, Elon Justice, Frankie Dawhare, Solene Rieu (not pictured) and Todd Branham (not pictured)
Pikeville High School

2nd Place



K-4
Olivia Halfhill
Prestonsburg Elementary



5-8
Nicholas Hatfield
Phelps Elementary



9-12
Whitney Blankenship and Tessa Wolford (not pictured)
Phelps High School

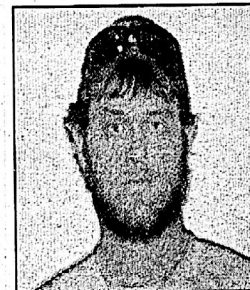
3rd Place



K-4
Zachariah Hall
Beaver Creek Elementary



5-8
Megan Hall
June Buchanan



9-12
Troy Coleman
Pike County Central High School

TECHNOLOGY / MULTI-MEDIA

1ST PLACE



K-4
Lukas Ritchie &
Garrett Ritchie

Hindman
Elementary



5-8
Alex Fowler

Paintsville
Elementary



9-12
Cody Neace, Sarah Compton, Cody Phillips, Jerred
Workman and Andrew Bevins (not pictured)
Belfry High School

2ND PLACE



K-4
Tayton Dotson
Phelps Elementary



5-8
John Ashurst
Southside
Elementary

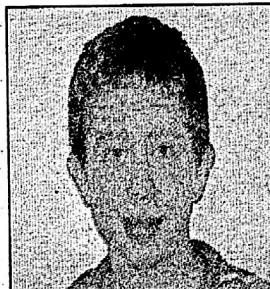


9-12
Haleigh Bevins
Pikeville High
School

3RD PLACE



K-4
Jeffrey
Anderson
Mullins Elementary



5-8
Zachary
Akers
Betsy Layne
Elementary



9-12
Emily Altman
Pikeville High School

MARS INVASION 2030

From Coal Camp to Space Camp

Mars Invasion 2030: From Coal Camp to Space Camp is a unique educational program developed by a partnership between CEDAR, Inc. and the Challenger Learning Center of Kentucky and sponsored primarily by the coal industry. The program enables fourth grade students to explore and learn many of the similarities between coal mining and space science, as well as the similarities of the job skills required to be either an astronaut or coal miner.

The program casts students as the first humans who will colonize Mars in 2030, which could be the year that NASA attempts the first manned-mission to the Red Planet. The students learn about the skills that were required in the establishment and operation of coal camps and then they apply those skills in their planning of creating and establishing the first camp, or colony, on Mars.

The program addresses all core content domain areas of the Kentucky Department of Education's Core Standards. It provides studies and activities for 2-4 weeks of classroom work followed by a visit to the Mars Interactive Museum at the Challenger Learning Center in Hazard, where the students have the opportunity to participate in eighteen hands-on activities based on science, math and technology.

At the end of their visit, the students view a video featuring retired astronaut William Readdy and TECO VP of Operations Bob Zik, a mining engineer, conversing about the similarities of their personal, educational and professional

backgrounds and how science, math and technology plays a prominent role throughout their respective fields. The video allows students to see that like space science, coal mining is a very sophisticated, honorable and important profession that offers careers that require advanced education in science, math and technology that will give them the opportunity to stay in their home region and enjoy an occupation that will provide them and their family with a high standard of living.

The 2011-2012 school-year was the fourth year of the Mars program and included the following participation:

- Sixty-two teachers trained in the Mars Invasion curriculum;
- Approximately (170) Mars Invasion lessons taught in fifty-three, fourth grade classrooms across the central Appalachian coalfields;
- Eighty-five fourth grade groups consisting of 1,949 students, participated in the Mars Invasion program which included the classroom instruction as well as a visit to the Mars Interactive Museum at the Challenger Learning Center in Hazard.

CEDAR would like to extend a special thank-you to the following sponsors of the Mars Invasion program for providing this unique learning experience to these students to learn about the importance and

similarities of the disciplines of science, math, and technology in the fields of Space Science and Coal Mining:

- Alpha Natural Resources - (Highland, Meade Memorial, Porter, Paintsville Ind - Johnson Co.), (Cowan, Beckham Bates, Arlie Boggs, West Whitesburg, Fleming Neon, Martha J Potter - Letcher Co.), (Beaver, Carr Crk, Jones Fork - Knott Co.) (Inez Elem - Martin Co.) (Mullins, Virgie - Pike Co.) (JW Adams - Wise, VA), (Matewan Elem - Mingo Co. WV)
- CAM Mining/Rhino Energy - (Dorton Elem in Pike County);
- Coal Mac/Arch Coal - (Burch Elem - Mingo Co. WV)
- Coal Mining-Our Future - (All fourth grade classes in Breathitt, Leslie, and Perry Counties);
- Cumberland Elkhorn Coal - (Rosspoint Elem in Harlan County);
- Elk Horn Coal - (W.D. Osborne, McDowell Elem, J.M. Stumbo - Floyd Co.)
- Marshall Resources - (Millard Middle, Feds creek, and Elkhorn City Elementary in Pike County);
- JigSaw Enterprises - (St. Francis - Pikeville)
- McCoy Elkhorn Coal Co. (Kimper, Phelps, and Majestic Elementary in Pike County);
- Industry-At-Large - (Beattyville, Elem - Lee Co.)

If you would like information on sponsoring a fourth grade class in your area call 606-477-3456.

CEDAR HOSTS UK EXTENSION AGENTS GROUP FOR COAL TOUR

In June 2012, CEDAR hosted seven county agents of the University of KY Extension Service for a two day Coal Tour which included the following activities:

CATTLE RANCH TOUR:

The two-day tour began with a visit to the D&D Cattle Ranch in Perry County that was established in the early 1990's by Pine Branch Coal Sales as their post-mine land use. The tour was led by Mr. Larry Clay, the Texas rancher who developed the ranch and has operated it since its inception. The group was able to see the beauty of ranch/farm land on top of a mountain-top removal site and how productive the land has become post-mining versus pre-mining. This part of the tour enabled the participants to establish a visual of the beauty of a ranch that was only made possible through the mountain-top removal mining method that was used by the mining company.

CHALLENGER LEARNING CENTER TOUR:

The first day concluded with dinner and tour at the Challenger Learning Center in Hazard. In addition to learning about the Challenger program and touring the simulators, the group received a presentation on the *Mars Invasion-From Coal Camp to Space Camp* program, including a tour of the Mars Museum.

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UK Extension Service agents visit the D&D Ranch in Perry County



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UK Extension Service agents visit the Challenger Learning Center in Hazard



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UNDERGROUND MINE TOUR:

The second day began with TECO Coal Company's Perry County Coal unit hosting the group for a combined breakfast and safety training session in preparation for their underground mine tour. The group then was led on a tour of one of TECO's underground mines by TECO personnel headed by Paul Jackson, Director of Operations for Perry County Coal. The group felt that the tour gave them a better understanding of the practice of mining, as well as a deeper appreciation for, and understanding of the miner and the job they perform in order to provide the energy we need to maintain our standard-of-living. The tour put a face to the industry that enabled the participants to see the industry from a dif-

ferent perspective than they had imagined prior to the tour.

RECLAMATION / REFORESTATION TOUR:

The second and final day ended at the Little Elk Surface Mine operation in Knott County (aka The StarFire Mine). At this site the group learned about the history and purpose of the Appalachian Regional Reforestation Initiative, and was able to participate in a walking tour of the different research cells that are managed by the UK Forestry Dept. The tour was conducted by the following individuals:

1. Paul Rothman, Chief Scientist
KY Dept of Natural Resources
2. Dr. Don Graves, Retired Chair



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UK Extension Service agents complete final preparations for underground mine tour

UK Forestry Dept

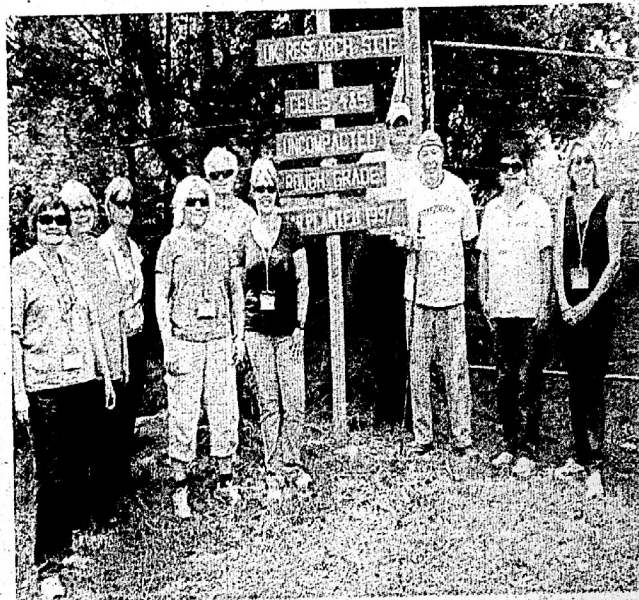
The tour enabled the participants to see the result of the reclamation method known as Reforestation, where reclaimed sites are turned into forest lands. The group was very impressed at the size of the trees that were planted just sixteen years ago. They saw firsthand the benefit this reclamation practice can provide the environment, as well as the entire region through: reduced

water run-off; recreation opportunities, increased wildlife habitat; and many more.

The participants considered the two-day tour very beneficial and well worth the time they had invested, learning more about the mining industry, and particularly the miner. They were equally impressed with learning how reclaimed mine lands can add value to the individual communities and region as a whole through different forms of reclamation.



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UK Extension Service agents attend safety training before going underground in Hazard



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Dr. Don Graves and Paul Rothman leads the UK Extension agents on a reforestation tour at Little Elk Surface Mine in Breathitt/Perry Counties

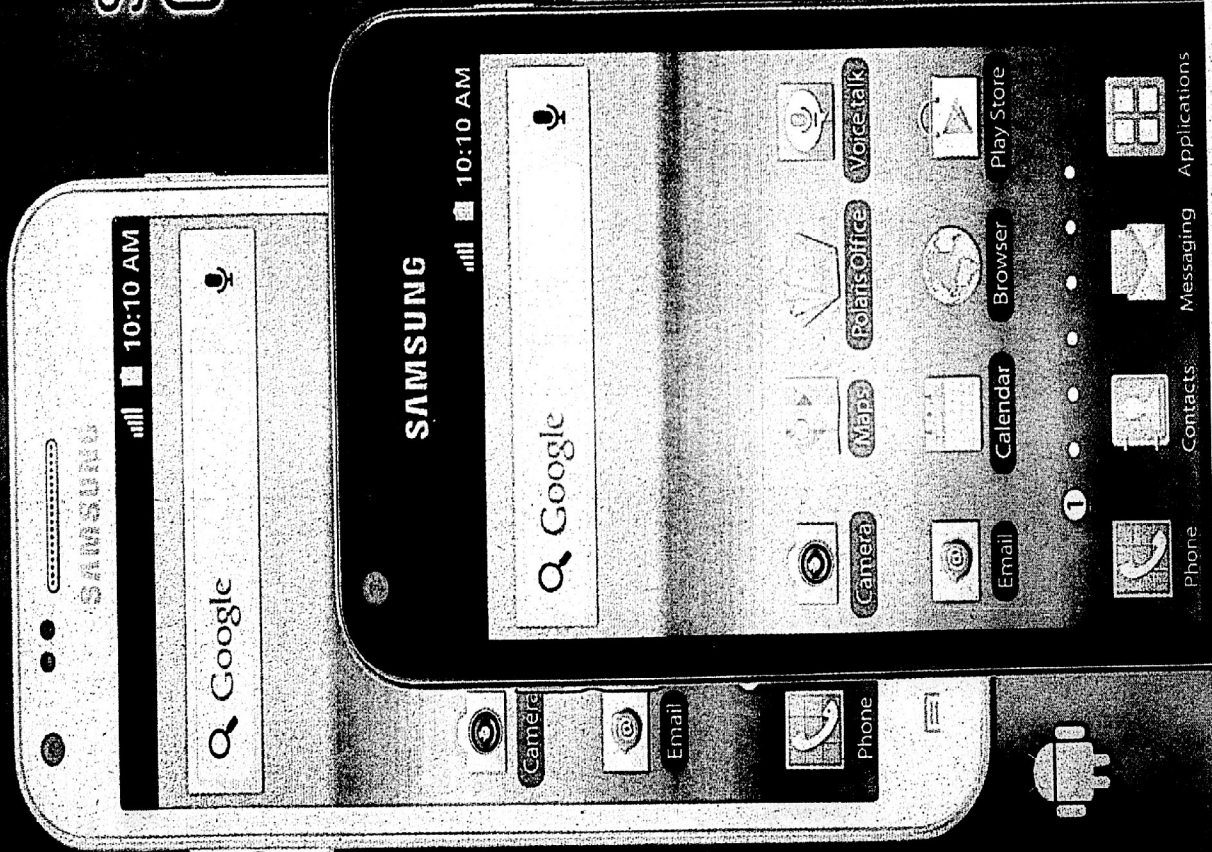
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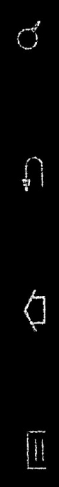
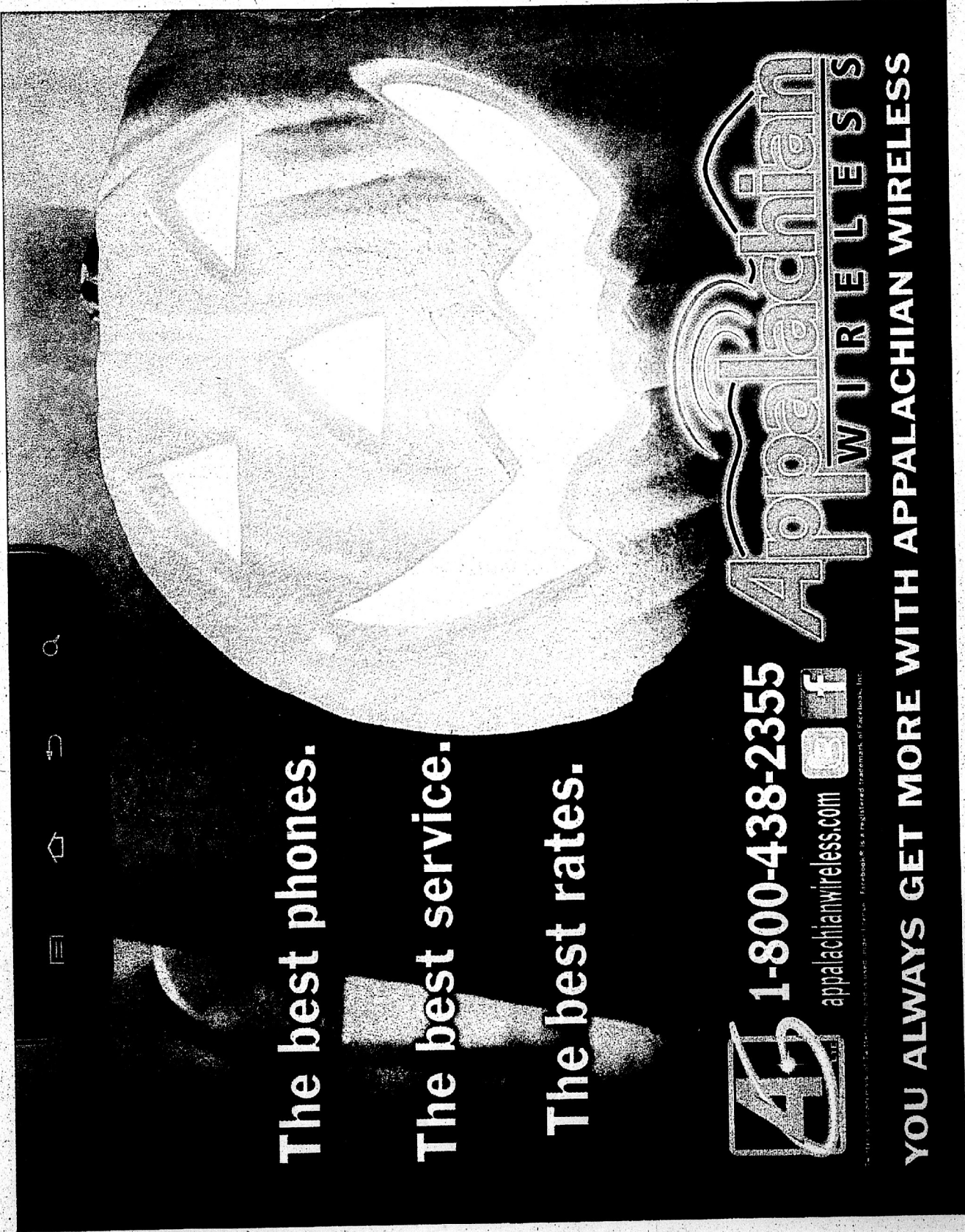
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■ CEDAR and SOUTHEAST KY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PARTNERS TO HOST ENERGY SUMMIT '11

For the third consecutive year CEDAR and the Southeast KY Chamber of Commerce partnered to produce and host the Energy Summit event for the purpose of providing a high quality speaker to address a topical subject relative to the coal/gas industries and our area. This year's theme was "EPA's Science: Truth or Consequences". This topic was chosen due to the U.S. EPA's actions to interrupt and stymie the production of coal based on science that is contrary to many in the scientific community.

This year's speaker was Dr. Patrick J. Michaels, Senior Fellow in Environmental Studies at the CATO Institute, and Senior Research Fellow for Policy and Economic Development at George Mason University. Dr. Michael's presentation included his view on, "the futility of carbon dioxide regulations, the shoddy science that EPA uses as its cover, and the immortality of the EPA's efforts to destroy the fossil fuels industries regardless of who is President or who controls Congress". The event was held in the banquet room of the East Kentucky Exposition Center in Pikeville and was attend by 260 people representing industry, business, education, and politics/public service. The

Summit was again sponsored by EQT who gave a significant sponsorship fee, thus making the event possible.

Dr. Michaels arrived in Pikeville on November 16th and attended a private dinner with state and local political leaders, as well as a representative from U.S. Senator McConnell's east KY office. Also attending were leaders from the coal and natural gas industries, business community, and education field. The private dinner allowed a more personal and open discussion between the 32 attendees and Dr. Michaels, which provided a more open dialogue than the Summit setting would have allowed. Alpha Natural Resources sponsored the private dinner, thus making this first-time event possible.

The following is a brief description of the remainder of Dr. Michaels activities while in our area:

THURSDAY, NOV 17TH:

- Traveled with Lynn Parrish and Henry Cook for

an underground mine tour at one of Booth Energy's mines in Martin County;

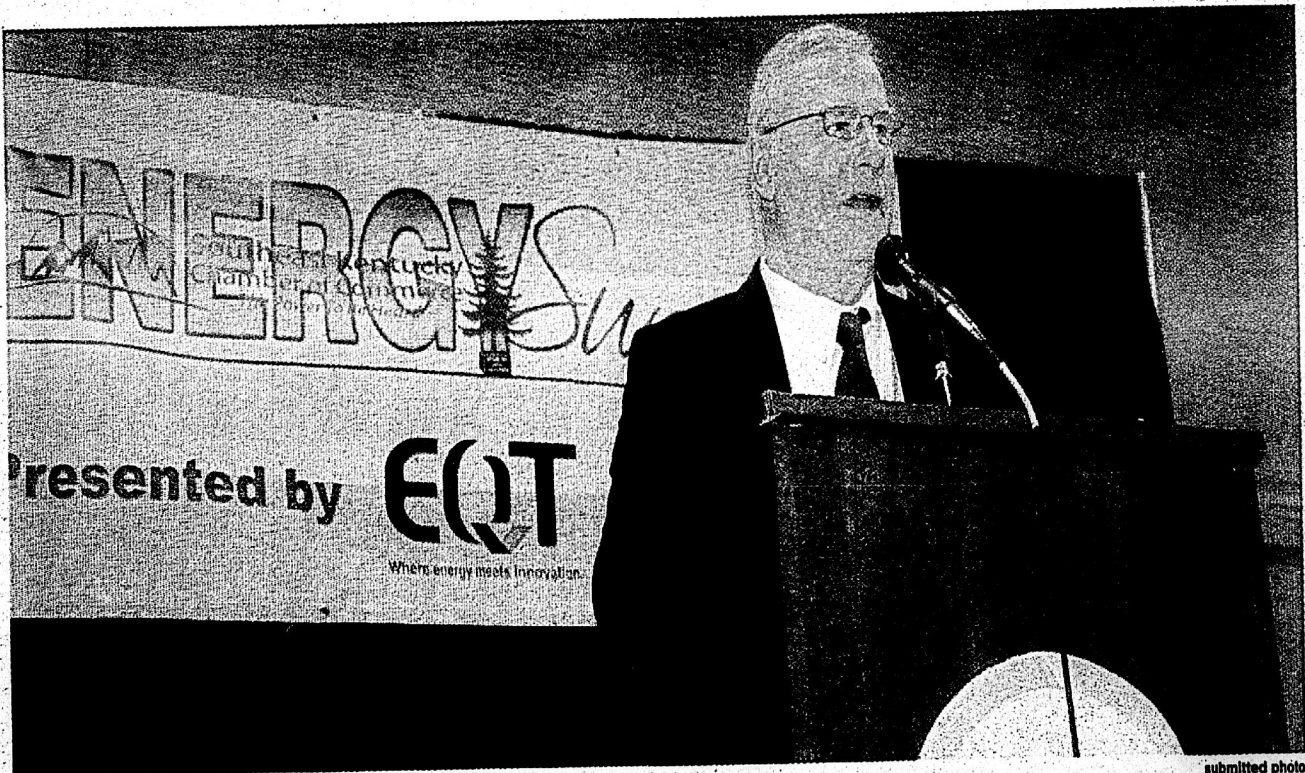
- Attended the Summit dinner, followed by his presentation, then a question/answer session, ending with a book-signing.

FRIDAY, NOV 18TH:

- Traveled with Rusty Justice to WYMT-TV's Hazard studios for the taping of "Issues and Answers-The Mountain Edition", ending Dr. Michael's Summit related activities.

Many thanks to Lynn Parrish, Henry Cook, and Rusty Justice for making Dr. Michael's visit more meaningful than it otherwise would have been.

CEDAR would like to express its' sincere thanks to the management and staff of the Southeast KY Chamber of Commerce for their partnership and hard work in making Energy Summit '11 another successful event. We also express our sincere thanks and gratitude to EQT for serving as the event's premier sponsor, thus making Energy Summit '11 possible.



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Dr. Patrick Michaels addresses the crowd at the 2011 Energy Summit in Pikeville